



### 3. Stakeholder Coordination

The Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan is the culmination of input from all interested parties. The extensive stakeholder coordination for the Plan was comprised of six components: the Steering Committee, the Review Committee, ADOT District/Regional Traffic Engineer input, public meetings, user surveys, and the project website. The participation by representatives from both engineering and planning divisions from ADOT, MPOs, and local jurisdictions plus interested organizations provides valuable input that is critical to the creation of an implementable plan that meets the needs of the citizens and visitors to Arizona.

#### 3.1. *Steering Committee Input*

Members of the Steering Committee were actively involved in the review and development of the plan. Comments provided by the Steering Committee were discussed at the meetings and the documents were revised based on the consensus of the group. Steering Committee members also were able to stay involved with the project through e-mail communication and the project website. For more information on the project website, see **Section 3.5**. Representatives of the following organizations made up the Steering Committee:

- ADOT Northern Regional Traffic Engineer;
- ADOT Intermodal Transportation Division;
- ADOT Roadway Design;
- ADOT Regional Traffic;
- ADOT Traffic Engineering;
- ADOT Transportation Enhancements;
- ADOT Transportation Planning Division;
- Bicycle Advisory Committee – Flagstaff;
- Bicycle Advisory Committee – Glendale;
- Bicycle Advisory Committee – Prescott;
- Central Arizona Association of Governments;
- City of Flagstaff;
- City of Flagstaff City Council;
- City of Glendale;
- City of Goodyear;
- City of Mesa;
- City of Phoenix Trails;
- City of Tempe Transportation;
- City of Tucson;
- City of Yuma Community Development;
- Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists;
- Flagstaff Metropolitan Planning Organization;
- Greater Arizona Bicycling Association – Phoenix and Tucson;
- Maricopa Association of Governments;
- Maricopa County DOT;
- Northern Arizona University;
- Phoenix Children’s Hospital;
- Pima Association of Governments;
- Pedestrian Advisory Committee – Tucson;
- Prescott Alternative Transportation;
- Southeastern Arizona Governments;
- Southwest Gas;
- Tucson Department of Transportation;
- Town of Oro Valley;
- Valley Metro;
- Western Arizona Council of Governments;
- Yuma Unofficial Foothills Bicycle Club;
- Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization; and
- Yuma Safety Representative.



### 3.2. *Review Committee Input*

The Review Committee was kept involved in the plan through e-mail notification and review of the website. Anyone interested in being more involved in the plan was invited to participate on the Steering Committee, which was discussed in **Section 3.1**. The following is a list of organizations/divisions that were on the Review Committee:

- Arizona Bicycle Club;
- Arizona Department of Education;
- ADOT District Engineers;
- ADOT Regional Traffic Engineers;
- ADOT Environmental Group;
- ADOT Geographic Information Systems;
- Arizona Office of Tourism;
- Arizona State Parks;
- Arizona State University;
- City of Flagstaff;
- City of Phoenix Traffic;
- City of Tucson Bicycle Advisory Committee;
- Commission on Disabilities Issues;
- Council on Physical Fitness;
- Department of Commerce;
- Department of Health Services;
- Department of Public Safety;
- Federal Highway Administration;
- Flagstaff Metropolitan Planning Organization;
- Governor's Office of Highway Safety; and
- Greater Arizona Cycling Association, Phoenix and Tucson Chapters.

### 3.3. *ADOT District and Regional Traffic Engineer Input*

The ADOT District and Regional traffic engineers have a vast knowledge of the conditions of roadways under their jurisdiction and issues related to bicycle and pedestrian transportation. Background information on the project and requests for information regarding conditions and issues that impact bicycling and walking within their jurisdiction were sent to the following positions in the Fall 2002:

- Baja Regional Traffic Engineer;
- Flagstaff District Engineer;
- Globe District Engineer ADOT
- Holbrook District Engineer;
- Kingman Maintenance District Engineer;
- Kingman District Engineer;
- Northern Regional Traffic Engineer;
- Prescott Maintenance District Engineer;
- Phoenix Construction Assistant DE;
- Phoenix Construction District Engineer;
- Phoenix Regional Traffic Engineer;
- Phoenix Prescott District Engineer;
- Safford Development and Maintenance Engineer;
- Safford District Engineer;
- Tucson District Engineer;
- Western Regional Traffic Engineer; and
- Yuma District Engineer.

Information provided by the regional and district engineers is incorporated into the existing conditions summary in **Section 5.3**.



### **3.4. Public Open House Meetings**

Public meetings are an important component of all planning processes. If the Plan does not include input from the general public, it is unlikely to contain the desires of the community or the support for the implementation of the Plan. Public feedback was gathered through two sets of public open house meetings. The first was held to review the project scope and existing conditions status. The second meeting was held to review the draft Plan. Each of the public meetings was held in Northern, Central, and Southern Arizona.

Information provided from the public at the open house meetings is summarized in **Section 5.3**.

### **3.5. User Surveys**

Information regarding bicycling and walking was gathered from the general public through the use of surveys, one for bicycling, and one for walking. The survey solicits detailed feedback regarding the existing bicycling and walking conditions and issues, the Plan, and potential improvements to bicycling and walking facilities. A copy of the survey that was distributed is provided in **Appendix A**.

**Section 5.3** includes a summary of the comments received on the user surveys.

### **3.6. Project Website**

There is a website for the ADOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Program at [www.azbikeped.org](http://www.azbikeped.org). Content on the website contains statewide bicycle and pedestrian data, maps, information, contacts, and links. The website contains information for the general public on the Plan and a password protected section for Review and Steering Committee members. The website is expandable so additional information that becomes available can be placed on the site. Information regarding the Public Open House Meetings and the user surveys described in **Sections 3.4** and **3.5** were posted on the website.