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WACOG Transportation Planning

FY 2020 Title VI Report

This report addresses the Western Arizona Council of Governments (WACOG) activities in providing Title VI non-discrimination policies for all Federally-Assisted transportation planning activities and programs administered during FY 2020.

WACOG’s Transportation Program provides technical assistance and planning activities within the non-metropolitan areas of La Paz and Mohave counties, including incorporated communities and American Indian Tribes.

WACOG assures that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, limited English proficiency, or low-income status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any WACOG transportation planning sponsored program or activity. WACOG assures that every effort will be made to prevent discrimination through the impacts of its programs, policies, and activities on minority and low-income populations within its region.

I. Assurances

Signed General, Specific, and FTA assurances were submitted to ADOT for FY 2020. (Signed assurances are included in 2020 Title VI Plan).

II. Summary of Title VI and Public Outreach Activities

Below is a summary of Title VI-related and other public outreach activities during FY 2020:

Activity	Actions or Deliverables
Brochure/Summary List	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WACOG continues to update the para-transit summary listing services and providers in the WACOG transportation planning region. WACOG continues to distribute referral postcards with WACOG contact information. WACOG referral program helps reduce confusion to the public and directs clients/citizens to the appropriate services throughout the WACOG region.
Conferences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WACOG transportation staff members attend state and national conferences annually. Jurisdictions and other local partners are frequently present, and WACOG programs are discussed. WACOG attended conferences in October, March, and April.
Contact Lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated overall transportation email contact list Updated highway/infrastructure contact list Updated mobility-related contact list



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E-Mail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WACOG maintains regular outreach to jurisdictions and other local stakeholders through e-mail for transportation infrastructure (STBG) and transit-related planning services.
Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WACOG's Transportation Program had five (5) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings during FY 2020. (Dates, agendas, and minutes are on WACOG's web site.) WACOG's Transportation Program held five (5) Transit Coordinating Council (TCC) meetings in FY 2019. (Dates, agendas, and minutes are on WACOG's web site.) Transit Coordinating Council includes FTA Title VI discussions and material distributions (materials provided by ADOT) to improve local program compliance with Title VI requirements. All transportation-related WACOG meeting announcements/agendas include contact information for participants who may require ADA assistance or other Title VI-related accommodations. Public input is allowed at all transportation-related WACOG meetings.
Organization Contact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WACOG made and maintains numerous contacts with county, municipal, and tribal governments, along with non-profit, volunteer and private enterprises, relating to transportation and transit planning. These contacts are performed through in-person meetings, telephone conversations, and email exchanges.
Presentation Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WACOG participates in quarterly update meetings with ADOT and all local jurisdictions and tribal governments.
Public Notice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Posted public notices in June announcing 45-day public comment period for FY 2020 Updates to the FY20-26 Transportation Improvement Plan. All WACOG Transportation Advisory Committee and Transit Coordinating Council meetings are announced by posting to WACOG's website under guidelines set forth by the AZ open meetings law.
Survey - General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collected service-related program information from local mobility programs and distributed summary program brochure/summary list.
Title VI Plan Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates made to the Title VI plan (FY20) reflecting changes in board or committee membership, regional demographics, and additional Title VI requirements.
Web Site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided ongoing management of transportation and transit pages of WACOG web site, including meeting agendas and minutes, programming-related information, policy guidance, and funding announcements. Initiated comprehensive review of transportation-related content on the website.



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Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobility Management hosted PASS training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kingman - January 25, 2020 ○ Parker – September 10, 2019 • Mobility Management hosted Defensive Driver training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kingman - June, 2020 • Mobility Management hosted “Gaps in Services” workshop in Kingman on September 11, 2019 • Transportation hosted a Federal Functional Classification and AZGEO Presentation/Training following the regular TAC meeting in Kingman on January 22, 2020

III. LEP Plan

No activity during FY 2020.

IV. Procedure for tracking, investigating, filing Title VI complaints

No activity during FY 2020. See WACOG Title VI Plan for a description of the WACOG complaint process.

V. Title VI investigations, complaints, or lawsuits

No lawsuits or complaints relating to discrimination in the WACOG transportation planning program were filed in FY 2020.

VI. Title VI Notice to Public

WACOG’s Title VI notice is available on the web as well as posted on the agency notice board at the Kingman Office (208 N. 4th Street, Kingman, AZ, 86401) and the Yuma Office (1235 S. Redondo Center Dr., Yuma AZ, 85365)

VII. Demographic composition of WACOG Transportation Planning Region

See Exhibit 6 in the WACOG Title VI Plan.



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VIII. Planned Title VI Activities for FY 2021

WACOG will continue to adhere to its Title VI Plan during FY 2021. In addition, WACOG is planning the following Title VI-related activities during FY 2021:

- Annual Report updates to reflect any changes in board or committee membership, regional demographics, and to comply with any additional Title VI requirements.
- WACOG Mobility Manager will apply for 5310 Mobility Management Grant funds
- WACOG Mobility/Transit will continue to distribute our referral/marketing cards during coordination meetings and throughout the region. Referral cards in English & Spanish and provide contact information to WACOG, so we may match the client to appropriate service provider
- WACOG will continue to have an overall Title VI Coordinator and comply with Title VI requirements for all of its programs.
- WACOG will be conducting a **Regional Transit Implementation Plan**. The RFP is scheduled for advertisement in the Fall of calendar 2020. The study/plan as a DBE Goal assessment of 0.0%, However, WACOG will encourage consultants to work with recognized DBE firms/sub-consultants for the project. In the Scope of Work under the “Public Involvement Plan” is guidance on public meetings and the preference of utilizing “Virtual” public engagement tools such as Metroquest, 76 engage, and or other comparable technology to reach as many residents/public citizens as possible throughout the study.

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