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Regional Transportation Authority Wildlife Linkages Working Group

Legal Action Items of 9 a.m., August 14, 2009, Meeting

Committee Members

Charles Barclay, ADOT DES NRMG, Alt.
Carolyn Campbell, Sonoran Desert
Locana de Souza (for John Windes), AZGFD
Rick Ellis, Pima County, Chair
Janice Przybyl, Sky Island Alliance
Janine Spencer, Town of Marana, Alt.
Phil Trenary, Town of Oro Valley

Staff

Jim DeGrood
Pat Kendall
Steve Matthews
Theresa Ruiz

Public/Agencies

Mitch Anderson, Citizen
John Bacigalupi, CONTECH
Kerry Baldwin, PC Parks & Rec.
K.C. Carter, Vice Mayor, Oro Valley
Ron Casper, ADOT-Tucson District
Matt Clark, SW Defenders of Wildlife
Mike Colbert, Citizen
Bob Cratty, Sun City Vistoso Resident
Diana Durazo, Pima County
Judi Ellwanger, Citizen
Melody Gilkey, CSDP
David Grandmaison, AZGFD
Jan Johnson, CAC
Kathleen Kennedy, CSDP
Pat Kiasman, Oro Valley Resident
Terry Minks, Sun City Vistoso Resident
Siobhan Nordhaugen, ADOT Natural
Resource Mgmt-Enviro. Services
Kathleen Pastryk, Oro Valley Resident
Robin Reine, ADOT-Tucson District
Joy Reoner
Sherry Ruther, PC DSD
Laura Sagerman, TEP
Kathie Schroeder, Resident
Geoffrey Soroka, SWCA
Scott Stapp, HDR

Item 2 - Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – July 10, 2009

Motion was made by Ms. Campbell to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2009, meeting, seconded by Mr. Trenary, and unanimously approved.

Item 5 - Proposal Review

Siobhan Nordhaugen, of ADOT's Natural Resources Management Group, presented an overview of the SR 77 Wildlife Crossing Structures proposal (Tortolita Mountains to the Santa Catalina

Mountains) which includes three structures to increase permeability and maintain connectivity; two underpasses and an overpass between MPs 83.7 and 84.8 to be constructed in conjunction with ADOT's SR 77 roadway expansion project, which goes to bid in January 2010. (Further proposal details are available at www.RTAmobility.com.)

Motion was made by Mr. Ellis to accept the SR 77 Wildlife Crossing Structures proposal with the following additional work needed: 1) revise maps showing land use and open land on the project's east side, 2) clarify structure #2 rendering, 3) list in-kind contributions/ supplemental funding sources, and 4) work to develop clear priorities for the use of Wildlife Linkages Funding. The recommendation is to be forwarded to the TIP Subcommittee for consideration in October 2009, at a total cost of \$8,230,600. The motion was seconded by Carolyn Campbell, and unanimously approved.

Item 9 - Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m. by Chair Rick Ellis.