



Weld County Mobility Committee (WCMC) Agenda

March 25, 2025

1:30 – 3:00 pm

Virtual

Call-in information:

(970) 822-7967

Code: 601763569#

Meeting Link: Click [here](#) to join the meeting

Agenda Item Number	Agenda Item and Item Description	Presenter	Time
1	Call Meeting to Order, Welcome, & Overview of Agenda	Hull	1:30-1:45
2	Introductions & Icebreaker	Hull	--
3	Public Comment	Hull	--
4	Approval of September Minutes	Hull	--
5	Co-Chair Elections	Hull/Sizemore	--

Presentations

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6	Transportation Planning Updates	Rouser	1:45-2:00

RideNoCo Update

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7	RideNoCo Update	Deaton	2:00-2:10

Discussion Items

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8	Introduction of the 2025 Coordinated Plan	Hull	2:10-2:35
9	Mobility Case Study	Deaton	2:35-2:45

Wrap-Up & Member Updates

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10	Greeley Evans Transit Updates	GET Representative	2:45-2:50
11	WCMC Member Updates & Roundtable	All	2:50-3:00

Next Meetings:

- Larimer County Mobility Committee: April 22nd, 2025
- Northern Colorado Mobility Committee: May 27th, 2025
- Weld County Mobility Committee: June 24th, 2025

Weld County Mobility Committee —MINUTES
September 24, 2024
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

1. Call Meeting to Order, Welcome and Introductions

- Ashley McClain, 60+Ride
- Celeste Ewert, Envision
- Dee McIntosh, CDOT
- Ernest Cienfuegos-Baca, United Way Weld County
- Irene Davila, Adeo
- Josh Fulenwider, Connections for Independent Living
- Leiton Powell, Greeley Evans Transit
- Lisa Bitzer, Via Mobility Services
- Margie Martinez, United Way Weld County
- Melvin Turner, Cheyenne VA
- Nichole Seward, Weld County Area Agency on Aging
- Nicki Burris, Carepool
- Rocio Ramierz, Felsburg Holt & Ullevig
- Steve Teets, WAND

NFRMPO staff: Cory Schmitt, Lisa Deaton

Approval of Last Meeting’s Minutes: June 25, 2024, minutes approved by Seward, seconded by Powell.

Activity

Group Introductions

Both virtual and in-person attendees introduced themselves and their organizations.

Presentations

Greeley Mobility Development Plan [Presentation slides \(PDF\)](#).

Ramirez provided an overview of the Greeley Mobility Development Plan, explaining that it offers a more detailed look at Greeley Evans Transit and serves as a continuation of the Greeley on the Go



Plan adopted last year. She discussed the Mobility Development Plan's Vision & Goals, along with the vision carried over from the Greeley on the Go Plan. The plan looks at transit, micro-transit, micro-mobility, economic development, and how mobility can be integrated into existing services currently provided. Ramirez discussed the plan's objectives to advance the mobility umbrella concept, the 10-year implementation-focused mobility development plan, and working with city staff and stakeholders to continue developing an integrated mobility network. So far, they have inventoried the existing mobility system, developed a strategic vision and a set of goals, and identified future technologies and trends. She previewed the Near-Term Scenario (0-2 years), which focuses on updating bus routes to improve efficiency and enhanced frequency. The Long-Term Scenario (3-10 years) aims to transition key routes to BRT, expanding further west and increasing frequency. They are currently in phase 2 of community and stakeholder engagement, prioritizing frequency and reliability, service coverage, and service hours. They have participated in pop-up events at Friday Fest, the Greeley Evans Transit Center, and the University of Northern Colorado (UNC). They are planning future pop-up events and focus groups for October. She discussed the next steps leading up to finalizing the Mobility Development Plan. The phase 2 engagement information can be accessed at <https://speakupgreeley.com/mobility-development-plan>.

Carepool

Burris introduced Carepool and provided background information on its origins. They are currently operating in eight states and offer transportation services for aging adults, individuals with disabilities, and some school transportation. Carepool is a rideshare program that collaborates with various healthcare systems and school districts in eight states, including the recent launch with UCHHealth facilities in Greeley, Fort Collins, and Longmont. Carepool hires trained drivers to assist people with healthcare needs and prefers to recruit drivers with healthcare backgrounds. All drivers are required to pass DOJ background checks. Carepool drivers offer a door-to-door service, transporting patients being discharged from hospitals. Rides can be scheduled up to 6 months in advance as recurring or on-demand. Once riders create an account, they can log in, schedule their rides, and track their driver's arrival times. Riders can also call to schedule rides, and representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Carepool also provides school transportation; locally, the Thompson School District was recently added. Burris said their drivers are trained to transport children who may have special needs or behavioral issues that may require safety vests and car seats. Cienfuegos-Baca asked if service animals are allowed. Burris said they are allowed, but the rider is asked to mention that they have a service animal when scheduling the ride. The driver can decide whether to accept the ride or not and if they decline, another driver will be found. Deaton asked if drivers use their own vehicles. Burris said if the rider is ambulatory, yes, they use their own vehicles. If they use a wheelchair, Carepool provides a vehicle. Teets asked about billing Medicare and Medicaid. Carepool will bill Medicare and Medicaid, and they accept private pay. Teets requested the costs of the rides, and Burris will mail that information to him.



RideNoCo Update

RideNoCo Implementation Update

Schmitt gave an update on the implementation of RideNoCo. Phase 3 is nearly complete, allowing trip coordination in one place across multiple providers. He shared the call center and website stats, and so far, the 1st & 2nd quarters of 2024 have exceeded the previous year's totals. Calls from Weld County have declined in part due to the enhancement of services, including 60+ Ride's wheelchair-accessible van and Via Mobility's expansion of its service area.

Schmitt further discussed phase 3 of the RideNoCo Coordination Project. At the beginning of Q3 2024, the call center can conduct the initial intake on behalf of SAINT, RAFT, and 60+Ride. In Q4, SAINT, RAFT, and 60+ Ride will be able to refer clients and coordinate trips to each other utilizing the TDS specification. Moving forward, RideNoCo will begin exploring additional enhancements and agencies to add to the coordination project, continuing to build this network.

Discussions Items

Accessible Transportation Follow-Up

[60+Ride Presentation Slides \(PDF\)](#), [Via Mobility Presentation Slides \(PDF\)](#)

McClain discussed the new van 60+ Ride received on January 2, 2024, and began to give rides in February. McClain provided ride statistics from 2023 and the new van statistics from February to August 2024. To use 60+ Ride services, you must be 60 years old and reside in Weld County. Rides are free, and they rely on donors and funders. The van is owned by 60+ Ride, and they provide the money to facilitate the van rides. They need more volunteers to serve the rural communities, not only by driving but being an advocate, attending council meetings, and assisting with networking. McClain shared their new website and a new magazine that will provide a resource for seniors. Schmitt asked if there is a breakdown of the most served areas in Weld County. McClain said the most served areas are Fort Lupton, LaSalle, Milliken, Johnstown, Windsor, and Severance. Turner asked about transportation provided to Veterans. Currently, 60+ Ride serves three different Veterans using their wheelchair-accessible van for trips to the Cheyenne, Aurora, and Loveland VA and has a total of 85 veterans registered with 60+ Ride.

Bitzer provided a brief history of Via's Paratransit services. They are a private non-profit organization that offers free rides to older adults 60+ and people with disabilities in the Weld County Service area. They are a door-through-door service. They completed over 2,000 trips in the first year, from August 2023 to August 2024, with only two vehicles. Funding was provided for a third vehicle that was added for August-December 2024. They can take riders anywhere if they are in an area that Via is allowed to serve for any purpose. They go as far as Cheyenne, Boulder, Broomfield, and parts



of Adams County. Bitzer shared the paratransit service area map and announced that Milliken was added in August 2024, with discussions underway about adding Windsor. Teets asked how many vans they have and how many of the vans are wheelchair accessible. All Via's vehicles are wheelchair accessible.

Schmitt asked what gaps remain in Weld County, given the increased availability of wheelchair-accessible vehicles. Bitzer said that they have been getting calls from Wellington. Bitzer mentioned that they have been receiving calls from individuals in Cheyenne who would like to come down to Colorado, particularly from the VA hospital, and that she is interested in bringing them to Colorado for specialized services in Greeley, Loveland, and Fort Collins.

December WCMC meeting

Schmitt asked if people wanted to cancel the December WCMC meeting, as it is two weeks after the NCMC meeting. Teets would like to meet. Cienfuegos-Baca asked what would be different within 2 weeks. Members voted to cancel the meeting.

Turner asked for the committee's contact information. Schmitt said that such a contact information sheet can be shared and that the information spreadsheet can also be added to the shared resource drive.

Wrap-Up + Member Updates

Greeley Evans News & Updates

None

WCMC Member Updates

Ewert announced the Week Without Driving kick-off meeting, scheduled for Thursday night at the Greeley Recreation Center from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Turner motioned to adjourn, and Ewert seconded.

Upcoming Meetings:

- A. Weld County Mobility Committee (WCMC): Canceled
- B. Northern Colorado Mobility Committee (NCMC): December 3, 2024



Weld County Mobility Committee Meeting

Weld County Mobility Committee



North Front Range
Metropolitan
Planning
Organization

March 25, 2025

Agenda Overview



1:30 – 1:45: **Welcome + Introductions**

- 1) Call Meeting to Order, Welcome, & Overview of Agenda
- 2) Introductions & Icebreaker
- 3) Public Comment & Approval of Previous Minutes
- 4) Co-Chair Elections

1:45 – 2:15: **Presentations:**

- 1) NFRMPO Transportation Planning Updates

2:15 - 2:25: **RideNoCo Updates**

2:25 – 2:45: **Discussion:**

- 1) Introduction of the 2025 Coordinated Plan
- 2) Mobility Case Studies

2:45 – 3:00: **Wrap Up + Member Round Table**



- **Name**
- **Position**
- **Agency**
- **What are you watching or reading right now? Do you have any good movies, TV shows, or book recommendations?**



Are any members of the public present today who would like to make public comment?



Who would like to motion to approve the September 2024 meeting minutes?

It's time to elect your new Co-Chairs!

- Newly elected officers will take office in June or the next meeting of the year
- Officers may serve up to two (2) one-year terms
- See by-laws for more information

Transportation Planning Updates

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RideNoCo Updates

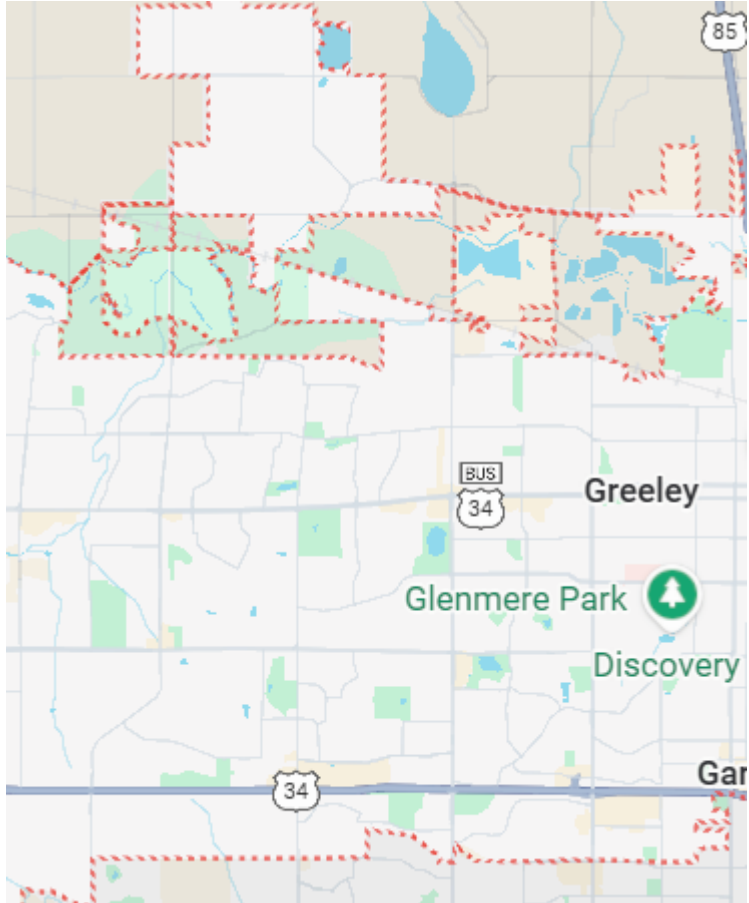
2025 Coordinated Plan

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Mobility Case Study- Greeley



An over-60-year-old caller had a scheduled medical appointment for the next day, and her ride fell through. She is signed up for 60+ Ride services, but when she called, 60+ Ride was unable to accommodate her last-minute request. She is a Medicaid recipient and told me she used up all her allotted Medicaid rides. Ultimately, she had to cancel her appointment.

What options are available for these kinds of mobility needs?

GREELEY EVANS TRANSIT NEWS AND UPDATES





WCMC Member Updates & Round Table



Are any members of the public present today that would like to make public comment?



**ANY
SUGGESTIONS?**



**Do any of you have
suggestions for
Next Meeting's
Agenda?**

Motion to Adjourn?

Second?

Meeting Adjourned!

Thank you all very much!

Next NCMC: May 27th, 2025

Next WCMC: June 24th, 2025



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2025 Coordinated Plan Public Survey



RideNoCo Website

