



## **FLAGSTAFF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) MAJOR UPDATE**

*Key Stakeholders Roundtable Discussion Guide  
April 9 and 10, 2008*

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) determines priorities, funding, and timing of major short- and long-term transportation investments throughout the Flagstaff region. Preparing the RTP is required to receive federal and state transportation funding. This RTP Major Update is being initiated by the Flagstaff Metropolitan Planning Organization (FMPO), a regional partnership responsible for transportation planning, and its consultant team. Updating the RTP will build upon recent and previous plans and studies within the region. This project is also coordinating closely with the Arizona Department of Transportation's current "Building a Quality Arizona" statewide framework planning process.

These facilitated stakeholder discussions are one aspect of the project's proactive community engagement process which also includes public workshops, a project website, targeted community outreach, and other methods to engage residents, elected officials, stakeholders, and other project partners.

The FMPO's consultants, Charlier Associates and Partners for Strategic Action, will be facilitating this and several other stakeholder discussions throughout the RTP update process. Today's roundtable discussion will be informal in nature and will last no more than 1.5 hours. The consultants will facilitate the discussion based on the series of questions contained within this discussion outline, allowing for flexibility based on the course of the discussion and feedback received.

### **Discussion Outline**

1. How would you or your constituency evaluate the performance of the region's existing transportation system?
2. What are the best aspects of the existing transportation system?
3. What transportation issues are most important to your constituency?
4. What is the greatest existing transportation challenge your constituency faces?
5. What core transportation values are important to your constituency?
6. What is the greatest long-term transportation challenge the region will face in the future?
7. How important are non-auto travel modes in meeting future transportation challenges?
8. From your perspective, how do land use patterns and urban design affect transportation choices and performance? How important are land use and urban design strategies in achieving the best transportation system, and vice versa?
9. How should the success and usefulness of the new RTP be evaluated?

*Now, take off your professional hat and tell us how the regional transportation system should be enhanced to improve the safety, mobility, and quality of life for you personally and for other residents living in the community and region?*