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Western Arizona Council of Gov'ts.
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Org.

RTAC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 24, 2025 1:00 PM

Virtual Participation Only

RTAC Board:

Nancy Campbell (Chairman)	Councilmember, Lake Havasu City (LHMPO)
Alton Shepherd (Vice Chair)	Supervisor, Apache County (NACOG)
Tom Armstrong	Mayor, Town of Chino Valley (CYMPO)
Maria Cruz	Councilmember, City of San Luis (YMPO)
Paul David	Supervisor, Graham County (SEAGO)
Vince Manfredi	Councilmember, City of Maricopa (CAG)
Cecilia McCullough	Vice Mayor, Town of Wellton (YMPO Alt.)
Duce Minor	Supervisor, La Paz County (WACOG Alt.)
Andy Sutton	Mayor, City of Eloy (SCMPO Alt.)
Jon Thompson	Mayor, City of Coolidge (SCMPO)
Carolyn Umphrey	Councilmember, City of Sierra Vista (SVMPO)
Jeronimo Vasquez	Supervisor, Coconino County (MetroPlan)

Others attending:

Kevin Adam	RTAC
Steve Abraham	CAG
Brian Babiars	WACOG
Crystal Figueroa	YMPO
Karen Kruse	The Kruse Group
Karen Lamberton	SVMPO
Kate Morley	MetroPlan
Jenn O'Connor	NACOG
Andrea Robles	CAG
Chris Vertrees	SEAGO

1. Chairman Nancy Campbell called the meeting to order at 1:02.
2. Chair Campbell made a call to the public. No one wished to address the Board.
3. Chair Campbell called for a motion to approve the draft RTAC Board meeting minutes of January 27, 2025. Chino Valley Mayor Tom Armstrong called for the motion, seconded by San Luis Councilmember Maria Cruz to approve the minutes which passed unanimously.

4. Chair Campbell called on RTAC Legislative Liaison Kevin Adam to provide a legislative update. Mr. Adam indicated that revenue collections continued to outperform forecasts and that one-time revenues would be available for budget consideration. Updated fact sheets for the RTAC priority projects and the Arizona SMART Fund were provided. He indicated that each individual project in the priority project legislation would need the support of the local legislators for inclusion in the budget and encouraged the Board members to continue to engage with their legislators. For the SMART Fund, he stated that the most current information included 42 awarded projects totaling \$49M that have already generated \$138.6M in federal funding with the potential for far greater amounts as many of those awarded projects were continuing to move through the federal application process. However, he cautioned that the remaining fund balance would be exhausted in less than a year if award rates remained the same. Due to the demand and the potential for securing a substantial level of federal dollars, he stated that keeping this program funded should be a top priority for transportation infrastructure investment.

5. Chair Campbell called on Mr. Adam to discuss a proposal to rename a portion of U.S, Route 95 the Gary Knight Memorial Highway. Mr. Adam stated that he was glad to announce that the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization was pursuing the proposal and asked their Executive Director, Crystal Figueroa provide further information. Director Figueroa stated that YMPO had initiated a proposal for the renaming that had been submitted to the Arizona State Board on Geographic and Historic Names. She stated that the Board was accepting information and support letters for the proposal. She provided a draft letter which was included in the meeting agenda packet along with the directions for filing. Mr. Adam indicated that he would register the support of RTAC with the Board and others indicated that they would also register their support.

6. Chair Campbell called on RTAC Advisory Committee Chairman, MetroPlan Greater Flagstaff Executive Director Kate Morley to provide an update from the RTAC Advisory Committee. Director Morley stated that the Advisory Committee had met the previous week and that the discussion had focused on the federal transportation agenda, developing a statewide needs assessment and continuing to consider future revenue options for the infrastructure.

7. Chair Campbell requested ideas for future agenda items. She stated that we would continue to communicate with the Arizona at Work Program to include them on a future agenda to discuss their efforts regarding apprenticeship programs and how RTAC could best support the Program.

8. Chair Campbell adjourned the meeting.