

Board update

Board meeting: January 15, 2025

Action items



Discussion of state legislative issues: new bills for consideration and action

Presenter: Rich Mauro, legislative affairs director

Background: The 2025 Colorado General Assembly convened on January 8. Denver Regional Council of Governments staff and lobbyists compiled bills of interest with comments and recommended positions (relative to the Board-adopted [Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues](#)) for Board consideration. Throughout the legislative session, Mauro offers opportunities for the Board to take new positions on bills and provide feedback on established positions.

Result: The Board took positions on the following bills:

House Bill 25-1007 | Paratransit Services
Position: Amend
Current status: Transportation, Housing and Local Government

House Bill 25-1044 | Local Funding for Vulnerable Road User Protection
Position: Support
Current status: Transportation, Housing and Local Government

House Bill 25-1046 | Increase Maximum Number of Transportation Planning Regions

Position: Oppose
Current status: Transportation, Housing and Local Government

Senate Bill 25-030 | Increase Transportation Mode Choice Reduce Emissions

Position: Amend
Current status: Transportation and Energy

House Bill 25-1022 | Qualified Medication Administration Personnel

Position: Support
Current status: House Floor

Senate Bill 25-013 | Senior Housing Income Tax Credit Extension

Position: Support
Current status: Senate Finance

Informational briefings



Crash Data Consortium update

Presenter: Erik Braaten, senior planner, Transportation Planning and Operations

Background: Over the past two years, DRCOG staff have coordinated a regional Crash Data Consortium, engaging with member governments, state and federal agencies, law enforcement agencies, safety advocates and software vendors to identify and address common challenges with crash data collection, processing and analysis in the region.

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Staff developed a regional crash data inventory and needs assessment, a [Crash Data Dashboard](#) and a [final report](#) detailing desired outcomes, recommendations, implementation strategies and next steps for the consortium.

The report's recommendations include improving statewide crash reporting and data processing practices, enhancing collection of location information and critical data, increasing crash data analyst access and competencies, and sustaining and expanding the Crash Data Consortium. The consortium will continue to meet regularly to develop an implementation framework for the strategies identified in the final report and to build and maintain relationships among law enforcement, medical professionals and current consortium partners.



[Winter Bike to Work Day update](#)

Presenter: Nisha Mokshagundam, manager, Way to Go

Background: On Friday, February 14, the Way to Go team will host the Denver region's ninth annual Winter Bike to Work Day, celebrating the dedicated cyclists who brave the cold while taking cars off the road to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality. The 2024 event drew 4,437 cyclists, 500 of whom were first-time participants, and 72 organizations hosted rider appreciation stations around the region.

Board directors and alternates can support this year's event by connecting Way to Go to local employers, dropping off posters at public buildings and local retail stores, sharing updates on their personal social media and pledging to ride at BikeToWorkDay.co.

