

Attachment A: Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Monday, April 20, 2026

Meeting was held in-person with virtual option for public via Zoom

Attendance Log

Agency or interest	Member or alternate name	Attendance
Adams County	Chris Chovan (Westminster)	Virtually
Adams County	Eden Teklemariam (Northglenn)	Not present
Adams County	Greg LaBrie (Brighton)	Not present
Adams County	Jenna Hahn (Commerce City)	In-person
Adams County	Kent Moorman (Thornton)	In-person
Adams County	Michele Riccio	In-person
Arapahoe County	Brent Soderlin (Littleton)	In-person
Arapahoe County	James Katzer	In-person
Arapahoe County	Tom Worker-Braddock (Aurora)	In-person
Arapahoe County	Vacant	Vacant
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Arapahoe County	Victor Rachael (Englewood)	Not present
Boulder County	Alex Hyde-Wright	In-person
Boulder County	Angel Bond (City of Boulder)	Not present
Boulder County	Cammie Edson (Longmont)	Not present
Boulder County	Gerrit Slater (City of Boulder)	Not present
Boulder County	Jean Sanson (City of Boulder)	In-person
Boulder County	Michelle Melonakis (Lafayette)	In-person
Broomfield, City and County	Bryce Hammerton	Not present
Broomfield, City and County	Sarah Grant	Not present
Colorado Department of Transportation Division of Transit and Rail	Jan Rowe	Not present

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Colorado Department of Transportation Division of Transit and Rail	Vacant	Vacant
Colorado Department of Transportation Division of Transportation Development	Darius Pakbaz	Not present
Colorado Department of Transportation Division of Transportation Development	Marissa Gaughan	Not present
Colorado Department of Transportation Region 1	Jessica Myklebust	Not present
Colorado Department of Transportation Region 1	Jordan Rudel	In-person
Colorado Department of Transportation Region 4	Heather Paddock	Not present
Colorado Department of Transportation Region 4	Jim Eussen	Not present
Denver Regional Council of Governments	Douglas W. Rex	Not present
Denver Regional Council of Governments	Jacob Riger	In-person
Denver, City and County	David Gaspers	Not present
Denver, City and County	David Krutsinger	In-person
Denver, City and County	Jennifer Hillhouse	Not present
Denver, City and County	Jonathan Webster	In-person
Denver, City and County	Justin Begley (Vice Chair)	Not present
Denver, City and County	Riley LaMie	Not present
Douglas County	Art Griffith	Virtually
Douglas County	Chris Hudson (Parker)	Virtually
Douglas County	Justin Schmitz (Lone Tree) (Chair)	In-person
Douglas County	Larry Nimmo (Castle Pines)	Not present
Douglas County	Tom Reiff (Castle Rock)	Virtually
Douglas County	Zeke Lynch (Douglas County)	In-person
Federal Highway Administration	Aaron Bustow	Virtually

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Federal Highway Administration	Paige Cipperly	Not present
Federal Transit Administration	Emma Belmont	Not present
Federal Transit Administration	Tracey MacDonald	Not present
Jefferson County	Christina Lane	In-person
Jefferson County	Kellee Van Bruggen (Arvada)	In-person
Jefferson County	Matt Wempe (Golden)	Not present
Jefferson County	Mike Vanatta	Not present
Jefferson County	Mike Whiteaker (Lakewood)	In-person
Jefferson County	Rocky Macsalka (Wheat Ridge)	In-person
Non-metropolitan planning organization area	Colton Rohlof (Clear Creek County)	In-person
Non-metropolitan planning organization area	Jamie Boyle (Gilpin County)	In-person
Regional Air Quality Council	Kyra Reumann-Moore	Virtually
Regional Air Quality Council	Tom Moore	Virtually
Regional Transportation District	Chris Quinn	In-person
Regional Transportation District	Vacant	Vacant
Special interest seat: Aviation	Brodie Ayers (Denver International Airport)	In-person
Special interest seat: Aviation	Lisa Nguyen (Denver International Airport)	Not present
Special interest seat: Business	Frank Gray (Castle Rock Economic Development Council)	Not present
Special interest seat: Environment	Colleen Kirby Roberts (Peak)	In-person
Special interest seat: Environment	Lisa Sakata (HNTB)	Not present
Special interest seat: Equity	Angie Rivera-Malpiede	In-person
Special interest seat: Freight	Wally Weart	Virtually

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Special interest seat: Housing	Jeffrey Boyd	In-person
Special interest seat: Non-motorized	Vacant	Vacant
Special interest seat: Older adults	Hilary Simmons (A Little Help)	In-person
Special interest seat: Older adults	Karie Erickson, (Aging Resources, Douglas County)	Not present
Special interest seat: Transportation demand management	Carson Priest (Smart Commute)	In-person
Via Mobility	Dawn Sluder (Lakewood Rides)	Not present
Via Mobility	Frank Bruno	Not present
Weld County	Evan Pinkham	In-person
Weld County	Miguel Aguilar (Erie)	Virtually

Others present: Chandler Sanchez – SWEEP, Shweta Iyer, Joellen Meyer – CDOT, DJ Beckwith – Douglas County Community Development, Madi Sydnor – DEA, JoAnn Mattson – CDOT, Denise Staley – Weld County, Ant DeVita, Mae Thompson – RTD.

DRCOG staff present: Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Josh Schwenk, Karen Mashler, Aaron Villere, Emily Lindsey, Steph Piperno.

Call to Order.

Chair Justin Schmitz **called the meeting to order** at 1:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Announcements or Public Comment.

Alvan-Bidal Sanchez announced that there was one person leaving TAC.

- Michele Riccio, representing Adams County, is moving from the county to consultant practice.

There was one public comment. Chandler Sanchez representing SWEEP shared feedback on the 2029-2032 Transportation Improvement Program, encouraging DRCOG to align regional share dollars that improve traveler safety and Vision Zero goals.

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The summary was accepted.

Item #8. Built to Move: Multimodal-Supportive Local Development Standard Update. (Attachment F) was delayed until next month.

Action Items

2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Policy Amendment.

Josh Schwenk, Senior Planner with the Programming and Project Delivery team, presented the item.

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 amendments presented included:

Project Number	Sponsor	Title	Reason for Amendment
2007-095	CDOT Region 4	Region 4 Surface Treatment Pool	Add two pool projects
2012-121	CDOT Region 4	Region 4 Non-Regionally Significant RPP Pool	Add one pool project
2020-081	CDOT Region 4	CO119 Operational Improvements: Boulder to Longmont	Shift funding from prior to current years and add funding
2024-105	CDOT Region 4	US287 Safety Median: Lafayette to Larimer County Line	Correct prior year funding and add funding
2026-002	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 Ramp Metering Equipment Upgrade	Add funding

These projects involve funding transfers from one project to another. For this funding transfer, funding is being transferred from multiple pools to the I270 project to consolidate funding along this corridor into a single TIP project:

Project Number	Sponsor	Title	Reason for Amendment
2007-073	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 Hazard Elimination Pool	Transfer funding to main project page
2007-078	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 Bridge On-System Pool	Transfer funding to main project page
2008-076	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 FASTER Pool	Transfer funding to main project page
2016-057	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 RPP Pool	Transfer funding to main project page
2018-001	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 ADA Projects	Transfer funding to main project page
2020-068	CDOT Region 1	I270 Corridor Improvements: I70 to I25	Add funding

Justin Schmitz asked about the project numbers. Josh noted that the TIP ID numbers relate to when the project was added into the TIP. Some earlier projects, especially like CDOT’s Pools, can go back decades.

Kent Moorman **moved** to recommend to the Regional Transportation Committee. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously.

Informational Briefings

Metro Denver Economic Development Corporation: I-70 Mountain Corridor Impact Study.

Jacob Riger, Division Director of Transportation Planning and Operations, introduced the presenter for this item.

Shaun Brog with the Metro Denver Economic Development Corporation presented the item. Shaun noted that the report is important due to I70's connection between the western Slope, Mountain Report Region, and Metro Denver. As Colorado grows, the report highlights the importance of reliability on I70 not just to regional economic efficiency but also statewide competitiveness.

Kent Moorman asked if the improvements on I70 were considered. Shaun responded that the report focuses on I70 as it currently exists. However, there are several projects that take into account potential impacts of the improvements on I70 and can hopefully be included as an addendum to the report.

Jean Sanson asked how the 2007 report was used and what the intent behind the use for this updated report is. Shaun noted that the 2007 report created some shared facts about I70 that have been in use since. Jacob added that following the 2007 report, some common facts made it into regional conversations, and this report seeks to update that story.

Angie Rivera-Malpiede asked about how workforce was considered and if there were more transportation demand management components for low-income workers and how they're traveling to and from the Western Slope. Shaun noted that there is a section focused on how employers and local governments are trying to address housing unaffordability. He highlighted that both from a workforce and housing perspective, the impacts of recent efforts haven't been fully felt yet.

David Krutsinger asked how a similar presentation was received by the I-70 Coalition. Shaun noted that there was surprise in the tourism spending figures having not increased. He also shared that based on feedback they will be adding the cost of closures by region to the report, providing an example that Clear Creek County has shared they are maxed out on emergency services.

Brodie Ayers asked what modes make up the 7% of trips not taken by personal vehicle. Shaun shared that the largest mode within the 7% is public transportation, including Bustang and local transit. Shaun noted that there might be a better term for the modes captured under personal vehicle. Brodie followed up and asked if there had been an inventory of car parking in the mountains. Shaun shared that had not been done but expressed interest in exploring.

David Krutsinger asked if the data in the report pointed to any modal solutions that help congestion on I-70. Shaun responded that the report does not identify solutions.

Jacob Riger asked about next steps and timeline for the report based on feedback that's been received. Shaun responded that based on the closure study that's been requested, late May is likely when the report will be released.

Brodie Ayers asked for clarification in the shuttle trips that were counted. Shaun clarified that it does include mountain carriers, commercial shuttles, anything paid or with public components.

2029-2032 Transportation Improvement Program – Regional Share.

Todd Cottrell, Program Manager of the Programming and Project Delivery team, presented the item.

Todd provided an overview of the existing processes in the Transportation Improvement Program, trends from previous calls, discussions to date, and potential pathways and next steps.

Colleen Kirby Roberts asked if conversations on the regional goal have explored the potential process and why only one goal might be the focus. Todd responded that that level of detail hasn't occurred yet. Jacob added that the Regional Share is 20% of funds available, and the Regional Transportation Plan includes six priorities, so limited to one or two goals would be needed to keep a focus and maximize Regional Share dollars.

Michelle Melonakis asked about the Regional Share process and if there were any thoughts on streamlining the process to encourage coordination between subregions. Todd responded that there weren't conversations on that but expressed that the application process could provide that option. Todd added that the existing process and application didn't focus on project types in the Regional Share and there isn't likely to be a mechanism to provide benefit to subregions that coordinate with others. Jacob provided an example of using safety as a regional goal and the options available.

Jean Sanson asked about clarification on the TIP fee. Jacob responded it is an option that DRCOG staff are exploring to adjust how the membership fee is calculated and require a TIP fee be paid at the time of application. The concept would lower membership fees and provide additional federal dollars to projects.

Michele Riccio asked if there was a goal the region was furthest from achieving and that could be the focus. Further discussion occurred, however the meeting audio was unintelligible and the meeting recording and transcript missed it.

Chair Justin Schmitz asked and received a consensus about continuing the conversation on a regional goal. Todd responded with potential future items to continue the discussion with the Board of Directors and TIP Subcommittee.

Coordinated Transit Plan Update.

Malorie Miller, Senior Planner with the Regional Transportation Planning team, presented the item.

Malorie provided an overview of the current plan, new features for the update, engagement opportunities, and next steps.

David Krutsinger expressed that the plan update will be an important conversation at the strategic and tactical level based on the growing older adult population and transportation options from providers.

Kent Moorman asked about the timing for stakeholder input, noting a number of festivals that occur in late-May and June. Malorie responded that the timing for engagement could be extended. Kent followed up if the report will share progress on the original plan's top priorities identified.

Angie Rivera-Malpiede expressed appreciation for the community engagement and asked if the survey was available in other languages and noted other festivals and events. Malorie noted that the survey is currently only available in English.

Jean Sanson asked how the Transportation Advisory Committee could support the engagement effort and share the survey. Malorie noted that the survey link could be shared out.

Administrative Items

Member Comment/Other Matters.

Alvan-Bidal Sanchez reminded TAC members that the May 18 TAC meeting would fall on the third Monday of the month to avoid the Memorial Day holiday.

Next meeting – May 18, 2026.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.