

MINUTES OF THE  
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
AIR QUALITY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, January 29, 2009  
MAG Office  
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

\*John Kross, Town of Queen Creek, Chairman  
Sue McDermott, Avondale  
\*Elizabeth Biggins-Ramer, Buckeye  
#Jim Weiss, Chandler  
#Jamie McCullough, El Mirage  
Kurt Sharp for Tami Ryall, Gilbert  
Doug Kukino, Glendale  
James Nichols, Goodyear  
#Scott Bouchie, Mesa  
Gaye Knight, Phoenix  
#Larry Person, Scottsdale  
\*Antonio DeLaCruz, Surprise  
Oddvar Tveit, Tempe  
\*Mark Hannah, Youngtown  
\*Walter Bouchard, Citizen Representative  
\*Corey Woods, American Lung Association of Arizona  
\*Barbara Sprungl, Salt River Project  
Brian O'Donnell, Southwest Gas Corporation  
Mark Hajduk, Arizona Public Service Company  
#Gina Grey, Western States Petroleum Association  
\*Valley Metro/RPTA  
\*Dave Berry, Arizona Motor Transport Association  
Jeannette Fish, Maricopa County Farm Bureau  
\*Russell Bowers, Arizona Rock Products Association  
\*Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce

\*Members neither present nor represented by proxy.  
#Participated via telephone conference call.  
+Participated via video conference call.

OTHERS PRESENT

Lindy Bauer, Maricopa Association of Governments  
Patrisia Magallon, Maricopa Association of  
Governments  
Julie Hoffman, Maricopa Association of Governments  
Dean Giles, Maricopa Association of Governments  
Randy Sedlacek, Maricopa Association of Governments  
Cathy Arthur, Maricopa Association of Governments  
Taejoo Shin, Maricopa Association of Governments  
Steve Peplau, Arizona Department of Environmental  
Quality  
Lawrence Odle, Maricopa County Air Quality  
Department

\*Amanda McGennis, Associated General  
Contractors  
\*Spencer Kamps, Homebuilders Association of  
Central Arizona  
\*Mannie Carpenter, Valley Forward  
\*Kai Umeda, University of Arizona Cooperative  
Extension  
Beverly Chenausky, Arizona Department of  
Transportation  
Diane Arnst, Arizona Department of  
Environmental Quality  
Wienke Tax, Environmental Protection Agency  
Jo Crumbaker, Maricopa County Air Quality  
Department  
Duane Yantorno, Arizona Department of Weights  
and Measures  
\*Ed Stillings, Federal Highway Administration  
Judi Nelson, Arizona State University  
Christopher Horan, Salt River Pima-Maricopa  
Indian Community  
\*David Rueckert, Citizen Representative

Joonwon Joo, Arizona Department of Transportation  
Dan Catlin, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation  
Russell VanLeuven, Arizona Department of  
Agriculture  
Scott DiBiase, Pinal County  
Shane Kiesow, City of Apache Junction  
Kevin Boesch, Logan Simpson Design, Inc.  
Phil McNeely, City of Phoenix

1. Call to Order

A meeting of the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee was conducted on January 29, 2009. Doug Kukino, City of Glendale, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 1:37 p.m. Jamie McCullough, City of El Mirage; Jim Weiss, City of Chandler; Scott Bouchie, City of Mesa; Larry Person, City of Scottsdale; and Gina Grey, Western States Petroleum Association, attended the meeting via telephone conference call.

2. Call to the Audience

Mr. Kukino stated that, according to the MAG public comment process, members of the audience who wish to speak are requested to fill out comment cards, which are available on the tables adjacent to the doorways inside the meeting room. Citizens are asked not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. Public comment is provided at the beginning of the meeting for nonagenda items and nonaction agenda items. He noted that no public comment cards had been received.

3. Approval of the December 11, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Lindy Bauer, Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), noted that the December 11, 2008 meeting minutes have been revised to reflect that Leonard Montenegro, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), was a proxy for Diane Arnst, ADEQ. The revised minutes have been provided at each place. The Committee reviewed the minutes from the December 11, 2008 meeting. Gaye Knight, City of Phoenix, moved and James Nichols, City of Goodyear, seconded and the motion to approve the December 11, 2008 meeting minutes carried unanimously.

4. Draft MAG Eight-Hour Ozone Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan

Cathy Arthur, MAG, stated that a public hearing on the Draft MAG Eight-Hour Ozone Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan was conducted jointly by ADEQ and MAG on January 22, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. A presentation on this plan was provided at the December 11, 2008 Committee meeting. Ms. Arthur stated that verbal testimony was received at the public hearing from one individual, Diane Barker.

Ms. Arthur summarized the response to comments. She indicated that the comments included that Ms. Barker participates in alternative modes such as the light rail, bus and bicycle to come to the meetings. She stated that the comments also included that Ms. Barker participates in alternative modes as a personal goal to help reduce air pollution. Ms. Arthur indicated that MAG commends her efforts of participating in alternative modes to improve air quality. She indicated that the comments also expressed concern about methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE). Ms. Arthur mentioned that MTBE was previously used in Arizona fuels during the summertime. She stated that Senate Bill 1504 eliminated the requirement on April 28, 2000 to use MTBE in summer fuels as an oxygenate. However, it was unclear in the document that MTBE had been eliminated as a requirement; therefore, the verb in the last sentence was changed from "has" to "had." She stated that the text in the document has also been changed to indicate that Senate Bill 1504 eliminated the "minimum," rather than the "maximum," oxygenate requirement.

Ms. Arthur indicated that there was a comment expressing concern about whether the air quality control measures are having a positive impact on our region. She added that Ms. Barker provided an air quality report funded by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that did not mention Phoenix. Ms. Arthur stated that the air quality monitors in the region are showing reductions in the criteria pollutants, despite increases in regional population, employment and vehicle travel. Therefore,

the control measures that were adopted over the years have been successful in reducing air pollution. Ms. Arthur mentioned that the final comment was related to Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) and whether the ITS measures are helping to reduce air pollution in the region. Ms. Arthur stated that “Develop Intelligent Transportation Systems” is a contingency measure in the Draft MAG Eight-Hour Ozone Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan. She added that MAG did not quantify the benefit of the measure; however, it has been one of the attainment measures in the past and has been quantified as having a positive benefit. Ms. Arthur indicated that this contingency measure will continue to support other measures in the plan that do have benefits that were quantified.

Mr. Kukino called for a motion to recommend adoption of the Draft MAG Eight-Hour Ozone Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the Maricopa Nonattainment Area. Brian O’Donnell, Southwest Gas Corporation, moved and Mark Hajduk, Arizona Public Service Company, seconded, and the motion to recommend adoption of the Draft MAG Eight-Hour Ozone Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the Maricopa Nonattainment Area carried unanimously.

5. Update on PM-10 Certified Street Sweeper Projects for FY 2009 CMAQ Funding

Dean Giles, MAG, provided an update on the PM-10 Certified Street Sweeper Projects for FY 2009 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) funding. Mr. Giles stated that the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee recommended a Prioritized List of PM-10 Certified Street Sweeper Projects for FY 2009 CMAQ funding at the December 11, 2008 meeting. He added that on January 28, 2009, the MAG Regional Council approved the Prioritized List of Proposed PM-10 Certified Street Sweeper Projects for FY 2009 CMAQ Funding and that the prioritized list be retained for any additional FY 2009 CMAQ funds that may become available due to year end closeout, including any redistributed obligation authority, or additional funding received by the region. Mr. Giles noted that there were no changes to the Committee recommendation. He added that the MAG Management Committee endorsed the recommendation made by the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee prior to the Regional Council meeting.

6. Tentative 2009 Meeting Schedule for the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

Ms. Bauer stated that MAG has provided the tentative 2009 meeting schedule for the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee. She noted that the schedule was also provided at the December 11, 2008 meeting.

7. Call for Future Agenda Items

Ms. Arnst commented on recent transportation conformity consultations that reference an updated CMAQ methodology. She mentioned scheduling a workshop on the new CMAQ methodology since MAG is already using it and that it is to be consistent with the State Implementation Plan. Ms. Bauer stated that MAG is using the new CMAQ methodology in order to be consistent with the MAG Five Percent Plan for PM-10. She added that MAG is planning to have a workshop in March 2009, before the call for CMAQ projects.

Jo Crumbaker, Maricopa County Air Quality Department, introduced Lawrence Odle, the new Director of the Maricopa County Air Quality Department. Ms. Knight introduced Phil McNeely as the new Environmental Manager in the City Manager’s Office for the City of Phoenix.

Mr. Kukino announced that the next meeting of the Committee has been tentatively scheduled for February 26, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. With no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m.