

# I-25 Funding Subcommittee Meeting

April 14, 2017

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Perkins Crossroads

6020 Stallion Drive, Loveland

## 1. Introductions – 5 minutes

Mark Jackson	Becky Karasko	Barbara Koelzer
David May	Kathy Gilliland	Dave Clark
Steve Tool	Gerry Horak	Tom Donnelly
Heather Paddock	Terri Blackmore	

## 2. I-25 construction update for Climbing lanes and Crossroads projects – Heather Paddock - 10 minutes

Climbing lanes - Paving soon if the weather holds. The trucks merging from right lane at the end of the lane. CDOT will use signage encourage trucks to move right when entering the lane. CDOT will restripe when paved to encourage desired movements. Crossroads – CDOT has set girders and the project is on track. CDOT has changed the Crossroads project adding items that can be used in the I-25 project to minimize “throwaways”.

## 3. Update on I-25 Project – report on what is included in the bid and what improvements are listed as Additional Requested Elements (AREs) – Heather Paddock – 5 minute

Final RFP was delayed as communities worked out funding options. CDOT will distribute the final RFP on Friday April 21. Proposals due July 28 for a \$301M project. With over \$55.5M in local \$37M in Federal, and 200m+ in State, Still talking with property owners for ROW. Will be meeting with property owners. Poudre bridge will allow trail connection. Not enough room for equestrians. Will pave trail under bridge. Will not get through 402. \$350-400M for rest of third lane for through 66. Bridges replacement are for 75 years. Widening to middle 20 year design life. 30 year for additional lanes not in the middle. EIS is for a rural cross section. But building an urban cross section. There is an ARE to go down to SH60.

## 4. Legislative Strategy – 30 minutes

### a. Mobility Infrastructure and Services – MPACT definition

HB 1242. - Senate committee on Tuesday Passed out of Transportation on 3-2 vote. The Amendments include:

- Reduced to .5 sales tax
- CDOT changed to a % but reduced funding
- Added types of projects to be funded
- Increased the bond limit to \$5.5B.
- Will generate \$700M divided into three pots, CDOT, Transit and Local Government split 50/50 cities/counties
- \$1.2 reduction in Faster
- 45 days for project list
- Removed multimodal committee
- Transparency for contracting

With the reduced rate, there is not enough for CDOT to service bonds. CDOT will not have enough to service bonds. Now goes to Senate Finance on April 25. As written, it is unlikely to make it through Finance Committee. NCLA wants to save HB 1242 but it needs changes. If they reduce the rate, they will need to reduce transit and local portions. It may need to be as low .5 to .4 or .3 for the voters to pass it. CDOT will need to service the bonds regardless of the level of funding.

b. Educating legislators – Day with legislators to be announced.

## 5. Segment 5 & 6

a. P3 – Kari Grant –

Unable to attend but sent information that the P3 would require more than a year's data from the new I-25 express lane and the N I-25 lane to be finished in 2020.

b. NCLA options – David May for Sandra Solin

Exploring \$2/night tax on hotel rooms which would raise \$100M/year. HB1242 needs to be reshaped to support the bonding using a more modest sales tax. If they add the tourism tax then "others" pay. If it survives Senate Finance committee then full senate must pass before a conference committee. NCLA pushing for something the voters will support. State transportation system should be focus of modest proposal. KG - Caldera proposal before title committee next week. CCA still has proposals. CCA plans to petition on the ballot. Caldera - Fix our damn roads has a bonding option with no way to pay back. NCLA and Fix N I-25 have not tested the Tourism tax. Appeals because visitors pay it not residents. Still has to go to voters. Georgia passed \$5 tax on hotels and two other measures.

Anything for locals to discuss with legislators. NCLA will put together a proposal for changes to HB1242 and take it to legislators. Their goal is to keep CDOT whole while funding the large state projects.

GH - has anyone talked with the speaker? Unsure. There is push back from Dems. The Senate Chair of the finance committee is on record opposing HB1242. Not sure thing that HB 1242 will get out of finance committee.

c. FASTLANE – Becky Karasko

Large and small, rural and urban. 2020 last year of grant. Ask for feedback on previous. Check on FHWA administrator appointment. For a FASTLANE grant, will need local's funds as match. A Timeline for application. Need leave behind materials for trips to DC. Need to start working with partners. Need to take the idea not I-25 funding coalition.

KG – The new Transportation Commissioner for Boulder area is Karen Stuart from the North Area Transportation Alliance.

## 6. Next Steps

a. Next meeting – May 5 11:30-1:00

Megan Castle – messaging express lanes

FASTLANE Timeline

Sandra Solin legislative update