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# MEMORANDUM

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Date: April 25, 2016

To: The Honorable Chair and Members  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "CH", is written over the printed name "C.H. Huckelberry".

Re: **County Transit Expenditures**

It has been suggested that one way to accelerate road repairs would be to eliminate the County's transit expenditures now occurring through an intergovernmental fund transfer to the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA). The RTA has assumed all transit responsibilities previously funded directly by the County.

In our three-county (Maricopa, Pinal and Pima) comparison of Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) expenditures, Pima County was the only county that had an expenditure related to transit. Such reflects our large, urban population within eastern Pima County. Over time, the transit system has been extended into the unincorporated area. Federal law requires that if a fixed route bus service is provided, the County is obligated to provide paratransit services. Hence, the County has, for over 30 years, provided transit services to the unincorporated area residents of Pima County.

The table below demonstrates present Pima County funded transit service.

<b>Pima County Funded Transit Service</b>		
	<b>FY15-/16 estimates</b>	<b>%</b>
Sun Tran Fixed Routes (Bus)	\$ 2,173,843	36
Sun Shuttle Circulators	\$ 1,941,926	33
Sun Van Service (Paratransit)	\$ 1,019,685	17
Pima County Express Service	\$ 405,777	7
Ajo Community Circulator	\$ 211,282	4
Avra Valley, Route 410	\$ 85,226	1
Tucson Estates, Route 430	\$ 66,879	1
San Xavier, Route 440	\$ 59,895	1
<b>TOTAL MOU Amount FY15-16</b>	<b>\$ 5,964,513</b>	<b>100</b>

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The County can terminate our Intergovernmental Agreement with the RTA and terminate transit service. Such would require a number of public hearings as required by Federal law.

If any member of the Board of Supervisors wishes to initiate such a process, please contact me. I would not, however, recommend such action be taken.

CHH/anc

c: Farhad Moghimi, Executive Director, Pima Association of Governments  
John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works  
Nanette Slusser, Assistant County Administrator for Public Works  
Priscilla Cornelio, Director, Department of Transportation