

**Meeting Minutes of the
NORTH FRONT RANGE TRANSPORTATION &
AIR QUALITY PLANNING COUNCIL**

**September 16, 2021
Virtual Work Session**

Voting Members Present:

Will Karspeck- Chair -Berthoud
Tricia Canonico -Fort Collins Alternate
Mark Clark -Evans
Lanie Isbell -Eaton
Scott James -Weld County
Brett Payton -Greeley
Kristin Stephens -Larimer County

Voting Members Absent:

Fil Archuleta -Garden City
Elizabeth Austin -Milliken
Frank Baszler -Severance
Kathleen Bracke -TC
Dave Clark -Loveland
Paula Cochran -LaSalle
Lisa Laake -Timnath
Troy Mellon -Johnstown
Paul Rennemeyer -Windsor
Dena Wojtach -CDPHE-APCD

MPO Staff:

Suzette Mallette, Executive Director; **Becky Karasko**, Transportation Planning Director; **Alex Gordon**, Transportation Planner III; **Medora Bornhoft**, Transportation and Air Quality Planner III

In Attendance:

Abdul Barzak, Scott Ballstadt, Allison Baxter, Josie Hadley, Butch Hause, Omar Herrera, Will Jones, Mitch Nelson, Heather Paddock, Evan Pinkham, Randy Ready, Elizabeth Relford, Erik Sabina, Theresa Takushi, Eric Tracy, Paul Trombino

Chair Karspeck called the MPO Council Work Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Move to Approve Agenda:

James **moved** to *APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021, WORK SESSION AGENDA AS SUBMITTED*. The motion was **seconded** by Stephens and **passed** unanimously.

Work Session Agenda

Chair Karspeck opened the work session and explained Mallette would facilitate Council member discussion.

Work Session Overview

Mallette discussed the purpose and flow of the Work Session.

CDOT Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Transportation Rule Review and Discussion

Bornhoft provided an overview and history of CDOT's proposed Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Transportation Rule and the process NFRMPO staff has undertaken to date. She also reviewed the modeling results recently received from CDPHE and how they compared to the NFRMPO's model results.

Council members discussed a series of requests NFRMPO staff would like to request in the NFRMPO's public comment letter. These included: requesting a change to Table 1 in the proposed rule to reflect the results from the NFRMPO's models as opposed to the CDOT statewide model results for calculating the base line.

NFRMPO Comments on GHG Rule Roundtable

Bornhoft opened the roundtable discussion on the NFRMPO's comments on the proposed rule. She discussed the areas of support NFRMPO staff has drafted and requested Council member input and additions to the list. She then moved to the NFRMPO staff identified areas of concern, including the priority order staff has identified for these concerns. Bornhoft then discussed NFRMPO staff's recommendations on how CDOT could address the concerns within the proposed rule. Council members then voted on their top priorities for inclusion in the NFRMPO's public comments at the upcoming public hearings as well as inclusion in the public comment letter.

Work Session Wrap-Up and Next Steps

Bornhoft reviewed the next steps for the process of submitting public comments and when they are due to CDOT. Mallette wrapped up the Work Session by reminding Council members of the outstanding data request staff has with CDOT as well as the letter requesting additional time to review the requested data submitted to CDOT earlier this week.

The Work Session was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Work Session minutes submitted by: Becky Karasko, NFRMPO Staff