

**MEETING MINUTES of the  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)  
North Front Range Transportation and Air Quality Planning Council  
Hybrid Meeting  
March 18, 2025  
1:00 p.m. – 2:36 p.m.**

**TAC Members Present**

Evan Pinkham, Chair – Weld County  
Dana Hornkohl, Vice Chair – Fort Collins  
Aaron Bustow – FHWA  
AnnaRose Cunningham – Loveland  
Hanna Feldmann – Greeley  
Tim Hoos – Johnstown  
Kim Koivuniemi – Timnath  
Tom Moore – RAQC  
Shani Porter – Severance  
Josie Thomas – CDOT

**NFRMPO Staff:**

Mykayla Graalum  
Lisa Joyner  
Becky Karasko  
Elizabeth Relford  
Jerome Rouser  
Jonathan Stockburger  
Tahjiba Tarannum  
Tanya Trujillo-Martinez

**TAC Members Absent:**

Emma Belmont – FTA  
Brendan Cicione – CDPHE-APCD  
Kyle Fehr – Evans  
Tawn Hillenbrand – Berthoud  
Kevin Koelbel – Milliken  
Wesley LaVanchy – Eaton  
Scott Pearson – Windsor  
Eric Tracy – Larimer County  
Town of Garden City  
Town of LaSalle

**In Attendance:**

Cody Davis – Muller Engineering  
Candice Folkers – COLT  
Renaë Jording – GET  
Joshua Ma – Fort Collins  
Dee McIntosh – CDOT  
Desiree Moore – Drive Clean Colorado  
Annareli Morales – Weld County  
Annabelle Phillips – Fort Collins  
Luke Seeber – Berthoud  
Denise Staley – Weld County  
Spencer York – CDOT

***Call to Order***

Chair Pinkham called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

***Public Comment***

There was no public comment.

***APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2026 TAC MINUTES***

Hornkohl moved to approve the February 18, 2026 TAC Minutes. Feldmann seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

***Air Quality Agenda***

**Regional Air Quality Updates**

Moore shared the Control Strategy Committee met earlier this morning. He noted the Blueprint, which was endorsed by the RAQC Board last fall, is currently being updated. Adoption of the updated Blueprint is anticipated in November of this year. Moore shared a whitepaper is being developed, examining the costs and burdens of current air pollution levels in the nonattainment area. Moore stated the RAQC is collaborating with the APCD on strategy development for the State Implementation Plan (SIP). He noted that analysis to support the SIP is expected to begin in early 2028, with the SIP due in 2029. Moore added emission source workshops are tentatively planned for June or July of this year.

## ***Metropolitan Planning Organization Agenda***

### ***Action Items***

#### **2025 TMO Call for Projects**

Trujillo-Martinez noted the recommended award of the full \$400,000 in funding for the 2025 TMO Call for Projects and requested TAC recommend approval to the Planning Council.

Hornkohl moved to recommend Planning Council approve the 2025 TMO Call for Projects. Feldmann seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

#### **March 2026 TIP Amendment**

Stockburger noted the March 2026 TIP Amendment included two project additions from Transfort. The first project addition was the *Transfort MAX BEB Purchase* with \$4,979,250 State CDOT CTE funding and \$553,250 Local funding in FY26. The second project addition was the *Transit Operations Program* with \$2,666,024 State CDOT CTE funding and \$296,225 Local Funding in FY26.

Feldmann moved to recommend Planning Council approve the March 2026 TIP Amendment. Hornkohl seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### ***Presentation Item***

#### **Transfort Optimization Plan**

Phillips presented the Transfort Optimization Plan, which was launched a year and a half ago to reimagine the transit system in Fort Collins. She described the purpose of the Plan, provided an overview of Transfort's financial context, and outlined the process used to develop a recommended service scenario. Three scenarios were presented to the public, and Phillips summarized the feedback on the scenarios. Scenario one was focused on travel patterns, scenario two was focused on rider demand, and scenario three was focused on condensing the system and supplementing with microtransit in lower density areas. Phillips shared that based on public feedback and financial considerations, the recommended scenario prioritizes ridership growth and community needs while remaining fiscally constrained. Phillips also summarized anticipated changes to Dial-A-Ride and Dial-A-Taxi service areas and hours of operation. Phillips stated Transfort is wrapping up public engagement now and will implement the operational plan in 2026 and 2027.

Pinkham asked if they have considered operating Dial-A-Ride service in-house. Phillips said operating the service in-house would increase costs, primarily due to capital investments. Pinkham asked whether fare-free transit has led to increased ridership. Phillips responded ridership has generally increased but noted declines in 2020 make it difficult to determine the full impact.

Joyner asked for an explanation of the Dial-A-Taxi program. Phillips said the Dial-A-Ride service has strict requirements and a limited service area, while the taxi program provides more flexibility. The program offers a \$20 taxi voucher, with the client responsible for any additional cost. Phillips noted the vouchers can be used for trips outside the service area and are limited in quantity per day.

Feldmann asked how source funds would be used to increase service while reducing the service area. Phillips responded that prior to the availability of those funds, the proposed service area and hours were more limited, and the additional funding allowed for expansion to the current plan. Phillips added that frequency will be increased on select routes. Feldmann also asked about Transfort's agreement with CSU and the potential financial impacts of removing Sunday service. Phillips stated the agreement with CSU is currently being updated and that CSU has provided input throughout the process.

### ***Discussion Items***

#### **Project Scope Change Request to Use MMOF Funds as Match for Future Grant Applications**

Ma stated the primary funding source for the Foothills Transit Station and Roundabout project has been withdrawn. Despite this setback, the project remains Transfort's top priority. He explained Transfort is requesting approval to repurpose previously awarded FY25 and FY26 MMOF funds to serve as local match for future grant applications for the Foothills Transit Station project. Karasko noted this request represents a major scope change and will require Planning Council approval.

Karasko asked whether a contract with CDOT has been executed. Ma said the contract has not yet been executed. Karasko also asked how potential volatility in MMOF funds could affect the project. Ma said that if MMOF funds were no longer available, the project would still move forward but would likely be further delayed.

Pinkham asked whether the spreadsheet from the MMOF reconciliation efforts was available. Karasko said it was not currently available. Ma described the funding reallocations made by Transfort as part of the MMOF reconciliation.

Cunningham asked whether there is a timeline for the next round of potential MMOF reconciliation. York said final legislation from the state legislature would need to be approved before knowing if further reconciliation is needed.

Karasko asked whether TAC was comfortable advancing the item to the Planning Council for discussion. TAC indicated agreement to move the item forward for discussion with the Planning Council.

#### **NFRMPO Draft Crash Dashboard**

Graalum provided an overview of enhancements made to the NFRMPO's Draft Crash Dashboard tool since it was last presented. Additions to the tool include a tab with top five intersections by number of crashes, new attribute filters, and additional map layers that can be toggled on or off. Graalum stated during the December 2025 presentation on PM1: Safety Performance Measures, the Planning Council was still interested in utilizing more recent crash data than what is available from CDOT. TAC members were asked to provide feedback to Graalum on potential short-term and long-term improvements to the

dashboard by March 31, 2026, and to identify a point of contact within their organization to coordinate data sharing agreements for more recent crash data.

Feldmann asked if the dashboard could include high injury intersections or most severe injury intersections. Graalum responded the dashboard includes a filter for most severe injury, so the graph in the intersections tab will update the top intersections with serious injury and fatal crashes if you have selected those in the filters.

Hornkohl asked if you could define a polygon in the dashboard to look at crash data in only a certain area. Graalum responded clicking the wrench icon in the top left of the map allows access to those tools to draw a square, rectangle, or circle on the map and select only the crashes in that area selected.

### **GHG Transportation Report Data Request**

Tarannum asked TAC members to provide data for the GHG Transportation Report to demonstrate compliance in 2030. She requested a list of roundabout projects that replaced signalized intersections constructed after 2019 and completed before 2030, along with associated AADT/ADT counts. Karasko noted a follow-up email will be distributed with additional details and a submission deadline.

### **Active Transportation Plan (ATP)**

Rouser provided an update on the Active Transportation Plan (ATP) and adoption timeline. He provided an overview of the Plan's purpose, summarized the chapters and key content, provided examples of Regional Active Transportation Corridor (RATC) profiles and segment-level information, and shared action steps assigned to TAC within the Plan. Rouser noted the public comment period will open later this week; the Plan will go to TAC in April for recommendation, and the Plan will go to Planning Council in May for adoption.

Relford asked how communities are working to avoid creating barriers on the corridors. Rouser stated there is a map with crossing needs identified by communities, and in the corridor profiles there is a section for crossing needs that are known for needing underpasses or overpasses. Rouser asked the TAC to pay special attention to the corridor profiles when reviewing the plan to ensure that all the information included is correct. Relford stated that through this plan, this is a great opportunity to make sure future underpasses or overpasses are reflected.

Feldmann asked about the methodology for Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress and how it will be incorporated into Call for Projects scoring. Rouser responded the methodology would come after the plan is adopted and when TAC is preparing the Call for Projects scoring criteria.

### ***Outside Parter Reports***

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

Written report provided.

#### **Regional Transit Agencies**

Ma stated their meeting is next week, so there are no updates for today.

### **Mobility Updates**

Trujillo-Martinez shared that the RideNoCo program has received 142 calls and 2,758 website visits so far in 2026. She announced the RideNoCo website is currently being revamped, and they are around halfway through that process. Trujillo-Martinez stated once the new website is complete, there will be a soft launch before it officially goes live. Joyner stated there are upcoming events and meetings the Mobility Team will be attending, such as the Winter Farmers Market in Fort Collins, the Northern Colorado TDM Working Group, and the upcoming Weld County Mobility Committee meeting. Joyner shared they are working on a Ride Alliance project with DCCOG to help connect the two regions in helping people find transportation options.

## ***Reports***

### **March Planning Council Meeting Summary Draft**

Written report provided.

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

Written report provided.

### **2026 Colorado Legislative Updates**

Written report provided.

### **Mobility Committees**

Written report provided.

## **Roundtable**

Feldmann announced Greeley has selected a new Public Works Director who should be starting in May. Feldmann shared they have been working on their Alternative Fuels and Electric Vehicle Charging Plan, and they plan to collect community feedback over this spring and early summer. Feldmann stated they will be providing recommendations on their shared micromobility program at next week's City Council meeting. Feldmann shared they will be releasing an RFQ for the MERGE project soon.

Hornkohl shared that Fort Collins has received their intergovernmental agreement for their 2024 SS4A award, which includes three projects.

Rouser announced that the 2055 RTP will be called Connected Communities 2055, and NFRMPO staff will work on designing a logo for the plan. Rouser stated the first data request for the RTP will be sent out later today or tomorrow, and it will ask for a link to all plans and housing needs assessments.

Graalum thanked the communities that provided the NFRMPO with a letter of support for their Highway Safety Office grant application. Graalum shared she has taken over signing the MPO up for most outreach events, so if there is an event anyone would like the MPO to attend to reach out to her. Graalum asked TAC members to send her any articles they would like included in the MPO's April newsletter by the end of day on Tuesday, March 31, 2026.

Stockburger asked TAC to send him all SS4A projects awarded to see if they need to be included in the TIP. Stockburger shared that the PIP survey is open through Tuesday, March 31, 2026, and he will be

sharing Freight Plan survey results at a future meeting. Stockburger announced the MPO has decided on most of the changes to the organization's logo and color palette, and there will likely be a presentation at the next TAC meeting on this.

Joyner asked TAC members to send her article ideas for the RideNoCo Mobility newsletter.

Pinkham shared Weld County has just kicked off its Transportation Plan update. They plan to go to the Weld County Board of Commissioners towards the end of the year for adoption. Pinkham shared their Planning Department is updating their Comprehensive Plan, and they just finished their first round of public engagement. Pinkham shared they will soon begin work on the CR 54 and CR 13 Roundabout project, which will be followed up by corridor improvements on CR 54 to the east between the county line and SH 257.

Karasko reminded TAC of the hybrid Model Steering Team Kickoff meeting happening on Monday, March 23, 2026. She added the RSC Workshop meeting is Monday, April 6, 2026 and will also be hybrid. Karasko reminded TAC starting next month the TAC and Planning Council meetings will be in Teams and not in GoTo. She stated the NFRMPO is cohosting an Intermountain West 2026 Ozone Exchange with PPACG and to stay tuned for more details.

Thomas shared Dee McIntosh is retiring from CDOT and her last day will be on Friday, March 27, 2026. Thomas added they will post the job vacancy soon. She added Spencer York has been promoted and will start in a new position soon.

York stated he will still work with the NFRMPO and the TPRs during his job transition.

### ***Meeting Wrap-Up***

#### **Final Public Comment**

There was no final public comment.

#### **Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions**

None.

#### **Meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.**

**Meeting minutes submitted by:** Mykayla Graalum, NFRMPO Staff

**The next meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, as a hybrid meeting.**