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## Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

The Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is a multi-jurisdictional planning agency located in south-central New Mexico, USA. The MPO is responsible for planning all aspects of the transportation system including bicycle, auto, pedestrian, public transit, and aviation in Las Cruces, Mesilla and part of Doña Ana County. Federal regulations require the designation of an MPO to carry out coordinated, continuing and comprehensive transportation planning for urbanized areas with a population of more than 50,000.

The MPO is comprised of ten voting members: three City of Las Cruces Councillors, three Doña Ana County Commissioners, three Town of Mesilla Trustees, and the district engineer from NMDOT District One. Two committees advise the MPO: the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), which makes recommendations to the Policy Committee regarding technical issues, and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee (BPAC) which provides recommendations for the planning of bicycle and pedestrian facilities within the MPO area.

2016 Meeting Schedule (/~/media/lcpublicwebdev2/site documents/article documents/community development/mesilla valley mpo documents/mpo documents/mpo core docs/2016 mpo meeting schedule.ashx?la=en)

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## Missouri Avenue Study Corridor

The Mesilla Valley MPO is conducting a study corridor of the Missouri Avenue area to examine the transportation needs in the area. A public meeting (/~/media/lcpublicwebdev2/site documents/article documents/community development/mesilla valley mpo documents/mpo documents/missouripubmtg\_12-3-15r.ashx?la=en) was held on December 2 with further public meetings to come.

Please contact MPO Staff for further information.

# University Avenue Study Corridor

Mesilla Valley MPO Staff is commencing the final public comment period for the University Avenue Study Corridor Project. The draft the plan can be read here (/~/media/lcpublicwebdev2/site documents/article documents/community development/mesilla valley mpo documents/mpo documents/second draft university\_phasea\_12-17-15.ashx?la=en).

Please submit any comments or questions regarding this project to MPO Staff.

Staff expects to present the plan to the MPO Policy Committee for approval in January 2016

Short Range Transit Plan Update

The current draft of the update to the RoadRUNNER Short Range Transit Plan can be viewed here (/~/media/lcpublicwebdev2/site documents/article documents/community development/mesilla valley mpo documents/mpo documents/plans/roadrunner srtp - final report revised 2 oct 2015.ashx?la=en). For questions regarding the SRTP, please contact Michael McAdams at mmcadams@las-cruces.org (mailto:mmcadams@las-cruces.org).

## 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program

The 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (/~/media/lcpublicwebdev2/site documents/article documents/community development/mesilla valley mpo documents/mpo documents/mpo core docs/tip/2016-2021/103015tip.ashx?la=en) was adopted on June 10. The TIP contains planned transportation projects for the MPO area.

For questions on the TIP, please contact MPO staff at mpo@las-cruces.org (mailto:mpo@las-cruces.org).

## Five Core MPO Functions

There are five core functions for MPOs that are established by the Federal regulations.

**Establish a Setting** - Establishes and manages a fair and impartial setting for effective regional decision-making on transportation issues.

**Evaluate Alternatives** - Evaluates transportation alternatives, scaled to the size of the region, the nature of its transportation issues, and considers realistically available options.

**Maintain a Metropolitan Transportation Plan** - Develop and update a metropolitan transportation plan for the Mesilla Valley. This document covers a planning horizon of twenty years and focuses on multimodal mobility and access, efficient system performance, and quality of life.

**Develop a Transportation Improvement Program** - Develop a TIP, which is a fiscally constrained, prioritized capital transportation improvement program programmed for six years including state and federal money.

**Involve the Public** - Prepares and implements a Public Participation Plan, which outlines the procedures used to ensure the general public and any affected sub-groups will have the opportunity to participate in the transportation planning process.

### Contact Us

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1 2	MESILLA VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE				
3 4 5 6 7 8	The following are minutes for the meeting of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee of the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) which was held January 19, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in Commission Chambers at Dona Ana County Government Building, 845 Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico.				
9 10 11 12 13 14 15	MEMBERS PRESENT:		George Pearson, Chair (City of Las Cruces Citizen Rep) Jolene Herrera (NMDOT) Ashleigh Curry (Town of Mesilla Citizen Rep) Andrew Bencomo (Ped. Community Rep) Lance Shepan (Mesilla Marshall's Department) Gabriel Rochelle (Bicycle Community Rep) Samuel Paz (Dona Ana County)		
17 18 19 20 21	MEMBERS ABSENT:  STAFF PRESENT:		Duane Bentley (Bicycle Community Rep) James Nunez (City of Las Cruces Rep) David Shearer (NMSU - Environmental Safety) Mark Leisher (DAC Citizen Rep)		
22 23 24 25			Tom Murphy (MPO) Andrew Wray (MPO) Michael McAdams (MPO)		
25 26 27	OTHERS PI	RESENT:	Becky Baum, Recording Secretary, RC Creations, LLC		
28 29	1. CALI	TO ORDER	(5:00)		
30 31	Pearson:	Okay. It's 5	:00 so I'll call the		
32 33	PERSON IN	PERSON IN THE AUDIENCE SPEAKING, NOT AT THE MICROPHONE.			
34 35 36 37 38	Pearson:	Pearson: January 19th, 2016 meeting of the MPO Bicycle and Pedestrians Faci Advisory Committee to order. I think we'll start by every meml introducing themselves just so we know who's here. Why don't we st down at the end over there?			
39	Bencomo:	Andrew Bencomo.			
40 41	Pearson:	And the group you represent.			
42 43	Bencomo:	The pedestrian, Citizens' Pedestrian.			
44 45 46	Pearson:	Thank you.			

1 2 3	M	LEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE				
4 5 6 7	The following are minutes for the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee of the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) which was held January 8 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in Dona Ana County Government Building, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico.					
8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	MEMBERS	PRESENT:	Mike Bartholomew (CLC Transit) Larry Altamirano (LCPS) (departed 4:45) Louis Grijalva (CLC Public Works) (arrived 4:10) Jolene Herrera (NMDOT) John Knopp (Town of Mesilla) Harold Love (NMDOT) Rene Molina (DAC Engineering) Greg Walke (NMSU) Willie Roman (CLC Transportation) Luis Marmolejo (DAC) Bill Childress (BLM)			
20 21 22 23	MEMBERS	ABSENT:	Jack Valencia (SCRTD) Debbi Lujan (Town of Mesilla) John Gwynne (DA Flood Commission)			
24 25 26 27	STAFF PRE	ESENT:	Tom Murphy (MPO Staff) Andrew Wray (MPO Staff) Michael McAdams (MPO Staff)			
28 29	OTHERS P	RESENT:	Becky Baum, RC Creations, LLC, Recording Secretary			
30 31 32	1. CALL TO ORDER (4:05)					
33 34 35 36	Bartholomew: Let's see. It looks like it's about five minutes after four o'clock so I'll ca to order the, the meeting of the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Plannin Organization Technical Advisory Committee.					
37 38	2. APPI	2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA				
39 40 41	Bartholome	Bartholomew: The first item is the approval of the agenda. Is there any changes make Tom to the agenda?				
42 43	Murphy:	Staff has no	changes.			
44 44 45	Bartholome	Bartholomew: I'll entertain a motion to approve the agenda.				
45 46	Love:	So moved. I	-larold Love.			