

Chapter

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## Section 3:

# NFRMPO Priority List



## NFRMPO Priority Corridors with Candidate Project List

In early 2020, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) developed a 10-Year Strategic Pipeline of Projects to create a list of the State's top transportation priorities. This Pipeline provides a living list of projects to incorporate into CDOT's Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as the four active fiscal years change as well as the [2045 Statewide Plan](#).

The NFRMPO's Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is a corridor-based plan without specific projects therefore the Planning Council wanted to provide CDOT with the region's priorities for two reasons:

- **To identify which corridor(s) with their associated projects are most important for funding and**
- **To provide a cohesive voice from Planning Council to CDOT on their priority.**

This was especially important to the creation of the initial list as there was a significant amount of federal funding available. The NFRMPO Planning Council first prioritized which corridors they wanted to focus on and came to a consensus on six Regionally Significant Corridors (RSCs):

- I-25
- US34
- US85
- US287
- SH14
- SH392

The NFRMPO's Priority Project List was first developed during a joint Planning Council-TAC Work Session held on January 16, 2020. Attendees reviewed and voted on priorities from a list of 57 regional projects compiled from a variety of sources, including: the [2045 Regional Transportation Plan](#), US85 and US34 PEL studies, the CDOT Region 4 2018 Ballot Project List, and from Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Planning Council members. Ultimately, Councilmembers at the workshop identified I-25 as the priority and let CDOT determine the project needs. This list has been updated annually since its creation in 2020.

Currently, the CDOT 10-Year Strategic Pipeline has been fully programmed out through fiscal year 2030, with the NFRMPO receiving a significant amount of funding early on for the I-25 project. This list is for coordination with CDOT and does not affect projects awarded through the NFRMPO Call for Projects or other funding sources. The most current version of the list may be found here: <https://nfrmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/nfrmpo-priorities-list.pdf>.