

## Board of Directors

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### Regional Multimodal Freight Plan Update

Agenda item type: Informational briefing

#### Summary

An update of the DRCOG Regional Multimodal Freight Plan is underway for the Denver metropolitan region. DRCOG staff will provide an overview of past freight planning efforts, an introduction to the project, and anticipated next steps.

#### Background

DRCOG's Regional Multimodal Freight Plan is a shared vision and strategic guide to help the Denver region identify opportunities to move freight and goods more efficiently. The plan update will expand on this work by focusing on two components:

- 1) Updating the data and analysis components of the existing plan, meeting the requirements articulated in federal surface transportation legislation.
- 2) Expanding the plan to focus on additional activities revolving around performance measurement, gap identification, land use analysis, and creating processes around project prioritization and implementation.

The result will be an enhanced freight plan that provides more explicit, data-driven recommendations for regional system-wide improvements. This updated plan, with the input of key stakeholders in the private and public sectors, will effectively provide the following elements:

- 1) Data on how goods movement supports local economies.
- 2) The state of freight needs in the region and forecasts future priorities.
- 3) Freight planning successes and best practices.
- 4) Potential investment areas for freight planning and infrastructure.
- 5) New performance measurement metrics.
- 6) Guidance on a new freight-related project prioritization process.
- 7) Accessible data-driven information visualized on a freight data dashboard.

#### Action by others

None

#### Previous discussion/action

None

#### Recommendation

None



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Staff presentation

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