# MEETING MINUTES of the TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

North Front Range Transportation and Air Quality Planning Council
Hybrid Meeting
July 16, 2025
1:08 p.m. - 3:14 p.m.

#### **TAC Members Present**

Nicole Hahn, Chair – Loveland
Evan Pinkham, Vice Chair – Weld County
Aaron Bustow – FHWA
Omar Herrera – Windsor
Tim Hoos – Johnstown
Dana Hornkohl – Fort Collins
Kim Koivuniemi – Timnath
Victoria Leonhardt – Greeley
Tom Moore – RAQC
Shani Porter – Severance
Eric Tracy – Larimer County

#### **NFRMPO Staff:**

Aaron Hull Becky Karasko Mykayla Marek Jerome Rouser Jonathan Stockburger Tanya Trujillo-Martinez Tahjiba Tarannum

#### **TAC Members Absent:**

Brendan Cicione – CDPHE-APCD Tawn Hillenbrand – Berthoud Pepper McClenahan – Milliken Town of Garden City Town of LaSalle

#### In Attendance:

Medora Bornhoft – CDOT

AnnaRose Cunningham – Loveland
Geoff England - Steer
Candice Folkers – COLT
Gina Fox – CDOT
Tamara Keefe – FHU
Joshua Ma – Fort Collins
Annareli Morales – Weld County
Drew Pearson – Wilson & Company
Scott Pearson – Windsor
Michael Snow- CDOT
Keith Wakefield- Loveland
Spencer York- CDOT

## **Call to Order**

Vice- Chair Pinkham called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

## **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

# **APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 18, 2025 TAC MINUTES**

Hornkohl moved to approve the June 18, 2025 TAC Minutes. Koivuniemi seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

# **Air Quality Agenda**

**Regional Air Quality Updates** 

Moore provided an update on the Control Strategy Blueprint Workshop. RAQC will be hosting a Blueprint Workshop in Fort Collins on August 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-3:30 at the Fort Collins Senior Care. Moore outlined the workshop format and encouraged any interested TAC members to attend. Moore noted the July 25<sup>th</sup> Ozone Forum agenda topics include air quality planning updates, Serious Plan 2026 modeling results, and 2026 source apportionment results.

#### **APCD Updates**

No update provided.

# **Metropolitan Planning Organization Agenda**

#### Action Items

## **NFRMPO 10-Year Priority List of Projects**

Karasko gave an overview of the June 23<sup>rd</sup> Joint Planning Council/TAC workshop. She noted Planning Council ranked the priority corridors in the following order: US34, SH392 I-25, US287, SH14, US85. Karasko stated the 10-Year Priority List as well as the six priority corridors will be revisited during the 2055 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) planning process.

Hornkohl moved to recommend the Planning Council approve the NFRMPO 10-Year Priority List of Projects. Leonhardt seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously

#### Discussion Items

## **Weld County STBG Project Scope Change Request**

Pinkham gave an overview of the WCR13 & WCR50 intersection project. The project will realign the south leg of WCR13 to line up with the north leg of WCR13 while improving traffic operations, truck movement, and safety. The original project was a four-way intersection with a two-lane south leg. Due to increased cost estimates, Weld County is requesting a scope change. The new proposed project is a roundabout with a two-lane south leg. Karasko noted the TAC must determine if this is a major or minor scope change. TAC agreed this is a minor scope change and approved the request.

#### **TDM Call for Projects**

Hull noted the goals of the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Call for Projects, which include reducing congestion, promoting regional connectivity, advancing accessibility for all, improving air quality, and encouraging local commitment. There is a total of \$400,000 available for this Call and the local match is 17.21 percent. The minimum award limit per funding year is \$62,500 and the maximum award limit per funding year is \$125,000. Eligible applicants include Non-profit Transportation Management Organizations (TMO), non-profit organizations, and local government agencies. Eligible project types include TMO ongoing management, TDM projects, and pilots to promote expanded or new transit services or transportation options. TAC members expressed concerns with the project criteria and funding amounts. Karasko requested TAC members to review the TDM Guidebook and provide comments to Hull prior to the August TAC meeting.

#### NFRMPO Call for Projects Federal Funds Reduction

Karasko noted there is a reduction in federal formula funds for FY2025 and FY2026. The impacted federal funding programs are Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) funds and Surface Transportation

Block Grant (STBG) funds. Karasko noted there was an increase in Transportation Alternatives (TA) funds. She stated impacted projects may need to be delayed and funding will need to be shifted to later fiscal years, but no projects will lose their funding.

# **Work Session Agenda**

# **MMOF Funding Reconciliation**

Michael Snow, CDOT, gave an overview of the Multimodal Transportation and Mitigation Options Fund (MMOF) funding reduction. Snow noted CDOT used the same formula that determines the amount of MMOF each MPO receives to determine MMOF reductions. He outlined some potential solutions to make the necessary reductions, including reallocated existing awards to later funding years, reducing funding to existing awards, or canceling projects. Karasko requested agencies with multiple impacted projects determine which projects are their priority. Karasko will meet with impacted agencies prior to the August TAC meeting to discuss potential solutions.

# **Outside Parter Reports**

#### **NoCo Bike and Ped Collaborative**

Rouser stated the July NoCo Bike & Ped Collaborative meeting was held at the River Bluffs and Kyger Open Spaces in Windsor. The group discussed wayfinding, bridge construction, and best practices for building and maintaining trails that are nearby to rivers and other waterways.

# **Regional Transit Agencies**

No update was provided.

#### **Mobility Updates**

No Updates.

## Reports

## **July Planning Council Meeting Summary Draft**

Written report provided.

#### **Mobility Committee Updates**

Written report provided.

#### **NFRMPO Air Quality Program Updates**

Written report provided.

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY2025 TIP Modifications

Written report provided.

#### Roundtable

Karasko noted Elizabeth Relford will be the new NFRMPO Executive Director and will be starting on August 4<sup>th</sup>.

Rouser stated he will be reaching out to TAC members in August or September to begin gathering active transportation and transit projects for the Active Transportation and Transit inventories required by SB25-030.

# **Meeting Wrap-Up**

**Final Public Comment** 

There was no final public comment.

**Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions** 

None.

Meeting adjourned at 3:14 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by: Jerome Rouser, NFRMPO Staff

The next meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, as a hybrid meeting.