

I-25 Funding Subcommittee  
March 11, 2016  
11:30-1:45 pm

## Introductions

### Attendees:

Tom Donnelly  
Kathy Gilliland  
Kari Grant  
Aaron Greco  
Jamie Grim  
Gerry Horak  
Barbara Koezler

David May  
Johnny Olson  
Heather Paddock  
Ron Papsdorf  
Sandra Solin  
Herman Stockinger  
Steve Tool

Johnny presented his idea for the TIGER grant Phase I 402 to 14 (used to be interim condition) Widen the big Thompson to the inside. Will need variances. 100' inside lane to inside lane. RR Bridge Working with McWhinney to add Kendall parkway they will put in 4-8M Replace Poudre and Kechter. 194-200M.

Herman - I-25 is the only TIGER grant CDOT will be submitting. CDOT understands that there needs something funded on I-25 from 14 south.

CDOT started with just the two bridges that are bottlenecks, Poudre and the RR Bridge. The CDOT director told staff to go big or go home. So the addition of the third lane was added bringing the total to 230M project. I-25 is in a phase II analysis for TIFIA loan application. CDOT will ask the Transportation Commission for 80M for N I-25. CDOT anticipates \$100M from a TIFIA construction loan, 20-25 from TIGER and 25 from local communities or developers.

CDOT's FASTLANE applications include one statewide for truck parking notification, and two large projects - None on I-25.

The Subcommittee had considerable discussion on whether CDOT and the MPO should go forward with both apps. If they do both applications should they be the same.

TIGER cannot add anything more. The MPO was asked if they could remove two Thompson bridges (the big Thompson is too close to another RR Bridge) and add a third lane in both directions for the highway.

HS indicated that both applications need to make sure we can get past the staff review so there can be no fatal flaws.

KG. Average for TIGER grants has been 15M. With additional lane CDOT will ask for 20-25M.

RP believes that FASTLANE is going to require overmatch. The Subcommittee members felt that if project is duplicated for both apps then we should get one.

KG. When we are coming up with 230M. She felt that too many applications may dilute our chances.

GH. The staff in Senator Gardner's office suggested putting in both applications. We should put in both gives us two chances

HS indicated CDOT did not have confidence that last year's TIGER application would be successful. They feel that this TIGER will be successful with N I-25. Making the apps the same - good chance

Use this project as a next phase of Climbing lane. There was a suggestion that perhaps the MPO should sponsor both given local communities and MPOs are more successful with TIGER awards.

JO. CD will plan to make presentations at Windsor, Greeley, Johnstown, Milliken etc to engage the communities to increase the committed local match.

JO CDOT is starting phase I design so that if I-25 is awarded funding they can move fast to implement. We have an RFP for design build packages. By 2018 we have three lanes and open. Project readiness is important for the FASTLANE program.

What are our actions? CDOT has prepared a table TIGER vs FASTLANE.

SS. Are still in holding pattern until Economic forecast is released on March 18. They are still after a longer term funding commitment. The Hospital provider fee is still playing a role. Speaker will introduce a bill for HP fee Need to work with Senate for HP fee or other solution. There are sixty days left in legislature session.

SS Fix North I-25 Business coalition will out in the field with new poll. For Bonding and Sales tax. CCA will be testing this week. Had conversations w CCA. Bonding and funding mechanism. DeBrucing back on the list as a mechanism to find funding for transportation. That only works for a ten year period. Numbers not sufficient to provide a stable funding source. Less debate on Bonding. Just on how to fund the repayment. JBC has identified a path for moving forward.

Heather is point of contact for project. Will organize weekly calls

Contact Cheyenne for Support. City and MPO (prepare draft letters of support).

DM. The group should send up a delegation to discuss project with Wyoming DOT, military base, mayor, MPO chair and others.

Final application outline Phase I improvement.

Poudre Bridge, RR Bridge, third lane from Hwy 402 to Hwy 14

Possible addition – Slip ramps to Kendall Parkway for public transit