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Next Council Meeting
February 1, 2018
Weld County Admin. Bldg.
1150 O Street
Greeley, CO

NORTH FRONT RANGE TRANSPORTATION & AIR QUALITY PLANNING COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
January 4, 2018

Berthoud Town Hall
807 Mountain Avenue
Berthoud, CO

Council Dinner 5:30 p.m.
MPO Council Meeting - 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

2-Minute Public Comment (accepted on items not on the Agenda)

Anyone in the audience will be given time to speak to items on the Consent Agenda. Please ask for that item to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Items pulled will be heard at the beginning of the regular agenda. Members of the public will be given an opportunity to speak to all other items prior to Council action being taken.

1. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes-Lead Planning Agency for Air Quality/MPO-Nov.27 & Dec.7, 2017 (Pg. 7)

Lead Planning Agency for Air Quality Agenda

Estimated Time

COUNCIL REPORTS:

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| 3. Air Pollution Control Division (APCD) | Chris Colclasure | 10 min |
| 4. Regional Air Quality Council | (Written Report) | |

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Agenda

Estimated Time

REPORTS:

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| 5. Report of the Chair | | |
| • STAC Assignment | | |
| • Finance Committee Assignments | Tom Donnelly | 5 min |
| 6. TAC (Pg. 13) | (Written Report) | |
| 7. Mobility (Pg. 14) | (Written Report) | |

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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| 8. NoCo Bike & Ped Transportation Alternatives (TA) Funding Recommendations (Pg. 16) | Tom Jones | 15 min |
| 9. 2014-18 NFRMPO Targets for Safety Performance Measure (Pg. 21) | Medora Kealy | 15 min |

PRESENTATION:

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| 10. US 287 Asset Inventory (Pg. 24) | Alex Gordon | 10 min |
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COUNCIL REPORTS:

15 min

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| Transportation Commission | Kathy Gilliland |
| CDOT Region 4 | Johnny Olson |
| I-25 Update | Horak/Mallette |
| STAC (Pg. 39) | (Written Report) |
| Host Council Member Report | Jennifer Baker |
| Other Council Member Reports | Council Members |

MEETING WRAP-UP:

5 min

- Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Council's agenda will include an Executive Session pursuant to: (1) C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b) of the Colorado Revised Statutes in order for the Council to seek legal advice regarding a contract, and personnel matters, and (2) C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(e)(I) to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing a strategy for negotiations, and instructing negotiators

60 min

ACTION ITEMS:

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| 11. Executive Session Action | Tom Donnelly | 5 min |
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MPO MEETING PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

1. The order of the agenda will be maintained unless changed by the MPO Planning Council Chair (MPO Chair).
2. "Public Comment" is a time for citizens to address the Planning Council on matters that are not specifically on the agenda. Each citizen shall be limited to a total of two (2) minutes time for public comment, or at the discretion of the MPO Chair.
3. Before addressing the Planning Council, each individual must be recognized by the MPO Chair, come and stand before the Council and state their name and address for the record. (All proceedings are taped.)
4. For each Action item on the agenda, the order of business is as follows:
 - MPO Chair introduces the item; asks if formal presentation will be made by staff
 - Staff presentation (optional)
 - MPO Chair requests citizen comment on the item (two minute limit for each citizen)
 - Planning Council questions of staff on the item
 - Planning Council motion on the item
 - Planning Council discussion
 - Final Planning Council comments
 - Planning Council vote on the item
5. Public input on agenda items should be kept as brief as possible, and each citizen shall be limited to two (2) minutes time on each agenda item, subject to time constraints and the discretion of the MPO Chair.
6. During any discussion or presentation, no person may disturb the assembly by interrupting or by any action such as applause or comments. Any side conversations should be moved outside the meeting room. Courtesy shall be given to all speakers.
7. All remarks during the meeting should be germane to the immediate subject.

GLOSSARY

5303 & 5304	FTA program funding for multimodal transportation planning (jointly administered with FHWA) in metropolitan areas and States
5307	FTA program funding for public transportation in Urbanized Areas (i.e. with populations >50,000)
5309	FTA program funding for capital investments
5310	FTA program funding for enhanced mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities
5311	FTA program funding for rural and small Urban Areas (Non-Urbanized Areas)
5326	FTA program funding to define “state of good repair” and set standards for measuring the condition of capital assets
5337	FTA program funding to maintain public transportation in a state of good repair
5339	FTA program funding for buses and bus facilities
3C	Continuing, Comprehensive, and Cooperative
7th Pot	CDOT’s Strategic Investment Program and projects—originally using S.B. 97-01 funds
AASHTO	American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials
ACP	Access Control Plan
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
ADT	Average Daily Traffic (also see AWD)
AIS	Agenda Item Summary
AMPO	Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations
APCD	Air Pollution Control Division (of Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment)
AQC	Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Improvement Program funds (also CMAQ)
AQCC	Air Quality Control Commission (of Colorado)
AWD	Average Weekday Traffic (also see ADT)
CAAA	Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (federal)
CBE	Colorado Bridge Enterprise funds
CDOT	Colorado Department of Transportation
CDPHE	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (a FHWA funding program)
CMP	Congestion Management Process
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas
CO	Carbon Monoxide
CPG	Consolidated Planning Grant (combination of FHWA PL112 & FTA 5303 planning funds)
CFY	Calendar Fiscal Year
DOT	(United States) Department of Transportation
DRCOG	Denver Regional Council of Governments
DTD	CDOT Division of Transportation Development
DTR	CDOT Division of Transit & Rail
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
FAST ACT	Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (federal legislation, December 2015)
FASTER	Funding Advancements for Surface Transportation and Economic Recovery (Colorado’s S.B. 09-108)

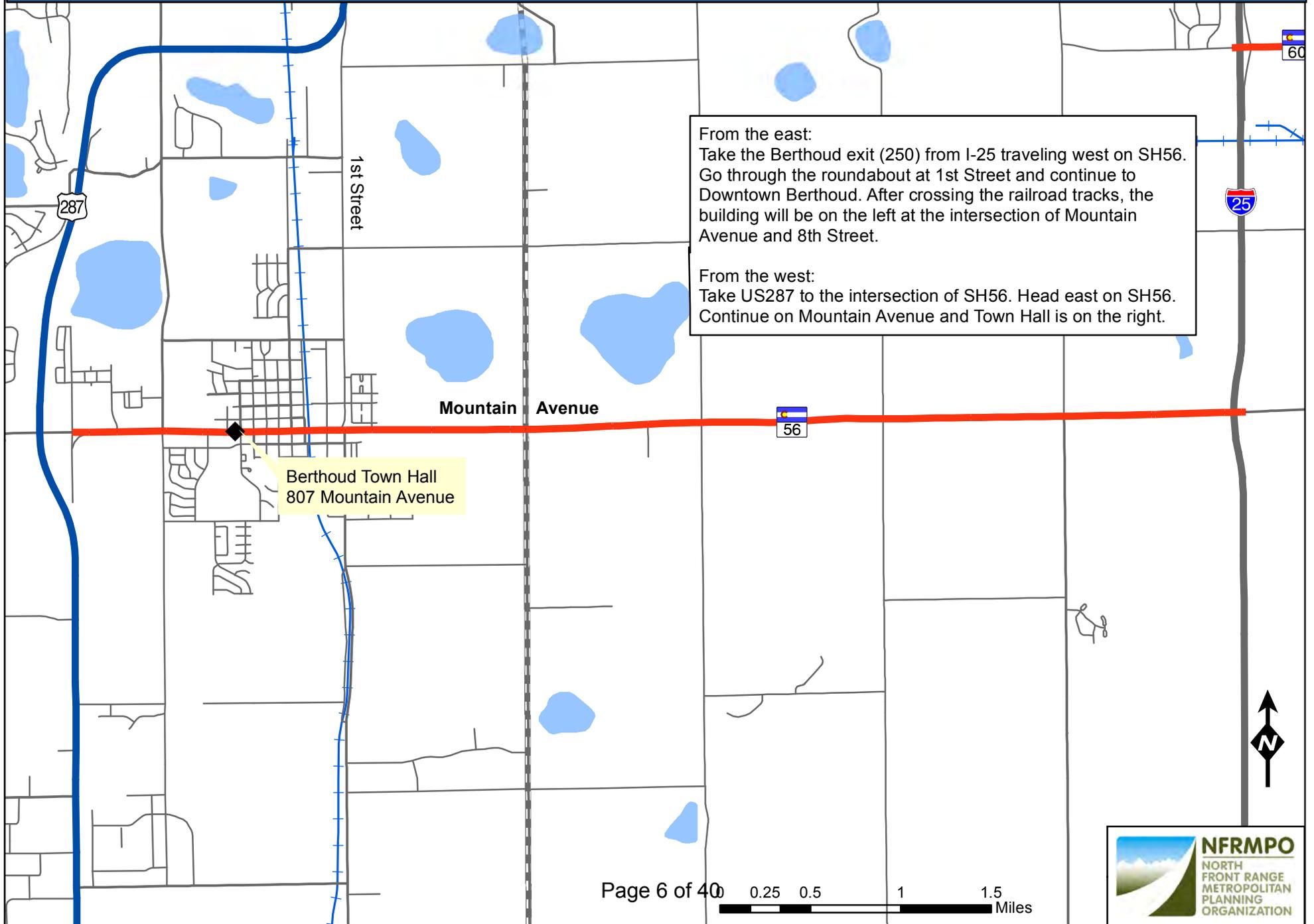
GLOSSARY (cont'd)

FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration
FY	Fiscal Year (October - September for federal funds; July to June for state funds; January to December for local funds)
FFY	Federal Fiscal Year
HOV	High Occupancy Vehicle
HPTE	High-Performance Transportation Enterprise (Colorado)
HTF	Highway Trust Fund (the primary federal funding source for surface transportation)
HUTF	Highway Users Tax Fund (the State's primary funding source for highways)
INFRA	Infrastructure for Rebuilding America
I&M or I/M	Inspection and Maintenance program (checking emissions of pollutants from vehicles)
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
LRP or LRTP	Long Range Plan or Long Range Transportation Plan
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (2012 federal transportation legislation)
MDT	Model Development Team
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
MVEB	Motor Vehicle Emissions Budget
NAA	Non-Attainment Area (for certain air pollutants)
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NFRT & AQPC	North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council (also NFRMPO)
NFRMPO	North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (also NFRT & AQPC)
NHS	National Highway System
NO _x	Nitrogen Oxide
OBD	On-Board Diagnostics (of a vehicle's engine efficiency and exhaust)
O ₃	Ozone
PL112	Federal Planning (funds)
PPP (also P3)	Public Private Partnership
R4 or R-4	Region 4 of the Colorado Department of Transportation
RAQC	Regional Air Quality Council
RPP	Regional Priority Program (a funding program of the Colorado Transportation Commission)
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan
RTP (<i>see TAP or TA</i>)	Recreational Trails Funds - FHWA Environment funds
SH	State Highway
SIP	State Implementation Plan (air quality)
SOV	Single Occupant Vehicle

GLOSSARY (cont'd)

SPR	State Planning and Research (federal funds)
SRP	State Rail Plan
SRTS (<i>see TAP and TA</i>)	Safe Routes to School (a pre-MAP-21 FHWA funding program)
STAC	State Transportation Advisory Committee
STIP	Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
STU	Surface Transportation Metro (a FHWA funding program that is a subset of STP)
STP	Surface Transportation Program (a FHWA funding program)
STBG (previously STP-Metro)	Surface Transportation Block Grant (a FAST Act FHWA funding program)
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee (of the NFRMPO)
TA (previously TAP)	Transportation Alternatives program (a FHWA funding program)
TAZ	Transportation Analysis Zone (used in travel demand forecasting)
TC	Transportation Commission of Colorado
TDM	Transportation Demand Management
TIGER	Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery a competitive federal grant program
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
Title VI	U.S. Civil Rights Act of 1964, prohibiting discrimination in connection with programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance
TMA	Transportation Management Area (federally-designated place >200,000 population)
TOD	Transit Oriented Development
TPR	Transportation Planning Region (state-designated)
TRAC	Transit & Rail Advisory Committee (for CDOT)
UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound

Directions to Berthoud Town Hall (807 Mountain Avenue)



**Meeting Minutes of the
NORTH FRONT RANGE TRANSPORTATION &
AIR QUALITY PLANNING COUNCIL**

**December 7, 2017
Eaton Area Community Center
1675 3rd Street
Eaton, CO**

Voting Members Present:

Kevin Ross - Chair	-Eaton
Jennifer Baker	-Berthoud
John Morris	-Evans
Gerry Horak	-Fort Collins
Robb Casseday	-Greeley
Tom Donnelly	-Larimer County
Paula Cochran	-LaSalle
Dave Clark	-Loveland
Linda Measner	-Milliken
Don Brookshire	-Severance
Aaron Pearson	-Timnath
Kathy Gilliland	-Transportation Comm.
Sean Conway	-Weld County
Kristie Melendez	-Windsor

Voting Members Absent:

Chris Colclasure	- CDPHE
Troy Mellon	-Johnstown
*No Member	-Garden City

MPO Staff:

Becky Karasko, Regional Transportation Planning Director; Renae Steffen, Administrative Director; Alex Gordon, Transportation Planner II/Mobility Coordinator.

In Attendance:

Dawn Anderson, Jeff Bailey, Jim Becklenberg, Ken Bennett, Mark Clark, Julie Cozad, Jim Eussen, Joel Hemesath, Myron Hora, Wayne Howard, Will Jones, Tim Kemp, Suzette Mallette, Johnny Olson, Darin Parrish, Karen Schneiders.

Chair Ross called the MPO Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no comment.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA:

*CONWAY **MOVED** TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 7, 2017 MEETING AGENDA. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously.*

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

*CASSEDAY **MOVED** TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 5, 2017 MEETING MINUTES. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously.*

Lead Planning Agency for Air Quality Agenda

Chair Ross opened the Air Quality portion of the meeting.

Air Pollution Control Division

A written report was provided.

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Agenda

Chair Ross opened the MPO portion of the meeting.

REPORTS:

Report of the Chair:

Chair Ross reported an investigatory committee had been formed as motioned in the Executive Session November 27th. The committee members are Gilliland, Brookshire, Conway and Baker. Brookshire will lead the committee and provide a report at the Executive Session December 7th. Ross also reported that he and Donnelly had been working with MPO staff to ensure documents are being signed in a timely matter.

Finance:

A written report was provided.

TAC:

A written report was provided.

CONSENT ITEM:

Coordinated Plan

*CASSEDAY **MOVED** TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2017-21 APPROVING THE 2017 COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT/HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously.*

ACTION ITEMS:

FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and Budget Amendment #2

Becky Karasko stated the NFRMPO was currently processing the second amendment to the FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget Amendment and noted the first amendment was in September 2017 and was budget neutral, only moving money from one task to another. Amendment #2 contains money from FY2017 Consolidated Planning Grant/CPG Rollover Funds for four tasks as well as new FHWA 405c Safety Grant Funds which were received through an application process to geocode crashes. The total increase to the FY 2018 budget will be \$243,675.

*GILLILAND **MOVED** TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2017-21 APPROVING THE 2017 COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT/HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously. *Following the meeting it was further clarified that Gilliland had intended to move on the approval of RESOLUTION 2017-22 APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE FY2018 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) AND BUDGET.*

CY 2017 3rd Quarter Unaudited Financial Statements

Crystal Hedberg, Finance Director, noted there was a net loss for the MPO mainly due to section 5310 program. The Federal Fiscal Year 2016 Section 5310 funds exchanged with the City of Fort Collins were recorded as revenue in the 2016 financial statements. This money has been received and is currently funding the program. The Federal Fiscal year 2017 funds will be accrued during the fourth quarter of 2017, which will reduce the loss reported on the year-end statements for this

year. Donnelly commented that the loss is simply a timing issue due to current unrecognized revenue and the organization remains financially solid. Melendez concurred.

CONWAY MOVED TO ACCEPT THE 3RD QUARTER UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. *The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously.*

MPO Office Closure on December 26, 2017

Ross reviewed information from the Office Closure on December 26, 2017 memo with the Council.

GILLILAND MOVED TO APPROVE MPO OFFICE CLOSURE ON DECEMBER 26, 2017. *The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously.*

2018 Officer Elections

Ross opened nominations for 2018 MPO Chair.

*Conway **nominated** Tom Donnelly and Casseday **seconded** the nomination.*

ROSS MOVED TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2018 MPO CHAIR. *The motion was **seconded** and it **passed** unanimously.*

*Conway **called for a vote** to elect Donnelly as MPO chair for 2018. Brookshire **seconded** the motion.*

*The Council **voted unanimously for Tom Donnelly as MPO Chair** for 2018.*

Ross opened nominations for 2018 MPO Vice-Chair.

*Gilliland **nominated** Kristie Melendez and Horak **seconded** the nomination.*

CASSEDAY MOVED TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2018 MPO VICE-CHAIR. *The motion was **seconded** and it **passed** unanimously.*

*Ross **called for a vote** to elect Melendez as MPO Vice-Chair.*

*The Council **voted unanimously for Kristie Melendez as MPO Vice-Chair** for 2018.*

Ross congratulated Donnelly and Melendez and informed the Council that the assignment of STAC Representative would be done at the January meeting by Chair Donnelly.

Renae Steffen, Administrative Director, announced that this would be Ross's last meeting as Chair and presented him with a plaque, cake and card from the Council and MPO Staff. Ross said it was a pleasure to serve as the Chair and it has truly been a team effort expressed his appreciation for the effort and support from the staff and Council. Several members commended Ross for his outstanding leadership and thanked him for his many accomplishments as a humble, competent Chair noting his other responsibilities as Mayor, business owner and family. Ross thanked the Council for their friendships and their collaborative efforts.

Ross stated he had met with Congressmen Buck and Polis regarding the importance of the INFRA Discretionary Grant Program while in Washington D.C. the week of November 27th. He understood they had already reached out to CDOT staff to discuss the program.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Transportation Commission Report

Gilliland reported on the following:

- Preliminary documents have been signed for the Central 70 project. There may be changes to the bonding policy due to new tax structuring anticipated for 2018. The hope is to have the final documents approved in December.
- Work is continuing on the priority list for the 10-year Development Program Plan. The R4 list has come from communications with all of the TPR's, MPO's and COG's, and priorities have remained consistent. The goal is to be prepared at the beginning of 2018 for any funding opportunities or changes through potential ballot initiatives, grants, etc.

Hyperloop Update

A written report was provided.

CDOT Region 4

A written Project Status Update was provided. Johnny Olson, CDOT R4, updated the Council on the progress of the INFRA Discretionary Grant Program for the region and explained how SB 267 funds may be used in different project scenarios, noting the \$635M needed for I-25. There is \$1.88B in SB 267 funds that will be used to match federal grants on successful applications. The remaining could be distributed to the potential new ballot initiative. Projects for the region come to approximately \$1.42B. He commended Herman Stockinger and Deb Perkins-Smith for their efforts and support of projects needed for R4.

Olson stated the North I-25 project has an Apparent Selected Contractor (ASC). Although there was still no one able to meet the budget, the ASC did not have the lowest budget in the Best and Final Offer (BAFO) Process, but actually won based on overall points and they are currently in negotiations with CDOT. The project is approximately \$31M over budget. CDOT is in negotiations with the selected firm and believes they will have a decision in January. This may include modifications to the scope of work or cancel the project and start over as the most extreme option. He noted there are many options but the third lane remains the number one goal. The project may be approximately 4-6 months behind schedule with construction scheduled to begin between June and August, depending on how things move within the negotiations. The project is still expected to be substantially complete in late 2020. All funding sources are being considered and it is imperative that Right of Way is purchased as soon as possible. Project costs are capable of increasing \$25-30M each year. Olson will reach out to the Council when the time is right for their engagement.

Olson noted the Crossroads Project is only slightly delayed and completion is expected in late January or early February.

I-25 Update

Horak reported the I-25 Coalition has an RFP out to obtain a Federal Lobbyist and will be meeting in January to discuss the funding challenges they have and determine whether the communities are able to pitch in or if they even want to continue the process.

STAC Report

A written report was provided.

Host Council Member Report- Ross proudly reported there are now four lanes of traffic moving on US Highway 85 in Eaton and thanked CDOT for the smooth new thoroughfare and concrete intersections. The town is working with Weld County on getting intersections crossing the railroad tracks closed. They are also looking forward to getting a repaving project on CR29. Eaton's vendor just completed Eaton's baseball fields and concession stands.

Ross welcomed everyone to the newly completed Eaton Area Community Center which was funded on a two-part mill levy, one for construction, and one for operations. Once the construction is paid off, only the operations mill levy will remain. Ross proudly noted the Rec Center has over 2000 memberships and is one of only two in the State of Colorado that is self-funded from membership. All were offered a tour of the facility to anyone was interested.

Windsor- Melendez reported that the Town of Windsor is looking for a new Town Manager but it is business as usual while they complete their search

Milliken- Measner reported the Town of Milliken is need of a new Town Administrator and Leonard Wiest will be acting as their interim.

Loveland- Dave Clark reported Jacki Marsh was the new mayor for the City of Loveland as well as two new Councilmembers. The City was able to pass the funding component for their Downtown Development Association.

Larimer County- Donnelly reported Larimer County will be hosting the Regional Elected Officials meeting on December 18th at the Larimer County Fairgrounds. He thanked Dave Clark and Gerry Horak for their willingness to participate with him regarding regional transportation needs and work on issues to provide commuters with good options on a regional project lists.

Greeley- Casseday reported the City of Greeley had completed their elections recently and have one seat still in question, but were working diligently on the very complex issue.

Fort Collins- Horak reported the City of Fort Collins had passed the vote on \$130M Broadband Retail Internet project, 56-44. The system will be similar to Longmont's. There is a new parking garage with parking sensors which was funded by the City of Fort Collins, the DDA and the Bohemian Foundation. The garage is near the new Elizabeth Hotel which features a roof-top bar with a spectacular mountain and city view. The upscale hotel is a project between Pat Striker and others.

Severance- Brookshire thanked Ross, Conway, Melendez and Pearson for their collaboration on a CR 74 transportation plan. They expect to receive bids soon for studies of the roadway and surrounding areas.

Weld County- Conway reported there was a grand celebration for the \$109M WCR 49 project on November 18th. The section up to SH392 will be complete in the fall of 2018. He complimented the IHC project noting it was the third largest bridge in the State, being on budget, and being completed ahead of schedule.

Berthoud- Baker reported the Town of Berthoud Town Administrator retired on November 30th and they have an interim Town Administrator who has worked for the Town of Berthoud as Park and Recreation Director for 27 years and is doing well so far. Interviews were conducted on November 20th and they are in the process of choosing their final candidate who will hopefully start by February.

Evans- Morris reported the widening of 65th Avenue project will be slightly delayed and they are working to get one lane open in each direction for winter traffic, completing the project in the spring. The US 85 at 42nd Street project should have one lane in each direction open in the next week or so and then wait until spring for completion. Morris announced that Mark Clark would be taking his place on the Council and he would now become the alternate as he will not be running for Mayor in April. Ross and the Council applauded Morris for his work on the Council.

MEETING WRAP-UP:

Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions:

There were no suggestions

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Ross stated the Executive Session was pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b) of the Colorado Revised Statutes for discussion of personnel matters involving multiple employees, not all of which have

requested an open meeting, and to seek the advice of the Council's attorney on these and related matters. The Executive Director was notified of this item on the agenda and that the matter may be the subject of an executive session, and she had not requested an open meeting.

Measner **moved** to go into Executive Session. Clark **seconded** the motion and **passed** unanimously.

Council entered Executive Session at 7:25 p.m.

Ross reopened the regular meeting at 9:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION:

*BROOKSHIRE **MOVED** TO ASSIGN LARIMER COUNTY COMMISSIONER TOM DONNELLY AS SIGNATORY FOR THE MPO DURING THE INTERIM OF TIME THE NFRMPO IS WITHOUT AN ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. The motion was **seconded** and it **passed** unanimously.*

*BROOKSHIRE **MOVED** TO INSTRUCT MPO LEGAL COUNSEL TO NOTIFY THE COLORADO INTERGOVERNMENTAL RISK SHARING AGENCY (CIRSA) OF A CLAIM OF LOSS. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously.*

*BROOKSHIRE **MOVED** TO INSTRUCT MPO LEGAL COUNSEL TO NEGOTIATE WITH LARIMER COUNTY REGARDING THE TERMS OF THE INTERIM DIRECTOR, SUZETTE MALLETTE, FOR A TERM OF THREE MONTHS, PART-TIME, WITH POSSIBLE EXTENSION, AS NECESSARY. The motion was **seconded** and it **passed** unanimously.*

Horak commented that Mallette was chosen due to her experience with the NFRMPO previously as Regional Transportation Planning Director for more than twelve years and Interim Executive Director in 2012 and has stayed very educated and active in transportation issues as a member of the Technical Advisory Committee. She also is generally familiar with the staff. Conway complimented Mallette for her willingness to act as Interim Executive Director. Brookshire suggested that the Human Resource service contracted with the NFRMPO report to the Council on any changes they determine should be made at the organization. Ross agreed to reach out to the service company.

Ross directed Council to turn over all confidential documents used during the session.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by: Renae Steffen, MPO Staff

**Executive Summary of the
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
North Front Range Transportation and Air Quality Planning Council
December 20, 2017**

APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2017 TAC MINUTES

The November 15, 2017 TAC meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

Election of 2018 TAC Officers – Dave Klockeman was nominated to be 2018 TAC Chair and Will Jones to be 2018 TAC Vice-Chair. The nominations were approved unanimously.

2014–2018 NFRMPO Targets for Safety Performance Measures – McDaniel moved to recommend Planning Council support the 2014-2018 statewide targets set by CDOT for the five national safety performance measures. Klockeman seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

OUTSIDE PARTNERS REPORTS (verbal)

Northern Colorado (NoCo) Bike & Ped Collaborative – Dusil stated NoCo met on December 13 to discuss the US34 PEL, I-25 project, the 2018 Walkability Action Institute, and to set 2018 goals for the group. Dusil also stated NoCo recommended the Great Western Trail for the Transportation Alternative funding at their October 11 meeting.

Regional Transit Items – Jones stated Ulysses Torres has been hired as the new GET Transit Manager. He also stated GET has provided more than 750,000 rides in 2017. Kemp stated Kurt Ravenschlag has left Transfort and the City is currently looking to fill the Transit Manager position. Klockeman reported Loveland is closing on the purchase of property for the Transfer Center at US287 and 37th Street in January. Klockeman stated Loveland is submitting an application for funding to build the station. COLT staff is working on finalizing the contract with Fort Collins and Transfort to provide a Transit Manager position. COLT is moving forward with the redevelopment of COLT's Paratransit system, which will join Fort Collins' Dial-a-Ride contract.

Senior Transit Items – Gordon reported the Larimer County Senior Transportation Needs Assessment Subcommittee is moving forward with interviewing different agencies and organizations around the country to make a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. Gordon stated Senior Resource Services is developing a program to assist older adults in Weld County with navigating social services.

PRESENTATIONS

Regional Route Study – Jones provided information on the Regional Route Study for the proposed transit route between Fort Collins, Windsor, and Greeley. Jones stated the Greeley City Council has approved moving forward with the Study, and he will be reaching out to communities to discuss business and financial details.

NFRMPO Travel Demand Model TAZ Update – Dusil presented on the NFRMPO Travel Demand Model TAZ Update. He stated NFRMPO staff had met with each NFRMPO member community, Rocky Mountain National Park, and the towns of Estes Park and Wellington. Dusil indicated the next step will be to discuss Census Block estimates with local staff and centroid connector location with the Model Steering Committee and Consultant Team.

DISCUSSION

NFRMPO Transportation Alternatives (TA) Funding Recommendation – Tom Jones, Great Western Trail Authority, presented the project NoCo is recommending receive additional TA funding. NoCo supports building a 10'-wide crusher fines trail between Severance and Eaton on the former Great Western Railroad right-of-way. The item will go to Planning Council for discussion in January and will be an action item for TAC in January.

REPORTS

2018 TAC Meeting Schedule – Karasko presented the 2018 TAC meeting schedule. There will be no November meeting as it falls the day before Thanksgiving.

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Mobility Coordination

In the North Front Range MPO



NFRMPO Starting 2045 RTE

NFRMPO staff are beginning work on the 2045 *Regional Transit Element (RTE)*. While the 2017 *Coordinated Plan* provides a short-term plan for improvements to transit for older adults and seniors, the RTE examines the transit systems in the region and includes both short-term and long-term plans. A Steering Committee will meet for the first time in January to guide outcomes and recommendations. The LCMC and WCMC will also provide input.

2017 Coordinated Plan Update

The draft 2017 *Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan (Coordinated Plan)* was adopted on Thursday, December 7, 2017 by the North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council (NFRT&AQPC). The Larimer County Mobility Committee (LCMC) recommended Planning Council approval on October 19, 2017 and the Weld County Mobility Committee (WCMC) made their recommendation on October 24, 2017. Two public comments were received during the 30-day window, one of which was the need for urgency in implementing improvements to transit for low-income and older populations. With this adoption, the LCMC and WCMC can begin work on projects set forth in the *Coordinated Plan*. The *Coordinated Plan* will last through late 2021, unless the LCMC and WCMC decide to amend projects into the Plan.

Regional Route Study Presentation at NFRMPO TAC

Greeley-Evans Transit (GET) staff has been hard at work preparing a study and business plan known as the *Regional Route Study (RRS)*. The RRS examines a potential transit route between Greeley, Windsor, and Fort Collins. The potential route resembles the Greeley-to-Windsor-to-Fort Collins along SH257 and Harmony Road corridor recommended for further study in the NFRMPO's 2040 *Regional Transit Element (RTE)*. Based on a preliminary survey, a large number of people commute between Greeley and Fort Collins, and would be interested in riding a transit route if it existed. With the approval of the Greeley City Council, GET staff presented the RRS to the NFRMPO's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on December 20, 2017. TAC is made up of local planners, engineers, and transit staff of the 15 NFRMPO member communities and CDOT.

STC staffs outreach table at Fort Collins Senior Center

During the week of December 4, the Fort Collins Senior Center presented *Older Driver Safety Awareness Week*. Throughout the week, presenters came to discuss topics related to growing older and its impact on driving. Topics included discussions about how aging can impact driving; educating friends, family, and others to initiate productive conversations with older adults about driving safely; determining if someone is fit to drive; discussions about interventions and assistive devices that can help older adults drive longer; and staying engaged with or without a car. Concurrently, members of the Senior Transportation Coalition staffed a table in the lobby to provide information about Transfort, other transit systems in the region, SAINT, and other resources provided in the Larimer County Office on Aging Resource Guide. Nearly 100 people visited the table to learn more, while 46 people attended the presentations.

Rider's Guide Updates

Over 903 users have logged onto noco.findmyride.info to find potential service matches since January 1, 2017, with 90.3 percent of users being new. To request printed Rider's Guides in English or Spanish, contact Alex Gordon at agordon@nfrmpo.org or (970) 416-2023.

Larimer County Mobility Committee
Third Thursday every other month
1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.



Weld County Mobility Committee
Fourth Tuesday every other month
1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

Mobility Management Funding

The NFRMPO Mobility Coordination Program is funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) \$5310 funds.

NFRMPO mobility coordination program activities are centered on education and cooperative resource-sharing to use existing transportation dollars most efficiently. Examples include travel training, cooperative research, public forums, program implementation, FTA grant administration and public education.

Funding has been secured for \$5310 funds from both CDOT for Weld County and Fort Collins on behalf of the Fort Collins-Loveland-Berthoud TMA.



Larimer County Mobility Committee

- Arc of Larimer County
- Berthoud Area Transportation System
- Berthoud Rural Alternative for Transportation (RAFT)
- City of Loveland Transit (COLT)
- Colorado Division of Vocational Rehabilitations
- Elderhaus
- Foothills Gateway
- Heart&SOUL Paratransit
- Larimer County Department of Health and Environment
- Larimer County Office on Aging
- Larimer County Workforce Center
- SAINT
- Transfort

Weld County Mobility Committee

- Arc of Weld County
- Colorado Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
- Connections for Independent Living
- Envision Colorado
- Greeley Center for Independence
- Greeley Evans Transit (GET)
- North Range Behavioral Health
- Senior Resource Services
- Sunrise Community Health
- United Way of Weld County

A vertical banner with a blue background. At the top, it says "NEED A RIDE?" in white text on a dark blue rounded rectangle. Below that is an orange bar with the text "noco.findmyride.info" and a small smartphone icon. Underneath is a row of five small photos of diverse people. The bottom half of the banner features a large graphic of overlapping circles in shades of blue and white. At the bottom, it says "North Front Range MPO RIDERS GUIDE" in white text, with the NFRMPO logo below it.

NEW & EXPANDED
2016 Rider's Guide
Currently Available

A graphic for the 2017 Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan. It features a circular inset image showing a person in a wheelchair being assisted on a transit vehicle. Below this is a larger image of a group of people walking on a sidewalk. To the right of the images, the text reads: "Learn about the NFRMPO's Mobility Coordination goals and strategies". At the bottom, the website www.nfrmpo.org/mobility is listed in orange and blue text.

For additional meeting details including agendas, notes & meeting location, visit nfrmpo.org/mobility



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MEMORANDUM

To: NFRMPO Planning Council
From: NoCo Bike & Ped Collaborative
Date: January 4, 2018
Re: NoCo Bike & Ped Collaborative Transportation Alternatives (TA) Funding Recommendation

Background

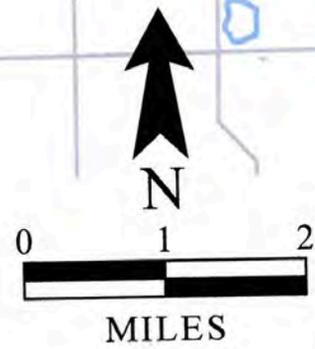
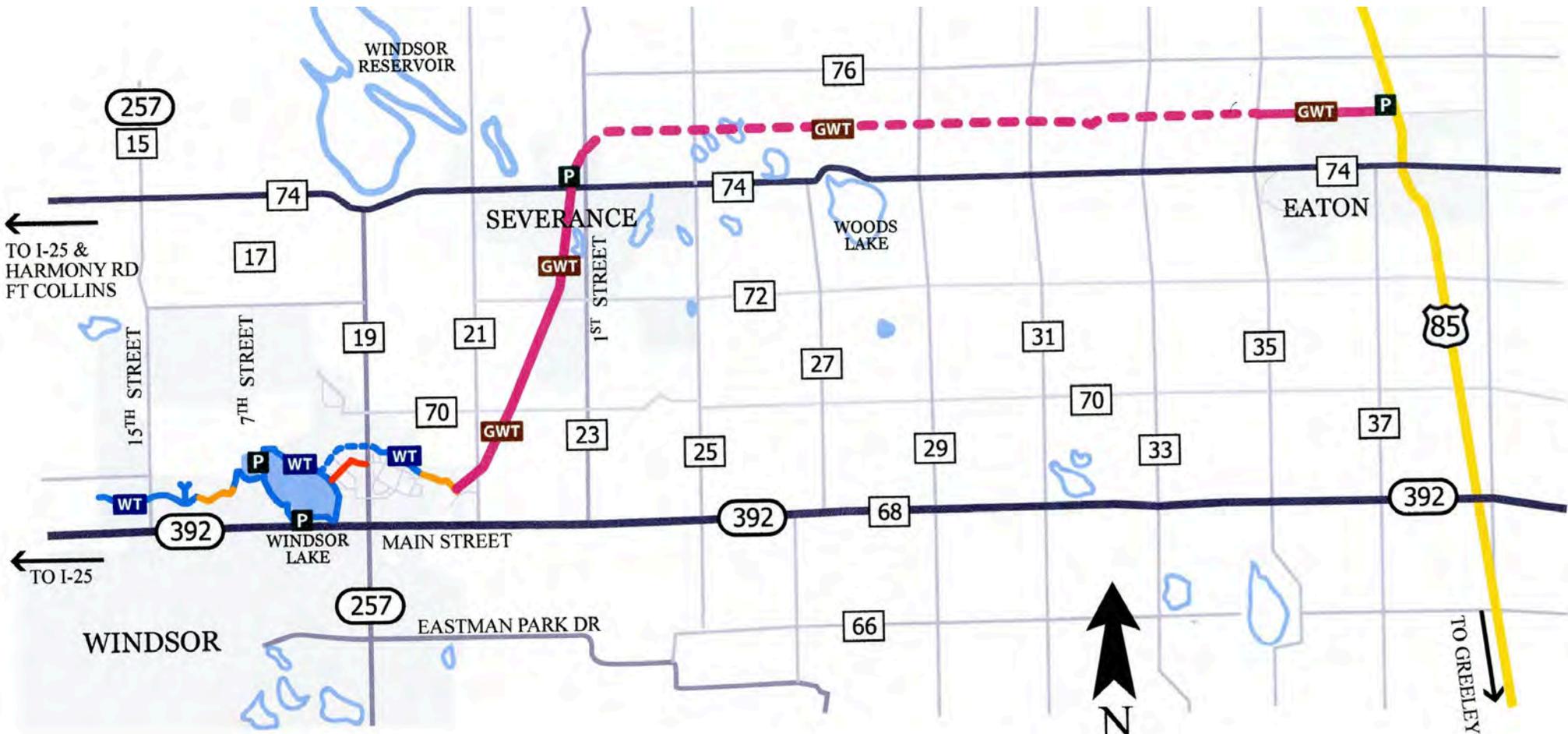
The Great Western Trail Authority (GWTA) is applying for \$415,000 in federal non-motorized funding, returned to the NFRMPO in 2017. The funding would be used to construct a seven-mile, crusher fines section of trail from Severance to Eaton in 2018-19. The NoCo Bike & Ped Collaborative recommended this project receive these funds at its October 11, 2017 meeting.

Through a 2006 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the towns of Eaton, Severance, and Windsor, GWTA was formed to improve and maintain the trail surface, with a \$10,000 annual contribution from each town. All three towns have committed to an additional, one-time \$50,000 contribution (\$150,000 total) to meet the local match requirements of this additional funding.

The requested funds will supplement the \$550,000 in Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding awarded to the project in the NFRMPO 2014 Call for Projects, to complete construction more quickly and efficiently.

Action

At the December 20, 2017 meeting TAC members discussed the GWTA project and will take action on January 17, 2018. The NoCo Bike & Ped Collaborative requests Planning Council discuss the NoCo Bike & Ped recommendation to award \$415,000 in TA funding to the Great Western Trail project.



LEGEND

- Great Western Trail (unpaved)
- Great Western Trail (future)
- Town of Windsor trail (paved)
- Town of Windsor trail (unpaved)
- Town of Windsor trail (future)
- On-street Access
- U. S. Route
- State Highway
- Weld County Road
- Parking Area

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Chronology of the Great Western Trail

- April 2004: Omnitrax, owner of the Great Western Railway line, filed a Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment (NITU) with the federal Surface Transportation Board (STB). The line between Windsor and Eaton (12.6 miles) was railbanked.
- May 2005: Representatives of Eaton, Severance, and Windsor town boards met with property owners along the right-of-way (ROW) to discuss proposed trail use.
- Aug 2006: An IGA was signed by the 3 towns to form the Great Western Trail Authority (GWTA) comprised of 3 representatives from each town. The GWTA was created to improve and maintain the trail surface.
- Oct 2006: The STB approved Omnitrax's designation of the GWTA as the new ROW owner as permitted in the federal Rails-to-Trails Act of 1983.
- 2008: Several adjacent property owners challenged GWTA's right to own the ROW. GWTA's ownership was upheld in District Court.
- 2008-2014: Three miles of trail between Windsor and Severance and 1 mile of trail west of Hwy 85 in Eaton were improved and maintained using funds from Safe Routes to School and GOCO grants.
- 2015: The GWTA received a \$550,000 CDOT-TAP grant to improve 7 miles of trail between Severance and Eaton.
- October 2017: The GWTA applied for an additional \$415,000 of unused 2015 TAP funds.
- November 2017: The GWTA requested and received commitments from the towns of Windsor, Severance, and Eaton to provide \$50,000 each (\$150,000 total) to meet match requirements for both grants in their 2018 budgets.

The Great Western Trail

Project Cost Estimate for 7 Miles of Trail from Severance to Eaton

Design, plans, and approvals	\$195,000
Construction-Estimate-10/18/17	\$1,413,435
Total Project Budget (est.)	\$1,608,435

Source of Grant Funds

2015 TAP grant	\$550,000
2017 NFRMPO Funds	\$415,000
Local Match required	\$241,250
Total Grant Funding	\$1,200,000

Matching Funds

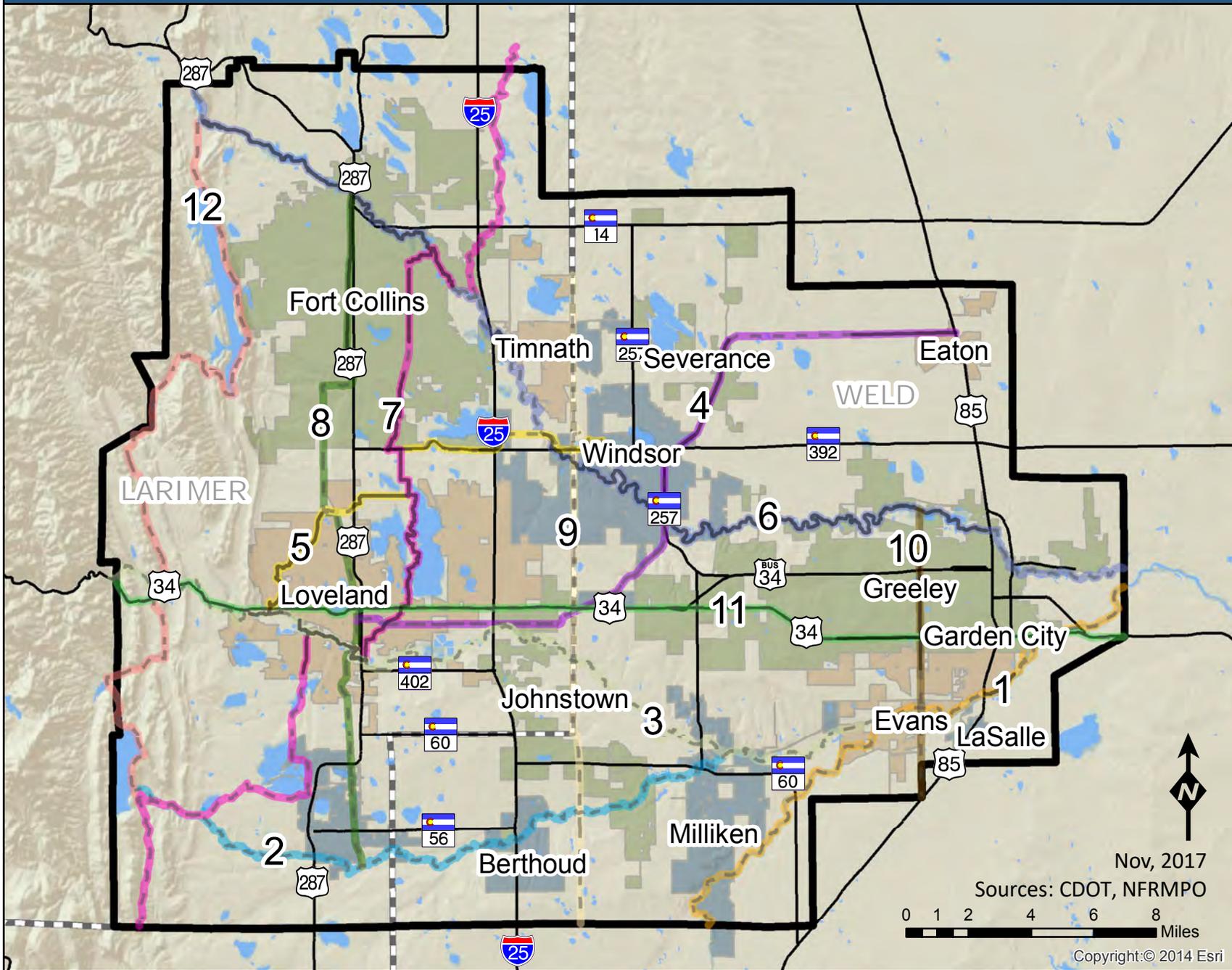
GWTA Cash Available (1/18)	\$100,000
Add'l Contribution from 3 Towns	\$141,250
Total Matching Funds	\$241,250

Additional Capital needed to complete project - \$408,435

Potential Sources of Add'l Funds

- 1. GWT Foundation donations**
- 2. Colorado State Trails Grant**

Regional Non-Motorized Corridors



Legend

- Existing Regional Trail
- - - Future Regional Trail
- 1: South Platte/American Discovery Trail
- 2: Little Thompson River
- 3: Big Thompson River
- 4: Great Western/Johnstown/Loveland
- 5: North Loveland/Windsor
- 6: Poudre River Trail
- 7: Front Range Trail (West)
- 8: BNSF Fort Collins/Berthoud
- 9: Johnstown/Timnath
- 10: Greeley/LaSalle
- 11: US 34 Non-motorized
- 12: Carter Lake/Horsetooth Foothills Corridor
- ▭ NFRMPO Boundary
- ▭ County Boundary

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY (AIS)

North Front Range Transportation & Air Quality Planning Council



Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Submitted By
January 4, 2018 Berthoud	2014-2018 NFRMPO Targets for Safety Performance Measures	Medora Kealy
Objective/Request Action		
To discuss supporting the 2014-2018 statewide targets set by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) for the five national safety performance measures by agreeing to plan and program projects to contribute toward accomplishment of those targets.		<input type="checkbox"/> Report <input type="checkbox"/> Work Session <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Action
Key Points		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per federal requirements, the NFRMPO must set targets for five national safety performance measures for the 2014-2018 time period by February 27, 2018. • CDOT set statewide targets for 2014-2018 for the national safety measures in August 2017. • To set targets, the NFRMPO can either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Support the CDOT statewide safety targets and agree to plan and program projects to contribute toward accomplishment of the state safety targets, or B. Set targets specific to the NFRMPO region. • There is no financial penalty to the NFRMPO for not achieving or making significant progress toward targets. The MPO could be penalized administratively via certification reviews for not meeting targets. • The NFRMPO and CDOT must set targets for the five safety performance measures annually. • The NFRMPO's targets for 2015-2019, which need to be set next year, will be the safety targets included in the FY2020-FY2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). 		
Committee Discussion		
<p>The CDOT 2014-2018 safety targets were presented to TAC by CDOT in August 2017. At the November 2017 TAC meeting, staff presented historical safety data and anticipated outcomes for the NFRMPO region for the five safety performance measures. The data show performance on all five measures has been worsening, with increased fatalities and serious injuries, in the NFRMPO region and statewide. At the December 2017 TAC meeting, TAC recommended Planning Council support CDOT's 2014-2018 safety targets.</p>		
Supporting Information		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and subsequent Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) require State Departments of Transportation (State DOTs), public transportation agencies, and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to conduct performance-based transportation planning by setting targets for national performance measures and reporting on progress. • The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) established the following safety performance measures in April 2016 (23 CFR Part 490 Subpart B): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Number of fatalities 2. Rate of fatalities per 100M Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) 3. Number of serious injuries 4. Rate of serious injuries per 100M VMT 5. Number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries • State DOTs are required to set targets for the five safety performance measures annually by August 31, beginning with August 31, 2017 (23 CFR Part 924). • MPOs are required to either support the state DOT's targets or set their own within 180 days of the state setting their targets. MPOs may choose either option for each performance measure. • Regardless of the target setting option, the NFRMPO's targets will be reported to CDOT. 		

Supporting Information (Continued)

- The safety performance measures are person-based, include crashes on all public roads, and are calculated based on the five-year rolling average.
- CDOT set 2014-2018 safety targets with a data-driven process based on performance forecasts and in collaboration with planning partners.
- Federal regulation requires safety targets represent the anticipated performance outcomes, which means targets must be data-driven and realistic.
- Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs) and Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) adopted on or after May 27, 2018 must include the MPO's adopted safety targets (23 CFR 450).
 - RTPs must include a description of performance measures and targets and a system performance report evaluating progress achieved by the MPO in meeting its targets, and
 - TIPs must be designed to make progress toward achieving targets and must include a description of the anticipated effect of the TIP toward achieving the MPO's targets.

Advantages

- Adopting the state's targets requires less staff time than setting targets specific to the NFRMPO.
- Since trends for the safety performance measures in the NFRMPO region are similar to statewide trends (i.e. upwards), the state safety targets are generally reflective of regional performance.
- The 2014-2018 safety targets will not be incorporated into the next TIP and RTP, since the 2015-2019 safety targets need to be set prior to the planned adoption dates for those documents
- In 2018 the NFRMPO will geocode serious injury crashes for 2007-2010, which will enable more thorough forecasting for the 2015-2019 safety targets to be adopted by February 27, 2019. The NFRMPO may choose to set safety targets specific to the region at that time.

Disadvantages

- Although safety trends in the NFRMPO region are similar to statewide trends, the state safety targets do not reflect performance specific to the NFRMPO region.

Analysis /Recommendation

At the December 2017 TAC meeting, TAC recommended Planning Council support the CDOT statewide safety targets for the 2014-2018 time period by agreeing to plan and program projects to contribute toward the accomplishment of those targets.

Attachments

- CDOT Safety Baseline Data and 2014-2018 Targets

CDOT Safety Baseline Data and 2014-2018 Targets

National Performance Measure	Baseline (2012-2016)	Target (2014-2018)
Number of Fatalities	520.0	610
Rate of Fatalities per 100M Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)	1.064	1.20
Number of Serious Injuries	3,214.8*	3,350
Rate of Serious Injuries per 100M VMT	6.710*	6.790
Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries	524.2*	586

* Due to the lag in serious injury data availability, these values represent the 2011-2015 time period.

US287 Asset Inventory

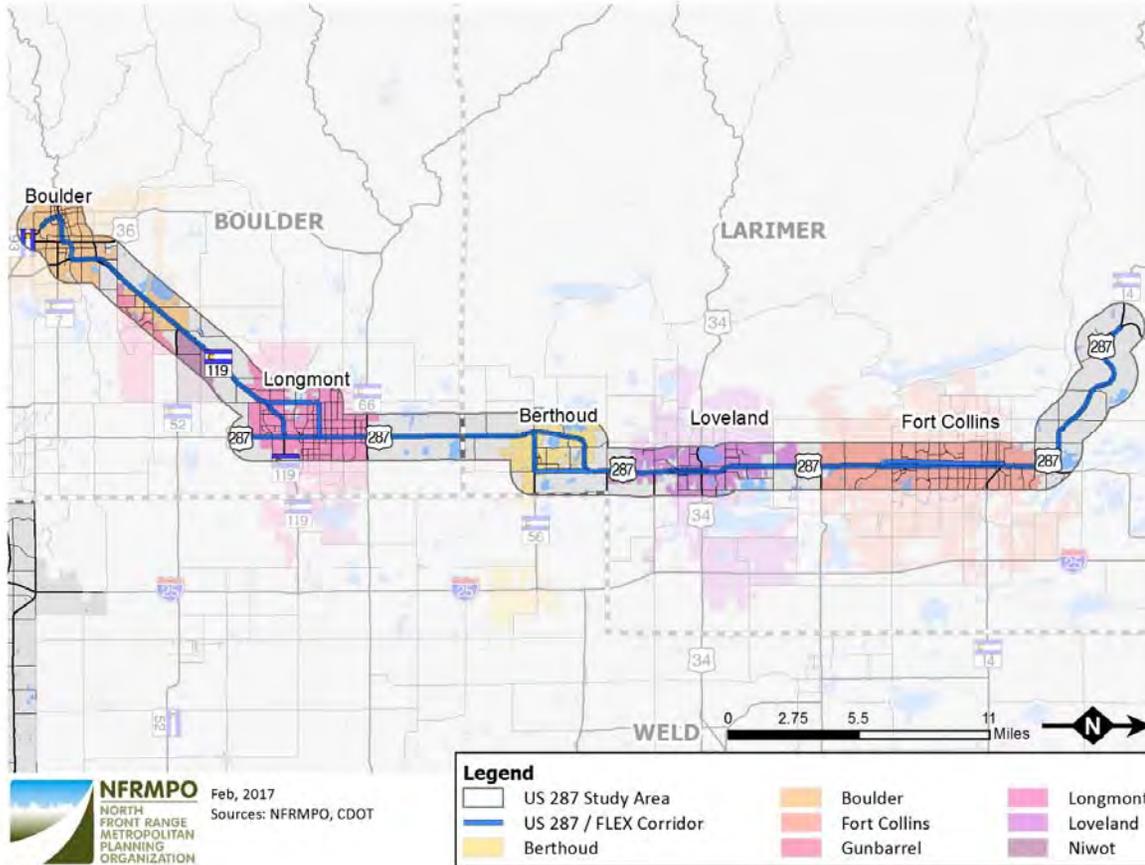
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October 5, 2017

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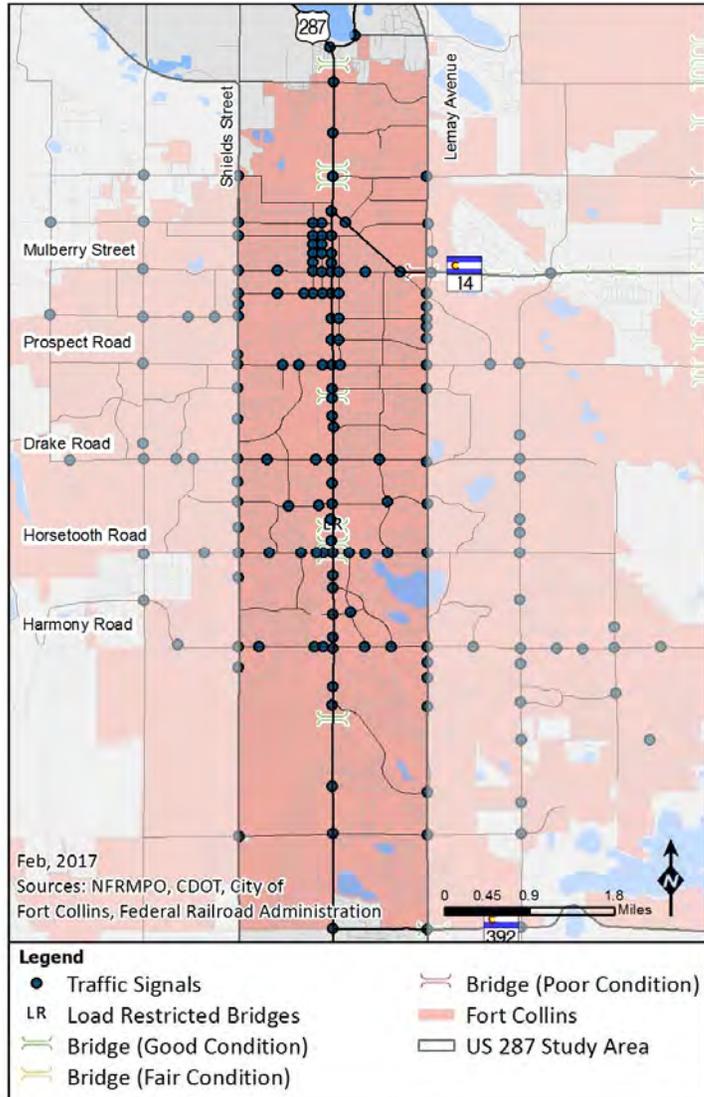
US287 FLEX Corridor



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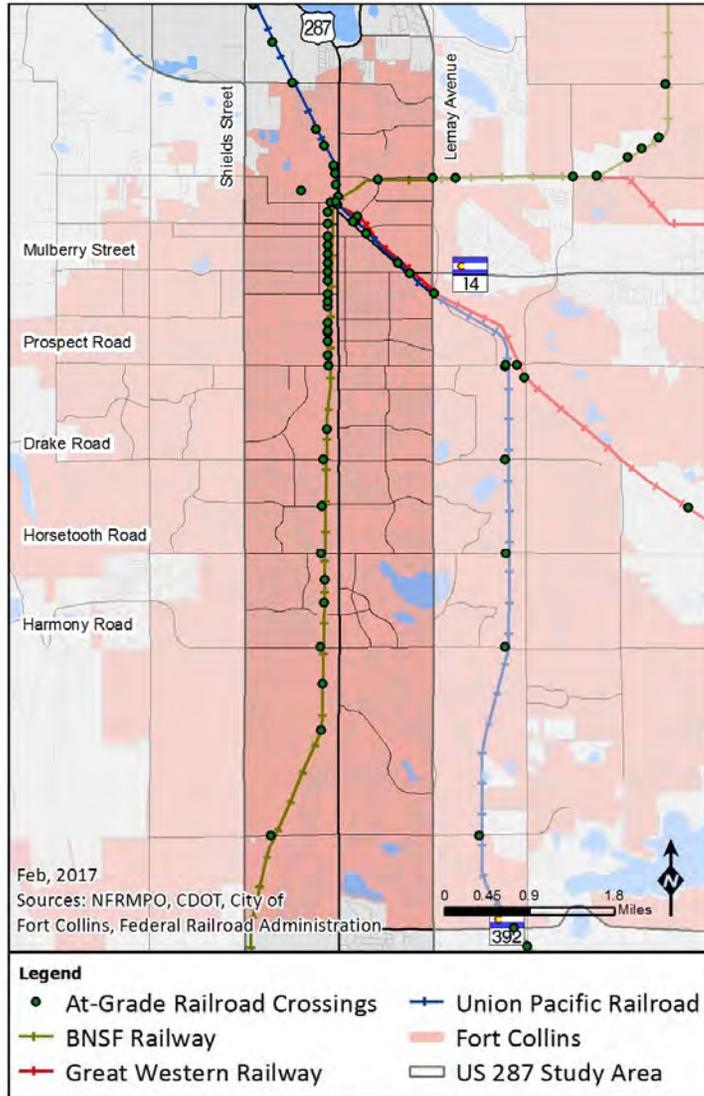


- **Road Network**
 - Bridges
 - Number of lanes
 - Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT)
 - Annual Average Daily Truck Traffic (AADTT)
 - Drivability Life/Pavement Condition
 - Speed Limits
 - Active Railroad
 - At-Grade Railroad Crossings
 - Intersections with traffic signals
- **Crashes**
- **Right-of-Way**
- **Transit**
- **Bike and Ped Infrastructure**
- **Environmental Features**
- **Existing Land Use**
- **Future Land Use**
- **FLEX Stop Features**



Road Network

- Bridges, including condition and load restrictions
- Number of through lanes
- Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT)
- Annual Average Daily Truck Traffic (AADTT)
- Drivability Life/Pavement Condition
- Speed Limits
- Traffic Signals



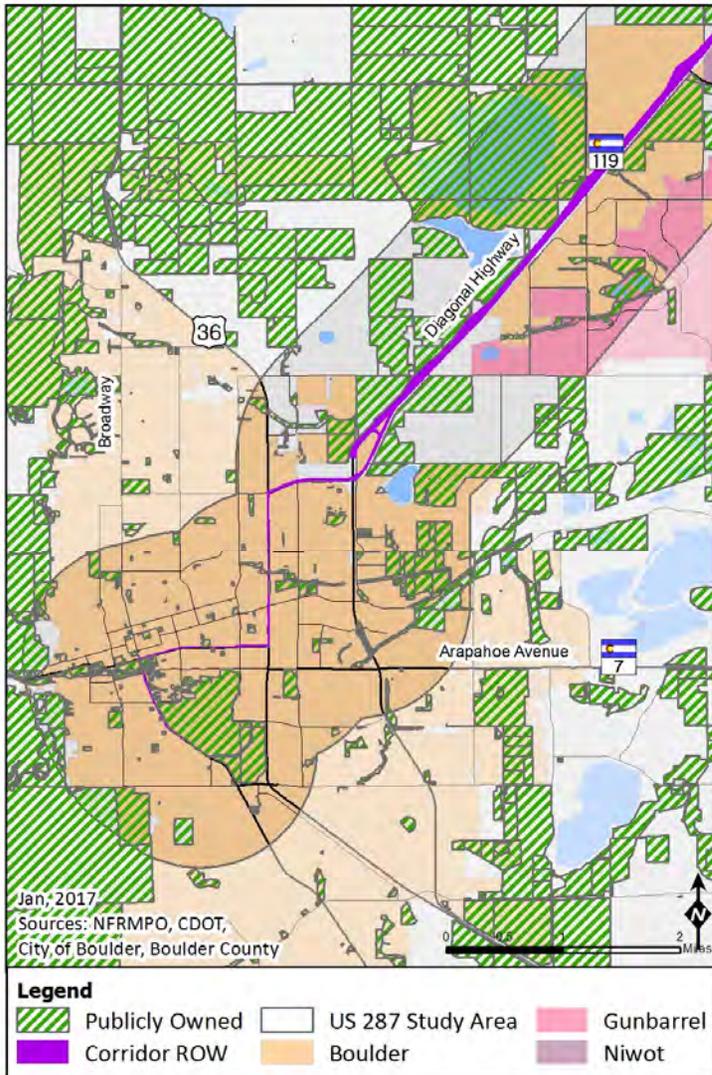
Railroads

- Active Railroads
- At-Grade Railroad Crossings

Crashes

- Serious Injury and Fatal Crashes
 - CDOT data for 2011-2015
 - Crashes on local and county roads mapped by NFRMPO staff



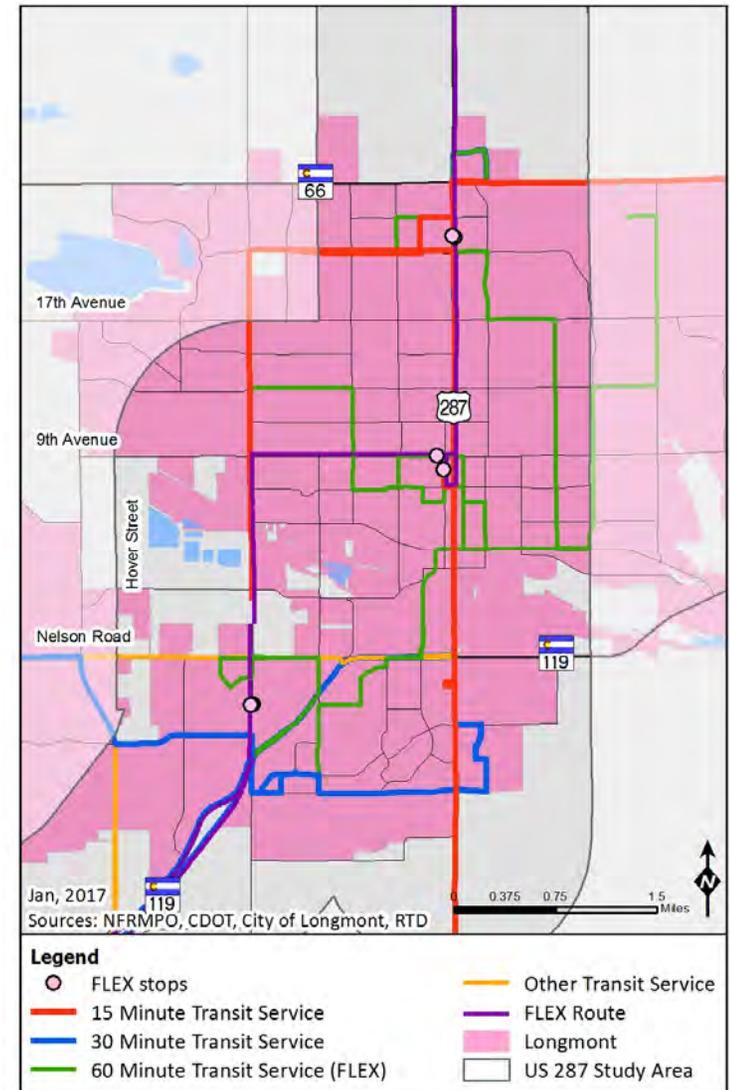


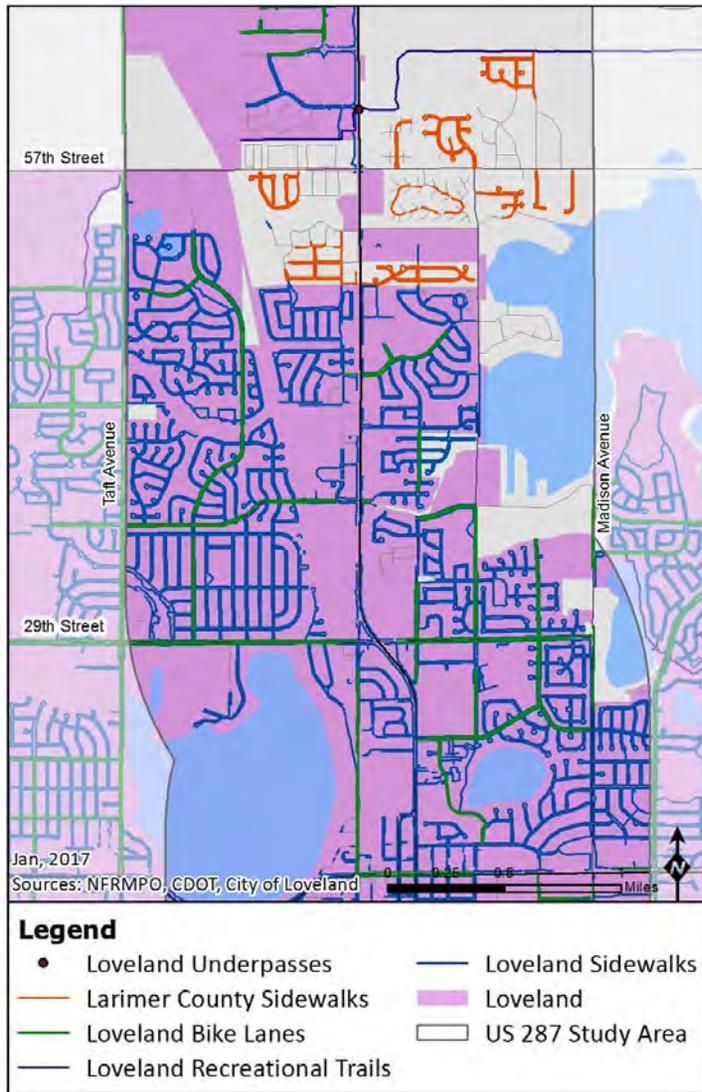
Right-of-Way

- Uses County-level parcel data
 - Inverse of parceled land
- Publicly Owned Land
 - Parkland, Open Space, Facilities, etc.
 - Owned by town, city, county, state, or US

Transit

- Organized by frequency levels during peak periods
 - 15 minutes or better
 - 30 minutes
 - 60 minutes
 - Peak hour, irregular frequency
 - FLEX



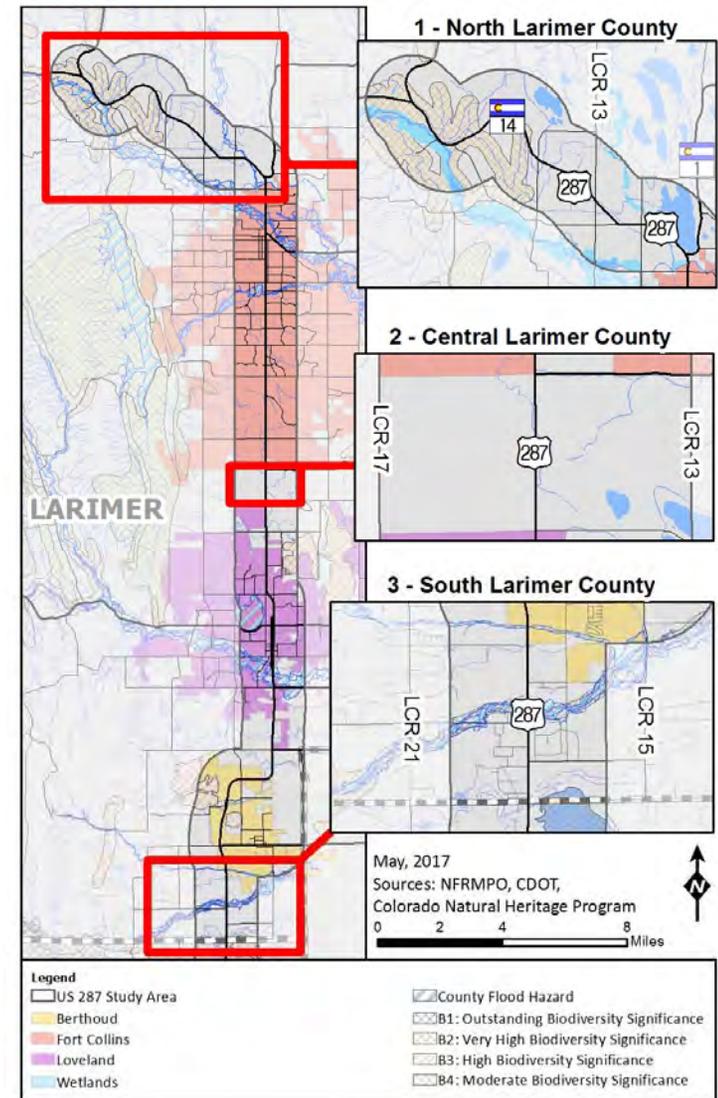


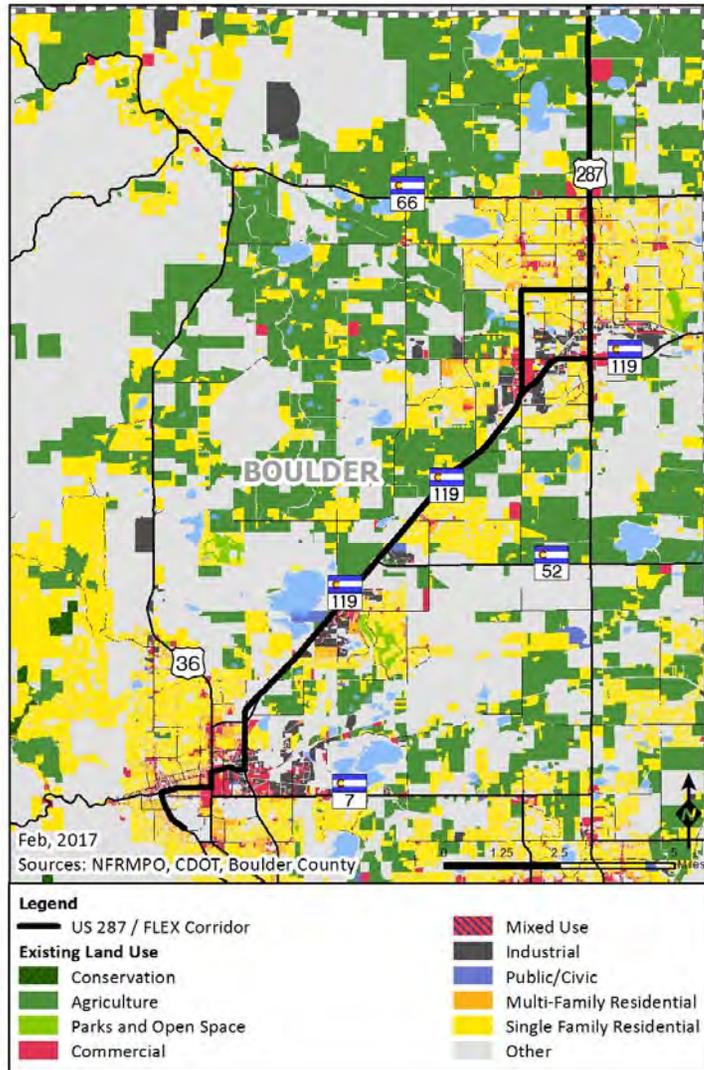
Bike and Ped

- Bike facilities and trails
- Sidewalks
- Additional sub-community maps provide detail on network integration
- Collected as part of 2016 Non-Motorized Plan

Environmental Features

- Wetlands (ditches, rivers, creeks, lakes)
- Potential Conservation Areas
 - B1: Outstanding Biodiversity Significance through B5: General Biodiversity Significance
- Flood Hazards marked by FEMA



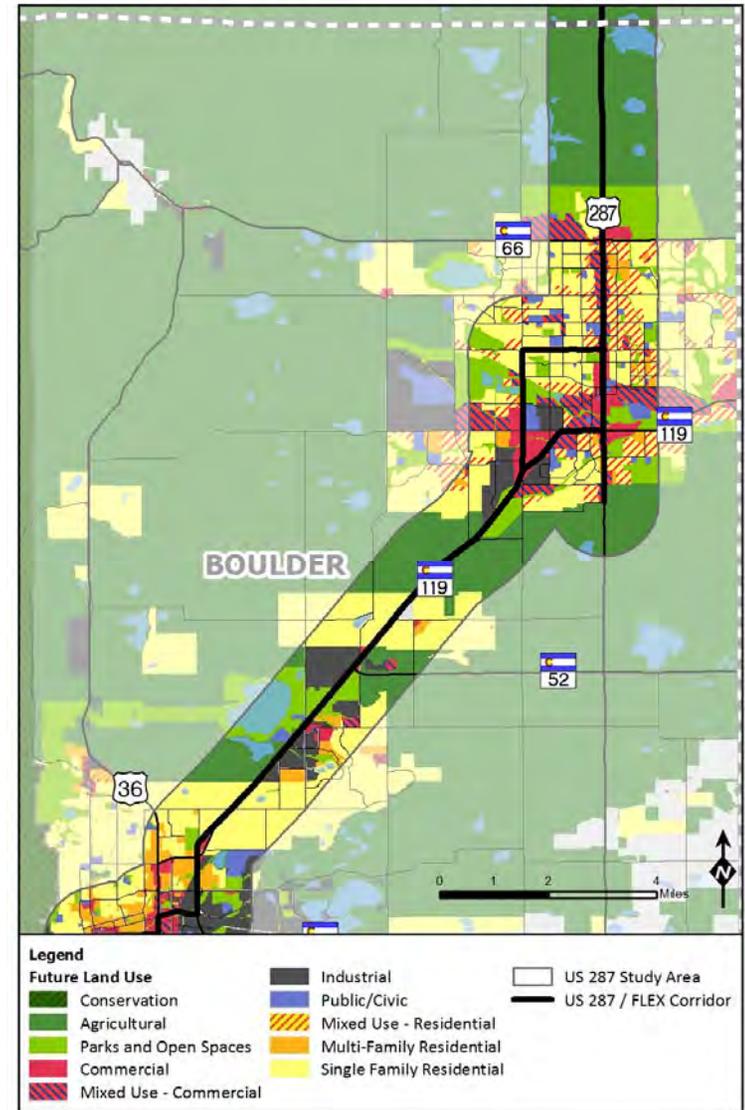


Existing Land Use

- NFR Region: 2012 land uses collected for the 2040 Land Use Allocation Model
- Boulder County: Existing land use from Jan 2017 Assessor Data

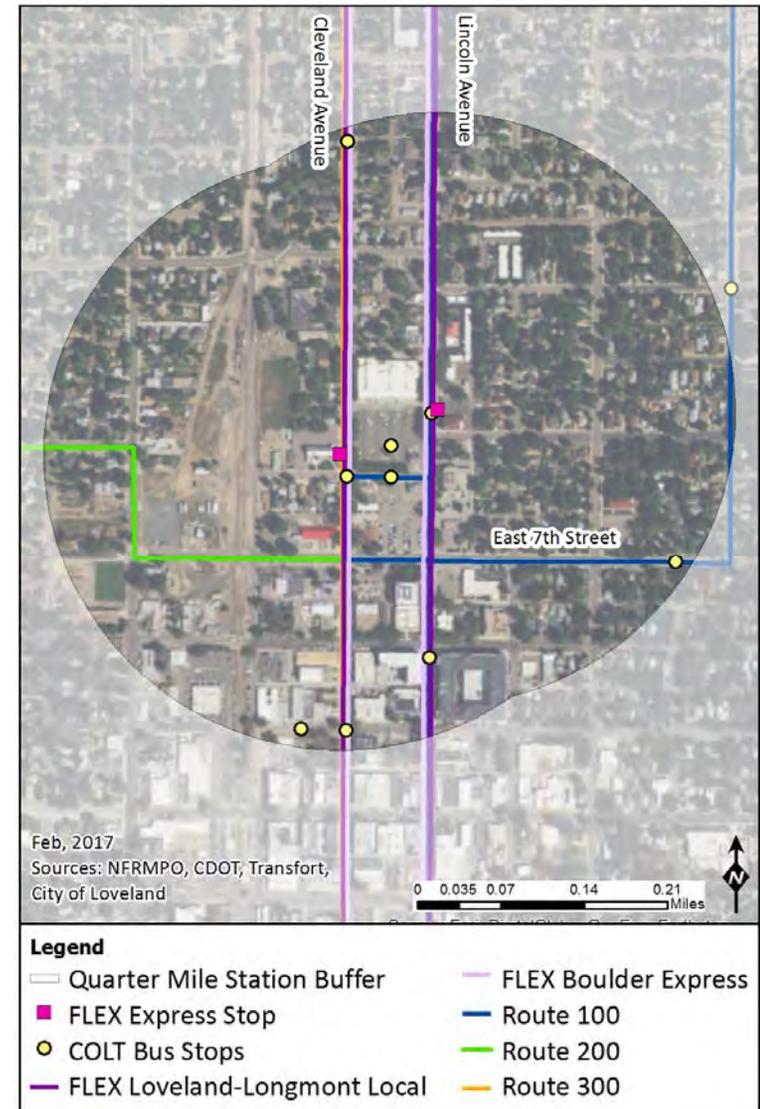
Future Land Use

- NFR Region: From the 2040 Land Use Allocation Model, with update for Loveland
- Boulder County: Future uses consolidated from Boulder County zoning, City of Boulder Comprehensive Plan, and City of Longmont Comprehensive Plan



Stop Features

- Average Daily Ridership (2016)
- Transit Connections
- Stop Features
 - Bicycle racks
 - Bus shelters, benches, trash cans
 - Restrooms
 - Indoor waiting area
 - Parking
 - Streetlights
 - Transit stop sign
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Connections





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STAC Summary – December 8th, 2017

- 1) **Introductions & October Minutes** – *Vince Rogalski (STAC Chair)*
 - a) October 2017 STAC Minutes approved without revisions.
- 2) **Transportation Commission Report** – *Vince Rogalski (STAC Chair)*
 - a) Transportation Commission
 - i) The TC discussed ongoing issues including the provision of housing for CDOT regional employees and efforts in the sphere of statewide transportation resilience.
 - b) High Performance Transportation Enterprise (HPTE)
 - i) Continued progress on the Central 70 project, including an MOU between CDOT and the HPTE.
 - ii) Also pursuing a Hyperloop pilot test track along C-470 as a part of the ongoing RoadX Program (second partnership on this potential new mode).
- 3) **TPR Reports** – STAC Representatives
- 4) **Federal and State Legislative Report** – *Herman Stockinger & Andy Karsian (CDOT Office of Policy & Government Relations)*
 - a) State
 - i) Chief Engineer Joshua Laipply and TC Chair Sidney Zink met with the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) and discussed utilities, the Road Usage Charge Pilot, and SB 267 funds. The Legislature is highly politicized and there is some confusion regarding the process and cost of transportation projects.
 - b) Federal
 - i) The House and Senate passed a continuing resolution to fund the government and are looking toward a longer-term solution in December/January timeframe.
 - ii) Discussions of a federal infrastructure package are continuing but nothing defined yet.
- 5) **Multimodal Freight Plan Overview** – *Evan Enarson-Hering (Cambridge Systematics)*
 - a) The Multimodal Freight Plan melds the State Highway Freight Plan and the State Freight and Passenger Rail Plan into one internally-driven document that guides planning efforts throughout CDOT.
 - b) Staff engaged a wide array of public and private stakeholders, receiving 800-900 comments throughout the process.
 - c) The plan focuses on freight movement and the economy, trying to tell that story better than in the past. Education of the public on freight issues will be an ongoing need.
 - d) One key finding was a need for greater rail resources – Colorado is one of few states without dedicated short-line railway funds.
 - i) Also found broad support for improved passenger rail – Southwest Chief and Front Range Rail.
 - e) Will continue taking comments and bring to the TC in early 2018 for final approval.
 - f) STAC Discussion: Representative suggested that the Tennessee Pass railroad might be a good candidate for renewed use, and DTR staff explained that they report on it yearly to the Legislature.
- 6) **Transit Senate Bill 267** – *David Krutsinger (CDOT Division of Transit & Rail)*
 - a) The Division of Transit & Rail (DTR) is undertaking a separate process for SB 267 project identification.
 - b) In October, \$30 - \$60 million in potential projects were identified but have now been narrowed to \$45 million.
 - c) Staff will continue vetting the list from January to March and anticipate dedicating \$27 million at the onset.
 - d) DTR will shift regular funding sources towards operations and apply SB 267 to capital investments.
 - e) STAC Discussion: No STAC comments.

- 7) **Potential 2018 Ballot Measure** – *Debra Perkins-Smith (CDOT Division of Transportation Development) and Herman Stockinger (CDOT Office of Policy & Government Relations)*
 - a) The Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce (DMCC) and Colorado Contractors Association (CCA) are hoping to run a ballot initiative starting in January.
 - b) Details are still under development but DMCC and CCA anticipate a ½ cent sales tax that would be split 45% for highways, 40% for local governments (counties/cities), and 15% for transit.
 - i) Would generate approximately \$360 million per year for CDOT, with \$60 million going to maintenance and the remaining \$300 million used to bond \$4.2 billion for projects statewide.
 - ii) Would be divided among CDOT region using the RPP formula (50% population, 35% lane miles, 15% truck VMT).
 - c) There has been support expressed for statewide investments, such as curb ramps, fiber expansion, bike/ped infrastructure, shoulders, and technology investments. Current recommendation is to dedicate \$500 million to these types of projects.
 - d) CDOT RTDs highlighted key projects including in their regional lists.
 - e) STAC Discussion: Representatives suggest including passing lanes in this category, referring to asset management as “maintenance” for greater public understanding, and pointed out that the total statewide need is much greater than the \$6 billion represented by the ballot measure and SB 267 combined. Others expressed concern about combining Ballot Measure and SB 267 lists, which may confuse the public and create a perception of a “bait-and-switch”. The group expressed general support for statewide programs but suggested using percentages rather than dollar amounts and taking care in how they are messaged since the public may not view fiber development as a CDOT responsibility.
- 8) **Revenue Projections** – *Jeff Sudmeier (CDOT Division of Accounting & Finance)*
 - a) Minor changes to previous revenue projections were shared with STAC members prior to the meeting and there were no objections from the group.
 - b) STAC Action: Members approved the updated Revenue Projections.
- 9) **Other Business** – *Vince Rogalski (STAC Chair)*
 - a) Agenda items on I-70 Risk & Resiliency Pilot Update and CDOT HQ/R1 Relocation were moved to next month due to lack of time.
 - b) The next STAC Meeting will be held on January 26th at CDOT Headquarters in Denver. A calendar of all 2018 STAC Meeting dates is included in the packet for review.
- 10) **STAC Adjourns**

Materials for this month’s STAC Meeting can be found at the link below:

<https://www.codot.gov/programs/planning/documents/stac-archives/2017stac/dec2017>