



Meeting Minutes

**Multimodal Technical
Advisory Committee (M-TAC)
Thursday, September 2, 2010
8:00 A.M.**

**Prescott City Council Chambers
201 S. Cortez Street
Prescott, AZ 86303**

AGENCY VOTING M-TAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman	Craig McConnell, City of Prescott
Vice-Chairman	Ron Gritman, Town of Chino Valley
Member	Norm Davis, Town of Prescott Valley
Member	Cynthia Moody, U.S. Forest Service
Member	Joel Berman, Town of Dewey-Humboldt
Member	Charla Glendening, ADOT MPD
Member	Greg Gentsch, ADOT Prescott District
Member	Phil Bourdon, Yavapai County

CYMPO STAFF

Administrator	Chris Bridges
Program Coordinator	Jean Knight

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES

Yavapai County	Mike Willett, Matt Carpenter
FHWA	Nate Banks, Georgi Ann Jasenovec
Dava & Associates	Gordon Bowers
Town of Chino Valley,	Vice Mayor Romley, Robin Allen
ADOT Prescott District	Alvin Stump
CivilTec	Richard Straub
WVCO	Ken Janecek

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND/OR INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman McConnell called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. Jean Knight, CYMPO Program Coordinator performed roll call.

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT:** This item is to provide an opportunity for presentation of comments by the public on subjects ***not on the agenda***. Individuals wishing to address the M-TAC need not request permission in advance and are limited to three (3) minutes. The public may also comment on individual agenda items, as each item is considered by the M-TAC, subject to a time limit of three (3) minutes.

Nate Banks, FHWA, introduced Georgi Jasenovec, FHWA, the new representative for our region.

3. CYMPO ANNOUNCEMENT

Introduction of Transit Development Coordinator

Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator, introduced Matt Carpenter, the recently hired Transit Development Coordinator.

Mr. Carpenter has 6-years of transit management experience and has managed grant funds. He is an employee of Yavapai County; at the will of the CYMPO board.

ACTION

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Minutes of June 3, 2010

B. Special Meeting Minutes of July 1, 2010, (Not present: Cynthia Moody, Charla Glendening & Greg Gentsch)

MOTION

Member Davis presented a Motion to approve the June 3, 2010 & July 1, 2010, meeting minutes. The Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Grittman.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

The Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

5. GREAT WESTERN CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY PRESENTATION

Mike Willett, Yavapai County

(Task 1.2)

Mike Willett, Yavapai County, indicated that the final study was completed this past spring and has the Yavapai County Board of Supervisor approval.

Mr. Willett displayed the different study access controlled roads and explained what the different colors of the maps represented. Great Western is a central part of the regional movement and economic development in the region.

The various studies indicate a need for 8- traffic lanes to handle the proposed 2030 traffic. 400 feet is the minimum size of the road. He related the connection to 89A is the potential Road 5 South in Chino Valley.

Chairman McConnell questioned if the Arizona Game & Fish has been in the discussion during the study. Mr. Willett responded that the study was performed at the federal standard and there were numerous public meetings. Member Bourdon added that the important part of study was taken from the Regional Transportation Plan; however, upgrading. Landowners and FHWA were involved in the process.

Vice Chairman Grittman related that looking out 15-years; this is a project that needs to move forward. Member Davis noted that Prescott Valley has moved forward to adopt road plans for the future. Member Gentsch indicated Great Western could intersect with Side Road.

CYMPO Administrator Chris Bridges commented the conversation with Jen Toth; the CYMPO long range plan should begin in the last quarter of this fiscal year and that Great Western project will play a role in the plan.

Chairman McConnell questioned of Member Gentsch making a presentation to the State Transportation Board. Member Gentsch has had conversations in regard to how to get the money. The whole freeway cannot be built at once.

Mr. Willett added the study looked at the alignment and also looked at other phases for interchange traffic in the future, such as west of Williamson Valley.

There were no public comments.

MOTION

Member Bourdon presented a Motion to recommend the Executive Board accept the Great Western Corridor Feasibility Study. Vice-Chairman Grittmann seconded the Motion.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

The Motion passed unanimously.

6. ADOT PROJECT ADMINISTRATION

Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator

(Task 1.2)

CYMPO Administrator Chris Bridges discussed the 15% – 18% charge by ADOT for project administration. There has been a discussion between the COGs and MPOs the possibility of getting this lowered; possible a sliding scale. Different ideas were discussed. Any ideas from the TAC will get passed on to ADOT.

Member Gentsch indicated that the costs on projects are true costs. The smaller the projects end up being a lot higher. The 15% has to come from somewhere, these are consultant costs.

Vice Chairman Grittmann commented that the CYMPO region excels in our projects. Mr. Bridges related that ADOT administers the inspections, etc. The discussion has been as an example, a simple overlay project that is going to be processed quickly. Mr. Grittmann indicated that it is easier to do at the local level.

Member Gentsch related that ADOT does a better job than a lot of places at keeping the costs lower. Where ADOT can, they do delegate this out to agencies that have capabilities. Member Bourdon commented that the public has to realize it comes down to federal funding and there are requirements.

Chairman McConnell concurred, stating the straight forward projects that could be discussed – more expensive projects, the costs are what they are. With respect to funding, it should be discussed how CYMPO has contributed financially to projects and as a result been successful in moving those projects. Member Gentsch indicated that ADOT is always looking at ways to economize.

Member Davis related there are more productive projects for CYMPO to pursue.

There was no action taken on this item.

DISCUSSION

7. PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator

(Task 1.2)

CYMPO Administrator Chris Bridges related there needs to be a meeting in October, November or December to accommodate the quarterly requirement. Chairman McConnell requested to leave open October and/or November for subsequent determination.

8. AGENCY UPDATES

Agency updates were provided by Member Gentsch, ADOT Prescott District; Member Bourdon, Yavapai County; Chairman McConnell, City of Prescott; Vice Chairman Grittmann, Town of Chino Valley; Joel Berman, Town of Dewey-Humboldt and Charla Glendening, ADOT Multimodal Division.

9. MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS & CYMPO UPDATES

Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator made the following announcements:

- Met with Jim Reeves, ADOT, regarding the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). He requested that the entities start prioritizing what signs to replace first. In the next couple of months more information will follow.
- Mr. Bridges and Mike Willett, Yavapai County, completed and submitted the TIGER II application for Fain Road.
- The ADOT Long Range Transportation Plan; policy committee meeting, which is primarily for elected officials for COGs and MPOs, meet September 20.
- FTA Triennial review is scheduled for September.
- The Rural Transportation Summit is scheduled October 14 – 16, 2010.
- Rescissions that came through Arizona (\$45 Million) had no impact on our MPO.
- The Planning Assistance for Rural Areas (PARA) application is due September 29, 2010 @ 4 PM. Charla Glendening added that the PARA funding is 100%; there is no match required.

10. UPCOMING SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- T-TAC Meeting: **Thursday, September 9, 2010, 8:00 AM**, Prescott Valley Town Hall, 7501 E. Civic Circle, **Conference Room #331**, Prescott Valley, AZ **PLEASE NOTE NEW LOCATION** (*CYMPO Transit Technical Advisory Committee monthly meeting*)
- Executive Board Meeting: **Wednesday, September 15, 2010, 6:00 PM**, Yavapai County Board of Supervisors' Room, 1015 Fair St., Prescott, AZ (*CYMPO Executive Board monthly meeting*)
- State Transportation Board Meeting: **Friday Thursday, September 17 16, 2010, 9:00 AM**, Eagar, AZ
- M-TAC Meeting: **Tentative: Thursday, October 7, 2010, 8:00 AM**, Prescott City Hall, Council Chambers, 201 S. Cortez, Prescott, AZ (*CYMPO Multimodal Technical Advisory Committee monthly meeting*)

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 AM.