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TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee  
Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee  
Members of the MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee  
Members of the MAG Street Committee

FROM: Katherine Coles, Chair, Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

SUBJECT: AVAILABILITY OF FY2016 DESIGN ASSISTANCE FOR BICYCLE AND  
PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES

The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) is providing \$400,000 for the preliminary design of bicycle, pedestrian and shared use facilities. The application forms and additional information are available on the MAG website. The MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee will make its recommendation based on applications submitted by MAG members. The committee has indicated that they will give preference to those applicants that may have resources available for construction of the project. The projects to receive preliminary design assistance will be approved by the Regional Council. **Completed applications are due to MAG by 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 29, 2015. Please submit ONE (1) electronic copy of your application following the submittal instructions included with the application. No late applications will be accepted.**

The MAG Pedestrian Design Assistance Program was initiated in 1996 to encourage the development of designs for pedestrian facilities according to the MAG *Pedestrian Policies and Design Guidelines*. The intent of the program was to stimulate integration of pedestrian facilities into the planning and design of all types of infrastructure and development. The Bicycle/Shared-Use Design Assistance program was initiated in 2006 to provide design assistance to cities and towns for bicycle crossings, on-street and off-street facilities in accordance with the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) *Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities* with an emphasis on creating a regional inter-connected network.

The *MAG FY 2016 Pedestrian and Bicycle Design Assistance Application, Evaluation Criteria, Schedule and Program Guidebook* are available on the MAG website:

<http://www.azmag.gov/Committees/Committee.asp?CMSID=1044>

If you have any questions, or require any additional information, please telephone Alex Oreschak at the MAG office at 602-254-6300.

c: Intergovernmental Representatives