# Board update

# Board meeting: Jan. 18, 2023

### **Action items**



<u>Fiscal year 2022-2023 Transportation</u> <u>Improvement Program project delays</u>

**Presenter:** Todd Cottrell, programming and project delivery program manager, Transportation Planning and Operations

**Background:** As of January 2023, the following 22 Transportation Improvement Program funded projects had phases delayed in fiscal year 2022-2023.

#### **Arapahoe County:**

- Dry Creek Road operational improvements
- Inverness Drive west shared path

City of Aurora: Signal system upgrade

City of Boulder: 28th Street business access and transit

lanes

Boulder County: North Foothills bikeway feasibility

study

City and County of Broomfield: Transit needs

assessment and pilot project

#### **Town of Castle Rock:**

- Colorado State Highway 86/5th Street and Founders Parkway/Ridge Road intersection operations improvements
- Downtown pedestrian lighting improvement

**Colorado Department of Transportation Region 1:** 

Traffic camera expansion

**Commerce City:** Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures System



**City and County of Denver:** Broadway Station and I-25 safety and access Improvements

**Douglas County:** Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures System

**Jefferson County:** Colorado State Highway 74 to Buffalo Park Road operational improvements

**City of Littleton:** Santa Fe Drive and Mineral Avenue operational improvements

#### **Town of Lochbuie**

- I-76 and Baseline Road interchange improvements (project withdrawn and funds returned)
- Greenway Trail: County Road 37 to Stagecoach Avenue

**City of Longmont:** St. Vrain Greenway, phase 13: State Highway 119 to St. Vrain State Park

#### **Town of Lyons**

- St. Vrain Trail extension
- U.S. Route 36 multimodal improvements

**Town of Parker:** Parker Road operational improvements: Lincoln Avenue to Pine Lane

**Regional Transportation District:** University of Denver Station bike shelter

City of Thornton: transit study

**Result:** The Board approved continuing each of the remaining projects with new deadlines to initiate the project phases.



Approval of legislative principle statement and 2023 Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues, with amendments

**Presenter:** Rich Mauro, legislative affairs director

Background: Each year, the Board adopts policy statements on a range of specific state and federal legislative issues. The policy statements provide the DRCOG Board, staff and lobbyists with policy direction on legislative issues during the coming year. The draft 2023 Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues was provided to Board members at the November Board meeting along with DRCOG's legislative principle statement for review.

**Result:** The Board approved an amended version of the 2023 Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues.

### **Informational briefings**



Regional Transportation District
Zero Fare for Better Air update

**Presenter:** Charlie Stanfield, planning project manager, RTD

Summary: Colorado Senate Bill 22-180 established the Zero Fare for Better Air initiative that RTD and other transit agencies around the state participated in during August 2022. The goal of the initiative was to help reduce ground level ozone by providing funding to subsidize free transit service for at least 30 days during the summer ozone season. During August 2022, fares were free on the entire RTD system. The Colorado General Assembly allocated \$11 million per year for two years to RTD for the initiative.

Stanfield provided an overview of the Zero Fare for Better Air initiative including ridership and customer survey results.



### 2023 legislative session preview of Colorado General Assembly

**Presenter:** Rich Mauro, legislative affairs director

**Summary:** The 2023 session of the Colorado General Assembly convened on Jan. 9. DRCOG's lobbyists Ed Bowditch and Jennifer Cassell provided a brief overview of what to expect during the session.



## Regional Transportation Operations and Technology Strategic plan

**Presenter:** Greg MacKinnon, transportation operations program manager, Transportation Planning and Operations

**Summary:** DRCOG staff, working with stakeholders from across the region, have developed a draft Regional Transportation Operations and Technology Strategic Plan. The purpose of the plan is to guide the DRCOG region's near-term efforts to deploy technology, tools and coordinated system procedures for the multimodal transportation system. DRCOG staff's efforts will assist transportation operations staff in serving daily transportation management needs across the region.

MacKinnon provided the Board with an overview of the plan.

