

Board update

March 16, 2022

Action items



Approval of Transportation Improvement Program wait list projects

Presenter: Todd Cottrell, Senior Planner, Transportation Planning and Operations

Background: The TIP includes a wait list of projects that may be approved if funding becomes available.

New federal and state legislation has opened up funding for multiple projects on the TIP wait list.

Regional TIP wait list projects:

Lone Tree, I-25 and Lincoln Avenue interchange final design: \$2,000,000

Boulder County, State Highway 119 and 63rd Street intersection transit bypass lanes: \$5,000,000

Castle Pines, I-25 and Happy Canyon Road interchange preconstruction activities: \$400,000

Adams County TIP wait list projects:

Thornton, 88th Avenue corridor study: \$200,000

Boulder County TIP wait list projects:

Boulder County, multimodal intersection improvements, State Highway 7 and 95th Avenue: \$5,200,000

City and County of Broomfield TIP wait list projects:

Broomfield, Industrial Lane bikeway: \$2,186,000

Jefferson County TIP wait list projects:

Evergreen Parks and Recreation, Evergreen Lake Trail: \$400,000

Golden, West Colfax Avenue complete streets: \$1,360,000

Southwest Weld County TIP wait list projects:

Mead, Third Street and Welker Avenue intersection improvements: \$1,600,000

Result: The Board approved the project programming activities from the existing TIP wait list.



Approval of human services transportation and Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities project funding

Presenter: Matthew Helfant, Senior Transportation Planner, Transportation Planning and Operations

Background: In 2018, DRCOG adopted a set-aside of \$4 million over four years for human services transportation projects — to improve mobility for vulnerable populations.

Funding from the Federal Transportation Administration's Section 5310 (Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities) and the Older Americans Act/ Older Coloradans' Act identifies needs that are currently underfunded or underserved.

DRCOG staff facilitated a peer review panel made up from partner organizations in the region.

Result: The Board approved the human services transportation and Federal Transportation Administration projects as recommended by the review panel.



Discussion on state legislative issues

Presenter: Rich Mauro, Director of Legislative Affairs

Background: The 2022 Colorado General Assembly convened on Jan. 12. DRCOG staff have compiled bills of interest with staff 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 to the Board to provide feedback on established and new positions the Board may take.

Result: Mauro provided updates on bills the Board provided positions on in February:

HB22-1035 | Modernization of the Older Coloradans’ Act

Board position: Support with amendments
Current status: [Passed both houses](#)

SB22-079 | Dementia Training Requirements: Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Department of Health Care Policy and Financing Rules

Board position: Support
Current status: [Under consideration](#)

HB22-1026 | Alternative Transportation Options Tax Credit

Board position: Support with amendments
Current status: [Under consideration](#)

HB22-1028 | Statewide Regulation of Controlled Intersections

Board position: Support with amendments
Current status: [Under consideration](#)

HB22-1138 | Reduce Employee Single-occupancy Vehicle Trips

Board position: Monitor/amend
Current status: [Lost](#)

SB22-016 | Modifying Department of Transportation Governance

Board position: Monitor
Current status: [Lost](#)

Mauro provided an overview of bills that have been introduced since the last Board meeting. Following presentations and discussions about each legislative issue, the Board voted to **support** SB22-144, “Public And Nonprofit Entities Rideshare Contracts.” The Board also voted to **monitor** SB22-138, “Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions In Colorado.”

[The legislative matrix can be found here.](#)

Informational briefing



[Overview of Metro Vision](#)

Presenter: Andy Taylor, Manager, Regional Planning and Development

Summary: DRCOG staff provided a brief review of the Metro Vision strategic framework, its overarching themes, desired outcomes and the significance it plays in all the work DRCOG undertakes.

