

## **MMOF Discussion #3**



- MMOF Program Goals
- Funding Estimates (FY2024-2028)
- Minimum Funding Requests
- CDOT Application Review Process
- Planning Council Discussion
- Proposed Schedule (Project Description, CDOT Review Period, and GHG Review)
- Maximum Funding Requests (Funding Goals Per Category)
- CDOT Guidance Handbook
- Application, Submission, and Reporting Requirements
- Potential Project Ideas
- Next Steps

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## **MMOF Goals**



- · Benefits seniors by making aging in place more feasible;
- Benefits residents of communities, in rural and disproportionately impacted communities, by providing them with more accessible and flexible public transportation services;
- Provides enhanced mobility for persons with disabilities;
- Provides safe routes to school for children; and
- Increases access to and/or usage of transit or multi-use facilities.\*
- Reduces emissions of air pollutants, including hazardous air pollutants and greenhouse gases, that contribute to adverse environmental effects, including but not limited to climate change and, and adverse human health effects

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# Funding Estimates - FY2024-2028



Fiscal Year	Initial Funding Estimate	Amount Awarded	Amount Available
2024	\$490,061	\$106,273	\$383,788
2025	\$1,285,759	\$1,000,000	\$285,759
2026	\$1,321,473	\$170,000	\$1,151,473
2027	\$1,388,297	\$130,000	\$1,258,297
2028	\$1,461,971	N/A	\$1,461,971
Total	\$5,947,561	\$1,300,000	\$4,541,288

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<sup>\*</sup>Goal added by NFRMPO in the 2019 MMOF Call for Projects.

## **Minimum Funding Requests**



- Infrastructure Projects
  - o \$300,000 minimum project size
  - Smaller infrastructure projects may be allowed in special situations, but in no case less than \$150,000 project size.
- Transit Projects (non-infrastructure), Planning Projects, and Studies
  - o \$25,000 minimum project size

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# **CDOT Application Review Process**



- CDOT Staff will review and provide feedback on applications.
  - o Opportunity to have follow-up conversations with CDOT Staff, if needed.
- Applications will be reviewed by individual CDOT Staff based on project type.

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## **Planning Council Discussion**



- Project Types & Categories
- Available MMOF Funds

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#### Date TAC Discussion #1 on MMOF Availability May 15 TAC Discussion #2 on MMOF Availability July 17 Planning Council Discussion on MMOF Availability August 1 CDOT Webinar Training for Applicants July-August TAC Discussion #3 on MMOF Call Process August 21 Planning Council Discussion on MMOF Call Process September 5 TAC Recommendation on MMOF Call Process September 18 Planning Council Action on MMOF Call Process October 3 **Call for Projects Opens** October 4 **MMOF Applicant Workshop** October 7 **Project Descriptions Due** October 11 **Draft Project Applications due to NFRMPO - CDOT Review** October 25 NFRMPO GHG Emissions Reduction Results Discussion Week of November 4 CDOT feedback on Draft Applications ~November 8 Call for Projects Closes - Applications Due to NFRMPO (6 weeks open) November 15 **Scoring Meeting Week of December 9** TAC Discussion of Recommended Projects – Staff Presentation December 18 Council Discussion of Recommended Projects – Applicant Presentations January 9 TAC Recommendation on MMOF Awards January 15 Council Action on MMOF Awards February 6

## **Maximum Funding Requests**



## **Option A**

- \$2,000,000 per project
- \$2,000,000 per agency (across all project applications)

## **Option B**

- Category A Projects 75% of available funding
- Category B Projects 25% of available funding

	Project Types		
	Category A	Category B	
		Non-	
	Quantifiable	Quantifiable	Total
	GHG Reducing	or Non-GHG	
	Projects	Reducing	
		Projects	
Funding	\$3,405,966	¢1 125 222	
Available	\$3,405,900	\$1,135,322	\$4,541,288
Maximum			
Award per	\$1,702,983	\$567,661	\$2,270,644
Agency			

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# **CDOT Program Guidebook**



- Released August 2024
- Includes:
  - Regional Allocations
  - Match Reduction or Exemption Process
  - o Combining MMOF and Other Program Funds
  - Reporting Requirements
  - CDOT Contracting Requirements
  - Match rates by County/Municipality

#### **CDOT Program Guidebook:**

https://www.codot.gov/programs/planning/grants/mmof-local-program-guidebook-aug2024.pdf

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# **Application Requirements**



- MMOF Program
- Funding
- 2050 RTP
- 2021 ATP
- Other

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# **Submission Requirements**



- Completed Application
- Project Location Map
- Equity Analysis Worksheet
- Detailed Cost Estimate (per unit and by phase)
- Letter of Support (mayor or town administrator)
- Required Attachments
- Optional Attachment

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# **Potential Project Ideas**



Category A:	Category B:
Quantifiable GHG Reducing	Non-Quantifiable or
Projects	Non-GHG Reducing Projects
Operating costs for new fixed- route	Operating costs for existing fixed-route transit
transit	
Capital costs for fixed-route transit	Operating and capital costs for on-demand
	transit
Transportation Demand	Multimodal transportation studies
Management (TDM) programs	
Multimodal mobility projects	Modeling tools
enabled by new technology	
Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Projects	
Bicycle and pedestrian projects	

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# **Next Steps**



- MMOF Guidebook
  - o NFRMPO Staff send guidebook out for review--August 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - o MMOF Application Workshop--October 7<sup>th</sup> (hybrid meeting)
- MMOF Call Process
  - o September 5<sup>th</sup> Planning Council Discussion
  - o September 18<sup>th</sup> TAC Recommendation
  - October 3<sup>rd</sup> Planning Council Action

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# **Questions?**



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Metropolitan Planning Organization **Timeline** Anticipated adoption: Early 2025 2025 Phase Q4 Q2 Q3 Q1 Goals and Problem Statement Existing Condition/Active Transportation Facilities
Data Update RATC Visioning Closing the Feedback Loop/Adoption 2025 Active 2 **Transportation Plan** 

# **Outreach Strategy**



## **Four Phases:**

- 1. Goals and Problem Statement
  - Set specific active transportation related goals \( \square\)
  - Identify the priorities of communities, elected officials, and stakeholders
  - Explain the purpose of the <u>2025 ATP</u> and the planning process ✓
- 2. Existing Condition/ Active Transportation Facilities Update
  - Identify the infrastructural problems related to Active Transportation in the Region ✓
  - Update the NFRMPO's Active Transportation facilities data
- 3. Regional Active Transportation Corridor (RATC) Visioning
  - Discuss and identify potential projects along or impacting RATCs
  - Create vision plans for RATC corridors based on potential projects and existing plans
- 4. Closing the Feedback Loop
  - Follow up with participants with the Draft 2025 ATP
  - Evaluate the final plans to expectations at beginning

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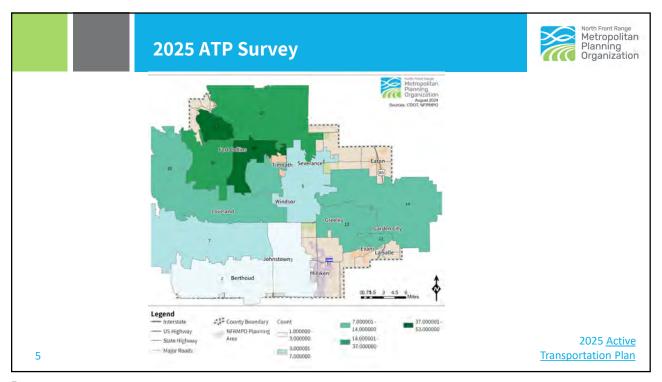
# 2025 ATP Survey

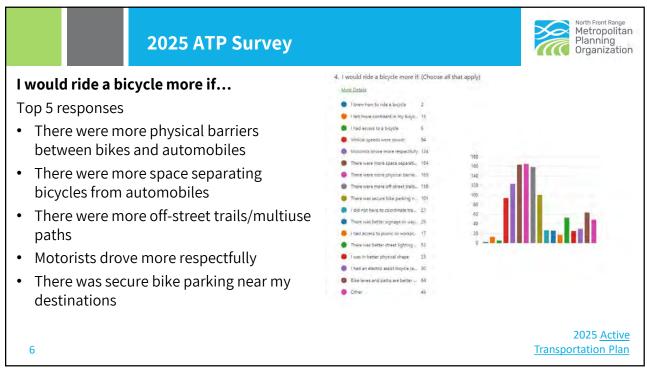


- 255 Responses
  - 2 in Spanish
- 19 zip codes
- Open until September 27th

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## North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization 2025 ATP Survey I would walk or roll more if.. Top 5 responses 9. I would walk or roll more if: (Choose all that apply) • It didn't take so long to walk/roll to my It didn't take so long to walk/rol... 153 destinations There were more off-street side... 93 160 There was more street lighting a... 56 There were safer crosswalks 120 There were safer crosswalks 100 The sidewalks and paths were in... 64 • There were more off-street sidewalks or off-street walking paths I felt safer from crime while walk... 34 • The sidewalks and paths were in better Sidewalks/paths are more acces... 18 Other condition • There was more street lighting after 2025 Active **Transportation Plan**

Metropolitan 2025 ATP Survey Planning Organization I would take transit more if.. 15. I would take transit more if: (Choose all that apply) More Details Top 5 responses There was more street lighting a... 11 There was more frequent service There were more routes to more destinations It did not take so long to get to my destination There was later evening service Transit was cheaper or free 32 Other There were safe, reliable bike parking 2025 Active **Transportation Plan** 

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# 2025 ATP Survey



## Do you have any additional comments pertaining to Active Transportation?

Overall themes:

- More traffic calming elements on bike routes
- More dedicated bike/ped infrastructure
- Include bike/ped elements in all future projects
- Reckless drivers
- Better bicycle facilities at transit stops and on buses

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# Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress (LOTS)



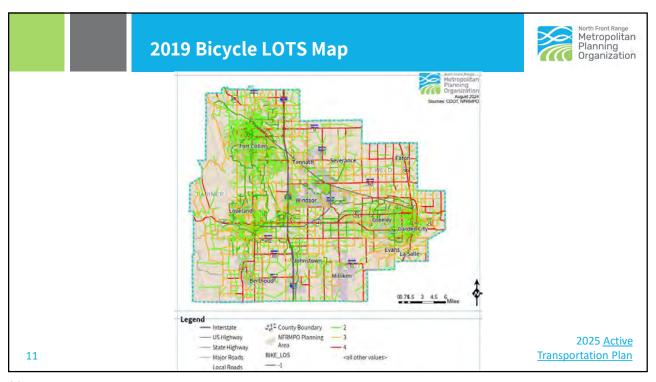
- Output from the Regional Travel Demand Model (RTDM)
  - Considers:
    - Bicycle Facility Type
    - Number of lanes
    - Traffic speed
    - Traffic volumes

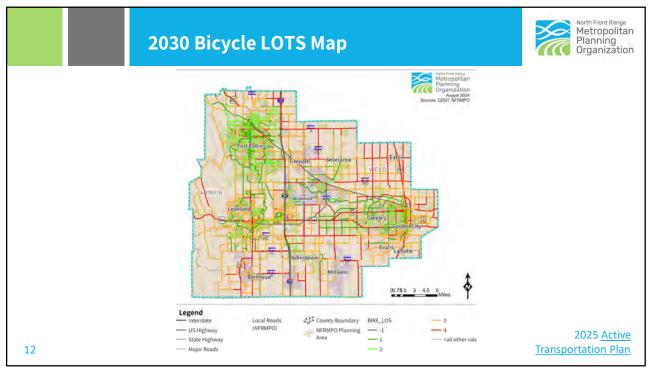
Bicycle Facility Type	Description
1	Bike traits / mixed use paths / Protected trike lanes
2	Bike lanes
3	Bixe routes / Stramows
4	No specific treatment, but bikes allowed
-7	Bikes prohibited

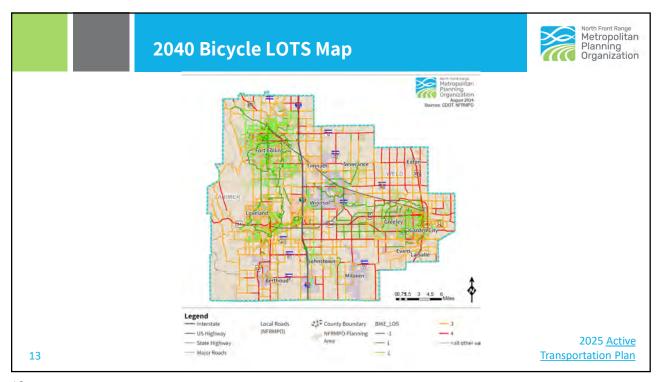
Table 10.6 Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress Defin		
Bicycle LOS	Description —	
-1	Bicycles not allowed	
1	Comfortable for anyone	
2	Comfortable for regular bike commuter	
3	Comfortable for confident road cyclist	
4	Not comfortable for anyone	
5	Not suitable for cycling	

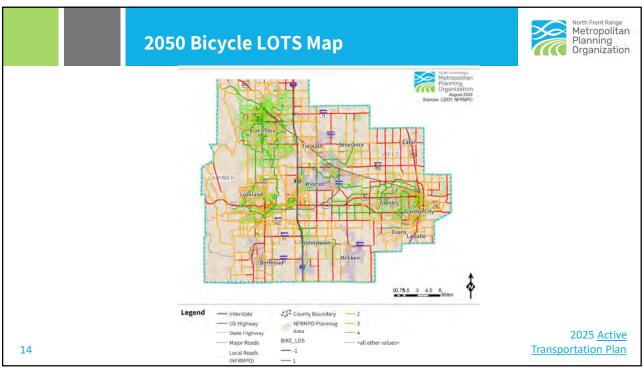
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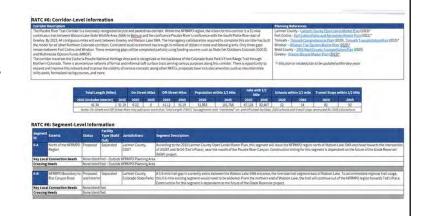




# **RATC Visioning**



- RATC Corridor Profiles and Visioning will include:
  - Trail crossing needs
  - Strategic local connections
  - Proposed alignments
  - Corridor narratives and conditions



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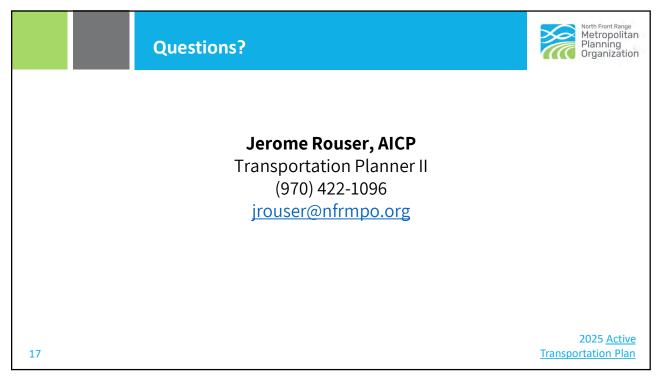
# **Next Steps**



- Further Analyze Bicycle LOTS Maps
  - Bicycle LOTS by Regionally Significant Corridors (RTCs)
- Begin community meetings
  - RATC Vision Planning
  - Discuss planned projects on RATCs
  - US-34 TAC Discussion
- Begin RATC Corridor Profiles
- Discuss ATP at outreach events
- Draft the Plan

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

August 8, 2024

Attendees: Medora Bornhoft, Pauline Migliore, Gabi Gamily, Brad Ragazzo

**Staff**: Jerome Rouser

## **CDOT Active Transportation Plan**

Medora Bornhoft, CDOT, discussed the Statewide Active Transportation Plan (ATP). Medora outlined the progress CDOT has done since the plan's adoption in 2012, including detailed bike/ped safety in CDOT regions 1 and 4. Medora gave an overview of the ATP planning process. The plan is anticipated to be adopted in April 2025. Medora noted there has been over 2000 Active Transportation Plan survey responses. The 2025 ATP will include an Active Transportation Prioritization Tool which is a map based tool that will help CDOT and other agencies identify which projects should include an active transportation element. This tool is developed using current use data, crash data, and other inputs. Brad asked about Vulnerable Road Users (VRU) and asked for an example of a VRU hotspot in the region. Medora noted there were 39 high priority locations identified, and none were in the North Front Range. Pauline asked about CDOT's data sources and how recent that data is. Medora noted CDOT will be relying on primarily on Census data.

### **CDOT Strategic Highway Safety Plan**

Gabi Gamily, CDOT, noted 720 people died on Colorado roadways in 2023, and 4,153 people were involved in a crash resulting in serious injury. A Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) is a statewide-coordinated safety plan that provides a comprehensive framework for reducing fatalities and serious injuries on public roads. This plan is a collaboration amongst five agencies: Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), Colorado State Patrol (CSP), Colorado Department of Education (CDOE), and the Colorado Department of Revenue CDOR. CDOT will be holding a Stakeholder Workshop in Greeley on Sept 11, and there will be a virtual workshop for CDOT Region 4 on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Gabi showcased the Online Stakeholder Engagement Tool.

Pauline asked if CDOR will be providing safety funding. Gabi noted CDOR will be assisting with implementation and not as a funding source. Pauline asked where the federal funding is coming from. Gabi noted the funding from Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

#### **Mobility Audit Review**

Jerome gave an overview of the June 13<sup>th</sup> Loveland Transit Center Mobility Audit. There were around eight participants and three routes. The key themes were sidewalk conditions, vehicle and pedestrian interactions, and street crossings. Attendees recommended the City of Loveland install high-visibility crosswalks and additional traffic calming measures and to ensure crosswalks and sidewalks are accessible.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.