Arizona Council for Transportation Innovation (ACTI) Charter

Overview

A State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) brings public and private transportation stakeholders together to explore innovations and spearhead deployment in a State. Through a STIC, stakeholders meet to consider promising innovations and to advance technologies and processes. Arizona's STIC is the Arizona Council for Transportation Innovation (ACTI) formed in 2012.

Every Day Counts (EDC) is FHWA's innovation initiative designed to identify and rapidly deploy proven, yet underutilized innovations to shorten the project delivery process, enhance roadway safety, reduce traffic congestion, and integrate automation. A primary source of innovations explored by ACTI is FHWA's EDC program.

Objective

ACTI facilitates the implementation of innovative technology, tactics and techniques by transportation program delivery professionals to ensure smart, efficient investment in Arizona's highway and transportation infrastructure.

ACTI's objective is to strengthen a "Culture of Innovation" in Arizona by providing support

- to: Explore successful applications of innovation;
- Leverage innovative opportunities;
- Establish implementation teams to advance EDC initiatives;
- Support technology and test concepts using pilot projects; and
- Encourage integration of ideas into routine practices.

ACTI focuses on identifying advancements in the transportation industry that shorten project delivery, accelerate technology and innovation deployment, and ultimately improve the safety and reliability of the transportation system throughout the State of Arizona.

Council Member Responsibilities

- Share promising tools and technologies with ACTI;
- Encourage partners to improve processes, enhance communities, and save tax dollars;
- Provide input on the initiatives recommended to the Council;
- Contribute to Arizona's "Culture of Innovation" by inviting agency and industry representatives to participate with the ACTI implementation teams; and
- Support the advancement of implementation team efforts during the EDC rounds.

Membership

The Council is made up of representatives from the public and private sectors engaged in delivering the transportation program in Arizona. ACTI's diverse membership includes representatives from planning, design, construction, education, research, and economic development. FHWA Arizona and ADOT co chair the Council, the list of current ACTI members and their organizations is appended to this Charter. Updating the membership does not require a Charter revision.

Schedule

ACTI will meet regularly throughout the year with a target of holding meetings on a monthly basis. Semi-annual implementation workshops will be held in December and June.

Meeting and workshop dates and times will be shared with ACTI members through electronic correspondence and appointments.

Resources

STIC funding is available annually to support implementation advancement. In addition, FHWA EDC Implementation Teams are available as a technical resource to ACTI. Travel funding for the ACTI implementation teams may also be available from FHWA.

Time Frame

ACTI will be a continuing assembly and will only be disbanded upon agreement of the two co-chairs. Membership will be reviewed as needed.

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