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**RTA announces 2009 officers**

Marana Mayor Ed Honea will serve as the 2009 Chair of the Regional Transportation Authority Board.

The new Vice Chair is Sahuarita Mayor Lynne Skelton and the new Second Vice Chair is Pascua Yaqui Vice Chairman Robert Valencia.

Other 2009 RTA Board members include: Pima County Supervisor Ramon Valadez, South Tucson Mayor Jennifer Eckstrom, Tucson Mayor Robert Walkup, Mayor Paul Loomis, Pascua Yaqui Tribe Vice Chairman Robert Valencia, Tohono O'odham Nation Chair Ned Norris Jr. and Arizona State Transportation Board member Si Schorr.

*The Regional Transportation Authority is the fiscal manager of the \$2.1 billion plan approved by Pima County voters on May 16, 2006. The RTA Board is comprised of representatives from the local jurisdictions in Pima County, including 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. A representative of the Arizona State Transportation Board also serves on the board. For more information about the RTA plan, visit [www.RTAmobility.com](http://www.RTAmobility.com) or call (520) 770-9410.*