

**MEETING MINUTES 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**

**September 19, 2018
1:01 – 3:08 p.m.**

TAC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Klockeman, Chair – Loveland
Will Jones, Vice Chair – Greeley
Dawn Anderson – Weld County
Eric Fuhrman – Timnath
Tim Kemp – Fort Collins
Ken Martin – Evans
Rusty McDaniel – Larimer County
Karen Schneiders – CDOT
Dennis Wagner – Windsor

NFRMPO STAFF:

Ryan Dusil
Alex Gordon
Becky Karasko
Medora Kealy
Suzette Mallette
Sarah Martin

TAC MEMBERS ABSENT:

Amanda Brimmer - RAQC
Stephanie Brothers - Berthoud
Aaron Bustow – FHWA
Gary Carsten - Eaton
Rick Coffin – CDPHE-APCD
John Franklin - Johnstown
Katy Mason - LCOA
Jessica McKeown - LaSalle
Mitch Nelson - Severance
Ranae Tunison - FTA
Town of Milliken

IN ATTENDANCE:

Allison Baxter - Greeley
Bob Fifer - CDOT
Alana Koenig - CDOT

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Klockeman called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 15, 2018 TAC MINUTES

Wagner moved to approve the August 15, 2018 TAC minutes. The motion was seconded by McDaniel and it was approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

FY2018-FY2019 UPWP Amendment #3 and 2045 Goals, Objectives, Performance Measures, and Targets (GOPMT) – Martin noted the percent of non-single occupant vehicle (SOV) commute trips target should be 25 percent instead of 30 percent. Jones moved to recommend Planning Council approve the FY2018-FY2019 UPWP Amendment #3 and the 2045 GOPMT with the updated target. The motion was seconded by Anderson and approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

September 2018 TIP Amendment – Kealy reviewed the four Amendment requests included in the TAC packet. The *I-25: SH7 to SH1 project* will have its title updated to *North I-25: WCR38 to SH402*, which is within the NFRMPO Metropolitan Planning Area and reflects the project sponsor's revised project location. An updated Environmental Justice (EJ) Analysis will occur prior to the Planning Council meeting. Kealy noted Transit Asset Management (TAM) targets need to be incorporated into the TIP with any amendment after October 1, 2018, and the TIP Narrative will be updated to reflect this. Klockeman asked if the costs of the I-25 project will remain the same. Schneiders confirmed costs will remain the same. Schneiders moved to recommend Planning Council approve the September 2018 TIP Amendment. The motion was seconded by Kemp and approved unanimously.

2018 Call for Projects Process – Kealy reviewed the updates to the 2018 Call for Projects process based on TAC's comments at the August TAC meeting. The STBG community target table was updated, though targets did not change. STBG scoring criteria points reflect TAC input. The Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) requirements were updated to reflect ITS projects must conform to the Regional Architecture, whether they touch a State Highway or not. Kealy recommended reaching out to Larry Haas, CDOT Engineer, if TAC members have any questions on the definition of an ITS project. Mallette asked about the systems engineering process. Fifer replied it is handled by his team and involves checking if the project conforms to the Regional Architecture, figuring out if there is existing fiber in the project area, and involves little effort by the municipalities. Kealy stated the Buy America restrictions were clarified. The RAQC set-aside for air quality modeling has been included in the STBG funding information. The NoCo Bike & Ped Collaborative reviewed the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Non-Motorized Project Scoring Criteria and provided additional explanations for how non-motorized projects will be scored. Kemp asked if the CDOT project review is only for projects that touch State Highways. Kealy responded that is correct, but applicants can choose to submit other projects to CDOT for review.

Kealy stated the CDOT CMAQ formulas workshop has been delayed until October 9, 2018. Anderson asked how emission formulas will impact the Call for Projects schedule. CMAQ data requests are scheduled soon after the formulas are to be finalized, reducing TAC members' abilities to choose the most competitive projects. TAC members discussed the Call for Projects schedule and decided to hold a Work Session on the formulas between the workshop and the October TAC meeting.

Kemp moved to recommend Planning Council approve the 2018 Call for Projects Process with the exception of the CMAQ formulas. The motion was seconded by Jones and approved unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

CDOT Smart Mobility – Bob Fifer, CDOT, presented on the various ITS and technology initiatives CDOT is undertaking. *Smart Mobility* will be incorporated as a new chapter in the *Statewide Transportation Plan* and address a five to 10-year vision to maximize the benefits of new technology in the transportation system. Fifer noted the *CDOT Region 4 Smart Mobility Plan* meeting will be held on November 1, 2018. CDOT is working with public and private agencies and

organizations to plan for and expand fiber throughout the State. Currently, CDOT estimates Colorado has approximately 1,200 to 1,300 miles of fiber. A Needs Assessment found Colorado would need more than 9,000 miles to adequately address the needs of the State. CDOT is working with Panasonic and other private entities to build an “Internet of Roads” (IoR), which will be used by vehicles to dispatch information and will help expand vehicle autonomy and safety. Additionally, CDOT is assessing the need for fiber and other technology, especially as vehicle technology is expanding. Mallette asked what the best way is to have conversations between municipalities, CDOT, and the private industry about fiber. Fifer stated CDOT needs to be engaged as part of the process and can act as an intermediary. CDOT will be leading an effort to create a central database of KMZ (mapping) data of fiber locations, which will help with efficiency of ITS systems between communities. Fifer will send out a save the date for the November 1 meeting, along with the brochure and fiber map.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2045 Regional Transportation Element (RTE) – Gordon reviewed the draft *2045 RTE* and *2045 RTE* recommendations. The *2045 RTE* was distributed to TAC following the August 2018 TAC meeting for review and comment. Jones asked if the regional rail study will be included and Gordon noted he will add it to the recommendations. The *2045 RTE* will go to Planning Council as a Discussion Item at the October 4, 2018 Planning Council meeting.

FY2018 TIP Projects Review – Kealy stated the NFRMPO must review TIP projects each year and note if projects have issued a Notice to Proceed or have an advertisement date in the TIP project year. She reached out to project sponsors with projects with initial funding in FY2018 or earlier. Kealy noted of the 12 projects reviewed, eight are fully delayed and one has delayed components. Three projects have a second delay. Anderson stated the *Weld County Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Vehicles & Expansion* project is delayed due to Buy America waiver issues, not because of Weld County. Jones noted the Greeley City Council approved the use of eminent domain for the *10th Street* project, which is delayed due to right-of-way issues. Klockeman noted Loveland is trying to move the *US34/US287 VMS Boards* project along and have an expected completion date in summer 2019. TAC discussed holding a meeting between CDOT, the NFRMPO, and communities impacted by the Buy America waivers suspension prior to this item returning for Action. Kealy noted the TIP Delay policy does not provide detail on what happens if a portion of a project is delayed and asked for TAC input to clarify this issue for the next TIP update in spring 2019.

OUTSIDE PARTNER REPORTS

NoCo Bike & Ped Collaborative – Dusil requested TAC members reach out to him if they have any questions about the TA Non-Motorized Project Scoring Criteria. Dusil noted NoCo has received 50 RSVPs for the Leaders’ Ride on October 12 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. along the Long View Trail. TAC members who are interested should reach out to Dusil.

Regional Transit Agencies – Jones noted the *Regional Route* is moving along. The Fort Collins City Manager has made a recommendation to fund the route, and the Windsor Town Board and the Greeley City Council support the route as well. GET is working through the bus capital process for the *Regional Route*. Jones also noted Torres is no longer with GET, and Jones will be the

Interim Transit Manager. Klockeman noted COLT is rolling out route and stop changes in Loveland, which will go live on November 5. Schneiders noted the Bustang to Broncos buses have been successful this season.

Senior Transportation – Gordon noted he is working on the FTA 5304 Request for Proposals for a One Call/One Click program, which is expected to be released later in the year. The Bustang Travel Training will take place on October 4, and 30 people have signed up so far.

REPORTS

Transportation Ballot Initiatives – Schneiders handed out an informational sheet on the two ballot initiatives. Schneiders stated 80 percent of funds from Proposition 109 would need to be expended within three years and projects would need to be bonded by July 2019. Mallette noted the NFRMPO has two projects on the list, and I-25 was prioritized over the US34/US85 interchange. Mallette also noted CDOT provided estimated amounts for each county and municipality for Proposition 110. Jones noted Greeley is moving forward on the Quality of Life sales tax, which will help fund transportation projects.

Roundtable – Karasko noted the next Model Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for October 25.

Schneiders noted CDOT is in the middle of the annual FHWA financial shutdown and estimates it will be back up and running the week of October 1, 2018.

Kemp noted the North College project will be advertised in November. The second closure of Horsetooth Road as part of the *Horsetooth and College Intersection Improvement Project* is complete. Construction is expected to be completed by early November.

Mallette noted the NFRMPO received a draft version of the Planning Certification Review. The NFRMPO will be making tweaks to address comments.

MEETING WRAP-UP

Final Public Comment - There was no final public comment.

Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions – There will be two Action items: 2045 RTE and Call for Projects CMAQ Emissions Formulas; three presentations: Call for Projects application training, Northern Colorado Clean Cities, and RAQC on ozone and outreach; and two Discussion items: 2045 RTP policies and Safety Targets, if information becomes available.

Meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by:

Alex Gordon, NFRMPO Staff

The next meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at the Windsor Recreation Center, Pine Room.