

# Northern Colorado Bike & Ped Collaborative

Executive Summary – Wednesday, March 9, 2022

GoToMeeting Virtual Meeting

## Summer 2022 Events

Gordon introduced La’Kesha Stewart and Bernadette Rhodes from Metroplan, the Little Rock MPO, who are planning a trip for their elected officials to Northern Colorado in August. Stewart and Rhodes explained the Central Arkansas Regional Greenways project, which will dedicate \$55M in Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds over the next years to developing five trail corridors across the Central Arkansas area. During their trip to Northern Colorado, the Fort Collins Chamber of Commerce will help plan their itinerary, and NoCo members suggested the following:

- Bike ride around CSU’s campus to see the new bike roundabout and grade-separated trail
- Cycling Without Age ride on the Poudre Trail
- Seeing the connections between the Power Trail and the Loveland Recreation Trail
- Riding the Poudre Trail to see the new connections with the Windsor Trail
- Talking to Windsor, Timnath, Larimer County, Greeley, and the Poudre Trail about their regional wayfinding project
- Discussing Spin scooters and e-bikes
- Bike field trips and developing a bike culture through Safe Routes to School programming
- Talking with the Larimer County Built Environment Program to discuss their small bike-sharing program at mobile home parks in Fort Collins

The group also discussed doing a bike/walk audit in Severance, a bike/walk audit in Fort Collins (suggestion: Prospect Rd. Bridge over I-25 when it is complete), and discussions about the Poudre Trail Master Plan update east of Island Grove Regional Park and design considerations for the bike roundabout/separated trail at CSU.

## MMOF Funding Program

Gordon reviewed the updated guidelines for the Multimodal Transportation & Mitigation Options Fund (MMOF) Call for Projects, which will open in May. A major change is the addition of greenhouse gas reductions as a goal for the program. TAC will discuss the Call for Projects again at their March meeting. There was no major Planning Council feedback at the discussion in March. Potential projects include an underpass in Loveland, various projects in Larimer County, bike/ped and transit projects in Fort Collins, and the Phemister Trail at CSU.

## Roundtable

- Berthoud adopted an updated Trails Master Plan, developed by Logan Simpson.
- The Poudre Trail board is focusing on connecting Island Grove Regional Park to the Platte River, including through a recreational Metro District.
- Fort Collins Bicycle Advisory Committee is working on developing feedback on the Safety Stop bill working through the State Legislature.
- Next meeting topics: Defining the Low Stress Bike Network and discussing State/Federal legislation.