

### **MINUTES**

Ecosystem Connectivity Mitigation Advisory Committee (EMAC) Regular Meeting Monday, March 19, 2018 10:00 AM Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization
Conference Room
1971 Commerce Center Circle, Suite E
Prescott, AZ 86301

#### **CYMPO Ecosystem Connectivity Mitigation Advisory Committee**

Chair Kendra Bull, Prescott National Forest

Vice-Chair Tammy DeWitt, Yavapai County Development Services

Member Chuck Budinger, ADOT Northwest District Member Elizabeth Johnston, Arizona Game and Fish

MemberRon James, Private CitizenMemberJ. D. Greenberg, Private CitizenMemberDeb Pastor, Private Citizen

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Absent- Deb Pastor

#### 2. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

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 Committee need not request permission in advance and are limited to three (3) minutes.

#### 3. INTRODUCTIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

- Kendra Bull, Prescott National Forest
- Ron James, Private Citizen
- J. D. Greenberg, Private Citizen
- Chris Bridges, Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Chuck Budinger, ADOT Northwest District
- Tammy DeWitt, Yavapai County Development Services
- Elizabeth Johnston, Arizona Game and Fish

#### 4. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF OPEN MEETING LAWS AND MINUTES

(Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator) (Task #102)

Mr. Bridges reviewed open meeting laws and policies involving meeting minutes.

#### 5. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE AND

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#### **LOCATION**

(Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator) (Task #102)

Mr. Bridges suggested utilizing the Yavapai County training room located at the Development Services Building the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 10:00 AM. Member Greenberg suggested using the ADOT conference room in the event the Yavapai County training room is unavailable.

#### **MOTION**

Vice-Chair DeWitt presented a motion to meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 10:00 AM at the Yavapai County training room. The motion was seconded by Member Greenberg.

#### **VOTE ON THE MOTION**

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

# 6. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF COMMITTEE ROLE AND STRUCTURE AS OUTLINED IN THE CYMPO BYLAWS

(Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator) (Task #102)

Mr. Bridges reviewed the structure of the EMAC as described in the CYMPO bylaws. Explained that monthly updates regarding the EMAC will be given to the CYMPO Technical Advisory Committee.

## 7. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF ROLE OF EMAC IN SR69 AND SR89 PROJECTS

(Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator) (Task #102)

Mr. Bridges explained that EMAC will need to assess its involvement as projects are planned and expects planning for widening SR69 to begin in June. Also explained that construction is beginning for SR89 and it will be too late for EMAC to become involved.

Member Budinger suggested initial meetings focus on education to ensure members of EMAC are caught up to similar levels. Member Greenberg encouraged EMAC members attend as many related meetings as possible to improve understanding of processes that affect EMAC.

Committee discussed various issues faced with funding and potential options for collecting crash data involving wildlife.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT 11:45 AM

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