

SUBJECT: Update on Draft FY 2017-18 Overall Work Program (OWP)

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REQUESTED ACTION/SUGGESTED MOTION

Information update on draft PAG FY 2017-18 Overall Work Program.

ASSOCIATED OWP WORK ELEMENT/GOAL

All Work Elements.

SUMMARY

Each year, the Regional Council adopts an overall work program known as the OWP. The OWP is the basis for an agreement with ADOT through which the majority of federal funding for PAG programs and activities is secured.

The OWP identifies anticipated revenues and expenditures for PAG activities from federal, state and local sources. The draft PAG FY 2017-18 Overall Work Program was developed over the past several months. It is being made available in draft format to Management Committee and Regional Council for discussion and comment. A review by the Intermodal Planning Group (IPG), which consists of officials from our state and federal funding partners, was held on March 7, 2017. Subsequent to Management, Regional Council and IPG review, appropriate revisions will be incorporated and the program adjusted to address the latest funding information available.

PAG’s OWP is designed to address the roles and responsibilities that are required of PAG to meet specific federal and state mandates as well as to address major issues that are best addressed at a regional level. PAG activities also ensure that the region maintains eligibility for several categories of federal and state funds, especially for transportation improvement projects. The latest federal transportation bill is the “Fixing America’s Surface Transportation” or FAST Act.

Additionally, a variety of work activities reflect PAG’s designation as the Regional Transportation Authority for Pima County and must adhere to specific legislative requirements.

PRIOR BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE ACTION

Initial information on the schedule and anticipated work efforts for the FY 2017-18 OWP is being presented to Management Committee and to Regional Council at their March meetings. A final document will be presented to Management Committee and Regional Council for adoption in May.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Anticipated revenues and expenditures for PAG activities are incorporated within the OWP. The majority of PAG's funding received is from federal and state sources for activities that support or directly relate to PAG responsibility as the federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO). The OWP is the basis for an agreement with ADOT through which the majority of federal funding for PAG programs and activities is secured.

Local funding from each of the PAG member agencies is needed as the required match for the federal and state funds and is also used to fund activities that are not eligible for other federal or state funds. The draft OWP maintains current levels of local share funding with no increases.

TECHNICAL, POLICY, LEGAL OR OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

PAG's OWP is designed to address the roles and responsibilities that are required of PAG to meet specific federal and state mandates, among which are those of the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization and the state designation as the Regional Transportation Authority for Pima County.

ATTACHED ADDITIONAL BACKUP INFORMATION

Information about the PAG FY 2017-18 Overall Work Program will be available on PAG's website. Any updates to information will be made available a minimum of 24 hours before the meeting: <http://www.pagregion.com/documents/about/OWP2017-2018-Draft.pdf>

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