

ARRA Experience:

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Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG) serves Summit, Utah and Wasatch Counties and Cities in Utah. MAG provides Aging and Family services including in-home health care and home-delivered meals. MAG also provides data, technical services and other support for transportation and community planning and economic development for the counties and cities in the region.

Did your state include you in ARRA discussions? Were you briefed, given up-to-date information and kept aware of the opportunities for your organization(s) and members (i.e. local governments)? Please describe your overall experience on ARRA coordination with your state.

MAG has been included in discussions with the State since before the funds were made available. Discussions have been on topics such as reporting, deadlines, dollar amounts for projects, etc. MAG and the State have been coordinating closely on stimulus projects.



What types of outreach/educational tools did your organization use or is using for ARRA? Please describe any website, public outreach, surveys, email blasts, newsletters, social networking tools, etc. that you may have used and if it was effective.

MAG has provided information on its [website for transportation projects](#) in Utah County that have received ARRA funding. One part of the site gives a brief description of what ARRA funds are, gives a list of projects, and provides links to related websites and documents. Another part of the site includes an interactive map where users can click on a project and bring up information and pictures specific to that project. A PDF map of projects is also posted.

Please describe the ARRA funding or tax initiatives your organization or member local governments are directly receiving or involved with.

MAG has received funds for Highway Infrastructure Investment. Stimulus funds for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) have also been awarded to MAG, but have not yet been received.

How is your organization or member local governments tracking all of the ARRA opportunities? How will you meet the reporting requirements of ARRA if you receive funding?

ARRA opportunities are being tracked through newsletters and through associations with organizations such as AMPO, NARC and NADO. The State DOT is handling the federally required reporting for MAG's highway infrastructure projects. MAG is also coordinating with the DOT on other non-required reporting for those projects.

Are you or have you been in contact with your Congressional delegation? If so, please describe the context of this correspondence, which offices you reached out to and what staff you contacted.

Yes. MAG has contacted Senate and House offices, including those of Reps. Jim Matheson and Jason Chaffetz, and Senators Orrin Hatch and Bob Bennett. Contact has primarily been to give information on what MAG is doing.

Other details may be obtained by contacting Mountainland's office at 801.229.3800.