

**MINUTES OF THE
CENTRAL ARIZONA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
POPULATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

April 16, 2009

**Apache Junction Parks & Recreation Conference Center
1001 N. Idaho Road; Apache Junction, AZ 85219**

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

*Yanet Ochoa, Apache Junction
*Tracy Clark, ADOT
Alton Bruce, Coolidge
Mark Thompson, Florence
*Dave Williams, Queen Creek
*Shawny Ekadis, Queen Creek
*Rachelle Sanchez, Mammoth
*Richard Wilkie, Casa Grande
*Chris Collopy, Globe
*Evonne Hernandez, Globe
Belinda Cota, Eloy
Joe Blanton, Eloy
*Robert Gould, Gila County
Louis Felix, Pinal County
*Sarah Luckie, Star Valley
*Rick Miller, Chair
*Paul Jepson, Maricopa
*Sue Laybourn, Coolidge
*Gary Eide, Kearny
*Robert Mawson, Miami
Ray Erlandsen, Vice Chair
*Bob Lorena, Hayden
*Sylvia Kerlock, Winkelman

** Member not in attendance*

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Keith Newman, Casa Grande
Leila Demaree, Casa Grande
Caryn Sanchez, SRP
Bohdan Hirniak, Walton
Jack Tomasik, CAAG
Travis Ashbaugh, CAAG

Michelle Green, ASLD
Cameron McDonald, PPGRC
Janeen Rohovit, SRP
Lauren Elrod, Rose Law Group
Angela Gotto, CAAG
Randy Simms, CAAG

- I. **Call To Order**
The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair, Ray Erlandsen at 10:05am
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call & Introductions**
Roll call was taken and a quorum was not established.

IV. **Approval of Minutes – October 30, 2008**

Approval of minutes was tabled until the next meeting, to be held on August 20, 2009.

V. **New Business**

A. Update on Work Accomplishments / Priorities for remained of FY08-09

An overview of the work completed over the last six months was presented to those in attendance as well as a discussion on upcoming projects and upcoming deadlines. Databases management and updating has been completed to include the RTN for Pinal County, Build Out in Housing Population and Jobs, revision of the TAZ structure and existing housing by jobs, Residential Completions, Employer database, Summary Reports, Census and PSAP 2010, creation of new Foreclosure database has begun, the Projections Study has held one meeting so far, with more to follow. TAZ projections will begin over the summer months and will be ready in February. Discussion followed concerning the Planning Departments budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Discussion concerning areal imagery sources for the next fiscal year followed. Staff changes to include the resignation of Craig Ringer, dismissal of Drew Ardary, and hiring of Jack Tomasik as Deputy Planning Director July 1 were presented.

B. Regional Transportation Network for Pinal County

An improved RTN for Pinal County was developed by CAAG Staff and approved by Pinal County. The map developed by CAAG staff for the Transportation Network in Pinal County and will be the official map used. Pinal County will oversee the project until CAAG can develop an appropriate Transportation Department.

C. Build Out Land Use and Socioeconomics for Pinal County

Update to Build Out in Housing Population and Jobs. All plans included, except for Casa Grande draft plan, Lost Dutchman, and Eloy. As a result of new plans a revision of the TAZ structure was completed, as well as a revision to existing housing by Jobs. Residential Completions have been collected through December, 2008.

D. Census & PSAP Preparation for Census appeals process in Gila & Pinal Counties

CAAG has been working on the Census 2010 and PSAP. All data was collected from both counties and delivered, using the software requested by the state, a few weeks before the deadline. CAAG is now preparing for the appeal process for the Census 2010.

E. EDA Employment Centers Study for Gila & Pinal Counties

An agreement with an independent firm called Infomart was reached and data will be collected on Foreclosures for Pinal County. Bill Schooling, Council for Technical Solutions, new demographer was at CAAG a few weeks ago; Population estimate work has been done with them. Start up meetings on State Population Estimates to set up plans for POP Estimates and Projections. A lot of progress has been made on the EDA Grant Program for both Pinal and Gila County. Currently working on Employer Database for 2008 to utilize in EDA study. The intent of the study is to identify the major areas for employment centers into the future.

F. Sun Corridor Projections

Projections Study has been updated using CAAG databases so that all data is current. Papers on Water Resources and Transportation have been completed and put on the website. The budget has been looked at and efforts are being made to find federal money. The amount of funding for the next fiscal year is not clear until member agencies have met and agreed on financing.

G. Projections Study

Mr. Tomasik spoke to the committee about the status of the current CAAG Projections Study.

H. Member Agency Activities – Round Table Discussion

Member agencies spoke about the activities in their communities such as Florence's new Hospital which plans to open by Labor Day and the possibility of a new prison. Casa Grande is nearing the end of their sixty day review for the general plan update (April 18, 2008). The majority of the member agencies reported a drop in residential development, but an increase in industrial/commercial projects.

VI. **Date, Time, Location of next meeting**

The next CAAG POPTAC meeting, date and location to be determined.

VII. **Call To The Public**

No one answered the Call to the Public

VIII. **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Mark Thompson, seconded by Leila Demaree. Meeting adjourned at 12:12pm.