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Transportation organizations seek applicants for Citizens Advisory Committee

Pima Association of Governments (PAG), the region's council of governments and metropolitan planning organization, and the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), which manages a 20-year regional transportation plan (FY 2007-2026) funded by a half-cent sales tax, are forming a new citizens committee to provide public input on transportation planning efforts.

PAG and RTA transportation planning efforts serve to identify available or needed funding sources to meet long-term transportation needs to benefit the region's mobility, livability and economic vitality.

The Citizens Advisory Committee will work in collaboration with other PAG committees to review an update to PAG's long-range transportation plan, also known as the 2045 Regional Mobility and Accessibility Plan (RMAP), and jointly recommend a draft update to the PAG Regional Council or RTA Board.

In the future, the CAC will work with the RTA Technical Management Committee to develop an RTA continuation plan that will involve an extensive public involvement process. Ultimately, the CAC and TMC will jointly recommend a draft RTA continuation plan to the RTA Board for approval and eventual voter consideration. Pima Association of Governments manages the RTA, which is the fiscal manager of the voter-approved RTA plan.

Individuals interested in serving on the committee must reside in Pima County and be of voting age. Selected applicants will serve up to a three-year term, starting in summer 2018.

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Interested applicants may complete an online application at www.PAGregion.com/CAC or visit www.PAGregion.com for application criteria and additional details. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 19, 2018.

Hard copy applications may be mailed by the deadline to: Attn.: Paki Rico, Pima Association of Governments, 1 E. Broadway Blvd., Suite 401, Tucson, AZ 85701.

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, watershed, air quality and economic vitality. Please visit www.PAGregion.com or www.facebook.com/PAGregion for more information.

The Regional Transportation Authority is the fiscal manager of the \$2.1 billion regional transportation plan approved by Pima County voters on May 16, 2006. The RTA Board is comprised of elected representatives from the cities of Tucson and South Tucson, Pima County, the towns of Marana, Oro Valley and Sahuarita, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe and the Tohono O'odham Nation. The Pima County representative of the Arizona State Transportation Board also serves on the board. The RTA is managed through Pima Association of Governments, the region's metropolitan planning organization. For more information about the RTA plan, visit www.RTA mobility.com, see RTA Pima County on Facebook, or call (520) 792-1093.