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The Honorable John Allen, Chair Joint Legislative Audit Committee

The Honorable Judy Burges, Vice Chair Joint Legislative Audit Committee

Dear Representative Allen and Senator Burges:

Our Office has recently completed an initial followup of the *Arizona Department of Transportation—Transportation Revenues* regarding the implementation status of the recommendation to the Legislature presented in the performance audit report released in September 2015 (Auditor General Report No. 15-113). As the attached grid indicates, the recommendation has been implemented by the Legislature.

Unless otherwise directed by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee, this concludes our follow-up work on efforts to implement the recommendation from the September 2015 performance audit report.

Sincerely,

Dale Chapman, Director Performance Audit Division

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cc: John Halikowski, Director

Arizona Department of Transportation

Arizona Department of Transportation—Transportation Revenues

Auditor General Report No. 15-113 Initial Follow-Up Report

Recommendation

Status/Additional Explanation

Chapter 2: Legislature should consider task force to study options to address transportation revenue needs

1. The Legislature should consider forming a task force to study and propose policy options for addressing the Department's transportation revenue needs to ensure a safe, efficient, and economically viable state transportation system. Task force members should include appropriate stakeholders, such as legislators, department representatives, local government officials, transportation experts, and citizens. Legislation forming the task force should identify task force membership, its overall purpose and expected outcomes, and deadlines for reporting recommendations to the Legislature.

Implemented at 6 months

Laws 2016, Ch. 228, establishes a surface transportation funding task force responsible for recommending specific revenue proposals to address transportation system needs. The legislation identifies task force membership, its required duties, and a deadline for reporting recommendations to the Governor and legislative leaders.