

San Carlos Apache Tribe / White Mountain Apache Tribe Transportation Partnership Steering Committee Notes

THURSDAY, March 12, 2020

9:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Apache Gold Resort & Conference Center; San Carlos, Arizona

MEETING PURPOSE:

- Network, find out about members' expectations for the Partnership
- Get an overview of grant funding basics from ADOT
- Find out about Fort Apache Connection Transit's latest developments
- Receive update from San Carlos Nnee Bich'o Nii Apache Transit
- Be updated on partnership achievements and any partnership or funding opportunities
- Determine what we want to meet about next and when we should meet

Attendees:

Steve Aday, Bureau of Indian Affairs, San Carlos Agency
Marco Burnette, White Mountain Apache Tribe
Michael Carter, ADOT
Tara Chief, White Mountain Apache Tribe
Paul David, Graham County
David Francis, San Carlos Nnee Bich'o Nii Apache Transit
Bill Harmon, ADOT
Kyia Jackson, San Carlos Apache Tribe General Manager Office
Jason James, NACOG
Kohinoor Kar, ADOT
Cassie Kenton-Garcia, White Mountain Apache Tribe
Bernadette Kniffin, San Carlos Nnee Bich'o Nii Apache Transit
Leland Lavender, White Mountain Apache Tribe Fire
Hugh Moses, SCAT DOT
Matt Moul, ADOT
Marvin Mull, Jr., SCAT DOT
Bill Noline, San Carlos Apache Tribe
Rick Powers, Retired from Jacobs
Don Sneed, ADOT
Mary Tapija, SCAT DOT
Mark Tessay, White Mountain Apache Tribe
Travis Tessay, White Mountain Apache Tribe
Elizabeth Vargas, ADOT

The steering committee meeting started with networking and refreshments at 9:30 A.M. At 10:00 A.M., Bernadette Kniffin gave the opening prayer. After introductions, followed by safety and facility information, the facilitator for this meeting, Julia Voight, adjusted the agenda with input from the team. To accommodate a San Carlos Tribal Leadership Meeting at 2 P.M. on March 12, 2020, the

roundtable discussion and detailed goal updates were eliminated to be able to end the meeting by 1 P.M.

Agenda Topic: Transportation Grant 101, Introduction and Process with Q & A by Kohinoor Kar. See attached presentation.

Agenda Topic: Fort Apache Connection Transit Update by Cassie Kenton-Garcia. See attached presentation.

Agenda Topic: San Carlos Nnee Bich'oo Nii Apache Transit Update by Bernadette Kniffin. See attached presentation.

Agenda Topic: Updates Specific to Partnership Achievements and Opportunities, Goal Achievements, Funding Opportunities. Goals document is updated and attached. Specific organization/entity updates were not provided during or after the meeting.

Agenda Topic: Next meeting: What do we want to discuss or learn about and when should we meet. The team decided to only meet semi-annually while there are not common goals being worked on. Right now, there are no major common goals, so the next meeting will be in the fall of 2020. As that falls when the annual meeting is held, the group agreed to meet in October for the annual meeting with lead up phone calls to talk agenda items and meeting setup. Tara Chief will let Linda Ritter know what dates work in October at Hon-Dah, who can then propose the date(s) to the team for leadership calendar review.

At 1:00 P.M. the meeting was concluded and Mary Tapija gave the closing prayer.