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The U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) today announced the award of a \$251,836 technical studies grant to the Pima Association of Governments (PAG), Tucson, Arizona. The grant will support the transit-related portion of PAG's FY 1974 Unified Work Program. The effort will build upon the FY 1973 Continuing Transportation Planning Program and will include both short and long-range planning activities.

UMTA Administrator Frank C. Herringer noted that two important outputs of the short-range effort will be updates of the transit development program and the 5-year capital improvement program. The long-range effort will concentrate on defining and evaluating alternative transportation-land use combinations which may guide growth in the major activity centers in the Tucson region. In this respect, emphasis will be placed on planning activities which will comply with the applicable Environmental Protection Agency promulgations to reduce air pollution. The unique concept of an auto-free zone will be analyzed and evaluated for its applicability in major activity centers throughout Tucson.

The one-fifth local share of the project cost is being provided by the Pima Association of Governments.

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