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## ***On the Move:*** Your Quarterly Transportation News & Updates

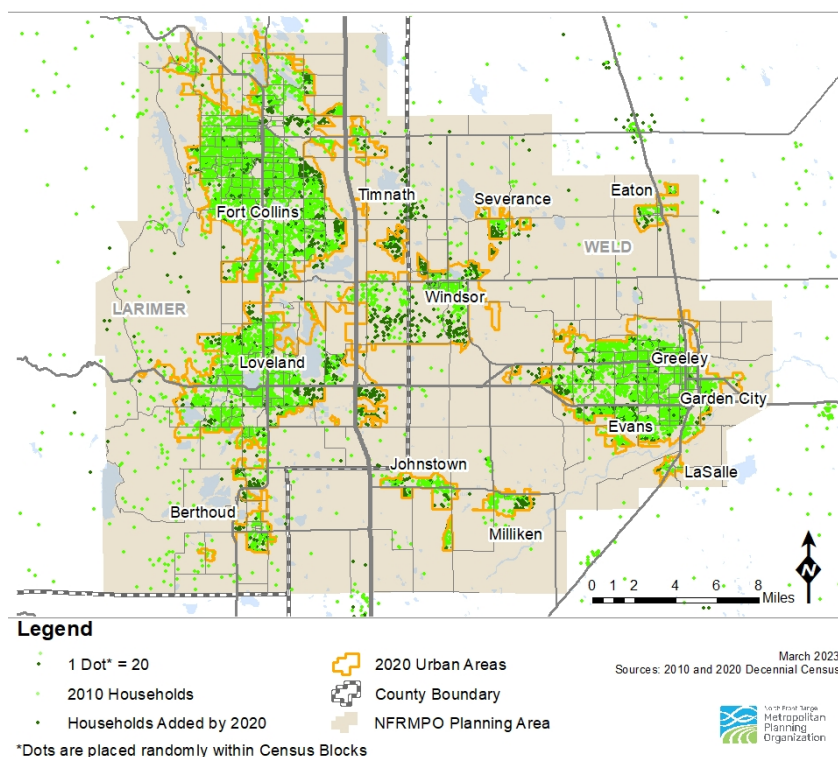
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## **A Growing Region: 2020 Census Urban Areas Announced**



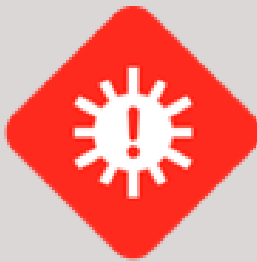
With the new 2020 Census Urban Areas announced by the U.S. Census Bureau

in late 2022, here are a few fast facts on population in the NFRMPO region.

- Between 2010 and 2020, population in the NFRMPO region increased 23 percent, or more than 2 percent per year.
- Population residing in urban areas within the NFRMPO has climbed steadily as well, also increasing 23 percent over the last 10 years, with 93 percent of NFRMPO residents living in an area classified as urban according to the 2020 Census.
- Growth has occurred throughout the region, as shown with the dark green dots on the map – each of which represents 20 households added between 2010 and 2020.
- As of 2020, the North Front Range comprises a slightly higher share of the urban population of Colorado as compared to 2010, with 10.0 percent of the State's urban population living in the North Front Range in 2020 compared with 9.3 percent in 2010. Population within large urban areas is a factor in the distribution of several source of transportation funding.

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## Ozone Season Ahead



Spring is in the air, which means the ground-level ozone air pollution season is around the corner.

In the Denver Metro and North Front Range region, ozone season runs from June through September. Ground-level ozone is an invisible pollutant that forms on hot, sunny days through a chemical reaction between nitrogen oxides (NOx) and volatile organic compounds (VOC) emitted from a wide range of sources, including fossil-fuel burning engines like cars and lawnmowers. Ozone pollution can cause difficulty breathing, sore throat, wheezing, and coughing, and can worsen asthma, COPD, and emphysema.

To prepare for the upcoming ozone season:

- Sign up for ozone action alerts at <https://simplestepsbetterair.org/signup-for-alerts/>
- Learn simple steps to reduce ozone pollution at <https://simplestepsbetterair.org/simple-steps/>

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## The Future of Transportation in the NFRMPO

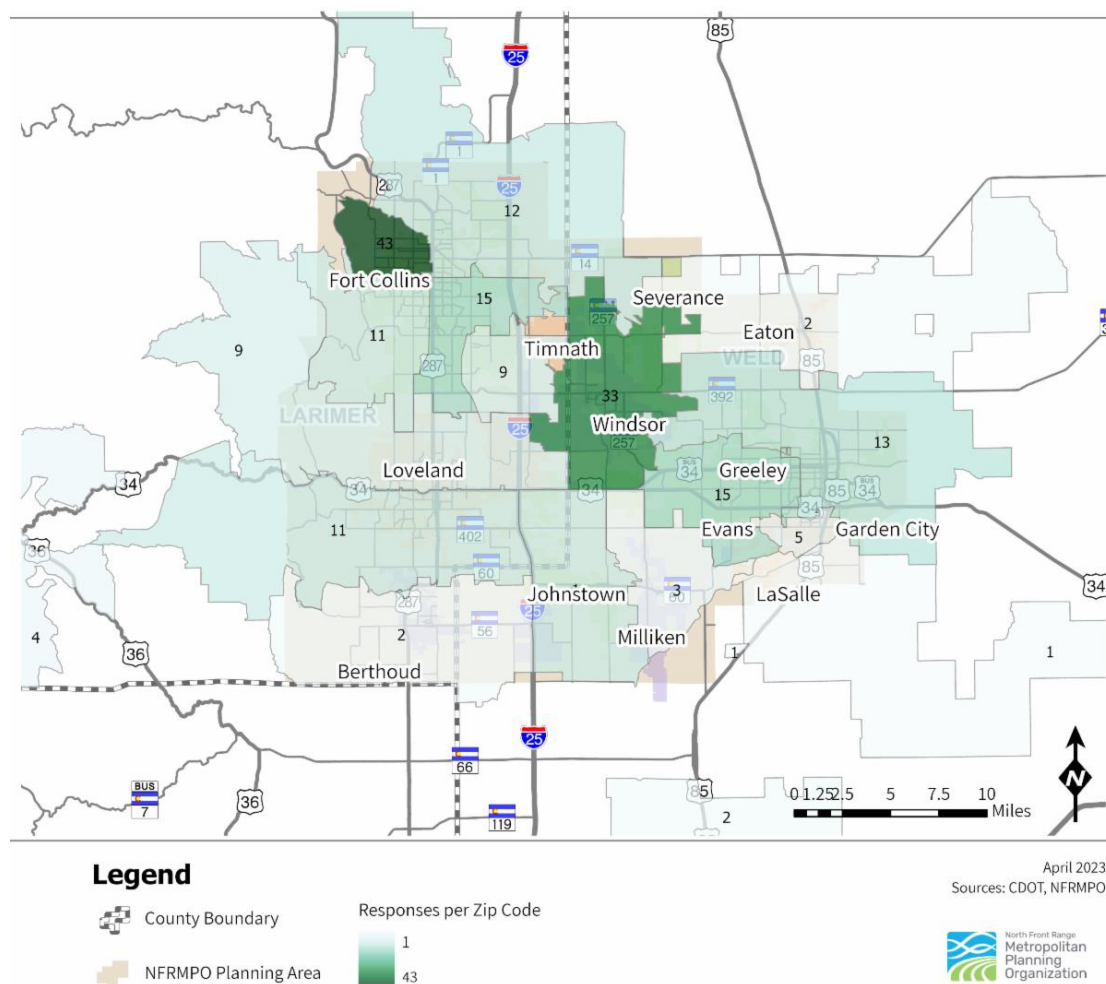


# Corridor Visioning

In February, the NFRMPO launched our Corridor Visioning Activities as part of the [2050 Regional Transportation Plan](#). Through a set of [three online interactive mapping activities](#), people who live, work, or travel through the North Front Range region were able to vote on corridors and comment their vision for the Future of Transportation in the region. In addition to the online activities,

NFRMPO staff talked to people at libraries across the region. NFRMPO staff also presented to a variety of groups including Transportation Boards, Highway Coalitions, mobility committees during February and March and will continue to work on targeted outreach efforts over the next couple months.

Overall, there were over 180 responses received through in person and online comments (note: responses do not indicate individual responders, one responder may have submitted multiple responses). Survey responders were asked to provide their ZIP code so we would know where people were responding from. The map below shows how many responses we've received to date from each ZIP code around the region.



Here are a few of the comments we heard about corridors across the region:

- **Harmony Road/WCR 27** corridor includes bike and pedestrian amenities, transit options, and EV charging.
- **SH60** corridor is safe and consistent speeds through the corridor with additional traffic signals for safe crossings.
- **Thompson River Active Transportation** corridor is to see a trail connecting the Platte River and Loveland through Johnstown and Milliken.
- **Great Western Trail** corridor is to have a connection across SH392 to the new Future Legends Sports park and the Poudre River Trail.
- **I-25 Transit Corridor** is to be able to pop down to Denver on a whim.
- **Great Western Transit Corridor** is more frequent service and more stops in Windsor, SH392, and LCR 5.



These three corridors rose to the top based on feedback from community members:

### Regionally Significant Corridor #1: I-25



Image Credit: CDOT

### Regional Active Transportation Corridor #6: Poudre River Trail



Image Credit: CDOT

### Regional Transit Corridor #6 - Bustang



Image Credit: NFRMPO

The NFRMPO will work to incorporate the major themes we heard through this process into the Corridor Visions in the 2050 RTP which is scheduled to be adopted in September 2023. In the meantime, check out the [RTP Collection page](#) to view all comments made during the Corridor Visioning Activity and keep an eye out as the page will be updated as more work is completed on the 2050 RTP!

## The NFRMPO Adopts 2050 RTP Goals, Objectives, Performance Measures, and Targets (GOPMT)

Regional Health	Mobility	Multimodal	Operations
Improve economic development, residents' quality of life, and air quality	Move people and goods safely, efficiently, and reliably on a continuous transportation system	Improve accessibility of and access to transit and alternative modes of transportation	Optimize operations, planning, and funding of transportation facilities
Performance Measures			
<b>System Performance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CMAQ Emissions Reductions</li> <li>Non-SOV Travel</li> <li>PHED</li> <li>*GHG Emissions Measure</li> </ul> <b>Regional PM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Percent of Non-SOV Commuter Trips</li> <li>Daily VMT per Capita</li> </ul>	<b>Safety</b> <b>Infrastructure Condition</b> <b>System Performance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PHED</li> <li>Truck Travel Time Reliability</li> </ul> <b>Transit Safety</b> <b>Regional PM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travel Time Index on RSCs</li> </ul>	<b>Regional PM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Population served by paratransit</li> <li>Fixed-route Revenue Hours per Capita within Service Areas</li> <li>Non-Motorized Facility Miles</li> <li>Daily VMT per Capita</li> </ul>	<b>TAM</b> <b>System Performance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travel Time Reliability</li> <li>PHED</li> </ul> <b>Regional PM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project Delivery</li> <li>Devices Connected by Fiber</li> <li>Travel Time Index on RSCs</li> </ul>

On April 6th, the Planning Council adopted the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan's (RTP) Goals, Objectives, Performance Measures, and Targets (GOPMT). The GOPMT helps the NFRMPO evaluate the region's transportation system and is incorporated into all of the NFRMPO's planning processes.

The GOPMT framework includes the 2050 RTP vision statement, which is to ensure the multimodal transportation system in Northern Colorado is safe, socially and environmentally sensitive, and strengthens the region's quality of life and economic vitality.

The 2050 RTP has four goal areas with corresponding objectives, including:

- Regional Health with the objective of improving economic development,

resident's quality of life, and air quality;

- Mobility with the objective to move people and goods safely, efficiently, and reliably on a continuous transportation system;
- Multi-Modal with the objective to improve accessibility of and access to transit and alternative modes of transportation; and
- Operations with the objective to optimize operations, planning, and funding of transportation facilities.

The NFRMPO has 20 Federally Required Performance Measures, and eight Regional Performance Measures. The Regional Performance Measures are designed to outline the region's priorities which are not covered by the Federally Required Performance Measures. You can learn more about the NFRMPO's Performance Measures [here](#).

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## Community Advisory Committee Applications Open

The NFRMPO's [Community Advisory Committee \(CAC\)](#) is an ongoing forum for members of the community to provide input into the transportation planning process at all stages of project development. NFRMPO staff facilitate meetings, educating the public on NFRMPO process and how they can get involved in transportation planning at the regional and local levels. The CAC meets virtually every second Thursday of the month. Total time commitment for membership on the CAC is approximately three hours a month. Any community member who does not currently serve on an NFRMPO Committee is eligible to apply.



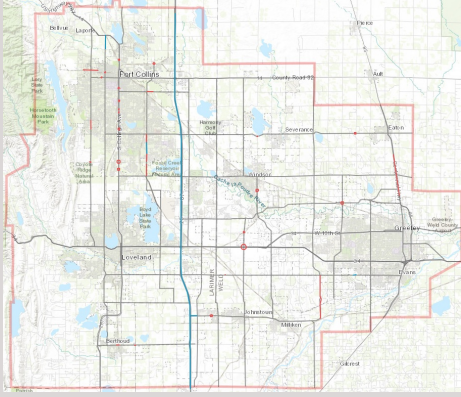
Applications for the CAC are open on a rolling basis. Membership applications are available at <https://forms.gle/zZYRGcZubqa1RQKWA>.

For more information you can view the info sheet by clicking the image. For any questions about the CAC, please email AnnaRose Cunningham [arcunningham@nfrmpo.org](mailto:arcunningham@nfrmpo.org).

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## Construction in Northern Colorado

The NFRMPO collects data about upcoming construction projects located on Regionally Significant Corridors (RSCs) happening in Larimer and Weld counties. These projects can be found through the online map which is updated regularly to keep residents and visitors informed. The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) also provides updates on



construction along I-25, including closure information, [which can be found here](#). To see the most up-to-date map with construction projects scheduled from July through December 2023, [visit the construction page on our website](#).

## Mobility News in Northern Colorado

### The NFRMPO Mobility Team is Hiring!

The NFRMPO Mobility Program is currently hiring two positions: a Mobility Planner and a Mobility Specialist.

These full time professional positions will work closely with the Mobility Director to support the planning, facilitation, administration, and development of Mobility Management and Transportation Demand Management (TDM) projects and programs in the North Front Range region.



Mobility Planner:

- Salary Range: \$65,500 - \$90,000

Mobility Specialist:

- Salary Range: \$49,500 - \$65,500

View the [full job listings](#) for additional details about the positions and the job application process. We encourage our partners to share these listings with any professionals who may be a good fit!

## Via Mobility Services Spring Updates

### Via Mobility in Weld County

Beginning in Q2 2023, Via Mobility Services will return to southwestern Weld County communities served in the 2021-2022 pilot as well as expand to new communities along the US-85 Corridor on a two-year basis. Service will be available to older adults, adults with disabilities as well as the general public in rural portions of the county. See if your address is eligible for service in this [online service map tool](#). To register for the service, please call Via Mobility directly at (303) 444-3043

### Via Pilot Service for Estes Valley to Loveland

Through June 30th, 2023, Via Mobility Services is offering trips from Estes Park to Loveland on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10am to 2:30pm. These trips are open to the general public, including older adults and people with disabilities.



Trained drivers can assist passengers with any mobility needs. More information about this service is outlined on [Via's website](#).

## Get Involved

See what's happening at the NFRMPO and join us virtually at one of our upcoming events or meetings. For a comprehensive and up to date calendar of events, visit

<https://nfrmpo.org/calendar>, and to download meeting materials, visit

<https://nfrmpo.org/meeting-materials>.



Many meetings are being conducted as a hybrid of virtual and in person. Please check our [Events Calendar](#) for the most up to date information.

### Upcoming Events

**April 12, 2023**

NoCo Bike and Ped  
Collaborative

**April 19, 2023**

Technical Advisory  
Committee (TAC)

**May 4, 2023**

Planning Council

**May 23, 2023**

Northern Colorado Mobility  
Committee

**May 26 and 29, 2023**

Memorial Day Holiday  
-NFRMPO Office Closed

**June 3, 2023**

Johnstown BBQ Day

**June 3, 2023**

Berthoud Day

**June 28, 2023**

Bike to Work Day

**July 3 and 4, 2023**

Independence Day Holiday  
-NFRMPO Office Closed

### Recurring Meetings

**North I-25 Coalition** meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

**NFRMPO Council** meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

**NoCo Bike and Ped Collaborative** meets the second Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am.

**Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)** meets the third Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.

**Larimer County Mobility Committee (LCMC)** meets the third Thursday every other month (April) at 1:30 p.m.

**Weld County Mobility Committee (WCMC)** meets the fourth Tuesday every other month (June) at 1:30 p.m.

**Northern Colorado Mobility Committee** meets quarterly at 1:00 p.m.

**Community Advisory Committee (CAC)** meets the second Thursday every other month at 6:00 p.m.

