

# **DRCOG FY2022-2025 TIP – Arapahoe County Subregion**

Subregional Share Air Quality/Multimodal (AQ/MM)
Application Programming Federal Fiscal Years 2023-2025

#### **APPLICATION OVERVIEW**

<u>What</u>: The Subregional Share Call for Projects for the FY2022-2025 TIP, programming fiscal years 2023-2025 <u>Funding Available</u>: \$161,292,000 overall. Target of \$30,016,000 for Arapahoe County (estimated as of the open date)

**Application**: Air Quality & Multimodal (AQ/MM) eligible projects only

Major Project Eligibility Exceptions: Roadway capacity, roadway reconstruction, bridge, interchange projects

**<u>Call Opens</u>**: May 2, 2022

Call Closes: June 24, 2022, 3 pm

Application Submittals: submit the items below online through the submittal link on the TIP Data Hub

- 1. REQUIRED: a <u>single PDF document</u> containing the below. Please <u>DO NOT</u> attach additional cover pages, embed graphics in the application, or otherwise change the format of the application form.
  - a. this application
  - b. one location map/graphic
  - c. cost estimate (your own or the CDOT cost estimate form)
  - d. CDOT/RTD concurrence response (if applicable)
  - e. any required documentation based on the application text (i.e., FHWA emissions calculators)
  - f. project support letters and/or Request for Peer Agency Support
- 2. OPTIONAL: Submit one additional PDF document containing any supplemental materials, if applicable
- 3. REQUIRED: Submit a zipped GIS shapefile of your project. Requests for assistance with creating a shapefile should be submitted to <a href="mailto:tipapplications@drcog.org">tipapplications@drcog.org</a> no later than June 3, 2022

#### **Other Notable items:**

- <u>TIP Trainings</u>: To be eligible to submit an application, at least one person from your agency must have attended one of the two mandatory TIP training workshops (February 10 and February 16, 2022)
- <u>CDOT/RTD Concurrence</u>: If required, <u>CDOT and/or RTD concurrence</u> must be provided with the application submittal. The CDOT/RTD concurrence request is due to CDOT/RTD no later than May 13, 2022, with CDOT/RTD providing a response no later than June 10, 2022. Submit requests to the following: CDOT Region 1 JoAnn Mattson, <u>joann.mattson@state.co.us</u>; CDOT Region 4 Josie Hadley, <u>josie.hadley@state.co.us</u>; RTD Chris Quinn, <u>chris.quinn@rtd-denver.com</u>
- If a submitted application in Call #1 was not funded, and you wish to resubmit the same application for this call, please contact DRCOG at <a href="mailto:tipapplications@drcog.org">tipapplications@drcog.org</a>. In these cases, we can unlock the application, change the title, and save the applicant work in the resubmittal process.
- Application Data: To assist sponsors in filling out the application, DRCOG has developed a TIP Data
  Tool to streamline quantitative analyses requested in the application. A link to the TIP Data Tool and
  instructions on how to use it are available on the TIP Data Hub. Additionally, sponsors may download
  datasets to run their own analyses from this same site. Requests for additional data or calculations
  from DRCOG staff should be submitted to tipapplications@drcog.org no later than June 3, 2022
- <u>Project Affirmation</u>: The application must be affirmed by either the applicant's City or County Manager, Chief Elected Official (Mayor or County Commission Chair) for local governments, or agency director or equivalent for other applicants
- <u>TIP Policy</u>: Further details on project eligibility, evaluation criteria, and the selection process are defined in the <u>Policies for TIP Program Development</u> document (a <u>quick-guide</u> is also available for reference)
- Evaluation Process: DRCOG staff will review submittals for eligibility and post to the DRCOG website (June 27-July 1). Applications and scoring sheets will then be provided to the individual subregional forums no later than July 1. The forums will then review, score, discuss, and rank the applications and provide a recommended funding list within the funding available by August 5. The forums' recommendations will then be forwarded to the DRCOG committee process for incorporation into the adopted TIP
- If you have any questions or need assistance, reach out to us at <u>tipapplications@drcog.org</u>

#### **APPLICATION FORMAT**

The AQ/MM Subregional Share application contains two parts: project information and evaluation questions.

## **Project Information**

Applicants enter **foundational** information for the *project/program/study* (hereafter referred to as *project*), including a problem statement, project description, and concurrence documentation from CDOT and/or RTD, if applicable. This section is not scored.

## **Evaluation Questions**

This part includes four sections (A-D) for the **applicant to provide qualitative and quantitative responses** to use for scoring projects. The checkboxes and data entry fields should <u>guide</u> the applicant's responses. They are not directly scored but provide context as reviewers consider the full response to each question. Applicants may access the TIP Data Tool and additional data resources which applicants may find useful <u>here</u>.

**Scoring Methodology**: Each section will be scored on a scale of 0 to 5, <u>relative</u> to other applications received. All questions will be factored into the final score, with any questions left blank receiving 0 points. The four sections are weighted and scored as follows:

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Projects will be evaluated on the degree to which they address a significant regional or subregional problem or benefit people throughout the subregion. Relevant quantitative data should be included within narrative responses.

The project benefits will substantially address a major regional or subregional problem and benefit people and businesses in multiple subregions.

The project benefits will significantly address a major subregional problem primarily benefiting people and businesses in one subregion.

The project benefits will either moderately address a major subregional problem or significantly address a moderate-level subregional problem.

The project benefits will moderately address a moderate-level subregional problem.

The project benefits will address a minor subregional problem.

The project does not address a subregional problem.

#### Section B. Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan Priorities ......50%

The TIP's investments should implement the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan (2050 MVRTP) regional project and program investment priorities, which contribute to addressing the Board-adopted Metro Vision objectives and the federal performance-based planning framework required by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration as outlined in current federal transportation legislation and regulations. Therefore, projects will be evaluated on the degree to which they address the six priorities identified in the 2050 MVRTP: safety, active transportation, air quality, multimodal mobility, freight, and regional transit. It is anticipated that projects may not be able to address all six priorities, but it's in the applicant's interest to address as many priority areas as possible. Relevant quantitative data is required to be included within narrative responses. The table below demonstrates how each priority area will be scored.

5	The project provides demonstrable <b>substantial</b> benefits in the 2050 MVRTP priority area and is determined to be in the <b>top fifth</b> of applications based on the magnitude of benefits in that priority area.
4	The project provides demonstrable significant benefits in the 2050 MVRTP priority area.
3	The project provides demonstrable <b>moderate</b> benefits in the 2050 MVRTP priority area and is determined to be in the <b>middle fifth</b> of applications based on the magnitude of benefits in that priority area.
2	The project provides demonstrable <b>modest</b> benefits in the 2050 MVRTP priority area.
1	The project provides demonstrable <b>slight</b> benefits in the 2050 MVRTP priority area and is determined to be in the <b>bottom fifth</b> of applications based on the magnitude of benefits in that priority area.
0	The project does not provide demonstrable benefits in the 2050 MVRTP priority area.

Score	% non-Subregional Share funds
5	60% and above
4	50-59.9%
3	40-49.9%
2	20-39.9%
1	10.1-19.9%
0	10%

5	<b>Substantial</b> readiness is demonstrated and all known obstacles that are likely to result in project delays have been mitigated.
4	<b>Significant</b> readiness is demonstrated and several known obstacles that are likely to result in project delays have been mitigated.
3	<b>Moderate</b> readiness is demonstrated and some known obstacles that are likely to result in project delays have been mitigated.
2	<b>Slight</b> readiness is demonstrated and some known obstacles that are likely to result in project delays have been mitigated.
1	Few mitigation or readiness activities have been demonstrated.
0	No mitigation or readiness activities have been demonstrated.

			Pr	oject Inforr	matio	n						
1.	Proje	ect Title			Arapa	hoe County	Transit	and Micro	-mobility Study	/		
2.	Provide a map, as appropriate (see Page 1)			Start point: End point: OR Geographic Area: Urban area of Arapahoe County Arapahoe County, Aurora, Centennial, Greenwood Village, Littleton,								
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<b>4.</b> Na	-	ect Con		Person:			Title	Transnor	tation Division	Manager		
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						County  Provide date of adoption by council/board/commission, if						
Provide link to document(s) and referenced page number if possible, or provide documentation in		Public Engagement occurred at 3 different tile development of the Arapahoe County 2040 of Study will provide more detail regarding a page of the Arapahoe County 2040 of t		40 TMP, of which the								
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FO	FOR ALL PHASES Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) e assumed process is 4-9 months)		executed	(with CDC	OT/RTD;		1/1/23					
	Desi	gn		Design contract N	Notice to	Proceed (N	TP) issue	d (if using	a consultant):			
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				Environmental scoping meeting held with CDOT (if no consultant):								

	Initial set of ROW plans submitted	to CDOT:				
Right-of-Way	ROW acquisition completed:					
	Estimated number of parcels to acquire:					
	FIR (Field Inspection Review):					
Construction	FOR (Final Office Review):					
	Required clearances:					
	Project publicly advertised:					
Study	Kick-off meeting held after consultations consultant):	ant NTP (or internal if no	05/2023			
Bus Service	Service begins:					
Equipment Purchase (Procurement)	RFP/RFQ/RFB (bids) issued:					
Other:	First invoice submitted to CDOT/RT	TD:				
other.						
8. Problem Statem	nent: What specific subregional prob	lem/issue will the transportation pro	oject address?			
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very difficult to		rea of Arapanoe County are underse	rved, making these trips			
	e study can be used for developmen	t plans that will be needed as part of	RTD's new governance			
model of having	service councils.					
9. Identify the proj	ect's <b>key elements</b> . A single project r	may have multiple project elements.				
Roadway		Active Transportation Improv	ements			
Operatio	nal Improvements	Bicycle Facility				
		Pedestrian Facility				
Grade Separation	on					
Roadway	/					
Railway						
Bicycle		Improvements Impacting	Freight			
Pedestrian						
		Multimodal Mobility (i.e., accommodating a broad				
Regional Trans	it <sup>1</sup>	range of users)				
Rapid Tr	ansit Capacity (2050 MVRTP)	Complete Streets Improvements				
	Hub(s)					
Transit P	lanning Corridors	<b>⊠</b> Study				

☐ Transit Facilities/Service (Expansion/New)	Other, briefly describe:
Safety Improvements	
<sup>1</sup> For any project with transit elements, the sponsor must cost. Be sure to include RTD's concurrence in your ap	coordinate with RTD to ensure RTD agrees to the scope and plication submittal.

**10.** Define the **scope** and **specific elements** of the project (including any elements checked in #9 above). <u>DO NOT</u> include scope elements that will not be part of the DRCOG funded project or your IGA scope of work (i.e., adjacent locally funded improvements or the project merits and benefits). Please keep the response to this question tailored to details of the scope only and no more than five sentences. Determine the existing conditions by defining current transit services within Arapahoe County and the transit services that continue in and out of Arapahoe County. The study will; focus on the complete trip, origins and destinations, identify areas with lack of transit services/infrastructure in the urban area of the County and determine what type of services could be used to meet these needs, determine the transit needs of commuters in the urban areas of Arapahoe County including those that come in and out of the County by coordinating with adjacent jurisdictions to address need of trips going from one jurisdiction to another, seek input from providers to give input on existing services and future solutions. The study will also make recommendations on adding and/or enhancing transit services throughout Arapahoe County including accessability and leveraging existing investments made intransit. The study will perform Public Outreach activities to determine gaps in transit services/infrastructure and seek feedback on recommendations. The feedback from recent studies will be incorporated into the project including RTD Reimagine efforts. The study will develop recommendations for transit and micro-mobility improvements. Recommendations will include; early action items that can be done immediately, Near Term Projects (0 to 5 year), Mid Term Projects (5 to 10 year), Long Term Projects (10 to 20 year). The recommendations will include cost estimates. Solutions that address the first and final miles needs, mobility hub implementations, micro-mobility, and other challenging items that are identified in the study. The study will include the development and implementation of a pilot project including; pilot project prioritization, administration of the pilot project, contracting for services needed to implement project, and evaluation of the pilot with performance measures. The study will also create standardized information to be shared with RTD Service Councils by locals that address: growth and development, changes in demographics, and transit needs. The project will identify grant opportunities that will implement study recommendations. In addition, the results of the study will provide input to RTD Service Council for Arapahoe County. 11. What is the current status of the proposed scope as defined in Question 10 above? Note that overall project readiness is addressed in more detail in Section D below. The scope of the study has been drafted with cooperation and participation from Arapahoe County, Aurora, Centennial, Greenwood Village, and Littleton and if successful the scope is in a status that can be finalized with a few meetings. 12. Would a smaller DRCOG-allocation than requested be acceptable, while Yes No maintaining the original intent of the project?

If yes, smaller meaningful limits, size, service level, phases, or scopes, along with the cost,  $\underline{\textit{MUST}}$  be defined.

Smaller DRCOG funding request: The applicants have a sense that the study will need to be funded fully to be effective and accomplish the original intent of the project.

Outline the differences between the scope outlined above and the reduced scope:

Project Financial Information and Funding Request	(All funding amount	ts in \$1,000s)
Total amount of Subregional Share Funding Request (in \$1,000's)  (No less than \$100,000 and not to exceed 90% of the total project cost)  Check box if requesting only state MMOF funds (requires minimum 50% local funds) <sup>1</sup>	\$ <mark>1,295</mark>	89.00% of total project cost
Match Funds (in \$1,000's)  List each funding source and contribution amount.	Contribution Amount	% Contribution to Overall Project Total
Arapahoe County	\$20	1%
Local jurisdictions (Aurora, Centennial, Englewood, Greenwood Village, Littleton)	\$108	7%
SPIDM/Denver South	\$32	2%
	\$	0%
	\$	0%
	\$	0%
Total Match (private, local, state, another subregion, or federal)	\$160	11.00%
Project Total	\$1,455	
1. Per CDOT action, the following jurisdictions are only required to provide 25% match on the MMOF funds: Englewood, Jamestown, and Wheat Ridge.  Notes: The following jurisdictions are not required to provide a match on the MMOF funds: Federal Heights, Lakeside, Larkspur, Sheridan, and Ward.  All sponsors will still be required to have 20% match on any added federal funds.		

Funding Breakdown (in \$1,000s) (by program year) <sup>1</sup> (Total funding should match the Project Total from above)					
	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Total	
DRCOG Requested Funds	\$700	\$595	\$	\$1,295	
CDOT or RTD Supplied Funds <sup>2</sup>	\$	\$	\$	\$0	
Local Funds (Funding from sources other than DRCOG, CDOT, or RTD)	\$90	\$70	\$	\$160	
Total Funding	\$790	\$665	\$0	\$1,455	
Phase to be Initiated	Study	Study	Choose an item		
Notes:	<ol> <li>Fiscal years are October 1 through September 30 (e.g., FY 2023 is October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023). The proposed funding plan is not guaranteed if the project is selected for funding. While DRCOG will do everything it can to accommodate the applicants' request, final funding will be assigned at DRCOG's discretion within fiscal constraint. Funding amounts must be provided in year of expenditure dollars using a recommended 3% inflation factor.</li> <li>Only enter funding in this line if CDOT and/or RTD specifically give permission via concurrence letters or other written source.</li> </ol>				
Affirmation:	By checking this box, the applicant's Chief Elected Official (Mayor or County Commission Chair/City or County Manager/Agency Director) has certified it allows this application to be submitted for potential DRCOG-allocated funding and will follow all local, DRCOG, state, and federal policies and regulations if funding is awarded.				

# **Evaluation Questions**

## A. Subregional Impact of Proposed Project

WEIGHT

30%

Provide <u>qualitative and quantitative</u> responses to the following questions on the regional impact of the proposed project. Be sure to provide all required information for each question. Quantitative data from DRCOG is available here.

1. Why is this project subregionally important? Relevant quantitative data in your response is required.

The study is subregionally important due to the low amount of transit related services in the urban area of Arapahoe County. The study will focus on the commuting traffic in and out of important employement centers within and outside of the County, how to leverage previous transit investments within the County. These employement centers are critical to the economic health of the region and the State of Colorado. The study will look into origin and destinations so as to remove jurisdicitonal barriers, as well as considering underserved or non-served areas and those which don't have other forms of transportation.

The County has 3 important LRT line that run along Santa Fe, I-25, and I-225. The closing of the last half mile is critial to the effectiveness of this service. The study will explore and pilot solutions to provide this service. Leveraging existing services and expanding beyond 1/2 mile will be considered and monitored for ridership and service enhancements.

2. How will the proposed project address the specific transportation problem described in the Problem Statement (as submitted in Project Information, #8)? Relevant quantitative data in your response is required.

The study will look to increase transit ridership by 1 to 2% with a focus on the modeshift of SOV to transit. This will occur by closing gaps in transit service and increasing the number of mobility choices. The new transit services will be considered along Key Corridors within the County which were indentified in the County's 2040 Transportation Master Plan. These Key Corridors include the following roads: Arapahoe Road, Dry Creek/Mineral/Easter/Broncos Parkway, Belleview, Hampden, Buckley, Mississippi, Quincy, University, Broadway, Santa Fe, I25, I225, Parker Road, Smoky Hill, 6th Avenue, Bowles Avenue/Littleton Boulevard, Colfax, E-470, Gun Club/Aurora Parkway, Iliff, I-70, Platte Canyon, and Watkins Road.

Micro-mobility and transit services centered around the three LRT lines will help improve the accessibility of this important transit service and a person's home, work, personal business, or recreation. The transit services will compliment the first and last mile solutions. The transit study will focus on providing transit services for commuters to and from employeement centers within Arapahoe County and areas under served and without other modes of transportation.

**3.** Does the proposed project benefit multiple municipalities and/or subregions? If yes, which ones and how? Also describe any funding partnerships (other subregions, regional agencies, municipalities, private, etc.) established in association with this project.

The project will have a benefit on Arapahoe County and its surrounding neighbors. One of the focuses of the study is making the complete trip possible regardless of a jurisdiction line. This will positively impact the 12 incorporated cities within Arapahoe County and the surrounding jurisdicitions.

**4.** Describe how the project will improve access and mobility for each of the applicable disproportionately impacted and environmental justice population groups identified in the table below. <u>This data is available in the TIP Data</u> Tool.

Completing the below table and referencing <u>relevant</u> quantitative data in your response is <u>required</u>.

**DI and EJ Population Groups** 

Number within ½ mile

% of Total

Regional %

Use 2015-2019	a. Total population	894,233	-	-
American	b. Total households	369,848	-	-
Community	c. Individuals of color	360,988	40%	33%
Survey Data	d. Low-Income households	29,882	8%	9%
	e. Individuals with limited English proficiency	38,391	4%	3%
(In the TIP	f. Adults age 65 and over	117,345	13%	13%
Data Tool, use	g. Children age 5-17	150,108	17%	16%
a 0.5 mile	h. Individuals with a disability	41,035	5%	9%
buffer)	i. Households without a motor vehicle	20,121	5%	5%
	j. Households that are housing cost-burdened	110,767	30%	32%

For Lines c. – i. use definitions in the <u>DRCOG Title VI Implementation Plan</u>. For Line j., as defined in C.R.S. 24-38.5-302(3)(b)(I): "'cost-burdened' means a household that spends more than thirty percent of its income on housing."

Describe how this project will improve access and mobility for each of the applicable groups, *including the* <u>required</u> quantitative analysis: The project will have a positive impact on each of these populations. The focus of the study is to improve transit and micro-mobility services for commutes along the 24 Key Corridors. These new and improved transit services will increase transit ridership by 1 to 2% with a focus on the modeshift of SOV to transit. The 24 Key Corridors run through and along the areas where these populations live, work and play.

The new micro-mobility services will allow these populations to gain access to existing and new transit services by solving the first and last mile of a transit trip.

- **5.** How will this project move the region toward achieving the shared <u>regional transportation outcomes</u> established in <u>Metro Vision</u>?
  - Improve the diversity and livability of communities. The project will improve access to employment centers and these communities.
  - Contain urban development in locations designated for urban growth and services.
  - Increase housing and employment in urban centers.
  - Improve and expand the region's multimodal transportation system, services, and connections. The study will result in the increase of multimodal choices including micro-mobility.
  - Operate, manage, and maintain a safe and reliable transportation system. The study will increase the number of people using transit services and micro-mobility options that will remove vehicles off the road and reduce greenhouse gases.
  - Improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The study will result in projects that will
    improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by increasing transit ridership by 1 to 2%.
  - Connect people to natural resource and recreational areas. Although not a direction focus of the study the access to natural resources and recreational areas will increase.
  - Reduce the risk of hazards and their impact.
  - Increase access to amenities that support healthy, active choices. The increase in transit and micromobility services will increase access to amenities that support healthy, active choices.
  - Improve transportation connections to health care facilities and service providers. The increase in transit service will have a positive impact to the access of health care facilities and services providers as these services are located along the Key Corridors within the County.
  - Diversify the region's housing stock.
  - Improve access to opportunity. The study will improve access to opportunities by increasing the mutimodal options by addressing gaps in transit and micro-mobility services
  - Improve the region's competitive position.

6.				
	Describe how the project will improve access to and/or connection multimodal corridors, mixed-use areas, Transit Oriented Develor locally defined priority growth areas. <a href="Items marked with areas">Items marked with areas</a> . <a href="Items marked with areas">Items marked with areas</a> . <a href="Items">Items</a> marked with areas.	elopment (transit	near high-density	development),
	<ul> <li>Is there a DRCOG designated urban center within ½ n</li> <li>✓ Yes  No If yes, please provide the name: I-225</li> </ul>	• •		ter Hamnden
Bel Ave	wn Center, Florida, Buckingham Center, Tamarac & Hampden, lleview Station, Southmoor Park TOD, 1st Avenue Center, I-25 enue, Jewell Avenue, Fitzsimons, Smoky Hill, Southglenn, E-470 ation TOD, Littleton Downtown, Federal and Evans, Highlands R	Denver Technolo Corridor, 13th Av O / I-70, East Colfa	gy Center, Aurora enue, Colorado Sta ax Main Street, Cit	City Center, ation, Colfax
510	<ul> <li>Does the project connect two or more urban centers</li> <li>Yes No If yes, please provide the names:</li> </ul>		-1	
	■ Is there a transit stop or station within ½ mile of the particles.  Bus stop: Yes No If yes, how many? 1847 Rail station: Yes No If yes, how many? 19	project limits?*		
	<ul> <li>Is the project in a locally-defined priority growth and</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>	development are	a?	
	If yes, provide a link to the relevant planning documents of the second		rument:	
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Ara	Yes No If yes, please provide the zoning distrapahoe County	ict designation(s)	: Those located in	the urban area of
		2000	2050	
	Provide households and employment data*  Households within ½ mile	<b>2020</b> 369,848	<b>2050</b> 481,187	
	Jobs within ½ mile		831,937	
		623,562		
	Household density (per acre) within ½ mile	2.90	3.75 9.80	
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on the corridor services need to be considered. These Key Corridors include Arapahoe Road, Dry

Key corridors identified within Arapahoe County's 2040 Transportation Master Plan will help inform the project

Creek/Mineral/Easter/Broncos Parkway, Belleview, Hampden, Buckley, Mississippi, Quincy, University, Broadway, Santa Fe, I25, I225, Parker Road, Smoky Hill, 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Bowles Avenue/Littleton Boulevard, Colfax, E-470, Gun Club/Aurora Parkway, Iliff, I-70, Platte Canyon, and Watkins Road.

# B. MVRTP Priorities weight 50%

• Qualitative and quantitative responses are REQUIRED for the following items on how the proposed project contributes to the project and program investment priorities in the adopted 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan. To be considered for full points, you must fully answer all parts of the question, including incorporating quantitative data into your answer. (see scoring section for details). Quantitative data from DRCOG is available here.

- Checkboxes and data tables help to provide context and guide responses, but do not account for the full range of potential improvements and are not directly scored, but are required to be completed.
- Not all proposed projects will necessarily be able to answer all questions, however it is in the applicant's interest to address as many priority areas as possible.

## Multimodal Mobility

## Provide improved travel options for all modes.

(drawn from 2050 MVRTP priorities; federal travel time reliability, infrastructure condition, & transit asset management performance measures; & Metro Vision objective 4)

Examples of Project Elements: combinations of improvements that support options for a broad range of users, such as complete streets improvements, or a bicycle/pedestrian access to transit, etc.

How does this project help increase mobility choices for people, goods, and/or services? Note that any roadway operational improvements must be on the DRCOG <u>Regional Roadway System</u> and/or <u>Regional Managed Lanes</u> System.

Sys	<u>stem</u> .
•	What modes will project improvements directly address?
	Walking Bicycling Transit Roadway Operations Other: Micro-mobility
•	List the elements of this project which will address the above modes (i.e., sidewalk, shared use path, bus stop
	improvements, signal interconnection, etc.): The study will provide new services of transit and micro-mobility to
	areas that are dependent on these types of services. The current infrastructure will meet the majority of the
	improvement to transit and micro-mobility services.
•	Will the completed project be a complete street as described in the Regional Complete Streets Toolkit? This data
	is available in the TIP Data Tool.
	Yes No If yes, describe how it implements the Toolkit's strategies in your response.
•	Does this project improve travel time reliability?
	∑ Yes  No
•	Does this project improve asset management of active transportation facilities and/or transit vehicle fleets?
	∑ Yes  No
•	Does this project implement resilient infrastructure that helps the region mitigate natural and/or human-made
	hazards?
	Yes No
	Describe how this project increases mobility choices for all users, include quantitative information, including any items referenced above, in your response:
	The study will increase transit services for commuters giving those that commute more multimodal choices when
	determining how to get to work. As a result other groups of people will also benefit from this increase in transit
	services especially those who live and work close to these new services. The transit study will determine the
	location of the new transit services.
	The micro-mobility services that this study will recommend will help transit users start and finish the last mile of

their commute. This drastically increase the mobility choices for users.

Air Quality	Improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.  (drawn from 2050 MVRTP priorities; state greenhouse gas rulemaking; federal congestion & emissions reduction performance measures; Metro Vision objectives 2, 3, & 6a)  Examples of Project Elements: active transportation, transit, or TDM elements; vehicle operational improvements; electric vehicle supportive infrastructure; etc.				
How does this project help reduce congestion and air pollutants, including but not limited to, carbon monoxide, ground-level ozone precursors, particulate matter, and greenhouse gas emissions?					
•					
<ul><li>Does this project reduce congestion?</li><li></li></ul>					
<ul> <li>Does this pr</li> </ul>	oject reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT)?				

|X| Yes | | No

Emissions Reduced	со	NOx	VOCs	PM 10
(ka/day)	12 16	1 00	0.40	0.12

Use the <u>FHWA CMAQ Calculators</u> or a similar reasonable methodology to determine emissions reduced. Base your calculations on the year of opening. Please attach a screenshot of your work (such as the FHWA calculator showing the inputs and outputs) as part of your submittal packet.

Note: if not using the FHWA Calculators, please note your methodology in your narrative below.

Does this project reduce single-occupant vehicle (SOV) travel?

Describe how this project reduces air pollutants, include quantitative information, including any items referenced above, in your response:

The project will increase transit ridership by 1 to 2% with a focus on the modeshift from SOV to transit. This will have a positive impact on the reduction of emissions by removing the number of SOVs from the road network especially during the AM and PM peak commutting hours. The removal of the SOVs during the peak travel times will have a ripple effect on emmissions by roads operating at a higher level of service due to the decrease traffic demand.

The implementation of micro-mobility solutions that will help solve the first and last mile barrier. The implementation of micro-mobility will increase tranist ridership further reduing emissions.

There are many transit and micro-mobility projects that will result from this study, all of which will impact emissions. It is very difficult to determine the total emission reduction for these projects, so an example project was used. The numbers above are for a new transit service that runs along Dry Creek Road that connects the Minreral Station with the Dry Creek Station. The new service focuses on commuters and the service is provided during peak travel times.

	Regional Transit	Expand and improve the region's transit network.  (drawn from 2050 MVRTP priorities, Coordinated Transit Plan, RTD's Regional Bus Rapid Transit Feasibility Study)  Examples of Project Elements: transit lanes, station improvements, new/expanded service, etc.  Note: For any project with transit elements, the sponsor must coordinate with RTD to ensure RTD agrees to the scope and cost. Be sure to include RTD's concurrence in your application submittal.
	MVRTP? No	nis project improve connections to or expand the region's transit system, as outlined in the 2050 te that rapid transit improvements must be on the Regional Rapid Transit System. Items marked with *) below are available in the TIP Data Tool.
•		oject implement a portion of the <u>regional bus rapid transit (BRT) network</u> ?*  No If yes, which specific corridor will this project focus on?
•		oject involve a <u>regional transit planning corridor</u> ?* No If yes, which specific corridor will this project focus on? Santa Fe LRT, I-25 LRT, and I-225 LRT
•	Does this pro	oject implement a mobility hub as defined in the <u>2050 MVRTP</u> ? No
•		oject improve connections between transit and other modes? No If yes, please describe in your response.
•		ct adding new or expanded transit service?  No If yes, who will operate the service?
•		oject add and/or improve transit service to or within a DRCOG-defined urban center?* No If yes, provide the name of the urban center:
		w this project improves connections to or expands the region's transit system, include quantitative, including any items referenced above, in your response:

The project will seek to improve transit ridership by 1 to 2% by focusing on transit and micro-mobility servies for

commuting traffic within Arapahoe County.

## Safety

#### Increase the safety for all users of the transportation system.

(drawn from 2050 MVRTP priorities, Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero, CDOT Strategic Transportation Safety Plan, & federal safety performance measures)

Examples of Project Elements: bike/pedestrian crossing improvements, vehicle crash countermeasures, traffic calming, etc.

How does this project implement safety improvements (roadway, active transportation facility, etc.), particularly improvements in line with the recommendations in <u>Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero</u>? Note that any improvements on roadways must be on the DRCOG <u>Regional Roadway System</u>. <u>Items marked with an asterisk (\*)</u> below are available in the TIP Data Tool.

<ul> <li>Does this project address a location on the <u>DRCOG High-Injury</u> in a local Vision Zero or equivalent safety plan?*</li></ul>		
Provide the current number of crashes involving motor vehicles, bicyclists (using the 2015-2019 period – in the TIP Data Tool, use a 0.02 mile buffer of your NOTE: if constructing a new facility, report crashes along closest existing alternativ	project)	Sponsor must use industry accepted crash reduction factors (CRF) or accident
Fatal crashes	224	modification factor (AMF) practices (e.g.,
Serious Injury crashes	1,898	NCHRP Project 17-25, NCHRP Report 617, o
Other Injury crashes	21,120	DiExSys methodology).
Property Damage Only crashes	61,757	
Estimated reduction in crashes <u>applicable to the project scope</u> (per the five-year period used above)		Provide the methodology below:
Fatal crashes reduced	0.00	
Serious Injury crashes reduced	0.00	
Other Injury crashes reduced	0.00	
Property Damage Only crashes reduced	0.00	

Describe how this project will improve safety, include quantitative information, including any items referenced above, in your response:

# Freight

## Maintain efficient movement of goods within and beyond the region.

(drawn from 2050 MVRTP priorities; Regional Multimodal Freight Plan; Colorado Freight Plan, federal freight reliability performance measure; Metro Vision objective 14)

 ${\bf Examples\ of\ Project\ Elements:\ roadway\ operational\ improvements,\ etc.}$ 

How does this project improve the efficient movement of goods, specifically improvements identified in the Regional

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Μι	ultimodal Freight Plan? Note that any improvements on roadways must be on the DRCOG Regional Roadway
Sys	stem. Items marked with an asterisk (*) below are available in the TIP Data Tool.
•	Is this project located in or impact access to a Freight Focus Area?*
	Yes No If yes, please provide the name:
•	Is the project located on the <u>Tier 1 or Tier 2 Regional Highway Freight Vision Network</u> ?*
	∑ Yes  No
•	If this project is located in a <u>Freight Focus Area</u> does it address the relevant Needs and Issues identified in the Plan
	(see text located within each Focus Area)?
	Yes No If yes, please describe in your response.
•	Check any items from the Inventory of Current Needs which this project will address:
	Truck Crash Location Rail Crossing Safety (eligible locations)
	Truck Delay Truck Reliability
	Please provide the location(s) being addressed:
•	Does this project include any innovative or non-traditional freight supportive elements (i.e., curb management
	strategies, cargo bike supportive infrastructure, etc.)?
	Yes No If yes, please describe in your response.
	Describe how this project will improve the movement of goods, include quantitative information, including any
	items referenced above, in your response:

## Active Transportation

#### Expand and enhance active transportation travel options.

(drawn from 2050 MVRTP priorities; Denver Regional Active Transportation Plan; & Metro Vision objectives 10 & 13) Examples of Project Elements: shared use paths, sidewalks, regional trails, grade separations, etc.

How does this project help expand the active transportation network, close gaps, improve comfort, and/or improve connections to key destinations, particularly improvements in line with the recommendations in the <a href="Denver Regional">Denver Regional</a> Active Transportation Plan? Items marked with an asterisk (\*) below are available in the TIP Data Tool.

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	Does this project close a gap or extend a facility on a <u>Regional Active Transportation Corridor</u> or locally-defined priority corridor?*    Yes   No		
	Does this project improve pedestrian accessibility and connectivity in a <u>pedestrian focus area</u> ?*    Yes   No		
	Does this project improve active transportation choices in a short trip $\bigcirc$ Yes $\bigcirc$ No	opportunity zone?*	
	Does this project include a high-comfort bikeway (like a sidepath, shar boulevard)?	ed-use path, separa	ted bike lane, bicycle
	$\square$ Yes $\square$ No If yes, please describe in your response.		
	ycle Use		
	TE: if constructing a new facility, report bike usage along closest existing alternative route		
1.	Current Average Single Weekday Bicyclists:	W	0
	Bicycle Use Calculations	Year of Opening	2050 Weekday Estimate
2.	Enter estimated additional average weekday one-way bicycle trips on the facility after project is completed.	0	0
3.	Enter number of the bicycle trips (in #2 above) that will be diverting from a different bicycling route.  (Example: {#2 X 50%} or other percent, if justified on line 10 below)	0	0
1	= Initial number of new bicycle trips from project (#2 – #3)	0	0
4. 1.	Enter number of the new trips produced (from #4 above) that are replacing a trip	U	U
	made by another non-SOV mode (bus, carpool, vanpool, bike, etc.).  (Example: {#4 X 30%} (or other percent, if justified on line 10 below)	0.00	0.00
5.	= Number of SOV trips reduced per day (#4 - #5)	0.00	0.00
6.	Enter the value of {#6 x 2 miles}. (= the VMT reduced per day)	0.00	0.00
	(Values other than 2 miles must be justified by sponsor on line 10 below)	0.00	0.00
7.	= Number of pounds GHG emissions reduced (#7 x 0.95 lbs.)	0.00	0.00
8.	If values would be distinctly greater for weekends, describe the magnitude of different	ence:	
9.	If different values other than the suggested are used, please explain here:		
Ped	destrian Use		
NO	TE: if constructing a new facility, report pedestrian usage along closest existing alternative route		
2.	Current Average Single Weekday Pedestrians (including users of non-pedaled devices such as scooters and wheelchairs):		0
	Pedestrian Use Calculations	Year of Opening	2050 Weekday Estimate
3.	Enter estimated additional average weekday pedestrian one-way trips on the facility after project is completed	0	0
4.	Enter number of the new pedestrian trips (in #2 above) that will be diverting from a different walking route (Example: <b>{#2 X 50%}</b> or other percent, if justified on line 10 below)	0	0
5.	= Number of new trips from project (#2 – #3)	0	0
6.	Enter number of the new trips produced (from #4 above) that are replacing a trip made by another non-SOV mode (bus, carpool, vanpool, bike, etc.).  (Example: {#4 X 30%} or other percent, if justified on line 10 below)	0.00	0.00
-	= Number of COV trins reduced nor day (#4 #E)	0.00	0.00

8.	Enter the value of <b>{#6 x .4 miles}</b> . ( <b>= the VMT reduced per day</b> ) (Values other than .4 miles must be justified by sponsor on line 10 below)	0.00	0.00
9.	= Number of pounds GHG emissions reduced (#7 x 0.95 lbs.)	0.00	0.00
	. If values would be distinctly greater for weekends, describe the magnitude of differe	ence:	
11	. If different values other than the suggested are used, please explain here:		

Describe how this project will expand the active transportation network, close gaps, improve comfort, and/or improve connections to key destinations, include quantitative information, including any items referenced above, in your response:

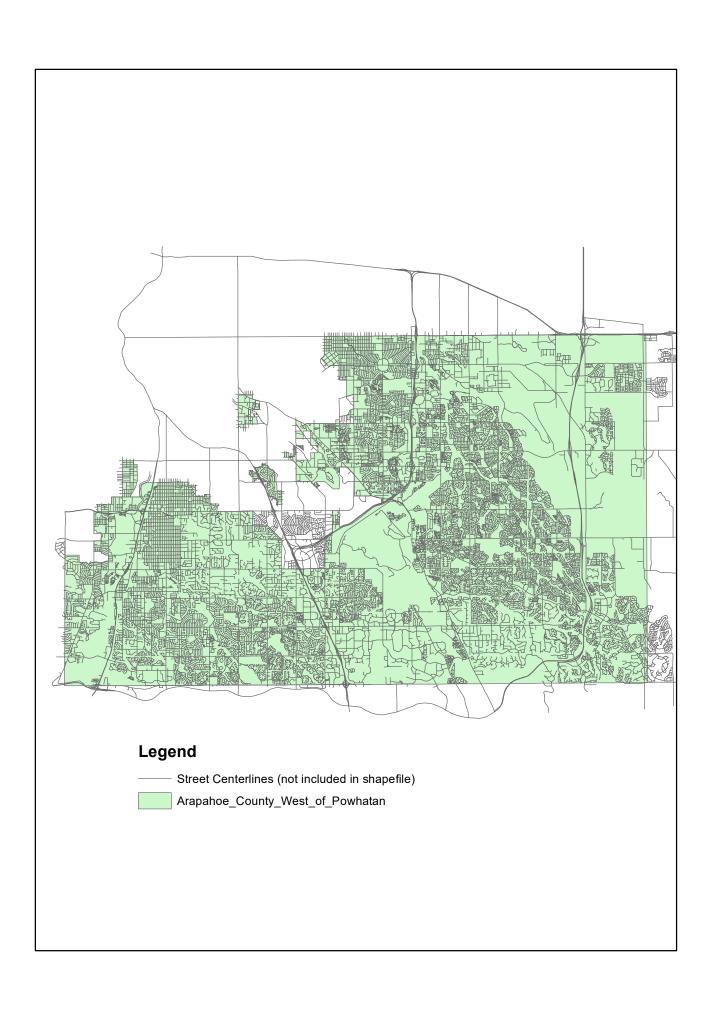
This project will be looking to implement micro-mobility solutions to remove the barrier of the first and last mile. The micro-mobility services would benefit the active transportation corridors when these micro-mobility solutions are deployed close to these corridors. The study will determine the exact location the micro-mobility service.

C.	Project Leveraging			WEIGHT	10%
	What percent of outside funding sources (non- Subregional Share funding) does this project have? (number will automatically calculate based on values entered in the Funding Request table)	11.00%	60%+ outside func 50-59.9%		4 pts 3 pts 2 pts 1 pt
D.	Project Readiness			WEIGHT	10%
	Provide responses to the following items to demonst projects that have a higher likelihood to move forwadelay.				_
Sec	tion 1. Avoiding Pitfalls and Roadblocks				
a.	Has a licensed engineer (CDOT, consultant, local ag have on utilities, railroads, ROW, historic and environce been mitigated as much as possible to date before Yes No N/A (for projects which of the second of the	onmental resour this submittal? do not require e ich certifies thei	rces, etc. and have those ngineering services) r review and that impac	e impacts a	and pitfalls
	Please describe the status to date on each, including activities taken to date:  Utilities: Railroad: Right-of-Way: This project will be able to op Environmental/Historic: Other:			ks, and 2)	mitigation
b.	Is this application for a single project phase only (i.e study, bus service, equipment purchase, etc.)?  Yes No  If yes, are the other prerequisite phases complete?  If this project is for construction, please note the N	Yes No	⊠ N/A	ion, consti	ruction only,
c.	Has all required ROW been identified? Yes Has all required ROW already been acquired and cl	☐ No  ☐ N/A eared by CDOT?	Yes No No	<b>′</b> A	
d.	Based on the current status provided in Project Info your IGA by October 1 of your first year of funding (your IGA as soon as possible), so you can begin your IGA as your agency have the appropriate staff available.	or if requesting f project on time	first year funding, begin ? —————	ning discu	
	If yes, are they knowledgeable with the federal-aid	process? X	es 🗌 No		
e.	Have other stakeholders in your project been identi  ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A	fied and involve	d in project developme	nt?	

	If yes, who are the stakeholders? The project stakeholders include Arapahoe County, Aurora, Centennial, Greenwood Village, Littleton, SPIMD/Denver South
	Please provide any additional details on any of the items in Section 1, if applicable.  The project will look at providing transit services to those who are and desire to use transit service in and through Arapahoe County. The study will be able to perform the scope of work within the alloted timeframe and will also utilize many existing studies to inform the plan. The project will also look to implement pilot projects. The project will develop, implement and evaluate pilot projects.
	Public Outreach activities to determine gaps in transit services/infrastructure and seek feedback on recommendations. The feedback from recent studies will be incorporated into the project including RTD Reimagine efforts.
	The study will develop recommendations for transit and micro-mobility improvements. Recommendations will include; early action items that can be done immediately, Near Term Projects (0 to 5 year), Mid Term Projects (5 to 10 year), Long Term Projects (10 to 20 year). The recommendations will include cost estimates. Solutions that address the first and final miles needs, mobility hub implementations, micro-mobility, and other challenging items that are identified in the study.
	The study will also create standardized information to be shared with RTD Service Councils by locals that address: growth and development, changes in demographics, and transit needs.
C	The project will identify grant opportunities that will implement study recommendations. In addition, the results of the study will provide input to RTD Service Council for Arapahoe County.
Sec	tion 2. Local Match
a.	Is all the local match identified in your application currently available, and if a partnering agency is also committing match, do you have a commitment letter?    Yes   No
	Please describe: Explain the partnerships with cities and also SPIMD/Denver South
b.	Is all funding for this project currently identified in the sponsor agency's Capital Improvement Program (CIP)?  Yes No
	Please describe: The specific Countywide study is not found in the County's CIP and Call #2 has presented the local agencies within Arapahoe County the opportunity to partner together to accomplish a much needed study. The County's Transportation Master Plan outlines Goals and Strategies that the study will address: Promote an Efficient and Balanced Transportation System and Promote Alternative Transportation Solutions. While currently not in the County's CIP, a BOCC Study Session was held on 06/06/2022 to obtain BOCC support, which was obtained. therefore, if included in the TIP the County and partners will provide local match via 2023 budget approvals.
Sec	tion 3. Public Support
а.	Has the proposed project previously been through a public review process (public comment period, public hearing, etc.)?  Yes No
b.	Has the public had access to translated project materials in relevant languages for the local community?  Yes No
	Please describe:

	Outreach opportunities for the non-English speaking communities in the County was provided during the development of Arapahoe County's 2040 Transportation Master Plan. Spanish translations were provided for key project website content, including surveys, meeting notices, and instructions for online commenting tools.
C.	Have any adjacent property owners to the proposed project been contacted and provided with the initial project concept?  Yes No N/A
	Please provide any additional details on the items in Section 3, if applicable.

Submit completed applications through the <u>TIP Data Hub</u> no later than 3pm on June 24, 2022.



st estimate		Cost estin
<u>sting conditions</u>		\$ 123,750
<ul> <li>Define current transit services within Arapahoe County and the transit services that continue in and out of Arapahoe County</li> </ul>		\$ 56,250
<ul> <li>Identify areas with lack of transit services/infrastructure in the urban area of the County and determine what type of services could be used to meet these need:</li> <li>Recommend solutions to provide transit services to areas of the County that need additional services</li> </ul>		\$ 39,375
<ul> <li>Determine the transit needs of <u>commuters</u> in the urban areas of Arapahoe County including those that come in and out of the County</li> </ul>	125	\$ 28,125
<ul> <li>Coordinate with adjacent jurisdictions to address need of trips going from one jurisdiction to another</li> </ul>		\$
<ul> <li>Contact providers to provide input on existing services and future solutions</li> </ul>		\$
o Areas of interest		\$
<ul> <li>Medical and service trips</li> </ul>		\$
Senior communities		\$
<ul> <li>East and West connections</li> </ul>		\$
<ul> <li>Define/list transit services</li> </ul>		\$
ic Outreach/Stakeholder Outreach	615	\$ 138,37
Public outreach:		\$
o Phase 1 - define gap in transit services/infrastructure	300	\$ 67,50
Phase 2 - feedback on recommendations	175	\$ 39,3
o Incorporated RTD public outreach comments		\$ 9,00
Stakeholder outreach	100	\$ 22,50
Creation	890	\$ 950,25
Develop plan:	350	\$ 78,75
o Recommendations		\$
■ Near term – 0 to 5 yr		\$
Early action items - now		\$
• Mid-term – 5 to 10 yr		\$
■ Long term – 10 to 20 yr		\$
Development scenarios		\$
Reference past studies to inform the plan	40	\$ 9,00
Develop solutions that are applicable in the study area		\$
o 1st and final miles solutions		\$
Mobility hub implementation solutions		Ś
o Micro mobility solutions		Ś
Develop a pilot project that will allow alternatives to be implemented	350	\$ 78,75
Highlight the ways and locations on how we can implement every solution		\$
Project and programs		Ś
Recommend and pilot project prioritization		Ś
o Assist in the administration of the pilot project	150	\$ 33,75
<ul> <li>Help with contracting for services needed to implement project</li> </ul>		\$
Evaluation of the pilot		Ś
Develop performance measures		Ś
Collect data and score project		Ψ
Implement Pilot project		\$ 750,00
Implement The project		\$ 16,87
Create standardized information to be shared with RTD service council by locals that address: growth and development, changes in demographics, and transit need	40	
Grant application	35	
o Identify grant opportunities		\$ 7,07
Led effort in applying for grant		Ś
ect management		\$ 56,25
Project Management and coordination		\$ 56,25

 Sub-total
 2380
 \$
 1,285,500

 Contingency
 5%
 \$
 64,275

 Inflation
 8%
 \$
 104,126

 Total
 \$
 1,453,901

From: Christopher Quinn
To: James Katzer

Cc: Callison, Mac; Arthur Negretti (anegretti@centennialco.gov); Jeremy Hanak; Andrea Suhaka; Daniel Hutton

(daniel@denver-south.com); Garrett Graybeal; Maria D"Andrea; Shane Roberts; jdankenbring; Melanie Ward;

John Voboril; Todd Cottrell

Subject: RE: Request for RTD support - Arapahoe County Transit study

**Date:** Thursday, May 26, 2022 4:22:14 PM

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Hi James,

This email is to provide RTD's concurrence for **Arapahoe County's Countywide Transit and Miromobility Study** TIP application.

Please let me know if I can provide additional information.

Thanks

Chris

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**Sent:** Friday, May 13, 2022 12:02 PM

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**Subject:** Request for RTD support - Arapahoe County Transit study

#### Chris,

Please find our request for RTD support for the Arapahoe County Countywide Transit and Micromobility Study. The study has strong interest from the local jurisdictions within the County and we look forward to building upon recent RTD efforts.

Please email me with any questions,

## Jim Katzer, PE

Arapahoe County Public Works and Development Transportation Division Manager 720-874-6837



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FERIORIFICE			
Transit Bus VMT increase	500,000	Miles	
Passenger Vehicle Trip Reduction	243,363	Trips	
Passenger Vehicle VMT reduction	1,100,000	Miles	
		kg/day	
	Pollutant	<b>Total</b> kg/day	
	Carbon Monoxide (CO)	13.616	_
	Particulate Matter <2.5 μm (PM <sub>2.5</sub> )	0.035	
	Particulate Matter <10 μm (PM <sub>10</sub> )	0.119	
	Nitrogen Oxide (NOx)	1.085	
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	Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)	0.498	
		0.498	
		1,209.151	
	Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)		



To: Denver Regional Council of Governments staff

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June 15, 2022

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RE: DRCOG 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Sub-regional Share Call #2 application for Arapahoe County Transit and Micro-mobility Study

BILL L. HOLEN

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District 5

District 4

Dear DRCOG:

Arapahoe County is excited to submit a 2022-2025 TIP Call #2 application for the Arapahoe County Transit and Micro-mobility study. The urban area of Arapahoe County has seen significant development over the last 15 years and the development is projected to continue. This development has increased the need for effective and efficient transit and micro-mobility choices. The study will help the County implement 2 Goals that were defined in the 2040 Transportation Master Plan; Promote an Efficient and Balanced Transportation System and Promote Alternative Transportation Solutions.

The Study will focus on the urban area within Arapahoe County and will define existing conditions of transit service, define the need for transit and micro-mobility needs, determine the gap between service and needs, determine future transit needs, and develop a plan to meet these needs in the future. The project will also develop a list of potential pilot projects to implement. This study will look to implement at least one of these pilot projects.

The project has received concurrence from RTD and has received support for coordination from Douglas County and Jefferson County. The local jurisdictions that are sponsoring the project include Arapahoe County, Aurora, Centennial, Englewood, and Greenwood Village, Littleton and Denver South Transportation Management Association (TMA). This project will build upon the Regional Transportation District (RTD) Reimagine effort and other recently completed studies.

This letter is intended to convey the County Board of County Commissioners' (BOCC) support for the Arapahoe County Transit and Micro-mobility Study. Please share this support with other members of the Selection Committee. If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this project and involvement of Arapahoe County, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

ARAPAHOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**Commissioner Nancy Jackson** 

Chair of Board



June 22, 2022

To: Denver Regional Council of Governments staff

RE: Support for Arapahoe County Transit and Micro-mobility Study Application: DRCOG 2022-2025
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Sub-regional Share Call #2

Dear DRCOG:

Denver South is proud to support Arapahoe County's TIP Call #2 application for the Arapahoe County Transit and Micro-mobility Study. As a partnership organization made up of public and private entities along the South I-25 Urban Corridor – including Arapahoe County – Denver South was created with the mission of supporting and developing transportation solutions to enhance mobility and drive economic development. The proposed Transit and Micro-mobility Study will directly support this mission, as well as our goals of enhancing commuter experience and developing multimodal transit connections focused on regional mobility.

As an extension of the smart planning and development vision identified in the Denver South Framework (2019), this study will be imperative for managing the future growth of the region. The urban area of Arapahoe County has seen significant development over the last 15 years and this trend is projected to continue, necessitating exploration of new ways of getting around. Denver South, Arapahoe County, City of Centennial, Greenwood Village, CDOT, DRCOG, RTD and our other partners have to date invested millions of dollars into transit infrastructure through projects such as T-REX, the Southeast Rail Extension (SERE), and various bicycle and pedestrian improvements. This funding would help the area continue to serve residents as well as visitors from throughout the region and state to keep Colorado's economy moving.

This effort will focus on the urban area within Arapahoe County – including the South I-25 corridor - and will define existing conditions of transit service, define the need for transit and micro-mobility needs, determine the gap between service and needs, determine future transit needs, and develop a plan to meet these needs in the future. It will also develop a list of potential pilot projects and look to implement at least one pilot as part of the request. This project will build upon the Regional Transportation District (RTD) Reimagine effort and other recently completed studies, such as Denver South's North-South Regional Bicycle Corridors Study.

Arapahoe County has always been a trusted partner of Denver South, and as a mobility leader, we believe the County is well suited to deliver on this study. On behalf of Denver South, I fully support this application. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions at tom@denver-south.com or (303)531-8379.

Sincerely,

Thomas Brook
President & CEO



June 24th, 2022

To: Denver Regional Council of Governments staff

RE: DRCOG 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Sub-regional Share Call #2 application for Arapahoe County Transit and Micro-mobility Study

Dear Review Committee:

Please accept this letter demonstrating the City of Centennial's support for the Countywide Transit and Micromobility study, submitted by Arapahoe County. The City of Centennial is partnering with Arapahoe County, Aurora, Englewood, Greenwood Village, Littleton, and Denver South (TMA) in the funding of the project. The City of Centennial is committed to contributing either \$21,450 for Proposal A or \$17,875 for Proposal B towards the DRCOG TIP Call 2, FY23-FY25.

The City supports this project, which will focus on the urban area within Arapahoe County and will define existing conditions of transit service, define the need for transit and micro-mobility needs, determine the gap between service and needs, determine future transit needs, and develop a plan to meet these needs in the future. The project will also develop a list of potential pilot projects to implement. This study will look to implement at least one of these pilot projects.

The City of Centennial is devoted to being an involved partner in supporting and contributing to the project.

On behalf of the City of Centennial, we hope you will consider funding the Countywide Transit and Micromobility study.

Sincerely,

Jeff Dankenbring, P.E.

City of Centennial Director of Public Works

Cc: Bryan D. Weimer, Director - Public Works and Development
Jim Katzer, Division Manager, Transportation

11. Does your subregion/agency support this project? X Yes No		
12. Does your subregion/agency pledge financial support to this project, if requested?		
☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A		
If yes, provide amount: \$ Fiscal year(s) funds are provided in:		
If yes, where are funds coming from:		
Local Agency (i.e., non-DRCOG funds)		
Subregional Funding Target (forum must approve)		
13. Please enter your name and date below which certifies the above information is accurate and		
complete, and your subregion/agency will honor any financial commitments made above:		
Name: Arthur E. Griffith Date: 06/09/2022		



June 22, 2022

To: Denver Regional Council of Governments staff

RE: Arapahoe County Transit and Micro-mobility Study TIP Application

Dear DRCOG:

The City of Littleton is excited to offer this letter of support for, and be a financial participant in, Arapahoe County's Transit and Micromobility Study. As Arapahoe County grows in population, and traffic volumes return to pre-pandemic levels, the frequency and reach of transit in the County has constricted. There is a growing need for a county-wide study that examines how current levels of transit service are meeting the needs of the residents and businesses of Arapahoe County and its municipalities.

The Arapahoe County Transit and Micromobility study will help the participating agencies have a deep understanding of how transit needs have shifted in the last two years and develop a strategy for delivering an innovative transit solution that meets these needs. This project will also examine how micromobility can better address the first and last mile connection issue and examine the potential benefits of countywide management of micromobility.

In addition to the support offered by the City of Littleton, this project has received concurrence from RTD and has received support for coordination from Douglas County and Jefferson County. A number of other local jurisdictions and districts are sponsoring the project as well, including Arapahoe County, Aurora, Centennial, Englewood, Greenwood Village, and the Denver South Transportation Management Association (TMA). This project will build upon the Regional Transportation District (RTD) Reimagine effort and other recently completed studies.

If you have any questions about the City of Littleton's support for this project, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Keith Reester

Public Works & Utilities Director

City of Littleton



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June 14th, 2022

Arapahoe County Subregional Forum – Commissioner Jeff Baker C/O Bryan Weimer, PWLF, Director Arapahoe County Transportation Forum Arapahoe County Public Works and Development Department 6924 South Lima Street Centennial, Colorado 80112

Dear Arapahoe Subregional Forum TIP Evaluation Committee:

We are writing in support of Arapahoe County's DRCOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) application for the "Transit and Micro-mobility Study". The urban area of Arapahoe County has seen significant development over the last 15 years and the development is projected to continue. This development has increased the need for effective and efficient transit and micro-mobility choices. The study will help the County implement two goals that were defined in the 2040 Transportation Master Plan; Promote an Efficient and Balanced Transportation System and Promote Alternative Transportation Solutions.

The Study will focus on the urban area within Arapahoe County and will define existing conditions of transit service, define the need for transit and micro-mobility needs, determine the gap between service and needs, determine future transit needs, and develop a plan to meet these needs in the future. The project will also develop a list of potential pilot projects to implement. This study will look to implement at least one of these pilot projects.

The City of Greenwood Village supports this project that facilitates an efficient multimodal transportation network to better serve the residential and commercial areas in Arapahoe County with interconnected transportation links with Greenwood Village. A well-planned transportation network that promotes safe and efficient movement of people and goods is important for our many residents and employees that travel within and through our city daily.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Hanak, PE Public Works Director



### FY2022-2027 TIP PROCESS: REQUEST FOR PEER AGENCY SUPPORT

Complete the sections with green headers below, then provide this form to the agency you are requesting support from. That agency will complete the blue section and return the form. Providing additional project materials and attending meetings of the agency/forum from whom support is requested is encouraged. 22-25 Regional Call 🔀 22-25 Subregional Call 🔲 24-27 Regional Call 🔲 24-27 Subregional Call **APPLICANT INFORMATION** 1. Who is requesting support? Subregional Forum: Arapahoe County Local Agency: Arapahoe 2. Project Sponsor: Jim Katzer 3. Current Supporting Agency(ies): Aurora, Centennial, Englewood, Greenwood Village, Littleton 4. Contact Person: Jim Katzer Title: Transportation Division Manager Email: jdkatzer@gmail.com Phone: 303-882-1568 **PROJECT DESCRIPTION** 5. Project Title: Arapahoe County Countywide Transit Total Project Cost: \$1,300,000 and Micro-mobility Study Project Location: Urban areas Arapahoe County Project Limits: (mileposts, intersecting roads, rivers, etc.) County: Arapahoe County Municipality(ies): Aurora, Project Length: Centennial, Englewood, Greenwood Village, Littleton Brief Description of Project: The Countywide Transit and Micro-mobility study will focus on the urban area within Arapahoe County. The study will define existing conditions of transit service, define the need for transit and micro-mobility needs, determine the gap between service and needs, determine future transit needs, and develop a plan to meet these needs in the future. The study will focus on origin /destination trips and the project will be coordinating with adjacent jurisdictions. The project will also develop a list of potential pilot projects to implement. This study will implement at least one of these pilot projects. **SUPPORT REQUEST** 6. Based on who is requesting support (see #1), from whom are you are requesting support? If you are requesting support from multiple forums or local agencies, please fill out and send a separate form to each. Subregional Forum, Specify: Douglas County Local Agency, Specify: Parker, Lone Tree, Castle Rock 7. Type of Support Requested: Support Only Financial Pledge: Subregional Funds: Amount: Local (non-DRCOG) Funds: Amount: 8. Please type your name and date below which certifies the above information is accurate and complete: Name: Jim Katzer Date: 5/27/2022 RESPONSE (to be completed by agency/subregion from whom support is requested) 9. The forum/agency in #1 above has requested for you to support their project. Who are you? Subregional Forum: N/A Local Agency: Douglas County 10. Contact person at supporting forum/agency: Art Griffith Title: DC Transp. CIP Mgr. Email: agriffit@douglas.co.us Phone: 303-947-8731