

**NoCo Bike and Ped Collaborative
Minutes – 1/14/2015**

Meeting Participants: Leslie Beckstrom (Weld), Betsy Jacobson (CDOT), Terri Blackmore (NFRMPO), Jeffrey Boring (Larimer), Sarah Boyd (Greeley), Becky Karasko (NFRMPO), Josh Johnson (NFRMPO), Suzette Mallette (Larimer), Wade Willis (Windsor), Heather Paddock (CDOT), Keith Sheaffer (CDOT)

CDOT Flood Recovery Presentation

Heather Paddock – CDOT

Keith Sheaffer – CDOT

- US 36 initial impacts, permanent repairs
 - 3 miles of road severely damaged
 - First corridor in design for permanent repairs
 - CDOT partnership with Central Federal Lands (CFL) due to National Park Access
 - 5 different National Guard units helped with emergency repairs
 - Improved roadway to include 12-foot lanes with 6-foot shoulders for multi-modal travel where possible
- US 34 initial impacts, permanent repairs
 - 12-13 miles of road severely damaged
 - Emergency repairs done to open road quickly
 - Permanent repairs to begin late 2015, to include 12-foot lanes and 6-foot shoulders for multi-modal travel where possible
- SH 7 initial impacts, permanent repairs
 - No bicycle improvements scheduled to be added
 - Will be resurfaced to existing width
 - New culverts being added will be able to accommodate either 4-foot or 6-foot shoulders in the future if needed
- Permanent repairs
 - Partnerships with Central Federal Lands (CFL), Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB), and Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW)
 - Preferred design gives rivers and streams room to move and expand, provides expanded shoulders for multi-modal travel, enhanced stream bank allows for tourism and recreational opportunities
 - CDOT expected to follow design and construction philosophy that includes consideration of vehicle and bicycle/pedestrian modes of travel in permanent repairs where allowed on the roadway and in the budget

Conference Discussion

- Sub-committee met and determined two possible dates for Fall Conference
 - Thursday, October 29 (preferred) or Thursday, November 5 (alternate)
 - A list of keynote speakers is being developed

- Major messages to include health and economic development
- There was discussion on how to include rural communities in topics of interest
 - Sarah Boyd mentioned opportunities to discuss messaging and advocacy about bicycle and pedestrian topics in rural communities
 - Terri Blackmore mentioned a possibility to highlight CDOT Region 4 TAP projects that have been successful in rural communities
- Leslie Beckstrom mentioned that a distribution list can be created among the various groups to promote conference materials and advertisements
- Funding
 - Wade Willis stated that Fort Collins (Tessa Greor) can commit \$8k of CMAQ funds to the conference
 - Leslie mentioned that Kaiser funding is still available
 - Kaiser and CMAQ funds will cover facility and speakers
 - The entrance fee (\$30) will cover cost of food
- The subcommittee plans on meeting again to go over further details including location and speaker lists
 - Location suggestions are still needed. The group would prefer to hold the conference in either Weld or Larimer counties in a community north of Longmont

MPO TAC Discussion

- Josh Johnson mentioned that that NFRMPO will be releasing a quarterly newsletter
- At the January TAC meeting, the NoCo representative will ask members for ideas on a conference location (community buildings, etc)

Other Discussion

- Sarah mentioned that the APBP is interested in starting a Colorado Chapter

February Meeting

- Jeffrey Boring will follow up with speakers about grants and funding opportunities
 - Karen Schneiders from CDOT is being invited to speak about recently selected TAP projects
- Leslie will present on Health and Built Environment related funding opportunities