WORK SESSION NOTES of the
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

North Front Range Transportation and Air Quality Planning Council
Windsor Recreation Center - Pine Room
250 North 11th Street
Windsor, CO

May 27, 2015
1:06 – 2:24 p.m.

TAC MEMBERS PRESENT:
Eric Bracke, Chair – Greeley
Karen Schneider – CDOT
Dawn Anderson – Evans
Martina Wilkinson – Fort Collins
David Klockeman – Loveland

TAC MEMBERS ABSENT:
Suzette Mallette, Vice Chair – Larimer County
Stephanie Brothers – Berthoud
Jim Dileo – CDPHE
Christopher Barnes – COLT
Gary Carsten – Eaton
Aaron Bustow – FHWA
Will Jones – GET

NFRMPO STAFF:
Terri Blackmore
Becky Karasko
Aaron Buckley
Alex Gordon
Angela Horn
Josh Johnson

John Franklin – Johnstown
Jessica McKeown – LaSalle
Seth Hyberger – Milliken
Amanda Brimmer – RAQC
Gary Thomas – SAINT
John Holdren – Severance
Eric Fuhrman – Timnath
Kurt Ravenschlag – Transfort
Janet Lundquist – Weld County
Dennis Wagner – Windsor

The Work Session began at 1:06 p.m.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

2040 Regional Transportation Plan: Chapter 6: Safety and Security
Karasko discussed changes made to Chapter 6. Staff has included Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) required changes as well information outlined in the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) 2012 I-25 Incident Management Plan and Colorado 2015 Integrated Safety Plan. MAP-21 requires transit agencies complete a safety analysis; however, guidance from FTA has not been released.

Klockeman mentioned acronyms in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) should be reintroduced at the beginning of each chapter for clarification. Karasko stated a list of acronyms will be provided at the beginning of the document as well.

Wilkinson discussed congestion impacts on roadway safety and asked for clarification on the purposes of obtaining and implementing safety data to help reach a goal of zero fatalities. Bracke agreed discussions on crash data in the plan seemed brief and asked for clarification on how data could fit into the call for projects. Schneider stated the plan could include documentation on local community safety and security initiatives rather than a regional plan for safety and security.

A copy of the full meeting minutes will be available, a week prior to the next TAC meeting, at http://www.nfrmpo.org/AboutUs/TransportationAdvisoryCommittee.aspx
2040 Regional Transportation Plan: Chapter 9: Vision Plan
Karasko discussed changes made to the Vision Plan, including updated corridor visions for regionally significant corridors for vehicles, bicycles, and transit. Bicycle corridors were selected from the 2013 Regional Bicycle Plan, and transit corridors were selected from the 2040 Regional Transit Element. Vision plans for corridors are being presented in the chapter individually, rather than placing them in tiers. There are 27 roadway corridors, 12 bicycle corridors, and nine transit corridors.

Klockeman requested staff look at references relative to the various corridors in the chapter. Wilkinson stated several studies have been completed on the different corridors not included in the chapter. TAC discussed looking at individual transportation plans for local communities and Weld and Larimer counties to include as references. Blackmore requested that TAC members assist staff with the studies completed since the last plan that are relevant to each corridor.

Wilkinson requested clarification on goals and objectives for each corridor. Karasko explained the goals and objectives were selected from the adopted Goals, Objectives, Performance Measures, and Targets (GOPMT) developed by TAC and Council. Wilkinson suggested removing individual goals and objectives for each corridor and to include the overall vision for the entire regionally significant system. Blackmore stated there must be a vision included for each corridor to have a corridor-based plan.

Wilkinson suggested adding a list of jurisdictions involved with each corridor. Klockeman suggested mapping the corridors on separate maps by direction (east-west corridors and north-south corridors). Schneiders suggested showing missing segments of the corridors as dashed lines, and color-coding the corridors by type (roadway, bicycle, and transit).

Karasko stated the aviation visions are based on plans and improvements for the two regional airports. The purpose of the freight vision plan is to begin to incorporate freight planning into the RTP. A freight plan task is included in the FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

2040 Regional Transportation Plan
Karasko discussed changes made to the Financial Plan based on the last TAC meeting, including updated funding allocation tables and charts. Bracke mentioned listing the Greeley Sales Tax separately with the two Fort Collins Tax Initiatives. TAC discussed combining all voter-approved tax initiatives into one category, with a separate explanation.

Johnson clarified all development impact fees have been included in local estimates.

The Work Session adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by:
Josh Johnson, NFRMPO Staff

The next meeting will be a work session held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 11, 2015 at the Windsor Recreation Center, Pine Room.