

Board of Directors

Meeting date: July 16, 2025

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2050 Regional Transportation Plan Update: Regional Roadway System

Agenda item type: Consent agenda

Summary

Setting the Regional Roadway System for the current update to the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan.

Background

For transportation planning purposes, DRCOG designates a Regional Roadway System consisting of freeways (including managed lanes), tollways, major regional arterials, and principal arterials. The system is the planning network DRCOG uses for air quality conformity and greenhouse gas emission reduction analyses and for establishing project eligibility in the Regional Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program.

DRCOG reviews the system at the beginning of each major Regional Transportation Plan update cycle as the basis for developing the plan. For the current update to the RTP, DRCOG staff proposed a revision framework focused on missing state highways and the rural and mountain areas of the Denver region. Staff presented the framework at Subregional Transportation Forums and met with local government staff to provide an overview of the Regional Roadway System, answer questions, and review the proposed adjustments.

In addition to the review and proposed adjustments by DRCOG staff (missing state highways, rural area additions), a Call for Revisions soliciting local government adjustments was held March 17-April 14. DRCOG staff reviewed the submissions and reached out to local government staff for additional information as needed. At the July Board meeting, DRCOG staff will provide an overview of the Regional Roadway System, highlight the update process over the last few months, and seek a recommendation for setting the Regional Roadway System for this plan update cycle.

Action by others

[June 23, 2025](#) - Transportation Advisory Committee recommended approval.

[July 15, 2025](#) – Regional Transportation Committee will make a recommendation.

Previous discussion/action

[May 7, 2025](#) – Board Work Session.

Recommendation

Move to adopt the Regional Roadway System, dependent on federal functional classification and planning boundary.



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Attachments

1. DRCOG Staff Presentation.
2. List of Proposed Revisions.
3. Map of Proposed Revisions.

For more information

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