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CYMPO Board to Consider Transit Alternatives

Prescott, AZ, October 11, 2006... The Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization (CYMPO) Executive Board will consider transit improvement alternatives on Wednesday, October 18, 2006, as part of a comprehensive study of public transportation needs. The meeting is open to the public and will begin at 4:00 p.m. at the Yavapai County Administration Building, 1015 Fair Street, Prescott, in the Supervisors Board Room.

The transit study, which covers the Towns of Chino Valley and Prescott Valley, City of Prescott and adjoining unincorporated areas of Yavapai County, is analyzing current and future needs for a public transit system through approximately 2015. CYMPO hired Nelson\Nygaard Consulting Associates, a nationally recognized transit planning firm, to assist with the project. The final report is expected in January 2007.

The 2030 Long Range Regional Transportation Plan also will be presented by Lima & Associates during the meeting for Board approval of a 30-day public review.

CYMPO also announced that three community open house meetings will be held on November 14-16, 2006 to gather community input on the transit alternatives being considered. Earlier open houses were held in July to solicit public views and opinions on whether transit services are needed and might be used.

For more information, please go to the CYMPO website at www.cympo.com, or call (928) 759-5520.

The Central Yavapai Metropolitan Organization, a partnership of Chino Valley, the City of Prescott, Prescott Valley, Yavapai County and the Arizona Department of Transportation, was established in June 2003 by federal mandate when the population of the region surpassed 50,000. Its purpose is to cooperatively plan the transportation future of the Central Yavapai region, which is comprised of over 401 square miles.