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Agenda
Board of Directors
Wednesday, November 18, 2026
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Virtual meeting only, no in-person option to attend
Denver, CO

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1. 6:30 p.m. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call and introduction of new members and alternates
4. Move to approve agenda
5. 6:40 p.m. Report of the Chair
   - Report of the Performance and Engagement Committee
   - Report of the Finance and Budget Committee
6. 6:45 p.m. Report of the Executive Director
7. 6:50 p.m. Public comment

   Up to 45 minutes is allocated now for public comment and each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes. If there are additional requests from the public to address the Board, time will be allocated at the end of the meeting to complete public comment. The chair requests that there be no public comment on issues for which a prior public hearing has been held before this Board. Consent and action items will begin immediately after the last speaker.

Consent agenda

8. 7:00 p.m. Move to approve Consent agenda
   A) Summary of October 21, 2026, meeting (Attachment A)
   B) Amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (Attachment B)

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Action Items

9. 7:05 p.m. Select a representative to the Nominating Committee
(Attachment C) Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

10. 7:15 p.m. Discussion of DRCOG's Committee Guidelines Update
(Attachment D) Jacob Riger, Director, Transportation Planning and Operations

11. 7:30 p.m. Discussion of the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan update
(Attachment E) Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Program Manager, Transportation Planning and Operations

Informational briefings

12. 7:45 p.m. 2029-2032 Transportation Improvement Program – Draft amendments to the Policy Document
(Attachment G) Todd Cottrell, Program Manager, Transportation Planning and Operations

Informational items

13. Administrative Modifications to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program
(Attachment H) Josh Schwenk, Senior Planner, Transportation Planning and Operations

14. Draft 2027 Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues
(Attachment I) Rich Mauro, Director, Legislative Affairs

Administrative items

15. Next meeting – December 16, 2026

16. Other matters by members

17. 8:00 p.m. Adjourn

Calendar of future meetings

November 2026

3rd	Regional Transportation Committee	12:00 p.m.
4th	Board Work Session	4:00 p.m.
4th	Finance and Budget Committee	5:30 p.m.
16th	Transportation Advisory Committee	1:30 p.m.
18th	Performance and Engagement Committee	Cancelled
18th	Board of Directors	6:30 p.m.
27th	Advisory Committee on Aging	11:00 a.m.

December 2026

1st	Regional Transportation Committee	12:00 p.m.
2nd	Board Work Session	Cancelled
2nd	Finance and Budget Committee	4:00 p.m.
11th	Advisory Committee on Aging	11:00 a.m.
8th	Special Performance and Engagement Committee	12:00 p.m.
16th	Board of Directors	6:30 p.m.
28th	Transportation Advisory Committee	Cancelled

January 2027

5th	Regional Transportation Committee	12:00 p.m.
6th	Board Work Session	4:00 p.m.
6th	Finance and Budget Committee	5:30 p.m.
20th	Performance and Engagement Committee	5:30 p.m.
20th	Board of Directors	6:30 p.m.
22nd	Advisory Committee on Aging	11:00 a.m.
25th	Transportation Advisory Committee	1:30 p.m.

ATTACH A

Board of Directors Meeting Summary

Wednesday, October 21, 2026

Members/Alternates Present

Colleen Whitlow, Chair	Town of Mead
Julie Duran Mullica	Adams County
Jeff Baker	Arapahoe County
Claire Levy	Boulder County
Austin Ward	City and County of Broomfield
Rebecca Lloyd	Clear Creek County
Adam Paul	City and County of Denver
Kevin Flynn	City and County of Denver
Susan Berumen	Gilpin County
Andy Kerr	Jefferson County
Sharon Davis	City of Arvada
Alison Coombs	City of Aurora
Nicole Speer	City of Boulder
Chris Clemens, Alternate	Town of Bennett
Nicole Speer	City of Boulder
Greg Mills	City of Brighton
Deborah Mulvey	City of Castle Pines
Christine Sweetland*	City of Centennial
Craig Kim, Alternate	City of Commerce City
Steve Conklin	City of Edgewater
Emily Baer*	Town of Erie
Rachel Binkley	City of Glendale
Gerchard Pfau	City of Golden
Chuck Harmon	City of Idaho Springs
Jeslin Shahrezaei	City of Lakewood
Kat Bristow*	Town of Lochbuie
Marissa Harmon, Alternate*	City of Lone Tree
Judi Kern	City of Louisville
Kathleen Bailey	Town of Mountain View
Richard Kondo	City of Northglenn
John Diak	Town of Parker
Neal Shah	Town of Superior
Sarah Nurmela*	City of Westminster
Rachel Hultin	City of Wheat Ridge
Darius Pakbaz	Colorado Department of Transportation
Kiernan Maletzky	Regional Transportation District

Others Present: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, Jacob Riger, Director of Transportation Planning and Operations, DRCOG; Lauren Corboy*, Adams County; Zeke Lynch*, Douglas County; John Gardocki*, Denver; Susan Wood*, Wheat Ridge; Ed Bowditch, Jennifer Cassell, Bowditch & Cassell; Jordan Rudel*, Jim Davenport, Greg Burns, Thorn Run Partners; and staff.

*Participated via Zoom

Chair Colleen Whitlow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Federal Legislative Update
Jim Davenport and Greg Burns of Thorn Run Partners provided an update on federal advocacy and congressional developments affecting DRCOG's transportation, aging, and housing priorities. They highlighted federal funding support for Power Ahead Colorado, East Colfax bus rapid transit, transportation planning and safety, and the Community Care Hub. Additionally, they addressed the proposed BUILD 250 Act, including potential increases in metropolitan planning and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding, alongside concerns about reductions to transit capital grants, safety funding and other programs. Presenters also reviewed the status of Older Americans Act reauthorization and appropriations, recent federal housing legislation and grant opportunities, and the uncertain congressional outlook following the midterm elections.

Move to approve agenda
A motion was made **to approve** the agenda. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** without opposition.

Report of the Chair
Chair Whitlow reminded members to complete the Executive Director performance evaluation by October 23.

- Director Kern reported that the Finance and Budget Committee authorized acceptance of congressionally directed funding for the Area Agency on Aging Community Care Hub and approved two consulting contracts related to transportation projects.
- Director Shahrezaei reported they selected Director Nicole Speer to serve on the Nominating Committee and began discussing possible dates and locations for the 2027 Board retreat.

Report of the Executive Director

- Executive Director Performance Evaluation: Executive Director Rex encouraged Board members to complete the evaluation.
- Urban Planning Workshop: DRCOG partnered with the Urban Land Institute on an October 9 workshop involving teams from Brighton, Arvada, Centennial and Arapahoe County. Strong participation prompted plans to make the workshop part of the annual partnership.
- Civic Academy: Executive Director Rex thanked Chair Whitlow and Directors Shahrezaei and Conklin for participating in a discussion of regionalism with the Civic Academy cohort.
- Go-Tober Challenge: Eleven jurisdictions were participating. Boulder County led in total sustainable trips, while Lone Tree and Castle Rock were competing in weighted rankings; results were expected in November.

Public Comment
There were no comments.

Move to approve consent agenda
A motion was made to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded and passed without opposition.

Items on the consent agenda included:

- Summary of the September 16, 2026, meeting
- Transportation Improvement Program Set-Aside Policy Amendment
- Amendments to the 2026–2029 Transportation Improvement Program
- Power Ahead Colorado Jurisdictional Support Program Round 2 Recommendations

Discussion of the Regional Housing Strategy
Regan Bryson presented the Regional Housing Strategy, developed to improve coordination among jurisdictions while preserving local authority over land use and housing decisions. Building on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment, it identifies five goals, five pathways and 14 implementation strategies addressing housing supply, affordability, preservation, financing, infrastructure coordination and regional collaboration. Implementation would rely on regional coordination, staff capacity building and flexible subregional partnerships, with DRCOG providing data, technical assistance and opportunities to align funding. Directors discussed innovative construction methods, coordination with existing transportation forums and opportunities to prioritize housing investments across jurisdictions.

> Director Kern **moved** to approve the Federal Surface Transportation Reauthorization Comment Letter. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** without opposition.

Discussion of the Federal Surface Transportation Reauthorization Comment Letter
Jacob Riger reviewed a proposed Board comment letter on the draft BUILD 250 Act, explaining how its positions align with DRCOG's adopted federal policy statements. The letter identifies provisions DRCOG supports and raises concerns about proposed funding reductions, program eliminations and a pilot program that would consolidate formula transportation funding into block grants for 10 states. Staff noted coordination with national transportation and local government associations and DRCOG's federal lobbyists in preparing the letter. Board members discussed the potential implications for Colorado's formula funding, including Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funds.

> Director Mills **moved** to approve the Federal Surface Transportation Reauthorization Comment Letter. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** without opposition.

Power Ahead Colorado Program Update
Robert Spotts and Clay McCombe provided a progress report on Power Ahead Colorado, a five-year, approximately $200 million initiative to accelerate building efficiency and electrification through heat pump incentives, education, workforce development and partnerships. Staff outlined goals of supporting 4,800 trade professionals, providing 40,000 rebates and completing 1,600 no-cost retrofits for qualifying households. Approximately 2,500 incentive applications had been submitted, with rebates continuing to be processed. The program also includes community-based organization grants, workforce training and green workforce hubs, technical assistance, a Building Policy Collaborative and jurisdictional support. Staff reported that contracting for the Comfort for All low-income retrofit program was nearing completion. Directors asked about rebate availability, coordination with utility incentives, workforce eligibility and outreach to lower-income communities.

East Colfax BRT Next Alternatives Analysis Study Final Report
Cole Neder presented findings from the East Colfax BRT Next Alternatives Analysis, evaluating transit improvements along East Colfax Avenue in Aurora. The study evaluated mixed-traffic service, semi-dedicated side-running bus rapid transit and center-running dedicated lanes. The locally preferred alternative is a semi-dedicated side-running design with enhanced stations, business access and transit lanes, queue jumps and transit signal priority. The preferred alternative establishes a basis for subsequent environmental review

and design rather than final construction authorization. Directors discussed pedestrian safety, roadway configuration, dedicated lanes, transitions between transit designs and clarity for drivers.

Committee Reports

State Transportation Advisory Committee
Director Baer reported on Transportation Alternatives and Safe Routes to School funding opportunities, including an October 30 opening for letters of intent and a December 15 deadline. The committee also received updates on multimodal funding, the Clean Transit Enterprise and the statewide rest area program.

Metro Mayors Caucus
Director Conklin reported that the October 7 meeting included discussions of public safety, automated license plate readers and street racing. The Caucus also participated in a regional cooperation discussion with visitors from the Charleston Chamber of Commerce.

Metro Area County Commissioners
Executive Director Rex reported on leadership transitions, with Jefferson County assuming the chair and Adams County the vice chair, and discussion of priorities for the coming year. Governor Polis joined virtually for a conversation about county-state coordination.

Advisory Committee on Aging
There was no report.

Regional Air Quality Council
Director Kern reported on the council's annual retreat and continued work on a regional air quality control strategy blueprint, including proposed measures and potential funding opportunities.

E-470 Authority
Director Mulvey reported on the budget workshop, a shift of some functions from contractors to in-house operations, facility renovations, expanded IT vendor capacity and the planned opening of a Commerce City travel plaza.

Report from CDOT
Director Pakbaz reported on the groundbreaking of the I-270 corridor improvement project and upcoming construction-related closures, including work associated with Floyd Hill.

Report from RTD
RTD reported that bus-only lane operations had begun on portions of Colfax, with early signs of faster service. Proposed January 2027 service changes were available for public review, including enhancements supported by Clean Transit Enterprise funding.

Next meeting – November 18, 2026

Other matters by members
There were no other matters by members.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

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Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Board of Directors
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

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Board of Directors

Meeting date: November 18, 2026

Agenda Item #: 8 – B

Amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program

Agenda item type: Consent agenda

Summary
November 2026 Amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program, known as the TIP.

Background
The region's transportation planning process allows for Board-approved amendments to the current TIP on an as-needed basis. Typically, these amendments involve the addition or deletion of projects, or adjustments to existing projects and do not impact funding for other projects in the Transportation Improvement Program.

The projects to be amended are included in the table and listed in the attachment. The proposed amendments to the 2026-2029 TIP have been found to conform with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality.

Project Number	Sponsor	Title	Reason for Amendment	New/Removed Funding
2024-085	CDOT DTR	Clean Transit Enterprise Pool	Add one pool project	Add $44,000,000 in state Legislative-Transit funding

Action by others
October 26, 2026 – Transportation Advisory Committee recommended adoption.

Previous discussion/action
None.

Recommendation
Move to approve the attached 2026-2029 TIP project amendments.

Attachment(s)
November 2026 Amendment to the 2026-2029 TIP.

For more information
If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director at 303-480-6701; or Josh Schwenk, Senior Planner, Transportation Planning and Operations, at 303-480-6771 or jschwenk@drcog.org.

Denver Regional Council of Governments
State of Colorado

Board of Directors Resolution No. 12, 2026

A resolution amending the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

Whereas, the Denver Regional Council of Governments, as the metropolitan planning organization, is responsible for carrying out and maintaining the continuing comprehensive transportation planning process designed to prepare and adopt regional transportation plans and programs; and

Whereas, the urban transportation planning process in the Denver region is carried out through cooperative agreement between the Denver Regional Council of Governments, the Regional Transportation District, and the Colorado Department of Transportation; and

Whereas, a Transportation Improvement Program containing highway and transit improvements expected to be carried out in the period 2026-2029 was adopted by the Board of Directors on April 16, 2025; and

Whereas, it is necessary to amend the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program; and

Whereas, the Regional Transportation Committee has recommended approval of the amendments.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Denver Regional Council of Governments hereby amends the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

Be it further resolved that the Denver Regional Council of Governments hereby determines that these amendments to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program conform to the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality.

Resolved, passed, and adopted this 18th day of November, 2026 at Denver, Colorado.

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Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Board of Directors
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

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Board of Directors

Meeting date: November 18, 2026

Agenda Item #: 9

Select a representative to the Nominating Committee

Agenda item type: Action item

Summary
This action is related to the selection of one member of the Board of Directors to serve on the Nominating Committee.

Background
The Articles of Association state that "The Nominating Committee shall be appointed in November of each year and consist of member representatives herein designated: The Immediate Past Chair of the Board (or the Vice Chair if there is no Immediate Past Chair); one Board member representing the City and County of Denver; one member selected by the Performance and Engagement Committee …; one member selected by the Finance and Budget Committee …; one member selected by the Board; and one member selected by the Board Chair." If more than one member expresses interest in serving, a ballot vote will be taken to select the Nominating Committee member.

At the January meeting each year, the Nominating Committee shall present to the Board nominations for Executive Committee members to be elected at the February meeting. The Nominating Committee is also responsible for making recommendations for appointments to the Board's Finance and Budget Committee, Performance and Engagement Committee, and other regional boards and committees throughout the year.

The Board has established the following guidelines to assist in selection of members of the Nominating Committee:

- Members of the Nominating Committee are not eligible to be nominated for a position on the Executive Committee (Board Officer) by the committee or from the floor.
- Members of the Nominating Committee shall have served not less than one year as a member or alternate on the Board before being eligible to serve on the Nominating Committee.
- A designated alternate may not serve on the Nominating Committee.
- In the appointment of the Nominating Committee, consideration shall be given to providing representation of a broad cross-section of the Board, taking into account community size, geographic location, the rate of growth, county and municipality, rural and suburban and other factors.

Action by others
None

Previous discussion/action
None

Recommendation
Move to select one member of the Board of Directors to the Nominating Committee

Attachments
Link - Nominating Committee Guidelines

For more information
If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at 303-480-6701 or drex@drcog.org; or Melinda Stevens, Board Coordinator, at mstevens@drcog.org.

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Board of Directors

Meeting date: November 18, 2026

Agenda Item #: 10

DRCOG Committee Guidelines Update

Agenda item type: Action item

Summary

Proposed revisions and addition to the DRCOG Committee Guidelines (*Committee Policy, Guidelines, and Descriptions*).

Background

The DRCOG Committee Guidelines outline committee membership, rules, and responsibilities for DRCOG committees. DRCOG staff are proposing two sets of revisions and one additional committee addressing DRCOG's Transportation Advisory Committee, Power Ahead Colorado, and DRCOG's Regional Housing Strategy, respectively.

Transportation Advisory Committee

As a result of the recent approval of the expansion of the metropolitan planning organization boundary to encompass Clear Creek and Gilpin counties, DRCOG staff are proposing the following updates to the Transportation Advisory Committee:

- Removal of the non-MPO area seat previously represented by Clear Creek and Gilpin counties.
- Addition of one local government member (and one alternate) representing jurisdictions in each of Clear Creek and Gilpin counties.

No other changes are proposed for the remaining local government, regional partner, or special interest seats. For example, TAC currently has 38 voting members (and two non-voting members), and quorum is currently 20 members. The proposed changes will add one local government voting member (for a total of 39 voting members), meaning quorum will not change.

Because the proposed TAC changes relate to DRCOG's metropolitan planning organization (MPO) function, they have been reviewed and recommended by TAC and the Regional Transportation Committee (RTC). The other revisions and addition to DRCOG's Committee Guidelines, described below, did not need to be reviewed by TAC or RTC.

Power Ahead Colorado Oversight Committee

DRCOG's Power Ahead Colorado (PACO) program is proposing to add a fourth special interest seat, representing residential heat pump installers, to its Oversight Committee.

Regional Housing Coordination Committee

Finally, the Regional Housing Strategy, reviewed and accepted by the DRCOG Board on October 21, 2026, calls for a committee to allow for ongoing regional collaboration and strategic guidance as DRCOG and regional partners work toward implementation of the strategy. The Regional Housing Coordination Committee is designed to bring together DRCOG members, local government professionals working in the area of housing, and regional partners with expertise in housing-related industries to provide insight and guidance for the implementation of

the Regional Housing Strategy. The committee is proposed as a standing committee of up to 22 members that will meet as needed throughout each year.

The proposed changes and new guidelines are shown in the attached excerpts of the Committee Policy, Guidelines and Descriptions.

Action by others
October 26, 2026 – Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) recommended adoption of the TAC-related changes.
November 3, 2026 – Regional Transportation Committee recommended adoption of the TAC-related changes.

Previous discussion/action
None.

Recommendation
Move to adopt the proposed revisions and addition to the DRCOG Committee Guidelines.

Attachment(s)
1. Staff presentation.
2. DRCOG Committee Guidelines excerpts (track changes).

For more information
If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at 303-480-6701; Jacob Riger, Transportation Planning and Operations Director, at 303-480-6751 or jriger@drcog.org; Robert Spotts, Power Ahead Colorado Manager, at 303-480-5626 or rspotts@drcog.org; Sheila Lynch, Regional Planning and Development Director, at 303-480-6839 or slynch@drcog.org.



DRCOG Committee Guidelines Update

Board of Directors: November 18, 2026

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Overview of proposed changes

- **Transportation Advisory Committee:** With Clear Creek and Gilpin Counties now part of the metropolitan planning organization (MPO), change the current non-MPO seat to individual membership seats.
- **Power Ahead Colorado:** Add a fourth special interest seat to Oversight Committee.
- **Housing:** Create a new Regional Housing Coordination Committee.

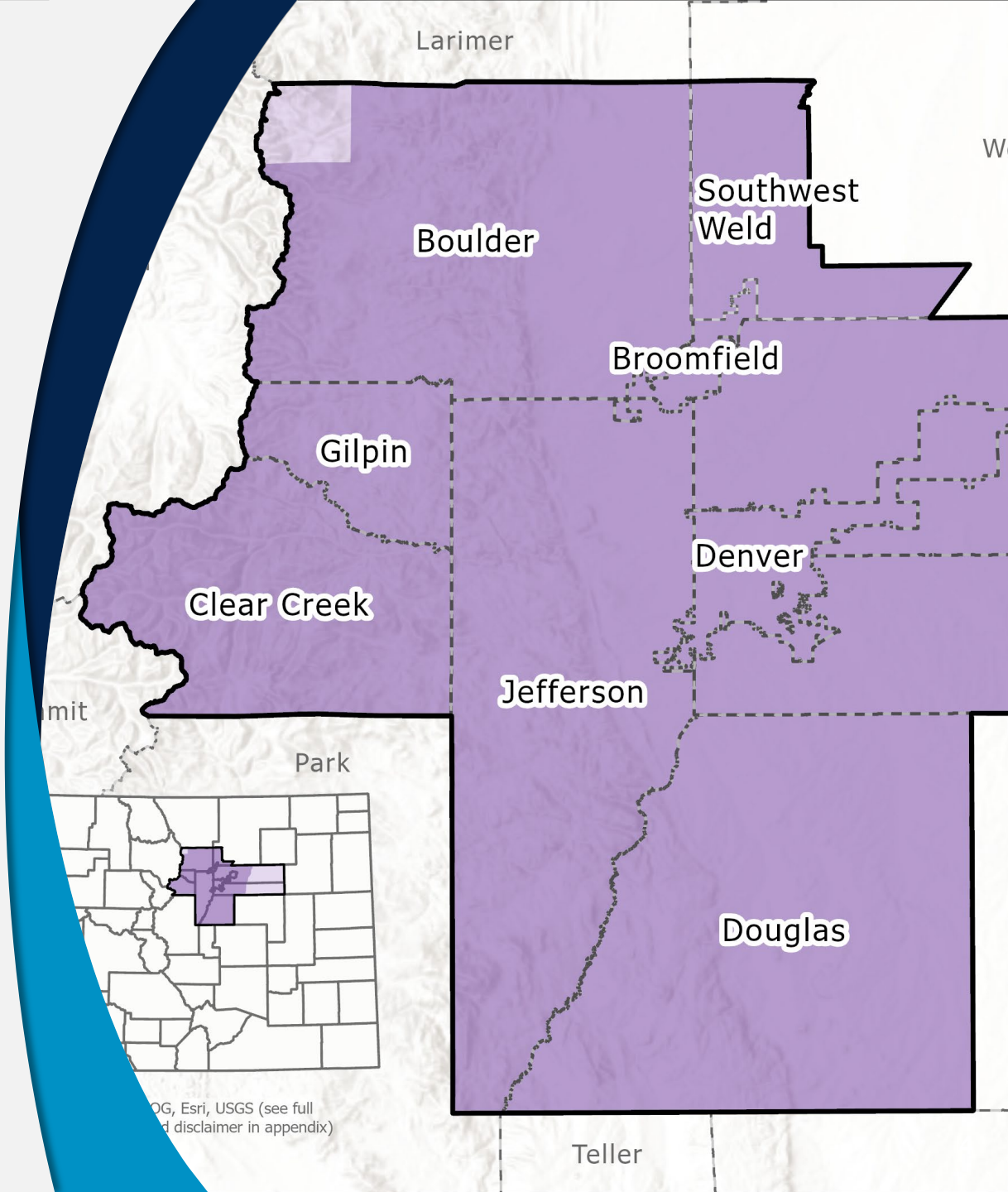
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Transportation Advisory Committee membership (current)

- **20 local government** representatives. (Counties, cities, towns)
- **1 non-MPO area** representative. (Clear Creek and Gilpin counties, eastern Adams and Arapahoe counties)
- **4 CDOT** representatives.
- **1 DRCOG** representative.
- **1 RAQC** representative.
- **1 RTD** representative.
- **1 Via Mobility** representative.
- **9 special interest seats**.
  - Aviation.
  - Business.
  - Environment.
  - Equity.
  - Freight.
  - Housing.
  - Non-motorized.
  - Older Adults.
  - Transportation demand management.
- Ex-officio **FWHA** and **FTA** representatives

Proposed revisions

- **Recent expansion** of the metropolitan planning organization boundary to include Clear Creek and Gilpin counties.
  - **Removing the non-MPO area** seat representative.
  - **Adding one representative each** from Clear Creek and Gilpin counties.



Transportation Advisory Committee membership (proposed)

- **22 local government** representatives. (Counties, cities, towns)
- ~~**1 non-MPO area** representatives. (Clear Creek and Gilpin counties, eastern Adams and Arapahoe counties)~~
- **4 CDOT** representatives.
- **1 DRCOG** representative.
- **1 RAQC** representative.
- **1 RTD** representative.
- **1 Via Mobility** representative.
- **9 special interest seats**.
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  - Transportation demand management.
- Ex-officio **FWHA** and **FTA** representatives

Power Ahead Colorado Oversight Committee

Recommend adding a fourth special interest seat that represents residential heat pump installers.

- Proposed new membership:
  - Denver Regional Council of Governments - Four members of the DRCOG Board, one of whom shall serve as chair and one as vice chair, and the Executive Director or their designee.
  - Colorado Energy Office- The Executive Director or their designed
  - Utilities– One senior staff member of Xcel Energy and one senior staff member of another utility operating within the DRCOG region.
  - Other members- ~~Three~~ Four members representing various building decarbonization stakeholders, at least one of which shall be a representative of an organization serving low-income and disadvantaged communities as their primary audience.

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Regional Housing Coordination Committee

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Regional Housing Coordination Committee

- **Role of the committee**
  - Provide overall direction of development and implementation of DRCOG's Regional Housing Strategy.
- **Process for appointments**
  - Members shall be appointed annually by the Committee chair upon recommendation of the Executive Director of DRCOG.

Regional Housing Coordination Committee

Proposed membership – Total is up to 21 members

- Denver Regional Council of Governments
  - Up to four (4) members of the DRCOG Board.
  - The Executive Director or designee.
- Colorado Housing Finance Agency
  - The Executive Director or designee.
- Local governments.
  - Up to (8) members representing various county or municipal agencies.
- Professional sectors focused on housing.
  - Up to (8) members representing development entities, housing consultants, or housing policy advocacy organizations.

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Recommendation

- Move to recommend the proposed revisions and addition to the DRCOG Committee Guidelines.



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TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Type: Standing Committee

Authority: Memorandum of Agreement between DRCOG, the Colorado Department of Transportation and the Regional Transportation District adopted July 10, 2001. Board of Directors Action August 15, 2001. Revised July 2008, and September 21, 2016.

MEMBERSHIP

Transportation Advisory Committee Membership shall include:

- Three local government members representing jurisdictions in each of the following counties: Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Douglas, and Jefferson, one of which represents each county, and two representing local jurisdictions within each county.
- One local government member representing jurisdictions in each of the following counties: Clear Creek and Gilpin.
- One local government member from Weld County within the MPO boundary.
- Three local government members from the City and County of Denver and one local government member from the City and County of Broomfield.
- ~~One local government member from the non-MPO area of the Transportation Planning Region representing Clear Creek and Gilpin Counties.~~
- Local government representatives shall be public works, transportation, or planning directors, managers, or other senior level staff.
- The Regional Transportation Directors from the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Regions 1 and 4, or their designee; the Director of CDOT's Division of Transportation Development, or their designee; and the Director of CDOT's Division of Transit and Rail, or their designee.
- The Assistant General Manager for Planning of the Regional Transportation District, or their designee.
- The Director of Transportation Planning and Operations of DRCOG.
- A representative of the Regional Air Quality Council.
- A representative of Via Mobility.
- One representative of the following nine special interests related to transportation planning:
  - environmental
  - freight and goods movement
  - transportation demand management
  - non-motorized transportation
  - aviation
  - business/economic development
  - older adults
  - equity populations (marginalized communities)
  - housing
- In an ex-officio (non-voting) capacity, a representative of the Federal Highway Administration and of the Federal Transit Administration.

APPOINTMENT/SELECTION OF MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES

- Within the DRCOG MPO area (Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Denver, Douglas, Gilpin, Jefferson, and SW Weld Counties), the Subregional Transportation Forums shall select local government representatives and alternates.
- ~~The non-MPO representative and alternate shall be selected by recommendation and consensus of the county managers from Clear Creek and Gilpin Counties.~~
- The special interest representatives shall be nominated by the DRCOG Board Chair and approved by the DRCOG Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) for 2-year terms. Each special interest seat representative will directly select their own alternate.
- The DRCOG Board Chair and RTC shall review TAC membership annually in the second quarter of the calendar year.

USE OF ALTERNATES

It is the clear goal of the Committee to minimize the use of alternates. However, recognizing that there will be times when it is inevitable that members cannot attend, alternates will be allowed on the following basis:

- The member shall be responsible for briefing their alternate in advance on the Committee's format and issues so that the alternate is empowered to act on behalf of their agency or interest.
- The designated alternate will be allowed to vote in the member's place.

OFFICERS

Committee members shall elect a chair and vice chair to serve two-year terms. Elections shall be held during the fourth quarter of odd-numbered years. Whenever a vacancy occurs for either chair or vice chair between regular elections, a special election will be held to fill the vacancy.

RESPONSIBILITIES

To assist the Board of Directors and the Regional Transportation Committee by reviewing the work of the transportation planning process, advising on methods of planning and implementation and working with staff to develop policy options and making recommendations to the Regional Transportation Committee. Specifically, the Committee shall:

- Establish a dialog on regional transportation issues among local government, regional agencies, the state and other transportation stakeholders.
- Review the transportation planning process.
- Provide advice and guidance on methods of planning and implementation.
- Assist in coordinating and facilitating implementation of Metro Vision through the transportation planning process.

- Facilitate coordination of regional plans and programs among local government, regional agencies, and the state.
- Provide advice and recommendations to the Regional Transportation Committee on transportation plans and improvement programs.

QUORUM/VOTING

Twenty voting members, or designated alternates represents a quorum. Twenty affirmative votes are required to carry any action.

H. Power Ahead Colorado Oversight Committee (PACO-OC)

Type: Standing Committee

Authority: Board action taken on October 16, 2024

Membership

Eleven members as follows:

Denver Regional Council of Governments - Four members of the DRCOG Board, one of whom shall serve as chair and one as vice chair, and the Executive Director or their designee.

Colorado Energy Office- The Executive Director or their designee.

Utilities– One senior staff member of Xcel Energy and one senior staff member of another utility operating within the DRCOG region.

Other members- ~~Three~~ **Four** members representing various building decarbonization stakeholders, at least one of which shall be a representative of an organization serving low-income and disadvantaged communities as their primary audience.

Appointments

The Colorado Energy Office and Xcel Energy shall designate annually in February, in writing to the DRCOG Executive Director.

Other Members shall be appointed annually by the Committee chair upon recommendation of the Executive Director of DRCOG.

Use of alternates

It is the clear goal of the committee to minimize use of alternates. However, recognizing that there will be times when it is inevitable that members cannot attend, alternates will be allowed on the following basis:

- The DRCOG Board may appoint up to four alternates from among its members.
- The appropriate level of staff that can be designated as alternates are:
  - DRCOG: Senior Management or above
  - CEO: Senior Management or above
  - Xcel and Utilities: Senior Management or above
- No alternates are permitted for Other Members
- No proxies are permitted.

Responsibilities

- Provide overall direction of current work activities for DRCOG's building decarbonization program
- Review and recommend items to be submitted to the DRCOG Board of Directors for adoption.
- Recommend plans, programs, documents, and annual endorsements related to DRCOG's building decarbonization program.

Quorum

Six members, or designated alternates.

Voting

Six affirmative votes are required to carry any motion.

Description to be added to the Committee Policy, Guidelines, and Descriptions document

Regional Housing Coordination Committee

Type: Standing Committee

Authority: Board action taken on November 18, 2026

Membership

The DRCOG Regional Housing Coordination Committee shall include:

Denver Regional Council of Governments

- Up to four (4) members of the DRCOG Board.
- The Executive Director or designee.

Colorado Housing Finance Agency

- The Executive Director or designee.

Local government housing planner or programs professional.

- Up to (8) members representing various county or municipal agencies.

Leaders from professional sectors focused on housing.

- Up to (8) members representing development entities, housing consultants, or housing policy advocacy organizations.

Appointments

Members shall be appointed annually by the Committee chair upon recommendation of the Executive Director of DRCOG.

Officers

Committee members shall elect a chair and vice chair to serve two-year terms. Elections shall be held during the first quarter of odd-numbered years. Whenever a vacancy occurs for either chair or vice chair between regular elections, a special election will be held to fill the vacancy.

Responsibilities

Provide overall direction of development and implementation of DRCOG's Regional Housing Strategy.

Review and recommend annual updates and changes to be submitted to the DRCOG Board of Directors for adoption regarding the Regional Housing Strategy.

Recommend plans, programs, and potential partnerships related to implementation of DRCOG's Regional Housing Strategy.

Quorum

A quorum shall be one-third (1/3) of its members.

Voting

A majority of those present and voting shall decide any question brought before the meeting.

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Board of Directors

Meeting date: November 18, 2026

Agenda Item #: 11

Discussion of the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan update

Agenda item type: Action item

Summary
2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan and associated Air Quality Conformity Determination and Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report documents.

Background
The 2050 RTP sets the vision for the Denver region's multimodal transportation system and guides investment in the projects and programs to achieve that vision. Development of the 2050 RTP involved the public, local governments, elected officials, CDOT and RTD, toll highway authorities, and other stakeholders.

The two-year planning process began in the fall of 2024 and the draft 2050 RTP was released for public comment on September 6, with the public comment period lasting through October 7. Comments were received from local government technical staff, regional partners, and the public. Seven public comments were received during the review period and one was received at the public hearing. DRCOG staff have reviewed the comments and made necessary revisions to the main document and associated appendices.

Major activities conducted during the update included:

- Scenario planning: Winter 2024 – Summer 2025. **Complete**.
- Financial planning: Spring – Fall 2025. **Complete**.
- Regional Roadway System revisions: Spring – Summer 2025. **Complete**.
- Candidate projects: Summer – Winter 2025. **Complete**.
- Modeling and coordination: Winter 2025 – Summer 2026. **Complete**.
- Document development: Spring – Summer 2026. **Complete**.
- Public and stakeholder review: Ongoing, and Fall 2026. **Complete**.
- Committee and board approval: Fall – Winter 2026. **Ongoing**.

Per federal transportation planning requirements, DRCOG must show the 2050 RTP will not cause a violation of federal air quality conformity standards. Accordingly, the 2050 RTP's roadway and transit networks were modeled for air quality conformity. The results were used by the state Air Pollution Control Division to calculate pollutant emissions. All pollutant emission tests were passed, as shown in the companion air quality conformity documents, Appendix H.

Per the state GHG rule, DRCOG must also show the 2050 RTP will comply with the rule's emission reduction levels for the DRCOG MPO area for the 2030, 2040, and 2050 analysis years. Per the rule's requirements, this compliance is documented in the GHG Transportation Report, Appendix I.

Action by others
October 14, 2026 – Transportation Commission workshop (greenhouse gas compliance).
October 15, 2026 – Air Quality Control Commission (conformity concurrence).
October 26, 2026 – Transportation Advisory Committee recommended adoption.

Previous discussion/action
November 20, 2024 – Board of Directors
December 18, 2024 – Board of Directors
July 16, 2025 – Board of Directors
August 20, 2025 – Board of Directors
January 21, 2026 – Board of Directors
August 19, 2026 – Board of Directors
October 7, 2026 – Board Work Session (public hearing)

Recommendation
Move to adopt a resolution adopting the Board of Directors the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan and associated Air Quality Conformity Determination and Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report documents.

Attachment
1. Staff presentation.
2. Link: Action draft of 2050 RTP and associated appendices.
3. Draft resolution.

For more information
If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at 303-480-6701; or Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Regional Transportation Planning Program Manager, Transportation Planning and Operations, at 720-278-2341 or asanchez@drcog.org.



2050 Regional Transportation Plan update

Board of Directors: November 18, 2026

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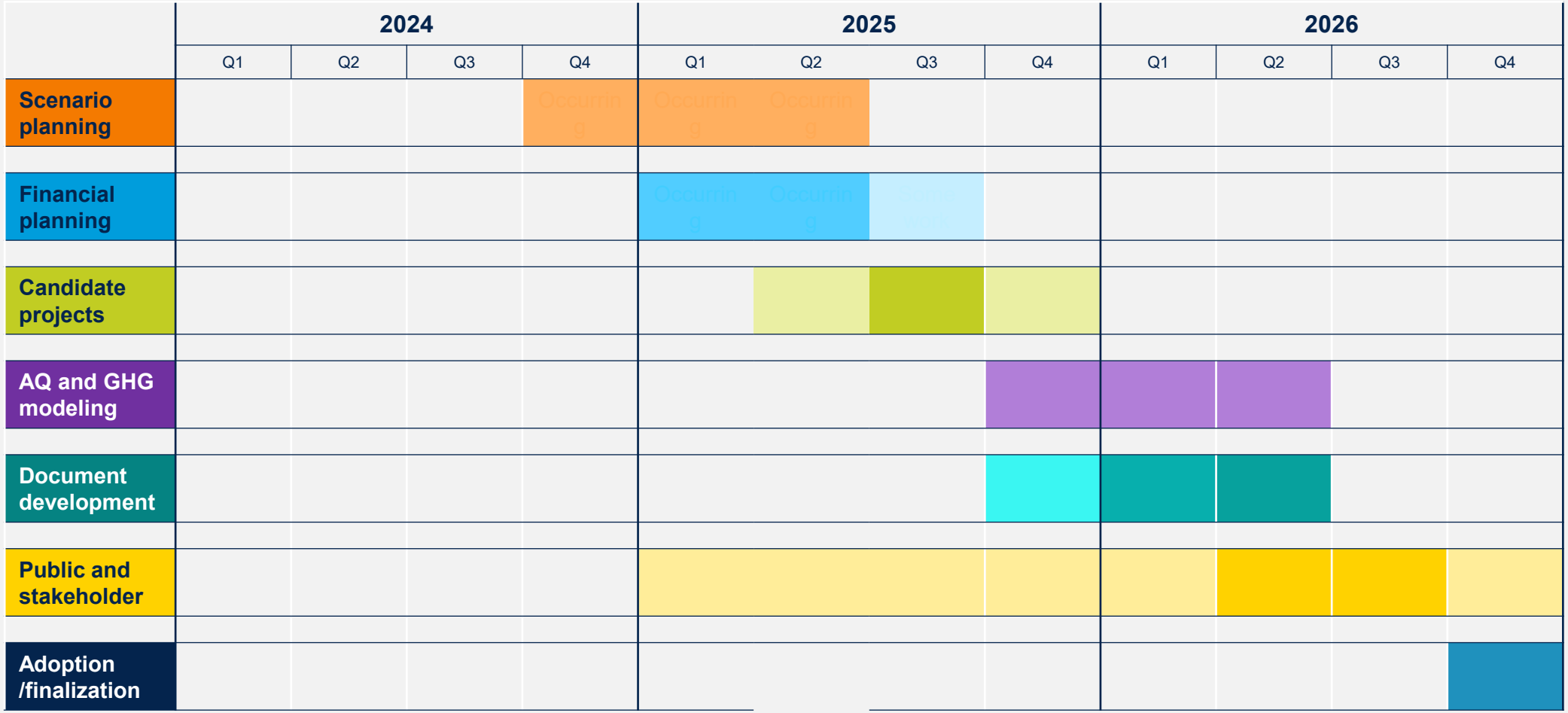
Action items

- **Updated** 2050 Regional Transportation Plan and appendices.
- Denver southern subarea 8-hour ozone conformity determination. **(Appendix H)**
- Transportation greenhouse gas report. **(Appendix I)**

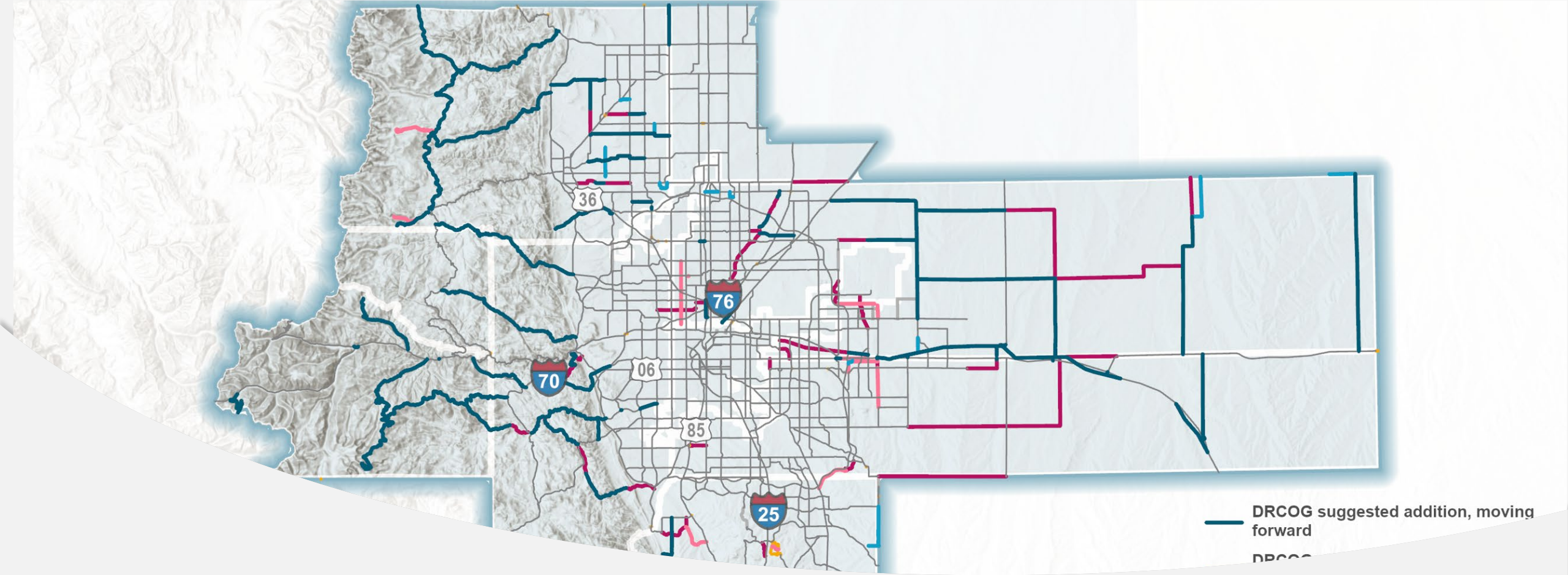


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Major activities



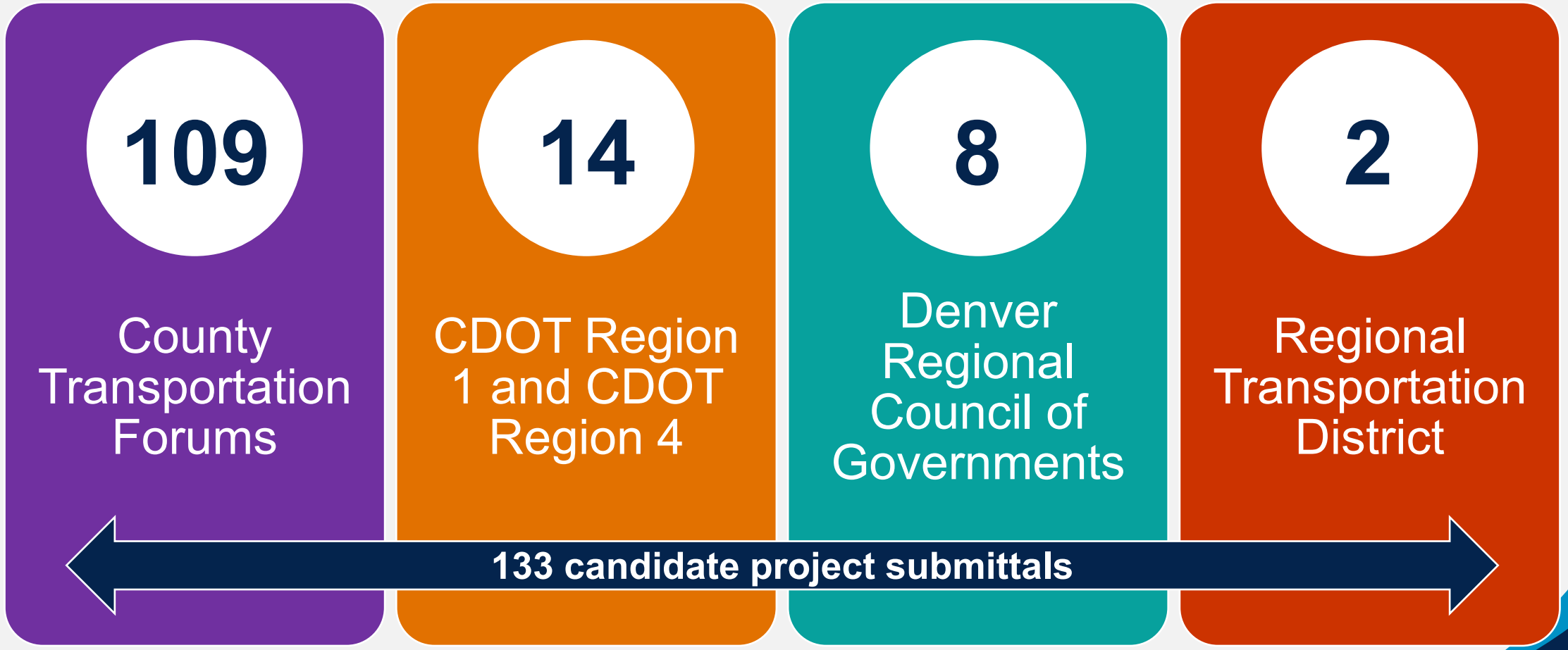
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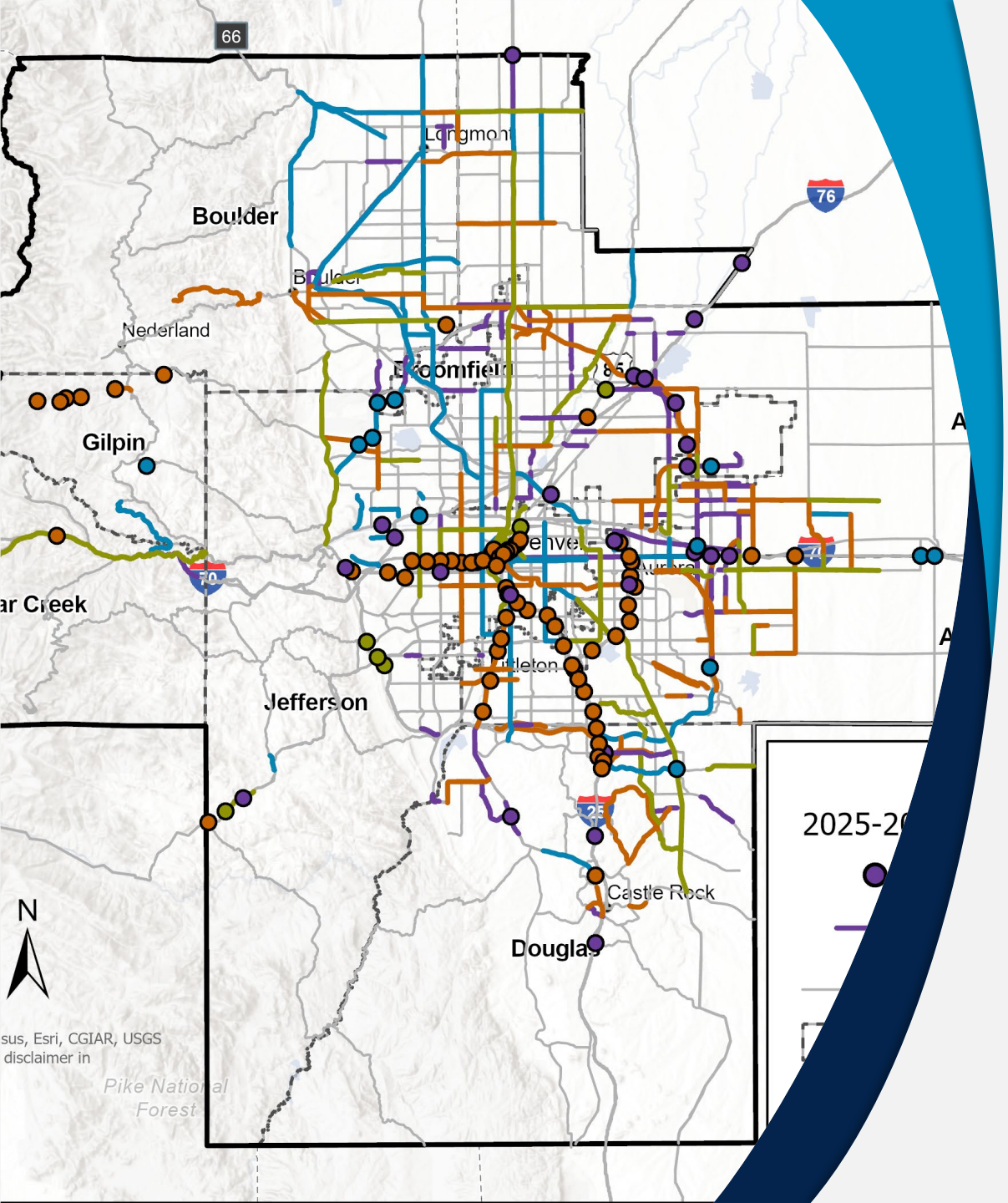
Regional Roadway System

- Expansion to add roadways classified as **Major Collectors and above in rural areas** and **all Colorado state highways**.
- Held a **Call for Revisions** from March 17 to April 14.

Candidate project submittals



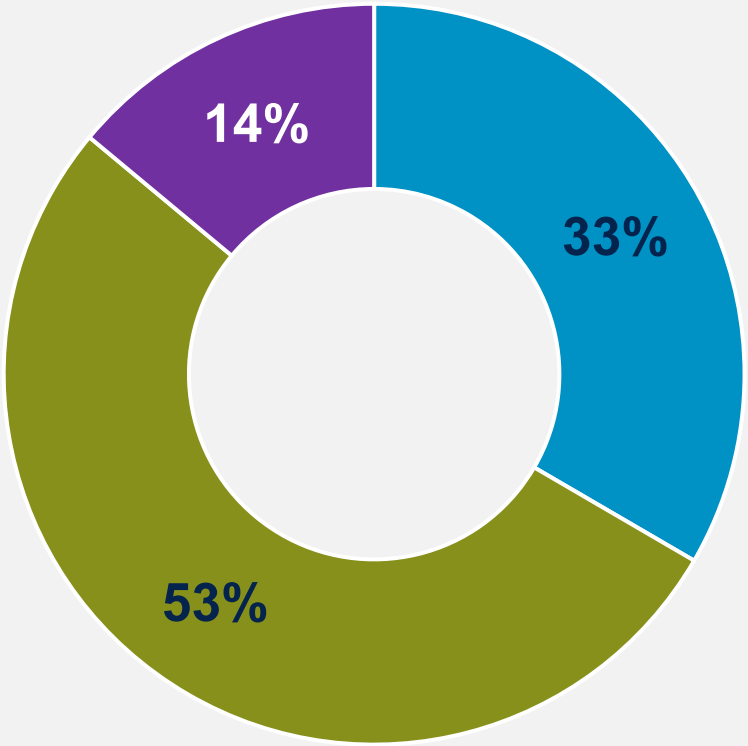
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Investment priorities

- CDOT-administered projects: **$4.5 billion**.
  - Additional **$7.9 billion in programmatic funds**.
- DRCOG administered projects: **$2.9 billion**.
- RTD-administered projects: **$2.6 billion**.
  - Additional **$23.8 billion in programmatic funds**.
- Active transportation projects and program: **$1.3 billion**.
- Safety projects and program: **$1.2 billion**.
- Freight projects and program: **$573 million**.
- Regional transit projects and program: **$2.5 billion**.

Breakdown of funding between recommended projects (new, resubmittal, carry-over)



- Carry-over projects (33%)
- Resubmitted projects (53%)
- New projects (14%)

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Refreshing the document suite

- **New design template** that meets the latest accessibility best practices.
  - Updated maps using the **latest map templates**.
  - **Enhanced graphics** that better tell the story.
- Revising the 19 appendices down to 11, including:
  - **New 'plans review'** appendix that provides an overview of key plans in the region and state.
  - **New 'investment analyses'** appendix that describes potential impacts from projects.
- Pivoting from a **webmap** to a **dashboard**.

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Modeling overview

- 2050 RTP must address **ozone** pollutants and meet **emission reduction levels** across three horizon years.
- Modeling is **regional** (entire 2050 RTP); **not based on individual projects.**
- Regionally significant transportation projects included in the regional travel model transportation **networks.**
- 2050 RTP **passed pollutant emission tests** for regional air quality conformity and **met emission reduction requirements** for greenhouse gasses.

Federal air quality conformity modeling

Year	Volatile organic compounds, emission tons per day	Nitrogen oxides, emission tons per day
2020 State Implementation Plan budgets (per the 2008 ozone standard)	41.2	45.0
2026 emissions	21.4	21.3
2030 emissions	21.3	13.7
2040 emissions	16.3	7.1
2050 emissions	13.6	6.2
Pass or fail?	**Pass**	**Pass**

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State greenhouse gas modeling

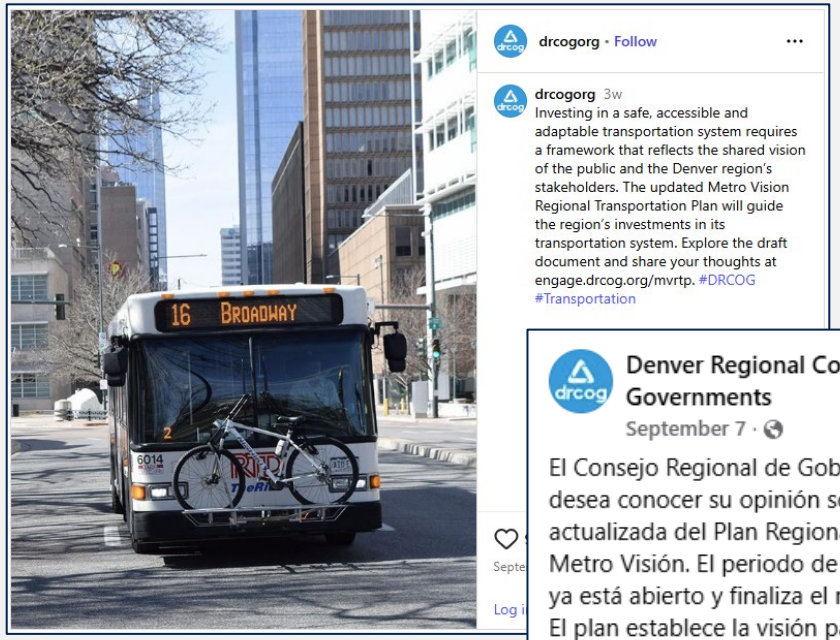
Compliance year	2030	2040	2050
2050 RTP update modeling	0.76	0.60	0.44
Off-model signal timing, bike-ped*	0.07	0.05	NA
Total GHG reductions achieved	**0.83**	**0.65**	**0.44**
Reduction level requirement**	**0.82**	**0.63**	**0.37**
Reduction level achieved?	**Yes**	**Yes**	**Yes**

**: Previous compliance framework (pending)*
***: Table 1 of the greenhouse gas rule (2 CCR 601-22, Section 8.02.6)*

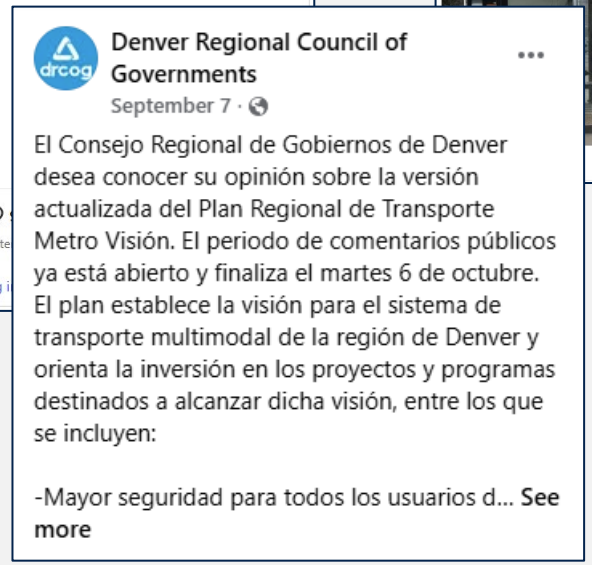
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Promotion examples

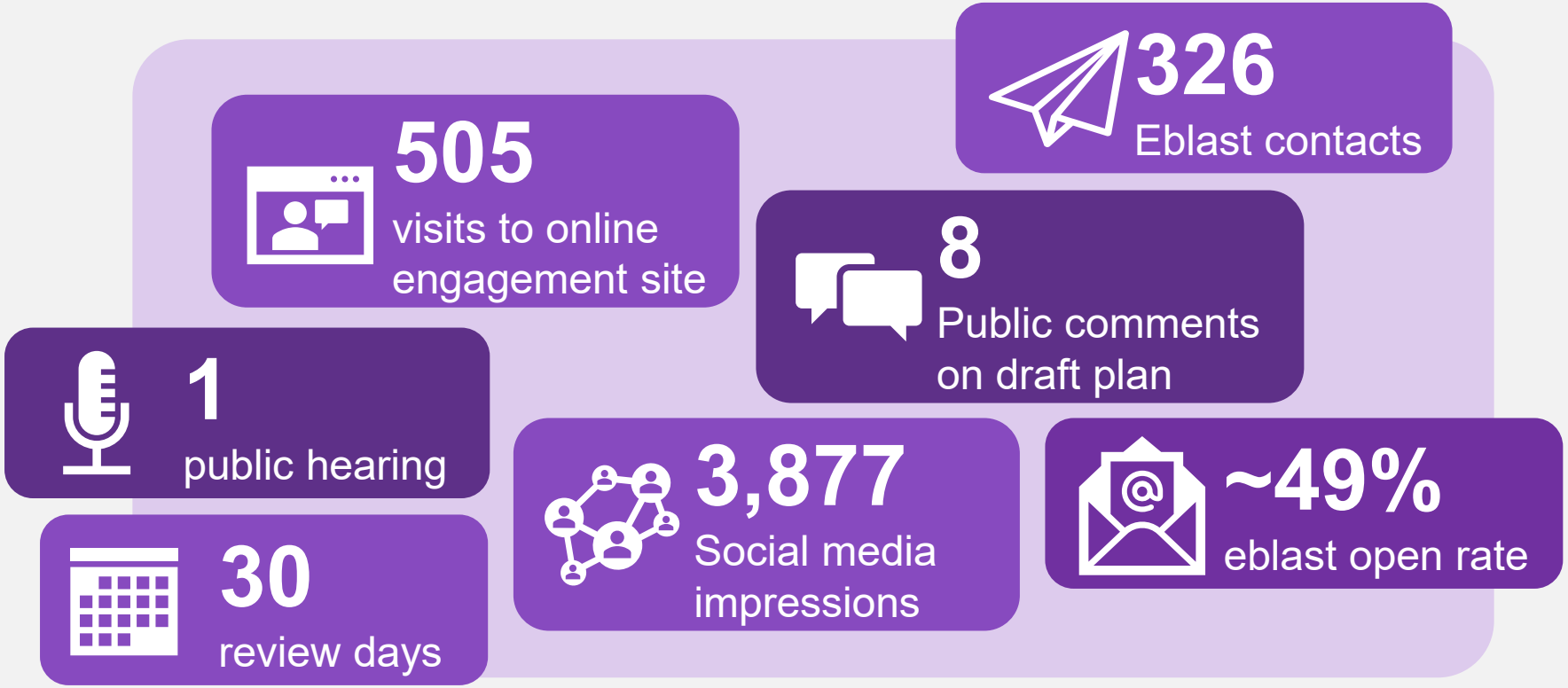








Engagement highlights



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Revisions since public draft

- **Minor** or **technical** corrections to narrative content.
- Additional language on **recent activities**.
- Updated maps and one new map.
- Revisions to the following **appendices**:
  - **A**: Plans review.
  - **B**: Public and stakeholder engagement.
  - **E**: Financial plan.
  - **G**: Investment analyses.
  - **I**: GHG Transportation Report.
  - **K**: Map information.

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Recommendation

- Move to adopt a resolution adopting the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan and associated Air Quality Conformity Determination and Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report documents.



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Denver Regional Council of Governments
State of Colorado

Board of Directors Resolution No. 13, 2026

A resolution adopting the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan and the associated Denver Southern Subarea 8-hour Ozone Conformity Determination, and Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report.

Whereas, the Denver Regional Council of Governments, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization, is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the continuing transportation planning process designed to prepare and adopt transportation plans and programs; and

Whereas, the transportation planning process within the Denver region is carried out by the Denver Regional Council of Governments through a cooperative agreement with the Regional Transportation District and the Colorado Department of Transportation; and

Whereas; Section 176(c)(3) of the federal Clean Air Act, as amended, requires that the Metropolitan Planning Organization not give its approval to a transportation plan or program unless such plan or program conforms to an approved or promulgated state implementation plan for air quality; and

Whereas; the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan identifies fiscally constrained air quality regionally significant highway capacity and rapid transit projects that can reasonably be provided over a 20+ year time horizon; and

Whereas; the financial plan of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan meets fiscal constraint based on a reasonable estimate of funds available from 2026 to 2050; and

Whereas; an air quality analysis of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan has been prepared consistent with the requirements of the Clean Air Act as amended, and regulations promulgated by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, which indicates that the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan and 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program conform to the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

Whereas; the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan demonstrates compliance with the requirements 2 CCR 601-22, known as the Colorado Greenhouse Gas Planning Standard, as demonstrated by the Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report; and

Whereas; the Transportation Advisory Committee and the Regional Transportation Committee have recommended that the Board of Directors adopt the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan and associated air quality conformity determination and Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that pursuant to its Articles of Association, and the authority granted under sections 30-28-106 and 43-1-1101 through 1105 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Denver Region, the Denver Regional Council of Governments hereby adopts the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan. This updated plan supersedes any Regional Transportation Plan previously adopted by the Denver Regional Council of Governments.

Be it further resolved that the Board of Directors of the Denver Regional Council of Governments, and as the Metropolitan Planning Organization, hereby determines that the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan conforms to the applicable implementation plans approved or promulgated under the Clean Air Act, as amended, by virtue of the demonstrations incorporated in the associated Denver Southern Subarea 8-Hour Ozone Conformity Determination.

Be it further resolved that the Board of Directors of the Denver Regional Council of Governments, and as the Metropolitan Planning Organization, hereby determines that the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan conforms to the applicable requirements of 2 CCR 601-22 by virtue of the demonstrations incorporated in the associated Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report.

Be it further resolved that the Chair of the Denver Regional Council of Governments is hereby authorized to certify copies of the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan to all counties and municipalities lying wholly or partly in the Denver region.

Resolved, passed, and adopted this 18th day of November, 2026 at Denver, Colorado.

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Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Board of Directors
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

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Board of Directors

Meeting date: November 18, 2026

Agenda Item #: 12

2029-2032 Transportation Improvement Program – Draft Amendments to the Policy Document

Agenda item type: Informational briefing

Summary

Discussion on the high-level proposed edits to date to the TIP Policy document for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2029-2032 Transportation Improvement Program, or TIP, Regional and Subregional Share calls for projects.

Background

Throughout 2026, staff have been working to revise the existing Policies for TIP Program Development document to develop a new TIP covering federal fiscal years 2029-2032, in order to open the Regional Share call for projects projected for January 4, 2027.

Attachment 1 shows the proposed edits to date to the current TIP Policy document in track changes, while Attachment 2 provides a high-level overview of those edits.

The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) has been discussing the concepts and specific proposed edits for the past several meetings, and will make a formal recommendation at its November 16, 2026 meeting. The Regional Transportation Committee received an informational briefing at its November 3, 2026 meeting, and will make a recommendation at its December 1 meeting. The Board is anticipated to take final action at its December 16 meeting before the Regional Share call for projects opens in early January 2027.

Staff would welcome any feedback on the amendment before it returns for action at the December meeting.

Action by others

None.

Previous discussion/action

February 18, 2026 – Board of Directors
September 16, 2026 – Board of Directors

Recommendation

None.

Attachment(s)

1. Link: TIP Policy document amendment edits to date, shown in track changes.
2. High-level proposed amendment changes.
3. Staff presentation.

For more information

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Attachment 2

TIP Policy Document Amendment: Overview of Proposed Changes

TIP time period and development schedule

- Text added stating any deviation from the main Regional and Subregional calls for projects being held every four years requires Board approval and CDOT acknowledgement.

Agency roles and requirements

- The CDOT and RTD funding types and allocation process text has been removed, so the document is focused only on the DRCOG process, which is the main purpose of the document.
- Text adjusted to state matching funds are proposed to be available at the time of application or expected to be available before the IGA process begins.
    - Current language only states funds need to be reasonably expected at application time.
- Projects that affect air quality were previously known as “capacity projects”. The policy now refers to these as “regionally significant projects”. “Capital project” is now a reference to any infrastructure project.
    - This change in the TIP is meant to match RTP language.
- Text sections on freight and advance construction are proposed to be eliminated.
    - Although important, these sections in the policy document do not provide or list any applicant requirements.

DRCOG initial programming

- Added text: DRCOG reserves the right to hold back funding for future programming if it’s believed upcoming legislation is not defined enough to provide detailed future funding estimates. If this arises, all parties will be notified.
    - This allows DRCOG the ability to program less than 100% of future estimated funding for the calls for projects, based on the premise that’s it safer to provide additional funding opportunities later rather than reduce or eliminate recently funded scope elements or entire projects if funding estimates are off.
- Elimination of the dual track method in both calls for projects, including the opportunity to reduce match to only 10%.
    - DRCOG has no MMOF funding to program until Fiscal Year 2031, coupled with the lack of current stability of the funding source.
- Updated the set-aside programs and four-year DRCOG funding, in addition to referencing the specific set-aside policy document.

- Included a TIP commitment for $1 million of FY2028 STBG funding for DRCOG staff to supplement future federal planning funds to allocate towards regional MPO planning activities, as contained within future Unified Planning Work Programs, or UPWPs.

DRCOG calls for projects

- The six project and program investment priorities have been updated to match the expected 2050 RTP document to be amended in late 2026.
- Updated minimum match requirements for projects. The minimum match will remain at 20% within applications, however, 18.5% will be utilized on projects in their IGA's, and 1.5% will be invoiced by DRCOG as a TIP administrative fee (see below).
    - Effectively, by decreasing the minimum local match on projects from 20% to 18.5%, the maximum federal share increases from 80% to 81.5%.
- Instead of instructing applicants to utilize a 3% inflation factor, they are asked to review the current construction index provided by CDOT to assist in developing a factor.
- Language has been added referencing a TIP administrative fee. The fee is a result of revised DRCOG member contribution calculations and methodology, where a 1.5% fee is assessed on any DRCOG-allocated funding for any TIP project approved by the Board. The fee is then invoiced and becomes part of the project sponsors DRCOG membership contribution.
    - The fee is a replacement for an anticipated 50% reduction in dues based on a revised membership contribution methodology.
- A new paragraph has been included to highlight the importance for applicants to review all project elements before applying for funds.
    - Ultimately, by investing time and energy upfront before applying, this should lead to a higher percentage of projects delivered on time and within budget.
- A new paragraph has been included outlining a new requirement for walk audits to be completed as part of all application submittals. Major project type exceptions include studies, procurement-only projects, transit service and other non-infrastructure project types.
- A new paragraph has been included outlining a new requirement for active transportation counts to be conducted after a new and/or enhanced active transportation facility is included as part of an approved TIP application.
- Updated the project delays section to better outline the entire process as two steps; step one is the existing monthly updates that sponsors provide, and step 2 is the existing first- and second-year delay process.
    - This section has only been re-worded, with no proposed policy changes.

Regional Share call for projects

- The eligibility table has been updated:

    - Air quality staging periods adjusted in accordance with the anticipated 2050 RTP update.
    - Regional BRT projects have been incorporated into the transit category.
    - Transit service must be fully defined within the application scope and is limited to a maximum of three years of DRCOG funding.
    - Safety, active transportation and freight project location eligibility has expanded to include any project on the DRCOG Regional Roadway System.
    - Studies can be located anywhere, removing the previous eligibility requirement that studies were required to include the entire MPO.
    - An “other” category has been added, expanding eligibility to a project type or program beyond the types that are listed in the table, as long as it meets the eligibility of the funding types being used in a call.
- The criteria section has been updated to include a new section, in addition to updated weightings.
- For the project review panel, the number of subject matter experts has been reduced from 5 to 3, which is historically the number who have been involved previously.

Subregional Share call for projects

- Subregional Share funding targets by county has been updated.
- The eligibility table has been updated:
    - Air quality staging periods adjusted in accordance with the anticipated 2050 RTP update.
    - Regional BRT projects have been incorporated into the transit category.
    - Transit service must be fully defined within the application scope and is limited to a maximum of three years of DRCOG funding.
    - Safety and freight project location eligibility has expanded to include any project on the DRCOG Regional Roadway System.
- The criteria section has been updated to include a new section, in addition to updated weightings.
- In the Subregional Share process, county transportation forums currently have the option to have DRCOG score a stated maximum number of applications. The option for forums still exists for DRCOG to score, but the maximum applications per forum has been removed.

TIP development, adoption and revisions

- Additional emphasis has been requested by our federal partners to meet with all regional partners to finalize funding type assignments before the draft TIP is released for public comment.
- In the adoption process, it’s been noted that both the actions taken by RTC and the Board must be identical.

- The funding change threshold for administrative modifications verses amendments has increased from $5 million to $10 million.
- If DRCOG funding allocations have become overprogrammed since the TIP was adopted due to funding reductions, DRCOG will first use funding from any cancelled projects to make the entire program whole again, before allowing the returned funds to be reprogrammed.
- Language has been added outlining the process to take place when CDOT STIP actions are necessary before TIP actions take place.
- Any newly identified revenues will first be used by DRCOG to reverse any previous funding decreases.

Appendixes

- Appendix A, RTD and CDOT selection process, has been removed.
- Appendix B (now proposed to be Appendix A), eligible projects by funding source, has been reviewed for federal eligibility changes since the last calls for projects.
- Appendix C (now proposed to be Appendix B), eligible 2050 RTP projects, has been updated.
- Appendix D (now proposed to be Appendix C), base TIP application questions, has been updated.



TIP Policy Document: Review of Draft Amendment

Board of Directors – November 18, 2026

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Purpose.

- Purpose for today: review proposed amendments to date to the TIP Policy. Material attached:
  - Attachment 1: Red-lined of proposed changes to the TIP Policy document.
  - Attachment 2: Overview of proposed changes document, organized by section. These are just the high-level changes are not all-encompassing.
    - This presentation will not cover all the high-level changes.

- December Board: seeking action.

Proposed changes: Agency roles and requirements

- Matching funds availability: from “reasonably expected to be available at application time” to “available at application time or expected to before IGA process begins”.

- Projects that affect air quality to match RTP language: “capacity” to “regionally significant” and “capital project” refers to any infrastructure project.

Proposed changes: DRCOG initial programming

- Dual tracks removed due to no MMOF to program.
- DRCOG request for a TIP commitment of $1 million/year in FY 2028 STBG to supplement and “bridge” federal planning funds to maintain federal planning activities and requirements until a new surface transportation reauthorization bill is passed.
- Updated TIP Set-asides (see next slide).
  - 20-23 TIP: set-asides 20.5% of total initially programmed.
  - Projected 29-32 TIP: 16.5%

TIP Set-Asides Updated.

Set-aside program	2024-2027 funding	2029-2032 funding	Percent Change
Air Quality Improvements	$7,920,000	$8,020,000	$100,000 increase
Human Service Transportation	$8,000,000	$8,000,000	No change
Livable Centers Small-Area Planning	$2,500,000	$3,000,000	$500,000 increase
Regional Transportation Operations and Technology	$20,000,000	$20,000,000	No change
Transportation Demand Management	$15,440,000	$17,020,000	$1,580,000 increase
Community-Based Transportation Planning	$2,500,000	$12,000,000	$2,500,000 increase
Innovative Mobility	$4,000,000		
Transportation Corridor Planning	$3,000,000		
Total	**$63,360,000**	**$68,040,000**	**$4.680,000 increase**

Proposed changes: Calls for projects.

- Investment priorities updated to match draft RTP (multimodal mobility removed, Reliability added)
- Minimum match requirement remains at 20%, but now 18.5% used for projects in executed IGAs and 1.5% invoiced by DRCOG after TIP is adopted as the TIP Administrative Fee.
  - Minimum ratio: from 80/20 to 81.5/18.5.
- TIP Administrative Fee: result of revised DRCOG member contribution calculations and methodology. 1.5% fee placed upon DRCOG-allocation Board-approved projects. Fee is a replacement for anticipated 50% reduction in membership contribution.

Proposed changes: Call for Projects (cont.)

- Inflation factor: replaced 3% factor with asking applicants to review the current construction index provided by CDOT.

- Added Walk Audit requirement for all applications, except for studies, procurement, transit service, and other non-infrastructure projects.

- Required after counts for all new/enhanced active transportation facilities.

Proposed changes: Regional Share call

- Eligibility table updated/expanded:
  - Safety, active transportation, freight projects: anywhere on Regional Roadway System.
  - Transit service must be defined.
  - Studies don’t need to cover entire MPO.

- Added new “Regionalism” section to application and updated weightings.

Proposed changes: Subregional Share call

- Funding targets by county has been updated.
- Eligibility table updated/expanded:
  - Safety, freight projects: anywhere on Regional Roadway System.
  - Transit service must be defined.
- Updated application section weightings.
- Removed table outlining the maximum number of applications DRCOG staff would provide scoring assistance with.

Proposed changes: development and adoption

- TIP administrative modification funding threshold increase from $5 million to $10 million.
- Reduced TIP revenues? Returned/cancelled project funding applies to making program whole, before allowing returned funds to be reprogrammed.
- New TIP revenues? First will apply towards current over-programming balances.
- Appendixes: eligible RTP projects and base application questions added.

Thank you!

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Board of Directors

Meeting date: November 18, 2026

Agenda Item #: 13

Administrative modifications to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program

Agenda item type: Informational item

Summary

November 2026 administrative modifications to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

Background

Per the Board-adopted Policies for Transportation Improvement Program Development, administrative modifications to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program are reviewed and processed by staff. Administrative modifications represent revisions to projects that do not require formal action by the Board of Directors.

After the Board is informed of the administrative modifications, the modifications are processed and posted on the Transportation Improvement Program web page. They are then emailed to the Transportation Improvement Program Notification List, which includes members of the Transportation Advisory Committee, the Regional Transportation Committee, project sponsors, staff of various federal and state agencies, and other interested parties.

Project Number	Sponsor	Title	Reason for Amendment	New/Removed Funding
2008-103	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 FASTER Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise Pool	Add one pool project	Add $1,000,000 in state FASTER Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise funding.
2012-107	CDOT DTR	Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (FTA 5310 - CDOT)	Add five pool projects	Add $1,362,000 in federal Section 5310 funding.
2024-048	Lakewood	W Colfax Safety Improvements: Teller to Sheridan	Add funding	Add $250,000 in federal Congressionally Directed Spending funding.
2024-085	CDOT DTR	Clean Transit Enterprise Pool	Add eight pool projects	Add $3,586,000 in state Legislative-Transit funding.

Project Number	Sponsor	Title	Reason for Amendment	New/Removed Funding
New project	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 State Freight Pool	Add new project	Add $50,000 in state Freight Operations Fund and Fuels Impact Enterprise Fund funding.
New project	CDOT Region 1	I25 Segment 2B: 104th to 120th - Preconstruction	Add new project	Add $60,000 in state 10 Year Plan funding.

Action by others
None

Previous discussion/action
None

Recommendation
None

Attachment(s)
November 2026 Administrative Modifications to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

For more information
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Board of Directors

Meeting date: November 18, 2026

Agenda Item #: 14

Draft 2027 Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues

Agenda item type: Informational item

Summary
This item concerns approval of the 2027 Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues.

Background
Each year, the Board adopts two policy statements on a range of specific state and federal legislative issues. These documents provide the DRCOG Board, staff and lobbyists with policy direction on legislative issues during the coming year. Note that DRCOG staff is not recommending any changes for the 2027 Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues.

If a Board member has suggested revisions to the draft, you are encouraged to contact staff no later than December 4, 2026.

Action by others
None

Previous discussion/action
None

Recommendation
None

Attachments
Link: 2027 Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues

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