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Pima County Supervisor Valadez named new PAG council chair

Pima County Supervisor Ramon Valadez will serve as the 2008 chair of the Pima Association of Governments' Regional Council

The nine-member Regional Council includes elected officials from the cities of South Tucson and Tucson, Pima County, the towns of Marana, Oro Valley and Sahuarita, and from the Pascua Yaqui Tribe and the Tohono O'odham Nation.

Members of the Regional Council also serve on the RTA Board. Each governing board, however, has different officers. The new chair of the RTA Board is Oro Valley Mayor Paul Loomis. The outgoing chair is Tucson Mayor Robert Walkup.

Other 2008 Regional Council officers include: Vice Chair, Sahuarita Mayor Lynne Skelton, and Treasurer, Tohono O'odham Chair Ned Norris Jr.

Other Regional Council members include: Oro Valley Mayor Paul Loomis, South Tucson Mayor Jennifer Eckstrom, Tucson Mayor Robert Walkup, Pascua Yaqui Chairman Peter Yucupicio, Marana Mayor Ed Honea and Arizona State Transportation Board member Si Schorr.

Pima Association of Governments is an association of local, state and tribal governments with a mission to build consensus among its members and the public on regional planning for transportation, air quality and water quality. PAG's staff gather and analyze data, provide accurate information, and coordinate an open and cooperative planning process to promote good decision-making for the region. Please visit www.pagnet.org for more information.

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