

NORTH FRONT RANGE TRANSPORTATION & AIR QUALITY PLANNING COUNCIL HYBRID MEETING AGENDA

December 1, 2022

Virtual Attendance Option In-Person Attendance Option Windsor Public Works Complex Call-in Number: (571) 317-3122 922 N. 15th Street Access Code: 144-857-813 Windsor, CO 80550 Online Meeting: https://bit.ly/2022NFRPC

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Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment- 2 Minutes Each (accepted on items not on the Agenda) Anyone in the audience will be given time to speak to items on the Consent Agenda. Please ask for that item to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Items pulled will be heard at the beginning of the regular agenda. Members of the public will be given an opportunity to speak to all other items prior to Council action being taken.

1) Acceptance of Meeting Agenda

2) Approval of Minutes - Lead Planning Agency for Air Quality/MPO - November 3, 2022 (Page 8)

Lead Planning Agency for Air Quality Agenda

REPORTS:

3)	Air Pollution Control Division (APCD) (Page 13)	Jessica Ferko – Manager, Planning & Policy Program, APCD	6:05
4)	Regional Air Quality Council (RAQC) (Handout)	(Written)	
5)	NFRMPO Air Quality Program Updates (Handout)	Medora Bornhoft — Transportation & Air Quality	6:20
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Metropolitan Planning Organization Agenda

REPORTS:

6) Report of the Chair	Will Karspeck - Council Chair, Town of Berthoud	6:25
7) Executive Director Report	Suzette Mallette - Executive Director	6:30
8) TAC (Page 15)	(Written)	
9) Mobility (Handout)	(Written)	
10) Finance (Page 16)	(Written)	
11) Community Advisory Committee (CAC) (Page 17)	(Written)	
CONSENT ITEM:		
12) FAMLI Opt Out Resolution 2022-33 (Page 18)	Suzette Mallette	6:35
13) Q3 2022 Unaudited Financials (Handout)	Rachel Stillwell - Accountant	
ACTION ITEMS:		
14) 2023 Officers Election	Will Karspeck	6 :40
15) 2022 Public Involvement Plan (PIP) Resolution 2022-34 (Page 21)	AnnaRose Cunningham - Transportation Planner II	6 :45
16) November 2022 TIP Amendment Resolution 2022-35 (Page 23)	AnnaRose Cunningham	6 :50
17) Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Plan Resolution 2022-36 (Page 28)	Alex Gordon - Transportation Planner III	7:00

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DISCUSSION ITEMS: 18) FY2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY2023 Tasks Update (Page 31)	Becky Karasko - Transportation Planning Director	7:05
19) FY2023-2025 Additional Allocations (Page 32)	AnnaRose Cunningham	7:10
COUNCIL REPORTS :		
Transportation Commission	Kathleen Bracke - Transportation Commissioner	7:30
CDOT R4 Update	Heather Paddock - CDOT R4 Transportation Director	
STAC Report (Page 33)	(Written)	
Colorado Transportation Investment Office (CTIO) (Page 34)	(Written)	
I-25 Coalition	Scott James – Council Vice Chair, Weld County Commissioner	
Nonattainment Area Air Pollution Mitigation Enterprise (NAAPME)	Kristin Stephens – Larimer County Commissioner	
Front Range Passenger Rail District	Will Karspeck Johnny Olson — City of Greeley Councilmember	
Host Council Member Report	Paul Rennemeyer- Mayor, Town of Windsor	

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

7:40

8:25

To consider personnel matters, pursuant to C.R.S.§24-6-402(4)(f), regarding the annual evaluation of the Executive Director and not involving: any specific employee who has requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies.

MEETING WRAP UP:

Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions



MPO Planning Council

Town of Berthoud William Karspeck, Mayor - Chair Alternate- Mike Grace, Mayor Pro Tem

Weld County Scott James, Commissioner - Vice Chair Alternate- Perry Buck, Commissioner

Town of Eaton Liz Heid, Mayor Pro Tem Alternate- Glenn Ledall, Trustee

City of Evans Mark Clark, Mayor Alternate- TBD

City of Fort Collins Tricia Canonico, Councilmember Alternate- TBD

Town of Garden City Fil Archuleta, Mayor Alternate- TBD

City of Greeley and Greeley Evans Transit (GET) Johnny Olson, Councilmember Alternate- Brett Payton, Mayor Pro Tem

Town of Johnstown Troy Mellon, Mayor Pro Tem

Larimer County Kristin Stephens, Commissioner Alternate- Jody Shadduck-McNally, Commissioner

Town of LaSalle Paula Cochran, Trustee

City of Loveland John Mallo, Councilmember

Town of Milliken Elizabeth Austin, Mayor

Town of Severance Frank Baszler, Councilmember Alternate- Matt Fries, Mayor

Town of Timnath Lisa Laake, Trustee

Town of Windsor Paul Rennemeyer, Mayor Alternate- Ken Bennett, Mayor Pro Tem

CDPHE- Air Pollution Control Division Jessica Ferko, Manager, Planning & Policy Program

Colorado Transportation Commission Kathleen Bracke, Commissioner Alternate- Heather Paddock, Region 4 Director



MPO MEETING PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

1. The order of the agenda will be maintained unless changed by the MPO Planning Council Chair (MPO Chair).

2. "Public Comment" is a time for citizens to address the Planning Council on matters that are not specifically on the agenda. Each citizen shall be limited to a total of two (2) minutes time for public comment, or at the discretion of the MPO Chair.

3. Before addressing the Planning Council, each individual must be recognized by the MPO Chair, come and stand before the Council and state their name and address for the record. (All proceedings are taped.)

4. For each Action item on the agenda, the order of business is as follows:

- > MPO Chair introduces the item; asks if formal presentation will be made by staff
- Staff presentation (optional)
- > MPO Chair requests citizen comment on the item (two minute limit for each citizen
- Planning Council questions of staff on the item
- Planning Council motion on the item
- Planning Council discussion
- Final Planning Council comments
- Planning Council vote on the item

5. Public input on agenda items should be kept as brief as possible, and each citizen shall be limited to two (2) minutes time on each agenda item, subject to time constraints and the discretion of the MPO Chair.

6. During any discussion or presentation, no person may disturb the assembly by interrupting or by any action such as applause or comments. Any side conversations should be moved outside the meeting room. Courtesy shall be given to all speakers.

7. All remarks during the meeting should be germane to the immediate subject.

GLOSSARY

5303 & 5304	FTA program funding for multimodal transportation planning (jointly administered with FHWA) in metropolitan areas and States
5307	FTA program funding for public transportation in Urbanized Areas (i.e. with populations >50,000)
5309	FTA program funding for capital investments
5310	FTA program funding for enhanced mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities
5311	FTA program funding for rural and small Urban Areas (Non-Urbanized Areas)
5326	FTA program funding to define "state of good repair" and set standards for measuring the condition of capital assets
5337	FTA program funding to maintain public transportation in a state of good repair
5339	FTA program funding for buses and bus facilities
3C	Continuing, Comprehensive, and Cooperative
7th Pot	CDOT's Strategic Investment Program and projects —originally using S.B. 97-01 funds
AASHTO	American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials
ACP	Access Control Plan
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
ADT	Average Daily Traffic (also see AWD)
AIS	Agenda Item Summary
AMPO	Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations
APCD	Air Pollution Control Division (of Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment)
AQCC	Air Quality Control Commission (of Colorado)
ATP	Active Transportation Plan
AWD	Average Weekday Traffic (also see ADT)
BUILD	Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (the competitive federal grant program that replaced TIGER)
СААА	Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (federal)
CBE	Colorado Bridge Enterprise funds
CDOT	Colorado Department of Transportation
CDPHE	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
СМАQ	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (an FHWA funding program)
СМР	Congestion Management Process
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas
СО	Carbon Monoxide
COLT	City of Loveland Transit
CPG	Consolidated Planning Grant (combination of FHWA PL & FTA 5303
	planning funds)
CFY	Calendar Fiscal Year
DOT	(United States) Department of Transportation
DRCOG	Denver Regional Council of Governments
DTD	CDOT Division of Transportation Development
DTR	CDOT Division of Transit & Rail
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EJ	Environmental Justice
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency

FAST ACT	Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (federal legislation, signed December 2015
FASTER	Funding Advancements for Surface Transportation and Economic Recovery (Colorado's S.B. 09-108)
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FNC	Freight Northern Colorado Plan
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
FY	Fiscal Year (October to September for federal funds; July to June for state funds; January to December for local funds)
FFY	Federal Fiscal Year
GET	Greeley-Evans Transit
GOPMT	Goals, Objectives, Performance Measures, and Targets
HOV	High Occupancy Vehicle
HPTE	High-Performance Transportation Enterprise (Colorado)
HTF	Highway Trust Fund (the primary federal funding source for surface
	transportation)
HUTF	Highway Users Tax Fund (the State's primary funding source for highways)
INFRA	Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (a competitive federal grant program for freight improvements)
I&M or I/M	Inspection and Maintenance program (checking emissions of pollutants from vehicles)
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
LCMC	Larimer County Mobility Committee
LRP or LRTP	Long Range Plan or Long Range Transportation Plan
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (2012 federal transportation legislation)
MAPG	Mobility and Access Priority Group, formerly known as the Senior Transportation Coalition (STC)
MMOF	Multimodal Options Fund (state funds allocated to MPOs and TPRs in SB18-001)
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
MVEB	Motor Vehicle Emissions Budget
NAA	Non-Attainment Area (for certain air pollutants)
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NARC	National Association of Regional Councils
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NFRT & AQPC	North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council (also NFRMPO)
NFRMPO	North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (also NFRT & AQPC)
NHS	National Highway System
NMP	Non-Motorized Plan
NoCo	Northern Colorado Bicycle and Pedestrian Collaborative
NOx	Nitrogen Oxides
OBD	On-Board Diagnostics (of a vehicle's engine efficiency and exhaust)
0 ₃	Ozone

PL	Federal Planning (funds)
PIP	Public Involvement Plan
POP	Program of Projects
PPP (also P3)	Public Private Partnership
R4 or R-4	Region 4 of the Colorado Department of Transportation
RAQC	Regional Air Quality Council
RNMC	Regional Non-Motorized Corridor
RPP	Regional Priority Program (a funding program of the Colorado
DCC	Transportation Commission)
RSC	Regionally Significant Corridor
RTC	Regional Transit Corridor
RTD	Regional Transportation District in the Denver Region or Regional Transportation Director for CDOT Regions
RTE	Regional Transit Element
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan
SH	State Highway
SIP	State Implementation Plan (air quality)
SOV	Single Occupant Vehicle
SPR	State Planning and Research (federal funds)
SRTS (see TA)	Safe Routes to School (a pre-MAP-21 FHWA funding program)
STAC	Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee
STIP	Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
STBG (previously STP-Metro)	Surface Transportation Block Grant (a FAST Act FHWA funding program)
SWC&FRPRC	Southwest Chief & Front Range Passenger Rail Commission
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee (of the NFRMPO)
TA (previously TAP)	Transportation Alternatives program (an FHWA funding program)
TAZ	Transportation Analysis Zone (used in travel demand forecasting)
ТС	Transportation Commission of Colorado
TDM	Transportation Demand Management
TIGER	Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (a competitive federal grant program from 2009-2017 replaced by BUILD)
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
Title VI	U.S. Civil Rights Act of 1964, prohibiting discrimination in connection with programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance
ТМА	Transportation Management Area (federally-designated place >200,000 population)
TOD	Transit Oriented Development
TPR	Transportation Planning Region (state-designated)
TRAC	Transit & Rail Advisory Committee (for CDOT)
UFR	Upper Front Range TPR
UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound
WCMC	Weld County Mobility Committee

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

November 3, 2022 Hybrid Meeting

Voting Members Present:

Voting Members Absent:

Scott James – Vice Chair	-Weld County	Fil Archuleta	-Garden City
Elizabeth Austin	-Milliken	Elizabeth Austin	-Milliken
Frank Baszler	-Severance	Mark Clark	-Evans
Kathleen Bracke	-Transportation Commission	Will Karspeck-Chair	-Berthoud
Paula Cochran	-LaSalle		
Tricia Canonico	-Fort Collins		
Jessica Ferko	-APCD		
Liz Heid	-Eaton		
Jon Mallo	-Loveland		
Troy Mellon	-Johnstown		
Johnny Olson	-Greeley		
Paul Rennemeyer	-Windsor		
Kristin Stephens	-Larimer County		

MPO Staff:

Suzette Mallette, Executive Director; Becky Karasko, Transportation Planning Director; Cory Schmitt, Mobility Director; Alex Gordon, Transportation Planner III; Medora Bornhoft, Transportation and Air Quality Planner III; AnnaRose Cunningham, Transportation Planner II; Jerome Rouser, Transportation Planner I; Sheereen Ibtesam, Outreach Specialist; Rachel Stillwell, Accountant

In Attendance: Darin Barrett; Bill Becker; Dan Betts; Eric Bracke; Rich Christy; Alex Donaldson; James Eussen; Myron Hora; Dana Hornkohl; Mark Jackson; Will Jones; Dean Klingner; David Martinez; Deanna McIntosh; Heather Paddock; Evan Pinkham; Elizabeth Relford; Robin Stoneman; Eric Tracy; James Usher

Vice Chair James called the MPO Council meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Public Comment:

Move to Approve Agenda and Minutes

Heid **moved** to *APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 3, 2022 MEETING AGENDA AS SUBMITTED.* The motion was **seconded** by Canonico and **passed** unanimously.

Olson **moved** to *APPROVE THE OCTOBER 6, 2022 MEETING MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.* The motion was **seconded** by Canonico and **passed** unanimously.

Lead Planning Agency for Air Quality Agenda

Vice Chair James opened the Air Quality portion of the meeting.

REPORTS:

<u>Air Pollution Control Division (APCD)</u> A written report was provided.

<u>Regional Air Quality Council (RAQC)</u> A written report was provided.

NFRMPO Air Quality Program Updates

Bornhoft noted the EPA's reclassification of the Denver Metro/North Front Range Ozone Nonattainment Area is taking effect on November 7th. The Air Quality Control Commission will be holding a rulemaking hearing on the State Implementation Plan (SIP) in December. NFRMPO staff is working with CDOT and CDPHE on an Intergovernmental Agreement on greenhouse gas modeling. James asked about the role of the IGA, and Bornhoft provided clarification. James requested that the Council be given the opportunity to review the IGA as well.

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Agenda

Vice Chair James opened the MPO portion of the meeting.

REPORTS:

Report of the Chair

James stated the officer elections will be held in December and Director Mallette's evaluation is also in December.

Executive Director Report

Mallette noted there was a request from Commissioner Stephens to integrate the Colorado Transportation Investment Office (CTIO). Former Loveland Councilmember Cecil Gutierrez is the NFRMPO's representative on the CTIO Board. He will begin attending meetings in January to provide a report. CTIO minutes will be included in the Council packet.

<u>TAC</u> A written report was provided.

<u>Mobility</u> A written report was provided.

<u>Finance</u> A written report was provided.

<u>Community Advisory Committee (CAC)</u> A written report was provided.

Q3 2022 TIP Modifications

A written report was provided.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Rennemeyer **moved** to *APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA*. The motion was **seconded** by Canonico and **passed** unanimously. The consent agenda included one item:

• FY2022 TIP Delay Review

ACTION ITEMS:

Link NoCo Study Recommendations

Gordon outlined the recommendations of the study, including potential governing structures. Gordon stated the public comment period ended on November 5th.

Rennemeyer **moved** to approve the *NORTH FRONT RANGE LINK NOCO STUDY, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-31 as* presented. The motion was **seconded** by Olson and **passed** unanimously.

Records Retention Policy

Mallette noted the NFRMPO has never had a record retention policy. The policy is based on state schedules using areas that pertain the MPO. NFRMPO staff reviewed the policy and recommended extending the retention period for fleet dispositions and TAC meetings.

Heid **moved** to approve the *RECORDS RETENTION POLICY*. The motion was **seconded** by Mallo and **passed** unanimously.

NFRMPO FY2023 Budget Amendment #1

Mallette outlined the proposed budget amendment which will allocate an additional \$90,000 for NFRMPO staff salary adjustments, \$30,000 for modeling, \$37,000 for air quality work, and \$10,000 for IT. This was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Finance Committee.

Canonico **moved** to approve the *NFRMPO FY2023 BUDGET AMENDMENT #1, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-32 as* presented. The motion was **seconded** by Mallo and **passed** unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

2022 Public Involvement Plan (PIP)

Cunningham outlined the contents of the <u>Public Involvement Plan (PIP)</u> which is federally required and updated on the same cycle as the <u>Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)</u>. The plan covers all NFRMPO activities, including the RideNoCo program. The plan has four guiding principles: Meet people where they are, provide options for involvement and be adaptable, be a good community partner, and consistently evaluate throughout the public outreach process. Existing strategies include online media such as the NFRMPO website, social media, and newsletters. Lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic are included such as continuing to host hybrid meetings. New strategies include incorporating technology such as Mural, virtual engagement events such as online open houses, plan specific outreach strategies, micro plans, expanded partnerships, and the equity planning tool. The PIP has an equity focus to ensure the NFRMPO is engaging with all members of the community. The PIP outlines a social media policy that outlines the expectations for interactions on social media. The public comment period for the PIP closed on November 5th.

James asked how the public comment period went. Cunningham noted there have been a few comments from staff from local agencies.

NFRMPO Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Plan

Gordon provided an overview of Transportation Demand Management (TDM) and the contents of the <u>TDM Action Plan</u>. The goals are to improve data collection, invest in infrastructure and resources, enhance partnerships and collaboration, communicate the purpose, benefits, and successes of TDM, and to create and enhance regional TDM programming. Some of the recommendations are already underway, including the creation of a US34 Transportation Management Organization (TMO), the RideNoCo Trip Discovery Tool, the creation of a Safe Routes to School subcommittee under NoCo Bike & Ped, outreach, and resource development. The public comment period ended on October 28th. Multiple comments were received including reorganization of information within the plan and requests for additional data.

Rennemeyer asked what the next steps are for the US34 TMO. Gordon noted the next steps are to apply for grant funding to hire somebody to begin building the TMO. Olson asked what measurements will be used to ensure the strategies outlined in the plan are successful. Gordon stated potential measurements are the number of strategies implemented and the amount of money that is invested in TDM strategies.

FAMLI Opt Out

Mallette noted Colorado voters approved Proposition 118 in November 2020 that created the FAMLI program. Governments can opt out of the program if they provide equal or better benefits than what the FAMLI program provides. The NFRMPO provides a greater benefit to employees than provided by the FAMLI program. Mallette requested the NFRMPO opt out of the program and noted staff could choose to opt in if they choose to do so.

Rennemeyer asked if there are any staff members who wanted to opt in. Mallette noted she has not heard from any staff members. Olson asked if an employee were to choose to opt into the program, would they continue to receive NFRMPO benefits. Mallette noted they would receive both benefits.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

<u>Transportation Commission</u> – Bracke thanked everyone who helped with the Transportation Commission's North I-25 tour. Bracke noted she participated in the opening of the new Bustang Outrider service from Sterling to Denver and Greeley.

<u>CDOT R4 Update</u> – Paddock noted I-25 construction is continuing. CDOT finished the process of acquiring the US-85 right-of-way. CDOT Region 4 submitted a Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant for two railroads on US-34. There is an anticipated Request for Proposals (RFP) for the design of the SH14 and I-25 interchange. There will be a study on US287 from Ted's Place to the Wyoming border looking at passing lanes and safety improvements.

STAC Report – A written report was included.

<u>Colorado Transportation Investment Office</u>- A written report was included.

<u>I-25 Coalition</u> – James stated Paddock covered all the updates provided at the I-25 Coalition.

<u>US34 Coalition</u> – James noted officials were asked to return to their respective governing bodies to confirm that they are willing to provide funds that will go towards the local match for the TMO grant.

<u>Nonattainment Area Air Pollution Mitigation Enterprise (NAAPME)</u> – Stephens stated NAAPME has collected \$328,000 so far from the retail delivery fee. Rideshare dollars have not come in yet as those are collected quarterly. This fee is enough to repay the loan given by CDOT for startup costs. Herman Stockinger and Jessica Ferko were named to the board. There will be a meeting in December to approve the Annual Report.

<u>Front Range Passenger Rail District</u> – Olson noted the board has extended an offered Andy Karsian for the General Manager/ Executive Director position of the Front Range Passenger Rail District.

<u>Host Council Member Report</u> – Mallo introduced Mark Jackson and Bill Becker. Jackson noted Nicole Hahn is the new City Engineer for the City of Loveland. Work is continuing on westbound US34. Loveland is finishing the design and right-of-way acquisition for the Taft Avenue-Eisenhower Boulevard intersection project. Becker outlined redevelopment projects in Downtown Loveland.

MEETING WRAP-UP:

<u>Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions</u> None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by: Jerome Rouser, NFRMPO Staff



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November 2022 Report from the Air Pollution Control Division to the North Front Range Transportation and Air Quality Planning Council Thursday, December 1, 2022

Air Pollution Control Division (Division) Updates

- The Division is excited to announce significant upcoming improvements to the Stationary Source data system. Modernizing the Stationary Source data system will improve processing times, eliminate a number of paper-based processes, increase transparency, and improve public access to information. For more information about modernizing the stationary source data system, please visit our <u>webpage</u> and read our air quality data modernization fact sheet in <u>English</u> or <u>Spanish</u>. To provide input related to this process, please join us during the following public engagement events:
 - Wednesday, December 14, 6:00-7:30 pm Register Here
 - Thursday, January 12, 3:00- 4:30 pm Register Here
- The Division invites you to a virtual public listening session on the upcoming <u>Colorado's</u> <u>Building Performance Standards rule</u>, which will be proposed to the Air Quality Control Commission in May 2023. Join us to learn about this important rule, ask questions, and share your ideas:
 - Monday, December 19, 2022, from 6:00-8:00 pm Register Here
- The Division invites you to attend a virtual community meeting on the development of a statewide air toxics monitoring program pursuant to House Bill 22-1244. The meeting will provide an overview of the community monitoring program, present the process for monitoring site selection, and provide opportunity for members of the public to provide t their thoughts and feedback
 - Tuesday, December 6, 2:00 to 4:00 pm Register Here
 - Wednesday, December 7, 6:00 to 8:00 pm Register Here
- A friendly reminder that the Division maintains various Air Quality Alert email lists, including Colorado Air Quality Health Advisory alerts and Denver-area wintertime residential burning restrictions. For additional information and to subscribe to an email list, please visit https://cdphe.colorado.gov/public-information/air-quality-advisories.

Air Quality Control Commission (Commission) Updates:

November 16-17, 2022 Commission Meeting:

• The Division briefed the Commission regarding the Audit Report Guidance Document for the Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Energy Management for Manufacturers for



Greenhouse Gas Best Available Emission Control Technology and Energy Best Management Practices Determination Process.

- The Division briefed the Commission regarding its final determination concerning greenhouse gas Best Available Emission Control Technology, Energy Best Management Practices and associated analyses for all emission units included in the audit scope with respect to GCC Rio Grande's Regulation Number 22, Part B, Section II.C. audit report.
- The Commission adopted revisions to Regulation Number 22 establishing a recovered methane protocol and establishing a greenhouse gas crediting and tracking system in response to SB21-264.
- Meeting materials are available at <u>https://cdphe.colorado.gov/aqcc</u>.

December 13-16, 2022 Commission meeting:

- The Division will request that the Commission set a hearing to consider revisions to Regulation Number 20 regarding California's Advanced Clean Trucks (ACT), Low NOx Omnibus, and Large Entity Reporting rules.
- The Commission will consider revisions addressing the Clean Air Act (CAA) Ozone Nonattainment requirements for the 2008 and/or 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). This would include proposed elements to Colorado's State Implementation Plan (SIP) and revisions to associated regulations



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY of the TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) North Front Range Transportation and Air Quality Planning Council November 16, 2022

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2022 TAC MINUTES

Oberschmidt moved to approve the October 19, 2022 TAC minutes. Donaldson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

AIR QUALITY AGENDA

Regional Air Quality Updates – Chuang stated the Air Pollution Control Division (APCD) discovered an error for oil and gas emissions in the draft 2008 SIP, raising the emissions estimates. APCD has withdrawn some chapters of the 2008 SIP to ensure the Plan will reach the ozone standard by 2026. Bornhoft stated the Planning Council requested to review the GHG IGA between the NFRMPO, CDOT, and CDPHE prior to Executive Director Mallette signing. NFRMPO staff are working on identifying and prioritizing Disproportionately Impacted (DI) communities for the GHG mitigations process and will complete one GHG Transportation Report in 2023 for the *2050 RTP* and *TIP*.

ACTION ITEMS

2022 Public Involvement Plan (PIP) – Relford moved to recommend Planning Council adopt the *2022 PIP*. Oberschmidt seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

November 2022 TIP Amendment – Cunningham stated CDOT requested revisions to the *North I-25: Design Build* project in the *FY2023-2026 TIP*, specifically changes to current and previous funding for the project. Oberschmidt moved to recommend Planning Council approve the November 2022 TIP Amendment. White seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Action Plan – Gordon reviewed changes to the *TDM Action Plan* based on public comment and Planning Council discussion. Hornkohl moved to recommend Planning Council adopt the *TDM Action Plan*. Relford seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION

Electric Vehicle (EV) Planning Roundtable –Zahra Al-Saloom, Colorado Energy Office (CEO), Diego Lopez, Northern Colorado Clean Cities (NCCC), and Becca Stock from Xcel Partners in Energy presented available technical assistance and funding opportunities for EV planning. Al-Saloom described the Charge Ahead Colorado program, which incentivizes investments in DI and Income Qualified (IQ) communities. Lopez explained he can assist local communities with Supplemental Environmental Program Funding and Fleet and Community Audits. Stock explained the Partners in Energy program, which supports communities evaluating goals, needs, and opportunities for EV infrastructure.

US34 Transportation Management Organization (TMO) Proposal – Gordon reviewed progress on the US34 TMO proposal, including the scope, service area, and potential budget. The US34 Coalition and the NFRMPO will apply for a TMO Seed Grant through CDOT and local communities are reviewing the draft application.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

FY2023-2025 Additional Allocations – Cunningham reviewed two options for allocating \$13.5M additional funding from all NFRMPO funding sources through FY2025 after the most recent reconciliation from CDOT Region 4. The two options are to leverage all grant funds to fully fund waitlisted projects regardless of funding program or to follow the existing policy of fully funding projects in that funding's waitlist. Either way, a Call for Projects will be held to award the remaining funds. TAC members expressed support for the first option. Cunningham will follow up with project sponsors.

FY2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY2023 Task Updates – Karasko stated Planning Council approved the FY2023 Budget Amendment #1, which includes additional funding for Tasks 2.3, 3.3, and 5.3. These Tasks are being updated based on the budget amendment.

Meeting Minutes of the Finance Committee of the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council

November 17, 2022 3:00 p.m. Microsoft Teams

Members	Staff	
Scott James	Suzette Mallette	
Mark Clark	Rachel Stillwell	
Kristin Stephens	Barbara Bills	
Paul Rennemeyer	Michelle Edgerley	
	Becky Karasko	

The meeting was called to order by James at 3:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Clark made the motion to approve the October 21, 2022, meeting minutes, and Stephens seconded.

<u>3rd</u> Quarter Unaudited Financials:

Edgerley presented the financial statements for the 3rd Quarter for both the MPO and VanGo, highlighting CDOT billing, local match, bank transfers, depreciation, VanGo fares, IDC, and van purchases. Clark moved to send the financials to the Planning Council for approval. Stephens seconded and it was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Executive Summary of the North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization Community Advisory Committee

November 10, 2022

Attendees: Annelies van Vonno, Gary Strome, York, Diego Lopez

Staff: Alex Gordon, AnnaRose Cunningham, Jerome Rouser

CDOT Bike and Pedestrian Planning

Annelies van Vonno, CDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Manager, explained how bicycle and pedestrian planning fits into the CDOT planning process. Policy Directive 1602.0 and the Procedural Directive 1602.1 guide CDOT's bicycle and pedestrian work, with the Policy Directive being updated in 2023. York asked about the exemption criteria in the update to the Policy Directive. Van Vonno explained bicycle and pedestrian improvements can be dropped if they amount to more than 20 percent of project cost. York stated he believes that should change with the update. CDOT will be updating their Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan soon. Van Vonno explained the Revitalizing Main Streets, Multimodal Transportation and Mitigation Options Fund (MMOF), Transportation Alternative (TA) Program, and Safe Routes to School programs. CDOT is updating their Roadway Design Guidelines and Colorado Downtown Streets guidance. CDOT is expanding its Bicycle and Pedestrian Counting Program, including working with Streetlight to get big data, designating US Bicycle Routes, and implementing Safe Routes to Parks programming.

Complete Streets

Gordon explained what complete streets are, some local examples, and what the NFRMPO's role is in complete streets planning. York stated the new Lemay Avenue overpass at Vine Street is a good example of complete streets in the region, improving safety and adding bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure.

NFRMPO Active Transportation Planning

Rouser explained bicycle and pedestrian planning in the region, including micromobility on trails, Safe Routes to School, regional bicycle counter program, walk and bicycle audits, and the Shift Your Ride Challenge. Van Vonno stated CDOT is working on updating its bicycle counting program and is looking to reach out to MPOs and local communities to get better and calibrated data. York asked if connectivity was considered in the walk audits. Rouser agreed it is important to integrate trails and other multimodal connections together.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.



MEMORANDUM

To: NFRMPO Planning Council

From: Suzette Mallette

Date: December 1, 2022

Re: FAMLI opt out

BACKGROUND

Colorado voters approved Proposition 118 in November 2020, creating a state-run Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance (FAMLI) program.

The FAMLI program provides all Colorado workers access to paid leave to take care of themselves or their families during life circumstances that pull them away from their jobs. FAMLI will be available starting on January 1, 2024, and contributions to the program are paid by the employee and the employer beginning January 1, 2023.

The NFRMPO currently provides a greater benefit to employees at no cost to the employee. Opting out is not permanent and will be revisited biannually. At this time, it is in the best interest of our employees to opt out.

NFRMPO provides employees with sick time off, disability benefits (short and long-term), and parental leave, all at no cost to the employee.

	FAMLI	NFRMPO
General Description	The Colorado Family Care Act program	Employee Disability Leave Benefit
	provides Colorado employees with up to 12	Insurance provides employees
		with benefits to replace part of
	various family and medical related	their paycheck when they can't
	absences from work, plus an additional four	work because of a sickness or
	(4) weeks of paid leave if workers have	injury. Parental Leave Benefit
	serious health conditions related to	allows employees paid time off for
	pregnancy or childbirth complications	the care of a new child, adopted
		child, or spouse/partner who has
		given birth to a child

Here is a table summarizing FAMLI and NFRMPO disability and parental leave benefits:



Eligibility	Employees who've earned at least \$2,500 in wages within the State within the last four (4) calendar quarters. Self-employed workers (1099 or contract workers) may also be eligible if they have opted into coverage, and life and work in Colorado.	Employees are eligible after working 30 consecutive days
Weekly Benefit	 90% of the state average weekly wage for the portion of wages equal to or less than 50% of the state average weekly wage: And 50% of the portion of the wages that exceeds the state average wage; with a weekly cap of \$1,100 	Disability leave provides 66.67% compensation after using sick and vacation time. Maximum weekly cap is \$1,200.
Duration	Depending on the reason and need for leave, the benefit leave period may be up to 12 weeks. For people experiencing pregnancy and childbirth complications, this may be extended an additional four (4) weeks, for a total of 16 weeks.	Depending on the reason and need for leave, the STD benefit leave period may be up to 11 weeks. After 11 weeks, if medically necessary, LTD benefits would begin. Parental leave is available for up to 120 hours or three weeks.
	The FAMLI benefit can only be taken once a year across a rolling annual calendar year.	Up to 11 weeks per disability

Employees have the option to individually opt into FAMLI directly with the state FAMLI Agency if they feel it would be of benefit to them. To participate, an employee must notify the agency and pay the employee portion of the premium directly to the agency (.45% of the employee's wages in 2023). For more information, please go to <u>https://famli.colorado.gov/</u>.

NFRMPO staff received an email from the Executive Director on October 26,2022 outlining this program and the reasons for opting out. Staff had no questions. This was a discussion item at the November 3, 2022, Council meeting.

ACTION

NFRMPO staff requests Planning Council adopt *RESOLUTION 2022-33*, to opt out of the FAMLI program.



RESOLUTION NO. 2022-33 OF THE NORTH FRONT RANGE TRANSPORTATION & AIR QUALITY PLANNING COUNCIL APPROVING OPTING OUT OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FAMLI PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Colorado voters approved Proposition 118 in November 2020, creating a state-run Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance (FAMLI) program; and

WHEREAS, The FAMLI program provides all Colorado workers access to paid leave to take care of themselves or their families during life circumstances that pull them away from their jobs.

WHEREAS, The NFRMPO currently provides a greater benefit to employees at no cost to the employee and government agencies are allowed to opt out of the program if offering a comparable or better option; and

WHEREAS, Opting out is not permanent and will be revisited biannually

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council hereby opts out the State of Colorado FAMLI program. Passed and approved at the regular meeting of the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council this 1ST day of December 2022.

William Karspeck, Chair

ATTEST:

Suzette Mallette, Executive Director



MEMORANDUM

To: NFRMPO Planning Council

From: AnnaRose Cunningham

Date: December 1, 2022

Re: 2022 Public Involvement Plan (PIP)

Background

The NFRMPO updates the Public Involvement Plan (PIP) prior to the adoption of the long-range Regional Transportation Plan every four years, with the last update adopted by Planning Council in March 2019. In accordance with federal legislation, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) are required to engage in a metropolitan planning process that creates opportunities for public involvement, participation, and consultation throughout the development of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The <u>2022 PIP</u> was developed in consultation with the TAC and the NFRMPO Community Advisory Committee (CAC) and incorporates:

- Lessons learned from public involvement during the COVID-19 pandemic;
- Guidance from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA);
- Updated and new engagement strategies;
- Evaluation strategies and metrics; and
- A social media policy

The <u>2022 PIP</u> was released for the 45-day public comment period on September 21 and closed on November 5. Public comment from four individuals or agencies were received during this time as well as discussion at the October 19 TAC meeting and November 3 Planning Council meeting. Public comments and associated recommendations have been incorporated into the document. A markup version of the draft PIP is available here: <u>https://nfrmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2022-pip-draft-markup.pdf</u>

The final Draft 2022 PIP can be accessed at: <u>https://nfrmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2022-pip-draft.pdf.</u>

Action

TAC recommends Planning Council adoption of the 2022 Public Involvement Plan.



RESOLUTION NO. 2022-34 OF THE NORTH FRONT RANGE TRANSPORTATION & AIR QUALITY PLANNING COUNCIL ADOPTING THE 2022 NFRMPO PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN (PIP)

WHEREAS, the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in cooperation with local elected officials and is authorized to carry out the continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive ("3C") multimodal transportation planning process as mandated by Congress in Titles 23 and 49 U.S.C.; and

WHEREAS, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act and 23 CFR 450.316 require MPOs to engage in a metropolitan planning process that creates opportunities for public involvement, participation, and consultation; and

WHEREAS, the NFRMPO opened the PIP for a 45-day public comment period commencing September 21, 2022 and closing November 5, 2022, and received five comments which were incorporated into the Plan; and

WHEREAS, public input is critical to the NFRMPO transportation planning process including the Long Range Transportation Plan, the Transportation Improvement Program and the Unified Planning Work Program and is required by federal regulations and state guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the PIP was first adopted in 2003, and was updated in 2005, 2008, 2011, 2015, and 2019; and

WHEREAS, the PIP defines NFRMPO's public involvement policies, tools, and evaluation measures for determining the effectiveness of the program; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Council approves the 2022 PIP and submits copies for informational purposes to the Colorado Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council hereby agrees to adopt the 2022 PIP to guide public outreach efforts at the NFRMPO.

Passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council held this 1st day of December 2022.

ATTEST:

William Karspeck, Chair

Suzette Mallette, Executive Director

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY (AIS)



North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Submitted By
December 1, 2022 WINDSOR	November 2022 TIP Amendment	AnnaRose Cunninghan
Objective/Request Ac	ction	
Amendment to the FY2	nber 2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2023-FY2026 TIP.	 Report Work Session Discussion Action
Key Points	ID Amondment includes one revision requests from CDOT.	
	IP Amendment includes one revision requests from CDOT:	
-	<i>th I-25: Design Build</i> to reflect actual amounts of previously bud unds by decreasing current funding by a total of \$50M and decre 13,079K.	• •
	ent funding revision: consolidating LOM FY23 Rolled, FY23, and easing by \$50M.	FY24 into TIFIA FY23 and
addi	ious funding revisions: Decreasing FAS by \$7,014K; decreasing l ng funding program FASTER Bridge Enterprise (SSR) with \$21,1. eral/State Loan to State (HTPE) Loan and decreasing by \$27,115	50K; changing
The attached Novemb	er 2022 Policy Amendment Form provides additional informati	on on these requests.
Committee Discussio	n	
This is the first and on	ly time TAC is scheduled to see the November 2022 TIP Amendi	nent.
Supporting Informat	ion	
	nment period for the November 2022 TIP Amendment began or	n November 9, 2022 and
Funding Types and Us	es	
2	rts the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of project	s to enhance the safety of
Funds (SHF) provide s	Highway Performance Program (NHPP) provides federal funds tate funds for the condition and performance of the National H w facilities on the NHS.	0,
	The purpose of the High-Performance Transportation Enterpris ships and other innovative and efficient means of completing s 5.	· · · · · ·
	ation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation (TIFIA) Act provide egional and national significance.	s credit assistance for
program. The purpose	prise (SSB) - The FASTER legislation established the Colorado I e of the CBE is to finance, repair, reconstruct and replace bridge or functionally obsolete, and rated "poor".	
A due ut		
Advantages		
 Approval by the 	NFRMPO Planning Council will ensure the FY2023-2026 TIP ren	nains fiscally constrained.

Disadvantages

• None noted.

Analysis/Recommendation

• TAC recommended adding the November 2022 TIP Amendment to the FY2023-2026 TIP.

Attachments

- November 2022 Policy Amendment Form
- Resolution 2022-35

NFRMPO FY 2023 - FY 2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) Policy Amendment #2022-A11

Submitted to:	: TAC and Planning Council for Rev	iew	Prepared by:	AnnaRose	Cunningha	n		DATE:	11/9/2022	2	
Strategic											
PREVIOUS ENTRY											
Title:	North I-25: Design Build	Funding Source	Funding Program	Previous Funding	FY 23 Rolled	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 23-26 TOTAL	Future Funding
Sponsor:	CDOT Region 4	Federal	TIGER	21,970	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STIP ID:	SSP4428.012	Federal	ITI	600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TIP ID:	2017-032	Federal	CMAQ	3,657	811	-	-	-	-	811	-
Туре:	Modify & Reconstruct	Federal	SPR	150	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Air Quality:	Included in conformity analysis	Federal	TCC	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Description:	One new express lane in each	Federal	FSB	-	-	7,014	-	-	-	7,014	
	direction from MP253.7-270,	Federal/State	ITS/RoadX	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	replacement/rehabilitation of key	Federal/State	NHPP/SHF	31,840	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	bridges, ITS, transit & safety	Federal/State	PWQ	7,347	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	components, replacement of portions of existing facility, and	Federal/State	SBT	12,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	interchange improvements.	Federal/State	7TH/NHPP	88,800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	interentinge improvemente.	State	FAS	8,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		State	PRI	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		State	7PX (SB228 or SB267)	190,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		State	7PT (SB 267 Transit)	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Local	Federal/State Loan	77,115	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Local	LOM	46,383	42,421	93,402	18,408	-	-	154,231	-
		Local	Private	6,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
			Total	497,006	43,232	100,416	18,408	-	-	162,056	-

Title:	North I-25: Design Build	Funding Source	Funding Program	Previous Funding	FY 23 Rolled	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 23-26 TOTAL	Future Funding
Sponsor:	CDOT Region 4	Federal	TIGER	21,970	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STIP ID:	SSP4428.012	Federal	ITI	600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TIP ID:	2017-032	Federal	CMAQ	3,657	811	-	-	-	-	811	-
Туре:	Modify & Reconstruct	Federal	SPR	150	-	-	-	-	-		-
Air Quality:	Included in conformity analysis	Federal	тсс	80	-	-	-	-	-		-
Description:	One new express lane in each	Federal	FSB	-	-	7,014	-	-	-	7,014	-
	direction from MP253.7-270,	Federal/State	ITS/RoadX	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	replacement/rehabilitation of key	Federal/State	NHPP/SHF	31,740	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	bridges, ITS, transit & safety	Federal/State	PWQ	7,347	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	components, replacement of portions of existing facility, and	Federal/State	SBT	12,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	interchange improvements.	Federal/State	7TH/NHPP	88,800	-	-	-	-	-		-
		State	SSR	21,150	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		State	FAS	1,486	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		State	PRI	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		State	7PX (SB228 or SB267)	190,000	-	-	-	-	-		-
		State	7PT (SB 267 Transit)	500	-	-	-	-	-		-
		Local	State (HPTE) Loan	50,000	-	-	-	-	-		-
		Local	TIFIA	-	-	104,231	-	-	-	104,231	-
		Local	LOM	46,383	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Local	Private	6,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
			Total	483,927	811	111,245	-	-	-	112,056	-

into TIFIA FY23 and decreasing by \$50M. Corrections to previous funding result in total decrease by \$13,079K and include: Decreasing FAS by \$7,014K (shifted to FSB in #2022-A8); decreasing NHPP/SHF by \$100K; adding funding program FASTER Bridge Enterprise (SSR) with \$21,150K; changing Federal/State Loan to State (HTPE) Loan and decreasing by \$27,115K.



RESOLUTION NO. 2022-35 OF THE NORTH FRONT RANGE TRANSPORTATION & AIR QUALITY PLANNING COUNCIL APPROVING THE NOVEMBER 2022 AMENDMENT TO THE FY2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

WHEREAS, 23 CFR §450.326 requires the development of a fiscally constrained Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Metropolitan Planning Organizations through the continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive ("3C") multimodal transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the agency responsible for developing the TIP in accordance with the above stated regulation; and

WHEREAS, transportation projects programmed in the current TIP for FY2023-2026 are consistent with the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), adopted September 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Air Quality Conformity Findings conducted on the FY2023-2026 TIP were positive and this TIP Amendment does not change the positive conformity findings on the FY2023-2026 TIP; and

WHEREAS, the November 2022 TIP Amendment increases the amount of emissions benefits and either improves or does not substantially reduce the cost effectiveness of those emissions benefits; and

WHEREAS, the FY2023-2026 TIP remains fiscally constrained.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council hereby amends the FY2023-2026 TIP by revising the following funding and projects:

- TIFIA, FASTER Safety, FASTER Bridge Enterprise, NHPP/SHF, State HPTE Loan, and Local funding:
 - Revising *North I-25: Design Build* to reflect actual amounts of previously budgeted and currently programed funds by decreasing current funding by a total of \$50M and decreasing previous funding by a total of \$13,079K.

Passed and approved at the regular meeting of the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council held this 1st day of December 2022.

ATTEST:

William Karspeck, Chair

Suzette Mallette, Executive Director



MEMORANDUM

To: Planning Council

From: Alex Gordon

Date: December 1, 2022

Re: Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Action Plan

Background

For 2022, two of Executive Director Mallette's goals set by the Planning Council related to developing and expanding transportation demand management (TDM) in the region: developing a regional TDM program and creating a Transportation Management Organization (TMO). To achieve these goals, NFRMPO staff recommended drafting a TDM Action Plan and convening a TDM Work Group.

Throughout 2022, the TDM Work Group guided NFRMPO staff's development of the TDM Action Plan. The TDM Action Plan lays out a vision for TDM in the region:

People in Northern Colorado will have the resources, support, and mobility options to make informed choices about how they travel around the region

To implement this vision, there are five goals with associated recommendations and strategies:

- 1) Enhance **partnerships** and collaboration between local communities, businesses, regional and State agencies, and other interested parties
- 2) Create and enhance **regional TDM programming** to optimize people throughput
- 3) Improve **data** collection to support new and expanded investments and programming
- 4) **Invest** in infrastructure and resources to provide additional options and help people make informed transportation choices
- 5) **Communicate** the purpose, benefits, and successes of providing mobility options

Bolded words are key themes that arose in discussions with the TDM Work Group.

Some recommendations from the TDM Action Plan are already underway:

- NoCo Bike & Ped is discussing a regional Safe Routes to School program
- The US34 Coalition is discussing incorporating a TMO for the corridor
- Determining next steps for the LinkNoCo project to increase transit in the region



The TDM Action Plan was released for public comment between September 28, 2022 and October 28, 2022. Seven comments were submitted, resulting in the following updates to the following updates to the final TDM Action Plan:

- Reordered goals to prioritize programming and partnerships
- Inclusion of VMT and Bustang ridership tables in the Existing Conditions section
- Additional detail and clarification within recommended strategies, including ensuring outreach to different populations.

The final version can be downloaded at <u>https://nfrmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2022-tdm-action-plan.pdf</u>.

Action

TAC recommended Planning Council approve the <u>TDM Action Plan</u>.



RESOLUTION NO. 2022-36 OF THE NORTH FRONT RANGE TRANSPORTATION & AIR QUALITY PLANNING COUNCIL ADOPTING THE TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT (TDM) ACTION PLAN

WHEREAS, 23 CFR §450.324 requires development through continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive ("3C") multimodal transportation planning process of a fiscally constrained Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the legislation above, the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council (NFRT & AQPC) was designated by the Governor of the State of Colorado as the MPO responsible for carrying out the transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Senate Bill 21-260 specified implementing relevant measures pursuant to § 25-7-105, C.R.S.; reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to help achieve statewide GHG pollution reduction targets established in House Bill 19-1261 (now codified in § 25-7-102(2)(g) and 105(1)(e), C.R.S.); and considering the role of land use in the transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the NFRT&AQPC requested development of a regional Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program and establishment of a Transportation Management Organization; and

WHEREAS, TDM is a relevant strategy to achieving GHG reductions set forth in the GHG Transportation Report adopted by the NFRT&AQPC on October 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the TDM Action Plan was released for a 30-day public comment period and feedback was incorporated into the final plan; and

WHEREAS, the TDM Action Plan goals are to improve data collection, invest in infrastructure and resources, enhance partnerships and collaboration, communicate the purpose, benefits, and successes of TDM, and to create and enhance regional TDM programming

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council adopts the TDM Action Plan.

Passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council held this 1st day of December 2022.

William Karspeck, Chair

ATTEST:

Suzette Mallette, Executive Director



MEMORANDUM

To: NFRMPO Planning Council

From: Becky Karasko

Date: December 1, 2022

Re: FY2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY2023 Task

Amendment #1

Background

Following the approval of the FY2022 Budget Amendment #1 at the November Planning Council Meeting, NFRMPO staff has updated the FY2023 Tasks to reflect the additional funding available, including:

- \$30,000 in additional funds to **Task 2.3: Transportation Model Management** to enhance the 2019 Base Year Regional Travel Demand Model currently under development;
- \$37,000 in additional funds to Task 3.3: Air Quality, Conformity, and GHG Emissions Analysis for Air Quality related work and modeling;
- \$10,000 in additional funds to Task 5.3: Human Resources/IT for new server purchase and installation; and
- \$90,000 in additional salary to be allocated across all relevant Tasks to reflect salary increases for all NFRMPO staff.

The FY2023 UPWP Budget Amendment #1 was approved by Planning Council at their November 3, 2022 meeting.

Action

NFRMPO staff requests Planning Council members review the FY2023 Task Amendment #1 and provide comments at the December 1, 2022 meeting.



MEMORANDUM

To: NFRMPO Planning Council

From: AnnaRose Cunningham

Date: December 1, 2022

Re: FY2023-2025 Additional Funding Allocations

Background

The NFRMPO has held two Calls for Projects in the last year with the funding to be awarded based on the funding estimates available at the time. Based on the October 2022 Reconciliation provided by CDOT Region 4, the NFRMPO has approximately \$13.5M in federal and state funding available across five funding programs between Fiscal Years (FYs) 2023 and 2025. The two most recent Calls for Projects have waitlisted and unfunded amounts of \$11.6M.

Due to the influx of funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), the NFRMPO has a significant amount of FY2023 funds available (federal fiscal year 2023 runs from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023). Additionally, the funds listed for FY2023 also include FY2022 funds which have been rolled into FY2023. To allow for the utilization of the federal funds in a timely manner, the NFRMPO outlined a proposal for awarding waitlisted and unfunded projects current fiscal year funding regardless of the funding program originally awarded the project.

The proposal was presented to TAC at their meeting on November 16, 2022. Following the TAC discussion, NFRMPO staff revised the proposal which has been sent to project sponsors and TAC members for review. To allow time for TAC's feedback to be incorporated the additional allocation tables and further information will be provided in the Planning Council Meeting Handouts Packet.

Action

Staff requests Planning Council review the Additional Allocation tables which will be included in the Handouts Packet.

Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC) Meeting Summary

Recording: https://youtu.be/oY3mm4d3U58

Location: Virtual Only

Date/Time: Thursday, November 3, 2022; 8:30 a.m. – 10:43 a.m.

Chair: Vince Rogalski, Gunnison Valley TPR

Highlights and Action Items

- 1. CDOT Update on Current Events Herman Stockinger, CDOT Deputy Director
 - Remembrance and comments were made for the unexpected loss of Senator Hugh McKean, minority leader in the Colorado House of Representatives.
- Legislative Report Herman Stockinger, Andy Karsian, Jamie Grim CDOT Office of Policy and Government Relations (OPGR)
 - Conversations are moving forward at the Capitol on several bills reported on at the last STAC, including EV charging in public ROW, Transit voting membership in TPRs, funding for Bridge & Tunnel Enterprise (BTE), Fiber in CDOT ROW, and increases to chain law violation fines.
 - This is Andy Karsian's last STAC meeting; he is leaving CDOT to become the General Manager at Front Range Passenger Rail. CDOT currently has a posting for Andy's CDOT Legislative Liaison position.
- Transit in Colorado 2022 Update Ann Rajewski, Executive Director, Colorado Association of Transit Agencies (CASTA)
 - CASTA provided an overview of transit achievements and performance in FY2022 including increased federal funding for electric transit vehicles/facilities and other funding increases for transit and multimodal projects.
 - Summaries were also reported on challenges facing transit in the state, the state of transit post-COVID, CDOT's Zero Fare Program, and general CASTA program updates.
- 4. CDOT Budget Update Jeff Sudmeier, CDOT's Chief Financial Officer
 - An overview was provided of the FY24 Revenue Forecast and the FY24 Proposed Budget Allocation Plan which includes: the revenue allocation plan, the spending plan, and the budget narrative and other budget appendices. A total of \$1,834.8 Million is forecasted for FY 2023-24.
 - The Budget Development Process was also discussed with an overview of additional upcoming adjustments (decision items, administration budget, maintenance reserve and contingency funds, among others) and timeline and next steps. Final budget will be approved in March, 2023.
 - FY24 MLOS Allocations is currently set at \$278M from which \$3.1M is funding for housing program stipend, but further adjustments may be required.
 - STAC unanimously supported the proposed budget amendments.
- Federal I ands Access Program Overview Jerad Esquibel, CDOT Director of Project Support, and Jill Locken, Federal I ands Access Program (FLAP) Manager
 - An overview and update was provided on the FLAP program.
 - STAC unanimously selected Keith Baker to replace Bentley Henderson as representative to the Programming Decisions Committee with Kristin Stephens selected as the Alternate.
- 6. Other Business Vince Rogalski, STAC Chair
 - Kick off of the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) project selection process has been paused to reevaluate the program. A new call for projects will likely be issued in early January.
 - Next STAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday December 1, 2022 and will be held virtually only.

	MINUTES OF THE INFORMAL DISCUSSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COLORADO TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT OFFICE (CTIO) ¹		
	Held: Wednesday, October 19, 2022, 9:00 am Broadcast on YouTube Live. A recording of the meeting can be found <u>here</u> .		
	The regular meeting of the CTIO Board of Directors was convened in accordance with applicable statutes of the State of Colorado, with the following Directors present:		
	Margaret Bowes, Chair Karen Stuart, Vice-Chair Cecil Gutierrez Joel Noble Eula Adams Don Stanton		
Roll Call Regular Meeting	All board members, except for Director Easton, were present. The meeting began at 9:00 am.		
Informal Discussion	CTIO Staff and the CTIO Board discussed CTIO staffing, I-70 Shoulder Lane Enforcement and Blissway Pilot, FY 2021-22 Fiscal Year End Report, and I-25 North: Berthoud to Longmont (Segment 5).		
	 Discussion Year End Report Board members and CTIO staff discussed the impact of inflation and gas prices on the budget, the use of Express Lanes by the traveling public as a result, and if a contingency fund may be required in the future. I-25 NOW Unsolicited Proposal CTIO board members requested a briefing on the analysis of the proposal in an executive session. CTIO staff confirmed this would likely take place during the November board meeting and also noted that they would address questions related to Segment 4 as part of that discussion. A public discussion would take place at the December board meeting. 		
Roll Call Regular Meeting	All board members, except for Director Easton, were present. The meeting continued at 9:13 am.		
Public Comment	There was no public comment.		

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Director's Report	 Nick Farber, CTIO Director, provided the Director's Report, which included information on the following: CTIO staff attended the IBTTA Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas, last month. Simon Logan (Special Projects Lead and Policy Analyst) and Kelly Brown (Chief Toll Operations Officer) gave a presentation on the Central 70 Globeville and Elyria-Swansea (GES) Tolling Equity Program that went over extremely well with the audience. Director Farber provided an update on implementing the GES Tolling Equity Program and the vendors involved and confirmed that the program must be in place (per Federal requirements) before tolling can commence on the Central 70 project. CTIO Staff, CDOT Executive Management, Region 1, and DTR staff recently led a tour of Burnham Yard with the Governor's Office and others from the state government. A kick-off meeting was held earlier this month on the pre-NEPA work on Burnham Yard. This effort is expected to take eight months. CTIO Staff recently provided an overview presentation to the Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC). CTIO Staff and board members discussed progress on implementing the equity Program and E-470's role in ensuring it is in place before tolling go-live in mid-January or early February 2023. I-25 South Gap CTIO staff discussed the estimated timing of tolling go-live for the I-25 South Gap project. 		
Consent Agenda: Resolution #397 September 2022 Board Minutes	ACTION: Upon a motion by Director Adams and second by Director Stanton, a vote was conducted, and Resolution #397, September 14, 2022, minutes, was unanimously approved.		
I-25 North (120th to E- 470/Northwest Parkway) Bank of America Loan Repayment	Piper Darlington, Enterprises Budget & Special Projects Manager, and Bryan Stelmack, CTIO's financial adviser, presented to the board on the I-25 North (120th to E-470/Northwest Parkway) Bank of America Loan Repayment. Discussion		

	 CTIO staff and board members discussed the total loan amount and possible options moving forward, including paying the loan off and revenues being used for improvements to Segments 2 and 3. CTIO Board members concurred with the staff recommendation.
I-70 Shoulder Lane Enforcement and Blissway Pilot	 Kelly Brown, Chief Toll Operations Officer, presented to the board on the I-70 Shoulder Lane Enforcement and Blissway Pilot. Discussion Board members and CTIO staff discussed the technical implications of enforcement and how the system would work. CTIO staff confirmed that a separate meeting on the business rules was scheduled for next week to gather board member input and approval. An executive session at the October 26th Special Board Meeting would also be added to cover some of the commercially sensitive information related to procurement. Director Stanton left the meeting at 9:54 am. ACTION: Upon a motion by Director Adams and second by Vice-Chair Stuart, a vote was conducted, and Resolution #398, I-70 Shoulder Lane Enforcement and Blissway Pilot, was approved by all six members of the board in attendance.
Adjourn	The CTIO Board adjourned at 9:57 am.

	MINUTES OF THE INFORMAL DISCUSSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COLORADO TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT OFFICE (CTIO) ¹ Held: Wednesday, October 26, 2022, 9:00 am Broadcast on YouTube Live. A recording of the meeting can be found <u>here</u> . The regular meeting of the CTIO Board of Directors was convened in accordance with applicable statutes of the State of Colorado, with the following Directors present: Margaret Bowes, Chair Karen Stuart, Vice-Chair Cecil Gutierrez Don Stanton Eula Adams Travis Easton		
Roll Call	All board members, except for Director Noble, were present. The meeting began at 9:00 am.		
Executive Session	CTIO Board Chair Bowes proposed a motion to convene the Board in an executive session to discuss the board's position relative to matters subject to negotiations regarding contracting for CTIO's operations. Upon a motion by Director Adams and second by Director Easton, the CTIO Board entered the Executive Session at 9:02 am. Members of the public were excused. The executive session discussion is required to be kept confidential pursuant to Section 24-6-402(3)(b)(II). The CTIO Board exited the Executive Session at 10:07 am.		
Roll Call	All board members, except for Director Noble and Chair Bowes, were present. The meeting continued at 10:07 am.		
Public Comment	There was no public comment.		

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I-70 Shoulder Lanes Business Rules	 Kelly Brown, Chief Toll Operations Officer, introduced draft business rules associated with the I-70 Shoulder Lane Enforcement related to safety and requested feedback from the board. Board members and CTIO staff discussed the following: Liability associated with the civil penalty assessment notice Adjudication fees Automatic Vehicle Identification Photography Civil Penalty Ingress and egress zones Weaving Civil penalty assessment Grace period Discounts Overall, Board members expressed their recommendation that the business rules offer flexibility, a grace period, and incentives to encourage violators to pay early. Board members also highlighted the importance of outreach to the public and legislators to inform them of the safety enforcement of the I-70 Shoulder Lanes to avoid any potential backlash and the sensitivity to how electronic payments (e.g. Apple Pay or Google Wallet) impact different generations. Director Guiterrez left the meeting at 10:27 am. Vice-Chair Stuart confirmed that there was still a quorum and the board could continue its discussion with four board members present.
Adjourn	The CTIO Board adjourned at 10:50 am.