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Public invited to comment on Pima Association of Governments' draft Public Involvement Policy

A 45-day period for public comment on Pima Association of Governments' draft Public Involvement Policy (PIP) opens Oct. 17 and continues through Nov. 30. The draft policy may be viewed online at www.PAGregion.com under the Public Participation section of the website.

PAG is an association of local, tribal and state governments and a federally designated metropolitan planning organization and is federally required (23 CFR 450.316 [b] [1]) to have a public involvement process to qualify for federal transportation funds. This draft PIP also addresses Federal Transit Administration requirements for a public participation process for the FTA-required Program of Projects (49 U.S.C. 5307[c]), which is developed by the City of Tucson.

The draft PIP is an update to PAG's original policy prepared in 1994, updated in 2006 and amended in 2012. The PIP provides a structure for active public participation to help PAG better identify regional needs that can be addressed in our plans and policies.

Copies of the PIP are available for viewing at PAG, 1 E. Broadway Blvd., Suite 401, Tucson; transportation offices for the cities of Tucson and South Tucson, and the main offices for the towns of Marana, Oro Valley and Sahuarita, Pima County Department of Transportation Administrative Offices and tribal offices of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, the Tohono O'odham Nation and the San Xavier District.

Comments may be submitted via the PIP online comment form, emails to info@PAGregion.com or mailed to: Mindy Blake, Pima Association of Governments, 1 E. Broadway Blvd., Suite 401, Tucson, AZ 85701. Mailed comments must be postmarked no later than Nov. 30, 2017.

For additional assistance, please contact Mindy Blake at (520) 495-1427. Please allow a minimum of 48 hours for any reasonable accommodation requests. Si necesita ayuda con traducción, llame por favor al 792-1093 y comuníquese con Nathan Barrett.

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