**Meeting Summary**

**Air Quality Interagency Consultation Group (ICG)**

March 23, 2022

Attendees: 25

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| **Ala Alnawaiseh, DRCOG****Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, DRCOG****Becky Karasko, NFRMPO****Dale Wells, APCD****Elizabeth Relford, Weld County****Emily Kleinfelter, DRCOG****Emmett Malone, CDPHE** **Erik Sabina, CDOT****Greg Lohrke, EPA****Jacob Riger, DRCOG****Jessica Ferko, RAQC****Jeremy Horne, Ramboll****Kristin Kenyon, FTA** | **Kevin Briggs, APCD****Kira Shonkwiler, CDPHE (970)****Lawrence Tilong, DRCOG****Melissa Adamson, DRCOG****Rick Coffin, CDPHE****Robert Spotts, DRCOG****Ron Papsdorf, DRCOG****Rose Waldman, CDOT****Sang Gu Lee, DRCOG****Steve Cook, DRCOG****Theresa Takushi, CDOT****Wayne Chuang, RAQC** |
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## Key Items and Decisions

* The ICG confirmed the NFRMPO’s reliance on their previous conformity determination for their current amendment process.
* The conversations and need for decisions around the GHG rule and the related modeling processes are evolving quickly and involve or impact many of the agencies represented in this group.

## DRCOG Updates

* Robert Spotts and Jacob Riger share an update on GHG modeling process. DRCOG has established the baseline based on the 2050 MVRTP. Now, DRCOG is trying to identify elements of the 2050 MVRTP that are not reflected in the model- the programmatic funds and categories. These are items intended and planned for with the fiscally constrained plan but not yet quantified in the modeling context.
* The DRCOG team is coordinating with CDOT and the NFRMPO on these ongoing efforts. The timeline requires this to be done quickly over the next few months. Ron Papsdorf asked CDOT on timeline, and emphasized how necessary coordinating with APCD and CDPHE is to stay on timeline. CDOT, NFRMPO, and DRCOG need to coordinate, in addition to the demands on APCD for running Air Quality modeling. One resource for APCD is FHU and their two AQ modelers (for potentially GHG but not for conformity).

## NFRMPO Updates

* Becky Karasko described how the NFRMPO will be relying on some previous analysis for conformity determinations. The group confirmed the NFRMPO’s process for upcoming TIP adoption.

## RAQC Updates

* Jessica Ferko provided updates on the SIP planning process. All monitors, with the exception of one, are showing that they meet standards. There is another control strategy package of electric vehicle and fuel standard changes to apply.
* In relation to policies around fuel standards/ what is sold in the region, Ron Papsdorf asked about the re-classification of the non-attainment area timing and how policy around reconstituted fuels would be impacted. This brought on the conversation that Table 1 of the rule needs to be updated if there are significant changes on the policy level, regarding either EV adoption or fuels. Concurrence from DRCOG and CDOT on the need to re-evaluate Table 1 as circumstances evolve.

## APCD/ AQCC Updates

* Rick Coffin shared no specific updates. Rick will be presenting to DRCOG TAC on end of CO maintenance.
* Regarding the resolution for the GHG rule- Steve Cook asked about the timeline on the resolution. Rick Coffin said still TBD and said DRCOG does can provide comments now, before seeing a revised draft.

## CDOT Updates

* Erik Sabina shared that CDOT has a mature no-action or baseline run. Timeline is TBD for an action list of projects, but fairly imminent.
* DRCOG and the NFRMPO look to CDOT for direction on how to account for various policy changes in the context of the GHG rule. In the context of this rule, the conclusion might be if the measure/ change can be modeled in the travel model, CDOT and MPOs can “take credit” for it. If it is on MOVES side, there is no credit for CDOT and MPOs.
* Theresa Takushi shared that the Transportation Commission met to discuss the policy directive. Now, there is no procedural directive as the policy directive will now include mitigation measures.

## EPA Updates

* Greg Lohrke shared no updates.