



Regional Transportation Committee
Tuesday, May 14, 2024
8:30 a.m.
1001 17th St, Denver, CO
1st Floor Aspen & Birch Conference Rooms

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Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment
3. April 16, 2024 Regional Transportation Committee Meeting Summary (Attachment A)

Action Items

4. 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan Amendments (Attachment B) Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Regional Transportation Planning Program Manager
5. Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program Policy Amendments (Attachment C) Josh Schwenk, Senior Planner
6. Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment (Attachment D) Josh Schwenk, Senior Planner
7. Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Fiscal Year 2024 Funding Awards (Attachment E) Travis Noon, Program Manager, Administration and Finance

Discussion Item

8. Nondiscrimination Program Update (Attachment F) Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Regional Transportation Planning Program Manager

Administrative Items

9. Member Comment/Other Matters
 - Colorado Department of Transportation Report
 - Regional Transportation District Report
 - Regional Air Quality Council Report
10. Next Meeting – July 16, 2024

11. Adjournment



ATTACH A

**Attachment A
Meeting Summary
Regional Transportation Committee
Tuesday, April 16, 2024**

***In-person meeting with Virtual Option for Public (Via Zoom)**

Members (or Voting Alternates) Present:

Vince Buzek	Regional Transportation District
Michael Guzman (Alternate)	Regional Transportation District
Brian Welch (Alternate)	Regional Transportation District
Shelley Cook	Colorado Department of Transportation
Karen Stuart	Colorado Department of Transportation
Eula Adams (Alternate)	Colorado Department of Transportation
Darius Pakbaz (Alternate)	Colorado Department of Transportation
Wynne Shaw (Chair)	Denver Regional Council of Governments
Greg Mills	Denver Regional Council of Governments
Randy Weil	Denver Regional Council of Governments
Doug Rex	Denver Regional Council of Governments
Jeff Baker	Denver Regional Council of Governments
Erin Clark	Denver Housing Authority
Skyler McKinley	American Automobile Association - Colorado

Additional Alternates (Or Members and Alternates Attending Virtually) Present:

Ron Papsdorf (Alternate)	Denver Regional Council of Governments
Deborah Mulvey (Alternate)	Denver Regional Council of Governments

Public: Jason Hercules, Miriam Aranoff, Eugene Howard, Allison Cutting, Lauren Pulver, Neil Thomson, Jan Rowe, Jessica Carson

DRCOG staff: Josh Schwenk, Emily Lindsey, Cam Kennedy, Zach Feldman, Jacob Riger, Aaron Villere, Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Nora Kern, Kalie Fallon, Robert Spotts, Lauren Kirgis, Todd Cottrell, Max Monk, Ala Alnawaiseh, Steve Cook, Brad Williams, Sang-Gu Lee

Call to Order

Chair Wynne Shaw called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

March 16, 2024 Regional Transportation Committee Meeting Summary

The summary was accepted.

Action Items

Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Fiscal Year 2024 Funding Awards

Travis Noon, Program Manager, Administration and Finance, informed the committee that DRCOG released a call for projects in November 2023 soliciting proposals for FTA Section 5310 funding. DRCOG received requests from 10 agencies and totaling over

\$4.1 million for capital, operating, and mobility management projects that benefit older adults and individuals with disabilities. The proposals were reviewed by an independent panel of staff from the City and County of Denver, the City of Northglenn, Adams County, and members of DRCOG's Advisory Committee on Aging. The panel prioritized funding for ongoing operations and mobility management support over capital requests.

Director Karen Stuart inquired why Broomfield's funding request was not awarded. Mr. Noon replied that the nature of the project (requesting an additional license for their routing software) was not recommended as such requests were not as competitive as other projects and were relatively smaller funding requests the project selection panel felt could be funded elsewhere.

Director Erin Clark asked how the process worked since DRCOG is also on the list for projects that were awarded funding. Mr. Noon stated DRCOG did submit a proposal and went through the same competitive selection process as the other applicants. An independent panel made the decision on the allocation of funds and DRCOG staff were not involved in scoring proposals or selecting projects.

Commissioner Shelley Cook moved to recommend to the Board of Directors approval of the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 awards for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 as recommended by the review panel. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Update to Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero Plan

Emily Kleinfelter, Safety/Regional Vision Zero Planner, explained that DRCOG staff have been working on a strategic update to *Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero* to strengthen its relevance and consistency with emerging best practices in transportation safety. The updated plan includes actions with measurable goals, timelines, and appropriate stakeholders responsible for implementation, with the goal of achieving zero deaths and serious injuries on our roadways.

Director Michael Guzman moved to recommend to the Board of Directors the draft Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

E-470 Overview

Jacob Riger, Manager, Multimodal Transportation Planning, introduced Neil Thomson, E-470 Interim Executive Director, and Jessica Carson, E-470 Public Affairs Director, who provided an overview of the agency and its recent plans, partnerships, projects, and related topics. E-470 is a nonstop, cashless, all-electronic toll highway for which no local, state, or federal tax funding is used for operations, maintenance, or improvements. The tollway forms a 47-mile semi-circular beltway around the eastern perimeter of the Denver metropolitan area. The E-470 Board of Directors consists of eight voting member jurisdictions: Adams, Arapahoe, and Douglas counties and Aurora, Brighton, Commerce City, Thornton, and Parker and eight non-voting members

representing Arvada, Greeley, and Lone Tree, the City and County of Broomfield, Weld County, and DRCOG, CDOT, and RTD.

Director Greg Mills asked about the national interoperability of toll lanes and inquired if there was momentum to make this a nationwide endeavor, not just a regional one. Ms. Carson replied that the four separate coalitions, known as hubs, have been working to become connected. There are challenges related to state legislative mandates around data management and other state and local issues. However, the goal is to have all the HUBs connected.

Ron Papsdorf inquired about toll credits that are accumulating to the state from E-470 operations, which are of great value to government entities across the region. Mr. Neil Thomson replied that E-470 is separate from the state and was not sure about toll credits and would be open to discussing the issue further. It was then clarified that E-470 has no role in managing the toll credits, which rests with CDOT and the Colorado Transportation Investment Office.

Metro Vision Amendments

Zachary Feldman, Manager, Data and Analytics, and Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Program Manager, discussed revised Metro Vision performance measures related to housing and employment in high-risk areas and the number of traffic fatalities. The proposed new measures consider both flood and wildfire risks and depend on the fire risk assessments produced by the Colorado State Forest Service, which underwent significant updates to methodology and data sources. The fire threat index is no longer available. Using an alternative, burn probability, requires updates to baselines and relative adjustments to future targets via an amendment to Metro Vision. The proposed amendment for traffic fatalities is to set a target of zero fatalities and serious injuries consistent with the Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero Plan and DRCOG Board guidance.

Commissioner Cook stated that Jefferson County is currently updating its wildfire protection plan and adjusting the location of the wildland-urban interface and inquired how those correlates to the high burn probability map. Mr. Zeldman replied that the Forest Service has a separate urban interface map but uses the same burn probabilities.

Active Transportation Plan Update

Aaron Villere, Senior Active Transportation Planner, presented an overview of the upcoming regional Active Transportation Plan update. The update will review the vision and goals for active mobility, envision a region-wide active transportation network, develop design and project delivery guidance, document emerging operational practices, analyze the economic impact of bicycling and walking investments, and suggest policies to support active transportation in the Denver region. This plan update will support Metro Vision outcomes and build from the region's 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan and other related regional plans.

Commissioner Karen Stuart encouraged cooperation with CDOT's Department of Transit and Rail, also known as DTR, since they have access to the most information regarding what is planned at each mobility hub around the region. Mr. Villere appreciated the feedback and said that there has been intensive collaboration with CDOT already, but he will reach out to DTR for further coordination.

Director Guzman stated that when it comes to who should be on the community advisory group, many more organizations should be reached out to, including schools, recreational centers, youth clubs, senior centers, and others. Mr. Villere replied that he will absolutely reach out to those groups and noted that there will be engagement through focus groups to make sure those voices are heard through thoughtful substantive discussions regarding the transportation system in the region.

Administrative Items

Member Comment/Other Matters

- Colorado Department of Transportation

Commissioner Stuart stated that she was able to find out about the E-470 toll credits and can confirm that they belong to the state. Next, Commissioner Stuart stated Commissioner Megan Vasquez resigned from her position this week, so six of the 11 commissioners are new. This week the Transportation Commission will be going on a field trip to inspect the Central 70 Project, the Colorado Air and Space Port, and Burnham Yard.

Commissioner Stuart also took the time to note that when it comes to ongoing legislation, the Transportation Commission as a body has not taken any official position on any bills that could affect CDOT, but that individual commissioners may have their own opinions.

Mr. Darius Pakbaz stated that at the Transportation Commission this week there will be discussion on the acceptance of DRCOG's Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report as part of amending its 2050 Regional Transportation Plan.

- Regional Transportation District Report

Director Vince Buzek stated that last year, the Northwest Rail Peak Service Feasibility Study began to look at completing the Northwest rail line from Denver to Longmont and the feasibility study should be completed within the next 30-60 days and then will be presented to the RTD Board. There is also a significant rail replacement project and coping panel replacement project that will impact travel but are vital to ensuring safety.

Regarding House Bill 24-1447, Director Buzek talked about the proposals of the legislation to reduce the RTD Board from 15 members to seven after a two-year transition period and pointed out that two of those seven would be appointed by the governor. Additionally, if one of those members of this proposed board must leave and a vacancy is created, the governor would be the one to appoint a successor, not a local entity. Director Buzek discussed that elected representation matters and how in the

same geographic area RTD covers, there are 61 House and Senate seats which represent 3.2 million people across almost 2,400 square miles.

Director Guzman echoed Director Buzek's sentiments and stated that in 1980, Colorado voters approved a measure to elect RTD's Board and that ballot initiative passed with 83% in favor. House Bill 24-1447 would reduce diversity, equity, and inclusion and take away citizens' ability to have a voice and a seat at the table. Director Guzman also pointed out that 75% of RTD's operating budget comes from its sales and use tax and RTD is 44th in the nation for funding, but with the largest geographic district in the country.

Director Guzman also noted that an announcement was sent out that RTD has started its Transit Assistant Grant Program, and 181 program participants were awarded for 2024. Lastly, RTD received a \$2 million earmark to plan for transit-supportive housing along the South Federal Bus Rapid Transit line.

Mr. Brian Welch added RTD has started a pilot, the Accelerating Innovative Mobility project, which is funded by a grant from the FTA. This pilot integrates trip planning and fare payment with many mobility providers in the Denver Region within the Transit App. This is a partnership between RTD and multiple other organizations including Bustang, FTA, CDOT, Masabi, Lyft, Boulder BCycle, and many others. This will allow a customer to be able to purchase a single ticket for multiple aspects of a trip using different providers.

Next Meeting – May 14, 2024

Adjournment

There were no additional comments and the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

ATTACH B

Regional Transportation Committee

Meeting date: May 14, 2024

Agenda Item #: 4 (Attachment B)

2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan Amendments

Agenda item type: Action

Summary

Recommendation on proposed amendments to the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan (2050 RTP) and associated air quality conformity determination and greenhouse gas transportation report documents.

Background

The 2050 RTP sets the vision for the Denver region's multimodal transportation system and guides investment in projects and programs to achieve that vision. The 2050 RTP was originally adopted in April 2021 and underwent an update in 2022 to achieve compliance with the state's [Greenhouse Gas Planning Standard](#). DRCOG staff initiated a cycle amendments process in September 2023 that is scheduled to conclude in mid-2024.

The greenhouse gas, commonly known as GHG, technical analysis was conducted from November 2023 through January 2024. The draft amended 2050 RTP was released for public comment on March 17, with the public comment period lasting to April 17. During the public comment period, DRCOG staff sent out multiple social media postings and a promotion eblast, as well as promoting on the website. The draft 2050 RTP was the subject of an April 17 public hearing before the DRCOG Board of Directors. Appendix C has been updated to reflect comments received during the public review period and DRCOG staff responses, including any revisions to the 2050 RTP based on comments received.

Federal transportation planning laws and regulations require DRCOG to show that the 2050 RTP will not cause a violation of federal air quality conformity standards. The 2050 RTP's roadway and transit networks were modeled for air quality conformity. The results were used by the Air Pollution Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to calculate pollutant emissions. All pollutant emission tests were passed, as shown in the companion air quality conformity documents (Appendix S).

Per SB21-260 and the state GHG rule, the 2050 RTP must comply with the rule's emission reduction levels for the DRCOG metropolitan planning organization area for the 2025, 2030, 2040, and 2050 analysis years. The original strategies and concepts developed to meet the state greenhouse gas emission reduction levels have been carried forward unchanged into the 2024 Amended 2050 RTP. The draft amended 2050 RTP meets the state greenhouse gas emission reduction levels as shown in the Greenhouse Gas Transportation report (Appendix T) and has been accepted by the Transportation Commission.



Action by others

[April 29, 2024](#) – Transportation Advisory Committee recommended approval.

Previous discussion/action

None

Recommendation

Move to recommend to the Board of Directors the draft 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan and associated Denver Southern Subarea 8-hour Ozone Conformity Determination and Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report.

Attachments

1. [Draft 2024 Amended 2050 RTP and associated appendices](#)
2. Staff presentation

For more information

If you need additional information, please contact Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Regional Transportation Planning Program Manager, Transportation Planning and Operations, at 720-278-2341 or asanchez@drcog.org.



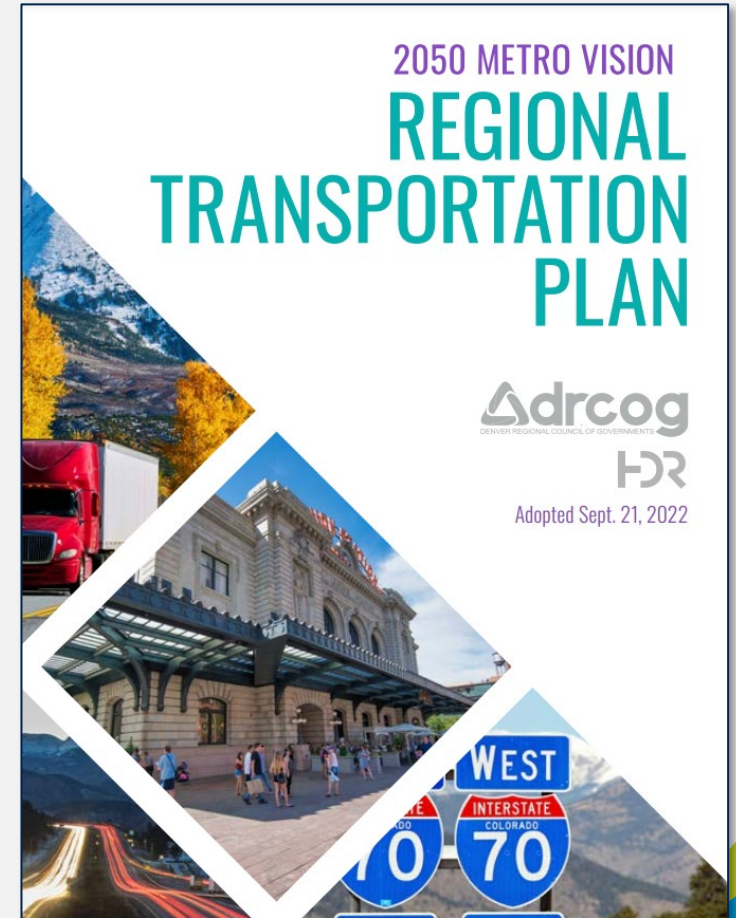
2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan Amendments



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Action items

- Amended 2050 Regional Transportation Plan and appendices.
- Denver southern subarea 8-hour ozone conformity determination (Appendix S).
- Transportation greenhouse gas report (Appendix T).



Amendments schedule

Call for amendments

- Opens September 5
- Closes October 3
- Announcement and promotion at Subregional Forums

September
2023

Modeling and coordination

- Project sponsor follow-up
- Network coding and modeling
- External partners coordination

October-December
2023

Document development

- Finalize 2050 RTP
- Finalize the GHG Transportation Report

January-February
2024

Public and stakeholder review

- Public review and hearing
- Transportation Commission
- Air Pollution Control Division

March-April
2024

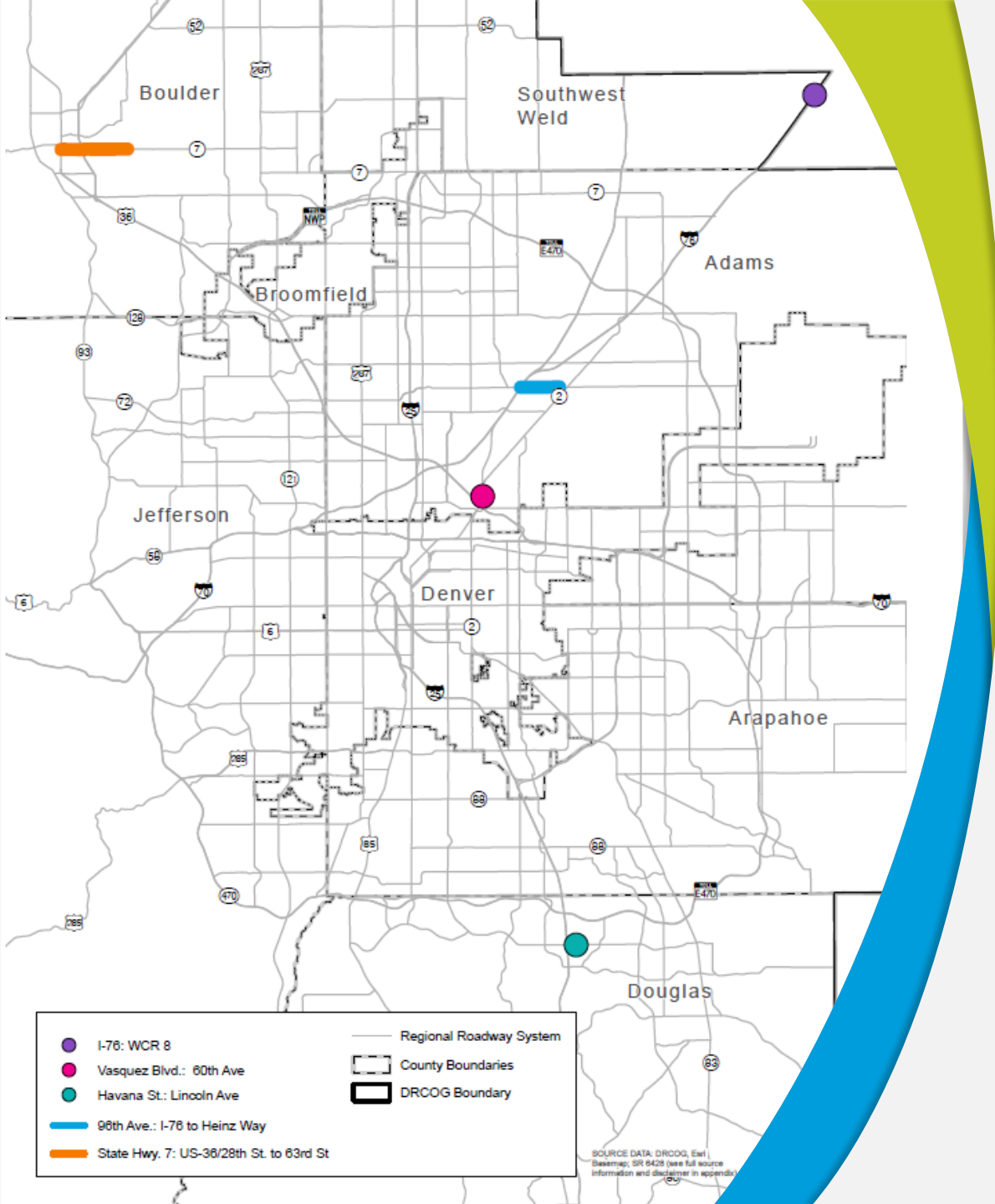
Adoption and finalization

- TAC recommendation
- RTC recommendation
- Board adoption
- Federal submittal
- Accessibility remediation

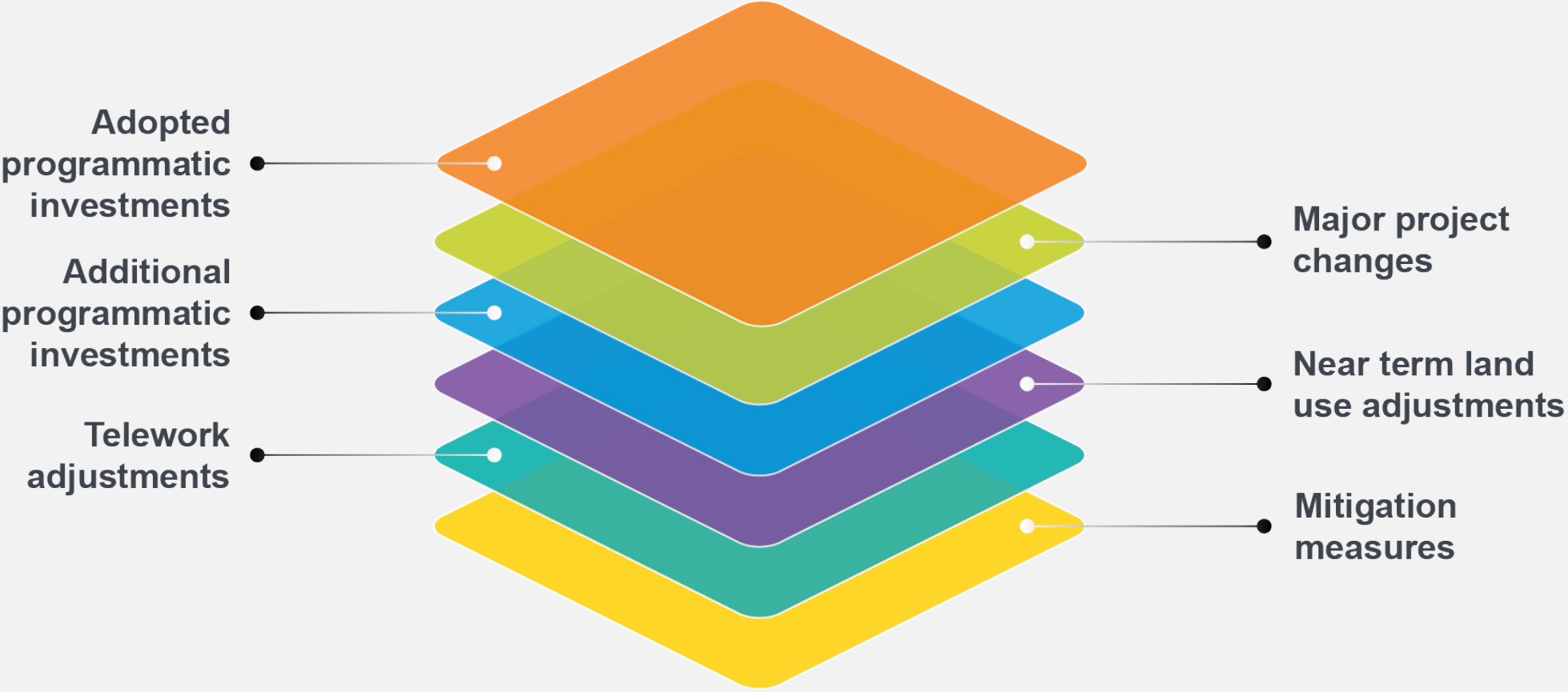
May-June
2024

Map of project amendments

- 96th Ave. (City of Commerce City).
- Colorado 7 (City of Boulder).
- Havana St./Lincoln Ave. (City of Lone Tree).
- I-76/Weld County Rd. 8 (Weld County).
- Vasquez Blvd./60th Ave. (City of Commerce City).



Greenhouse gas emission reduction framework



Greenhouse gas emission reduction results

Greenhouse gas emission reduction results (million metric tons per year)	2025	2030	2040	2050
2024 Amended 2050 RTP modeling	0.71	0.67	0.57	0.35
Programmatic transportation investments off-model calculations (active transportation, complete street retrofits, signal timing, and Bustang)	N/A	0.07	0.05	0.03
Mitigation action plan (commitment to further action in Appendix A)	N/A	0.10	0.12	0.08
Total greenhouse gas reductions:	0.71	0.84	0.74	0.46
Reduction requirement from greenhouse gas rule Table 1 (2 CCR 601-22, Section 8.02.6)	0.27	0.82	0.63	0.37
Reduction requirement achieved:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Air quality conformity



2050 MVRTP must address **ozone** pollutants.



Air quality conformity is **regional** (entire 2050 RTP); **not based on individual projects**.



Regionally significant transportation projects included in the regional travel model transportation **networks**.



2050 MVRTP **passed pollutant emission tests** for regional air quality conformity.

Air quality conformity results

	Volatile organic compounds	Nitrogen oxides
2020 State Implementation Plan Budgets (per the 2008 ozone standard)	41.2 tons per day	45.0 tons per day
2026 emissions	24.6 tons per day	17.1 tons per day
2030 emissions	20.2 tons per day	12.9 tons per day
2040 emissions	17.3 tons per day	9.1 tons per day
2050 emissions	18.8 tons per day	9.8 tons per day
Pass or fail?	Pass	Pass

2050 Regional Transportation Plan components

- Routine updates to plan document.
- Routine/minor updates to a few appendices.
- Updates to air quality conformity documents.
- Updates to GHG Transportation Report.
 - Accepted by the Transportation Commission.

Metro Vision and Regional Transportation Plan Amendments

Cycle amendments and staff proposed amendments.



Home / Metro Vision and Regional Transportation Plan Amendments

Project overview

Regional Transportation Plan

The Regional Transportation Plan helps the Denver Regional Council of Governments and its many partners implement the shared aspirational vision of Metro Vision and sets the long-range vision and investment framework for the region's multimodal transportation system.

Between four-year updates to the Regional Transportation Plan, DRCOG staff have historically



Public review period (March 17-April 17)

- Social Pinpoint engagement site (Discussion board, email comments).
- Hybrid public hearing on April 17.

Promotion examples



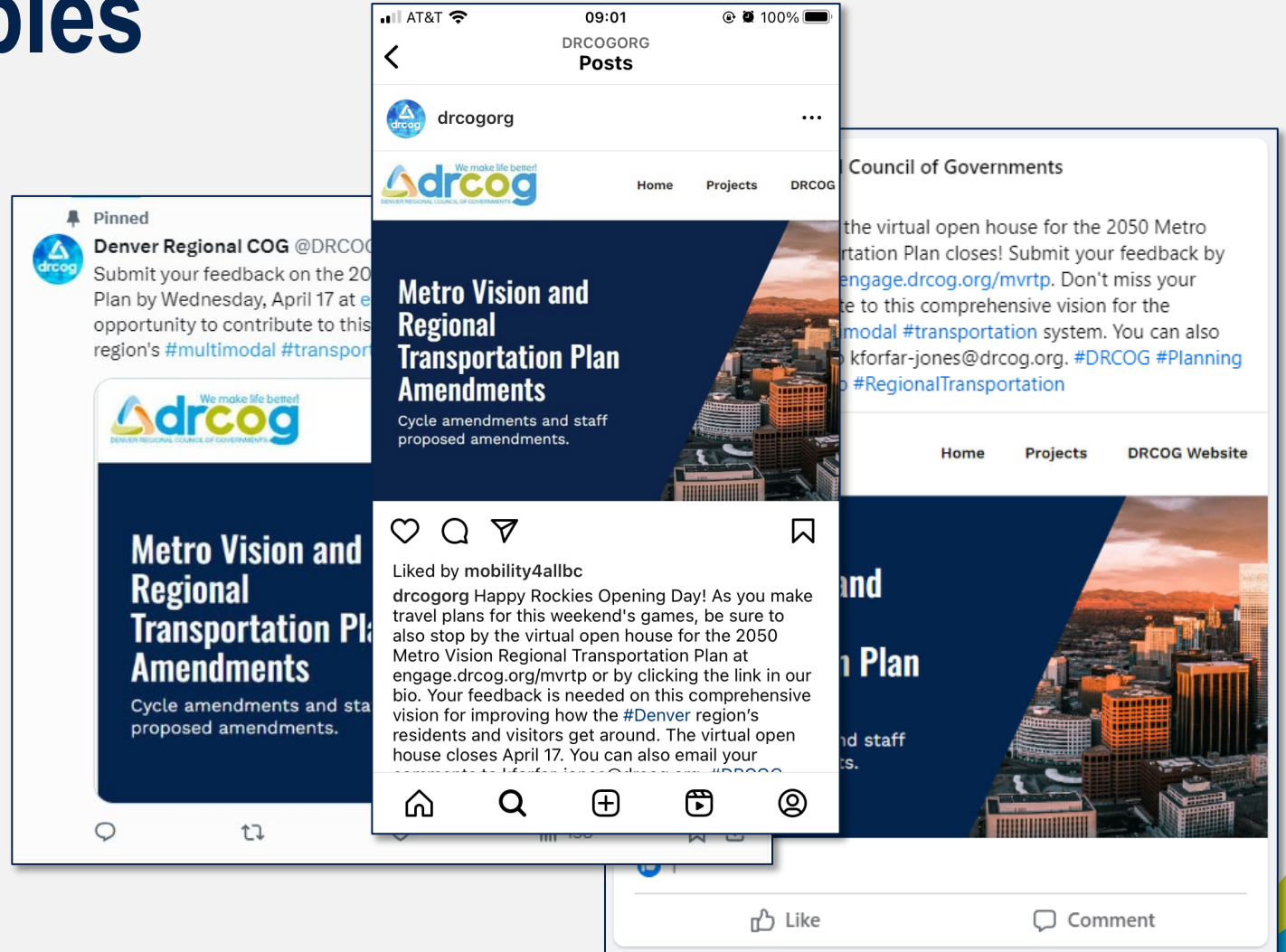
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Share your thoughts on transportation planning!

Explore the updated 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan draft

What is the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan, and why is DRCOG updating it?

The [2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan](#) is a comprehensive vision for improving how Denver region's residents and visitors get around. Additionally, it guides the region's investments in the multimodal transportation system. Historically, between every four-year plan update, DRCOG staff have provided project sponsors the opportunity to propose targeted revisions to fiscally constrained projects in a process called cycle amendments.



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Denver Regional COG @DRCOG
Submit your feedback on the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan by Wednesday, April 17 at [engage.drcog.org/mvrtp](#). This is an opportunity to contribute to this region's #multimodal #transportation planning.

Metro Vision and Regional Transportation Plan Amendments
Cycle amendments and staff proposed amendments.

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drcogorg Happy Rockies Opening Day! As you make travel plans for this weekend's games, be sure to also stop by the virtual open house for the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan at [engage.drcog.org/mvrtp](#) or by clicking the link in our bio. Your feedback is needed on this comprehensive vision for improving how the #Denver region's residents and visitors get around. The virtual open house closes April 17. You can also email your comments to kforfar-jones@drcog.org. #DRCOG #Planning #RegionalTransportation

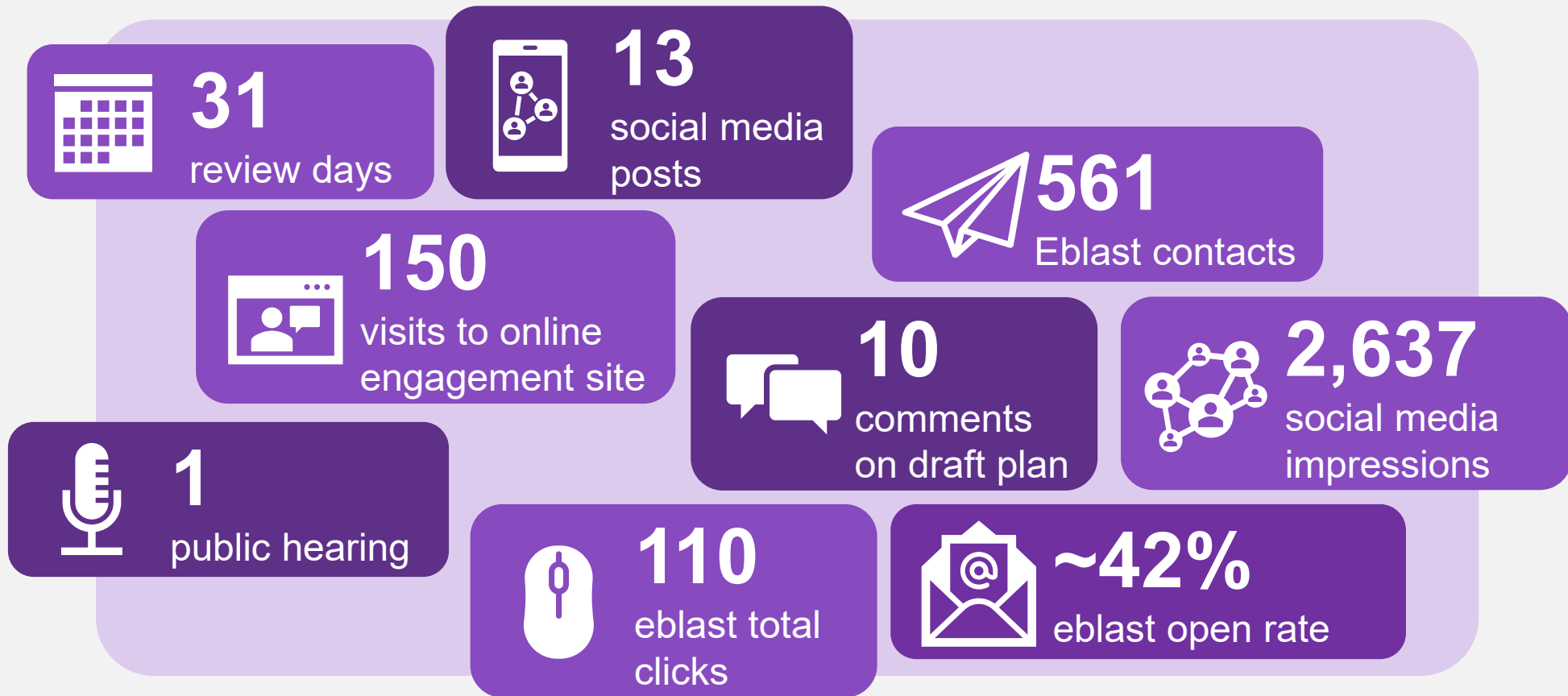
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Engagement highlights



Proposed motion

- Move to recommend to the Board of Directors the draft 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan and associated Denver Southern Subarea 8-hour Ozone Conformity Determination and Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report.

Thank you!

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ATTACH C

Regional Transportation Committee

Meeting date: May 14, 2024

Agenda Item #: 5 (Attachment C)

Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program Policy Amendments

Agenda item type: Action

Summary

May 2024 policy amendments to the *Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program*.

Background

The region’s transportation planning process allows for Board-approved amendments to the current Transportation Improvement Program 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 proposed amendments to the [Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program](#) are shown below and listed in Attachment 1. They have been found to comply with the current Transportation Improvement Program amendment procedures, as contained within the Board-adopted [Policies for Transportation Improvement Program Development](#) and conform with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality.

Project Number	Sponsor	Title	Reason for Amendment	New/Removed Funding
2007-078	CDOT Region 1	Region 1 Bridge On-System Pool	Adjust one pool project	Add \$8,000,000 in federal Bridge On-System funds
2012-108	RTD	RTD Capital Improvements: Bus and Facilities Funding	Add prior year funding	Add \$18,244,000 in prior year funds
2022-031	Denver	East Colfax BRT: Civic Center Station to Yosemite	Add funding	Add \$126,889,000 in federal Capital Investment Grant funds

Action by others

[April 29, 2024](#) – Transportation Advisory Committee recommended approval.

Previous discussion/action

None

Recommendation

Move to recommend to the Board of Directors the attached project amendments to the *Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program*.

Attachment

May 2024 Amendments to the *Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program*



For more information

If you need additional information, please contact Josh Schwenk, Senior Planner, Transportation Planning and Operations Division at 303-480-6771 or jschwenk@drcog.org.



Attachment 1

May 2024 Amendments to the Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program

2007-078: Adjust one pool project and add \$8,000,000 in federal Bridge On-System funds

Existing Project

Project Name: Region 1 Bridge On-System Pool

Sponsor: CDOT Region 1

Identification Number: 2007-078

Project Type: Roadway - Bridge

Performance Measures: Bridge Condition, Freight Reliability, Safety

Affected Counties: Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, Jefferson

Affected Municipalities: None

Subregions(s): None

Open to Public: None

STIP-ID: SR16712

Project Scope:

The Bridge On-System Pool funds various bridge, culvert, tunnel, and wall projects throughout CDOT Region 1.

Funding Type	Federal Fiscal Year 2024	Federal Fiscal Year 2025	Federal Fiscal Year 2026	Federal Fiscal Year 2027
Federal (Bridge On-System)	\$9,400,000	\$9,620,000	\$9,950,000	\$9,900,000
Total	\$9,400,000	\$9,620,000	\$9,950,000	\$9,900,000



Prior Funding	Four Year Period	Future Funding	Total Funding
\$0	\$38,870,000	\$0	\$38,870,000

This pool includes the following current projects. All pool project funding depicts federal and/or state funding only.

- Essential Culvert Repairs - \$5,220,000
- Essential Wall Repairs - \$5,300,000
- Preventative Bridge Maintenance - Proactive work, including scour work, fiber wrap - \$8,500,000
- Joint Treatments - \$6,800,000
- Deck Treatments - Resurfacing/overlays - \$7,000,000
- Bridge Essential Repairs - Generally reactive; girder cleanouts - \$6,040,000

Revised Funding Table and Project Listing

Funding Type	Federal Fiscal Year 2024	Federal Fiscal Year 2025	Federal Fiscal Year 2026	Federal Fiscal Year 2027
Federal (Bridge On-System)	\$17,400,000	\$9,620,000	\$9,950,000	\$9,900,000
Total	\$17,400,000	\$9,620,000	\$9,950,000	\$9,900,000

This pool includes the following current projects. All pool project funding depicts federal and/or state funding only.

- Essential Culvert Repairs - \$13,220,000
- Essential Wall Repairs - \$5,300,000
- Preventative Bridge Maintenance - Proactive work, including scour work, fiber wrap - \$8,500,000
- Joint Treatments - \$6,800,000
- Deck Treatments - Resurfacing/overlays - \$7,000,000
- Bridge Essential Repairs - Generally reactive; girder cleanouts - \$6,040,000

2012-108: Add \$18,244,000 in prior year funds

Existing Project

Project Name: RTD Capital Improvements: Bus and Facilities Funding

Sponsor: RTD

Identification Number: 2012-108

Project Type: Transit Vehicles

Performance Measures: Congestion, Safety, Transit Assets, Transit Safety

Affected Counties: Regional

Affected Municipalities: None

Subregions(s): None

Open to Public: None **STIP-ID:** None

Project Scope:

Funds will be directed to capital improvements including the purchase of fuel efficient buses and vans equipped with ADA-compliant lifts.

Funding Type	Federal Fiscal Year 2024	Federal Fiscal Year 2025	Federal Fiscal Year 2026	Federal Fiscal Year 2027
Federal (Section 5339)	\$6,730,000	\$6,940,000	\$7,140,000	\$7,360,000
Local (Section 5339)	\$1,690,000	\$1,740,000	\$1,790,000	\$1,840,000
Total	\$8,420,000	\$8,680,000	\$8,930,000	\$9,200,000



Prior Funding	Four Year Period	Future Funding	Total Funding
\$0	\$35,230,000	\$0	\$35,230,000

Revised Funding Table

Prior Funding	Four Year Period	Future Funding	Total Funding
\$18,244,000	\$35,230,000	\$0	\$53,474,000

2022-031: Add \$126,889,000 in federal Capital Investment Grant funds

Existing Project

Project Name: East Colfax BRT: Civic Center Station to Yosemite

Sponsor: Denver

Identification Number: 2022-031

Project Type: Rapid Transit

Performance Measures: Congestion, Transit Assets, Transit Safety, Travel Time Reliability

Affected Counties: Denver

Affected Municipalities: Denver

Subregions(s): Denver

Open to Public: 2025

STIP-ID: None

Project Scope:

Design and construct a fixed-guideway center-running bus rapid transit line along Colfax Ave between Civic Center Station and Yosemite St.

Funding Type	Federal Fiscal Year 2024	Federal Fiscal Year 2025	Federal Fiscal Year 2026	Federal Fiscal Year 2027
Federal (Carbon Reduction Program)	\$2,845,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal (Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality)	\$5,686,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal (Surface Transportation Block Grant)	\$8,513,000	\$0	\$2,685,000	\$0
Local (Surface Transportation Block Grant)	\$9,840,000	\$0	\$2,305,000	\$0
Total	\$26,884,000	\$0	\$4,990,000	\$0
Project Phase to Initiate	Initiate CM/GC Construction	None	Initiate CM/GC Construction	None



Prior Funding	Four Year Period	Future Funding	Total Funding
\$15,126,000	\$31,874,000	\$0	\$47,000,000

Revised Funding Table

Funding Type	Federal Fiscal Year 2024	Federal Fiscal Year 2025	Federal Fiscal Year 2026	Federal Fiscal Year 2027
Federal (Capital Investment Grant)	\$126,889,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal (Carbon Reduction Program)	\$2,845,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal (Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality)	\$5,686,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal (Surface Transportation Block Grant)	\$8,513,000	\$0	\$2,685,000	\$0
Local (Capital Investment Grant)	\$81,267,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local (Surface Transportation Block Grant)	\$9,840,000	\$0	\$2,305,000	\$0
Total	\$235,040,000	\$0	\$4,990,000	\$0

ATTACH D

Regional Transportation Committee

Meeting date: May 14, 2024

Agenda Item #: 6 (Attachment D)

Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment

Agenda item type: Action

Summary

Staff is proposing amendments to the *Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program for the Denver Region*.

Background

The Unified Planning Work Program is the two-year work plan for the Denver Metropolitan Planning Organization and serves as the management tool for scheduling, budgeting, and monitoring the metropolitan planning activities of participating entities. The *Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program for the Denver Region* was adopted in August 2023 and most recently modified in March 2024.

Amendments to the document are periodically necessary to adjust work to be performed to comply with changes to federal law or adjust to unanticipated planning needs or new priorities. The primary reason for this amendment is to revise the financial tables in Appendix C to reflect the final carryover balances from DRCOG's previous Consolidated Planning Grant contract and adjust planned expenditures to reflect updated costs for work in Activity 2.4 – Dashboards and interactive data visualizations and Activity 2.5 – Greenhouse gas mitigation action plan implementation assistance and additionally, minor clarifications and refinements to tasks and deliverables are proposed, including two new deliverables: a transportation demand management incentives whitepaper and Vision Zero quick build toolkit. The document format has also being adjusted to conform to state accessibility standards.

Action by others

[April 29, 2024](#) – Transportation Advisory Committee recommended approval.

Previous discussion/action

None

Recommendation

Move to recommend to the Board of Directors the amendment to the *Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program for the Denver Region*.

Attachment

Proposed amended version of the *Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program for the Denver Region*



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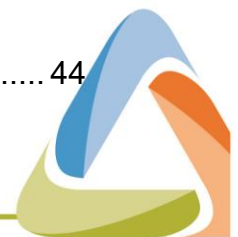


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Executive Summary

What is the Denver Regional Council of Governments?

The Denver Regional Council of Governments, commonly known as DRCOG, is an association of local governments with regional partners committed to protecting and enhancing the quality of life in the ten county Denver, Colorado metropolitan area. DRCOG serves several functions for the region, including as a federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization. In this role, DRCOG coordinates regional transportation planning to address important regional needs in all or part of Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, Jefferson, and Weld Counties.

What is the Unified Planning Work Program?

The Unified Planning Work Program, also known as the UPWP, is a document that outlines the transportation planning work to be conducted in the region by DRCOG and its partner agencies over a two-year period. As the designated metropolitan planning organization for the Denver region, DRCOG develops the program as part of its federally required metropolitan transportation planning process. This document guides DRCOG's work over the two-year timeframe, ensures that transportation planning tasks are coordinated with partner agencies around the region, and provides transparency concerning DRCOG's work to partner agencies and the public. Any transportation planning tasks funded with federal transportation planning funds must be listed in an approved unified planning work program. The tasks in this document must also align with federal goals and priorities and be fiscally constrained within the revenue available to the region's planning partners.

What information can be found in this document?

This document provides an overview of the federally funded metropolitan transportation planning work to be conducted by DRCOG, the Regional Transportation District, and the Colorado Department of Transportation in federal fiscal years 2024 and 2025 (October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2025). Due to the large number of tasks that are anticipated to be completed in the region, the work program breaks these planning activities out into categories to provide organizational structure to the document. The planning activities in this document are based on the following format:

- Objectives – Objectives make up the broadest category of work in this document. These are high-level themes to organize the planning activities in the document. There are nine Objectives in this document.



- Activities – Under each Objective is a varying number of Activities. An Activity is an independent category of work which supports the Objective. Each Activity also includes a list of participant agencies and notes which agency is the lead.
- Tasks – Each Activity has a bullet-point list of Tasks. A Task is an action staff takes as part of the Activity.
- Deliverables – Some (though not all) Activities include one or more Deliverables. A Deliverable is a discrete product such as a plan, report, tool, etc. that is produced as part of the Activity.

In addition to the work program, appendices are provided at the end of the document covering:

1. Appendix A - Additional information on planning projects not funded through federal metropolitan transportation planning funds.
2. Appendix B - Accomplishments from the prior document, covering fiscal years 2022-2023.
3. Appendix C - The revenue and expenditure forecasts for the time period of this document.
4. Appendix D - A reference list of common acronyms within this document.

What are the key work tasks and activities listed in this document?

There are a significant number of tasks outlined in this document, and all of them are important for transportation planning in the region. Some new key tasks include beginning the process to update DRCOG's two primary long-range planning documents: Metro Vision and the Regional Transportation Plan. Additionally, activities are planned which will help DRCOG to translate the broad vision of the long-range plans into specific goals and outcomes related to areas such as active transportation, travel demand management, freight, climate, and safety as well as plans related to how we conduct business such as public involvement and nondiscrimination.

Updated plans are a key first step, but DRCOG also recognizes the need to bridge the gap between plans and implemented projects on the ground. To assist with that, DRCOG intends to provide additional planning and project assistance to local agencies and our partner agencies in the region to accomplish our shared goals. New programs offering implementation assistance include programs around greenhouse gas mitigation, housing and transportation, bus rapid transit, corridor planning, community-based planning, small-area planning, and innovative mobility.



Introduction

Purpose

The Unified Planning Work Program, also known as the UPWP, describes the proposed multimodal transportation planning activities to be conducted in the Denver region during federal fiscal years 2024 and 2025 (October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2025). The UPWP is administered by the Denver Regional Council of Governments, commonly known as DRCOG, in accordance with federal requirements.

The UPWP is prepared biennially and serves as the basis by which Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration urban transportation planning funds – collectively referred to as Consolidated Planning Grant funds – are spent in the region. Additionally, the UPWP is the management tool for scheduling, budgeting, and monitoring the planning activities of participating entities.

Background

DRCOG is the federally designated metropolitan planning organization for the region's Transportation Management Area. As such, DRCOG is the recipient of federal Consolidated Planning Grant funds and is responsible for facilitating the metropolitan transportation planning process and for coordinating the activities of the other participating agencies that carry out UPWP activities. DRCOG works with local governments, regional agencies, and the state to determine how the federal planning funds will be spent.

In June 2023, a [memorandum of agreement](#) between DRCOG, the Colorado Department of Transportation, commonly known as CDOT, and the Regional Transportation District, commonly known as RTD, was signed. The memorandum coordinates transportation decision-making in the region. The Regional Transportation Committee, made up of representatives from these three agencies, among others, assists the DRCOG Board of Directors in carrying out the transportation planning process. These three agencies, working through the Regional Transportation Committee, have approved and maintained a guiding document called the [Framework for Transportation Planning in the Denver Region](#) that defines how the planning and decision making process works.

Management of the UPWP

The UPWP is developed through a collaborative approach led by DRCOG and involving CDOT, RTD, and local agencies throughout the region, as well as the Federal Highway Administration, known as FHWA, and Federal Transit Administration, known as FTA. The intent is to capture the full scope of work to be completed by all partner agencies throughout the two-year timeframe. However, it is anticipated that occasional



modifications to this UPWP will be necessary to account for changes in requirements, opportunities, and priorities. Modifications to this document may occur as amendments or administrative modifications.

Amendments are significant changes to the UPWP which require approval by the DRCOG Board of Directors and formal federal review. Once identified, amendments will be taken through the DRCOG committee structure for formal action. Once approved, the amended document will be forwarded to CDOT, FHWA, and FTA for concurrence. Modifications to the UPWP which require an amendment include:

- Changes to UPWP Activity descriptions which significantly alter the Activity scope (as defined by the Transportation Planning and Operations Division Director and/or the DRCOG Executive Director), including changes to the lead agency, addition or removal of an identification of contracted work, and deliverables.
- Funding adjustments, including the increase or decrease of overall federal funding, local match, or in-kind amounts and the transfers of funding between UPWP Activities exceeding 10% of the overall UPWP budget.
- Changes identified as requiring an amendment action by FHWA or FTA or as required in federal law and regulation.

All other changes may be processed by DRCOG staff as administrative modifications. Administrative modifications do not require formal approval by the DRCOG Board of Directors but will still be provided as an informational item to the Board of Directors, CDOT, FHWA, and FTA for review.

Updated copies of this document accounting for any modifications will be posted publicly to the DRCOG website. Additionally, per state and federal requirements, staff will post reports to the website biannually documenting progress on the work elements included in this document. Reports will cover progress on tasks and deliverables scheduled within the relevant fiscal year. These reports will be reviewed with partner agencies to ensure sufficient progress is made and determine if any modifications to the UPWP may be needed.



Planning Process Requirements and Context

Guidelines for Planning Activities

Federal Transportation Planning Factors

Metropolitan planning organizations are currently required to consider ten planning factors in the transportation planning process. These factors are outlined in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, signed into law in November 2021. This law carries forward the planning factors of its predecessor, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, signed into law in 2015. Per federal regulations (23 CFR 450.306(b)), the degree of consideration of these factors should be based on the scale and complexity of many issues, including transportation system development, land use, employment, economic development, human and natural environment, and housing and community development. These ten factors are listed below:

1. Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency.
2. Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.
3. Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.
4. Increase the accessibility and mobility of people and freight.
5. Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and State and local planned growth and economic development patterns.
6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight.
7. Promote efficient system management and operation.
8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system.
9. Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts of surface transportation.
10. Enhance travel and tourism.

Substantial work is anticipated during fiscal years 2024-2025 in consideration of these planning factors. Tables 1 and 2 provide a summary of 2024-2025 UPWP Activities applicable to each of the ten planning factors.



Table 1: UPWP Activities Promoting Federal Planning Factors 1 Through 5

UPWP Activity	Economy	Safety	Security	Mobility	Quality of Life
1.1					
1.2		X	X	X	X
1.3	X	X	X	X	X
1.4			X		X
2.1		X		X	X
2.2	X	X		X	X
2.3	X	X	X		X
2.4		X			
2.5				X	X
3.1	X	X			X
3.2	X	X			X
3.3	X	X		X	X
3.4	X				X
4.1		X	X	X	X
4.2		X			
4.3		X		X	X
4.4		X		X	
4.5	X	X		X	X
4.6	X			X	X
4.7	X	X		X	X
4.8	X	X	X		X
5.1					X
5.2					X
6.1		X			
6.2					
6.3	X	X	X		
7.1	X			X	
7.2	X	X	X	X	
7.3		X	X		
7.4	X	X			
7.5	X			X	
8.1	X			X	
8.2	X			X	X
8.3				X	X
8.4				X	X
8.5				X	X
8.6	X			X	X
8.7	X			X	X
8.8	X			X	X
9.1	X		X		
9.2	X				
9.3	X				
9.4	X		X		



UPWP Activity	Economy	Safety	Security	Mobility	Quality of Life
9.5	X			X	

Table 2: UPWP Activities Promoting Federal Planning Factors 6 Through 10

UPWP Activity	Connectivity	Efficiency	Preservation	Resiliency	Tourism
1.1					
1.2	X	X			
1.3	X	X	X	X	X
1.4		X	X		
2.1	X				
2.2	X	X			
2.3	X	X		X	X
2.4	X	X	X		
2.5	X	X			
3.1				X	X
3.2				X	X
3.3	X	X		X	X
3.4		X	X		
4.1	X	X	X	X	
4.2		X	X	X	
4.3	X		X	X	
4.4		X			
4.5	X			X	X
4.6	X	X	X		
4.7	X			X	X
4.8	X	X	X	X	
5.1				X	
5.2		X		X	
6.1					
6.2					
6.3		X	X		
7.1	X	X	X	X	
7.2		X	X	X	X
7.3					
7.4					
7.5	X	X			
8.1					X
8.2	X	X		X	
8.3	X			X	X
8.4	X			X	X
8.5	X			X	X
8.6	X			X	X
8.7	X			X	X
8.8	X			X	X
9.1	X	X	X		



UPWP Activity	Connectivity	Efficiency	Preservation	Resiliency	Tourism
9.2		X			
9.3		X			
9.4	X	X	X		
9.5	X	X			

Federal Planning Emphasis Areas

Metropolitan planning organizations are currently required to consider eight planning emphasis areas in their transportation planning process. These planning emphasis areas were released on December 30, 2021, through a joint memo by FHWA and FTA. Planning emphasis areas are designed to ensure regional planning activities address national goals and priorities. These emphasis areas are listed below:

1. Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to a Clean Energy, Resilient Future.
2. Equity and Justice40 in Transportation Planning.
3. Complete Streets.
4. Public Involvement.
5. Strategic Highway Network/United States Department of Defense Coordination.
6. Federal Land Management Agency Coordination.
7. Planning and Environmental Linkages.
8. Data and Transportation Planning.

Substantial work is also anticipated to address these planning emphasis areas within the 2024-2025 UPWP timeframe. Tables 3 and 4 provide a summary of 2024-2025 UPWP activities applicable to each planning emphasis area.

Table 3: UPWP Activities Promoting Planning Emphasis Areas 1 Through 4

UPWP Activity	Climate	Equity	Complete Streets	Public Involvement
1.1				
1.2	X	X	X	X
1.3	X	X	X	X
1.4	X	X	X	X
2.1		X		X
2.2			X	
2.3		X		
2.4				X
2.5	X		X	X
3.1	X	X		X
3.2	X	X		
3.3		X	X	X
3.4				
4.1	X	X	X	X
4.2	X			X
4.3	X	X	X	X



UPWP Activity	Climate	Equity	Complete Streets	Public Involvement
4.4		X	X	X
4.5	X	X	X	X
4.6	X	X		
4.7	X	X	X	
4.8	X			
5.1	X			X
5.2	X			X
6.1	X	X	X	X
6.2	X	X		X
6.3				
7.1	X			
7.2	X			
7.3				
7.4		X	X	
7.5	X			
8.1	X	X		
8.2	X	X	X	X
8.3	X	X	X	
8.4	X	X	X	
8.5	X	X	X	
8.6	X	X	X	
8.7	X	X	X	
8.8	X	X	X	
9.1				
9.2				
9.3				
9.4	X			
9.5	X		X	

Table 4: UPWP Activities Promoting Planning Emphasis Areas 5 Through 8

UPWP Activity	Strategic Highway Network	Federal Lands Management	Planning & Environmental Linkages	Data
1.1				
1.2				X
1.3	X	X	X	X
1.4				X
2.1				
2.2				X
2.3	X	X	X	
2.4				X
2.5				X
3.1				X
3.2				X



UPWP Activity	Strategic Highway Network	Federal Lands Management	Planning & Environmental Linkages	Data
3.3				
3.4				X
4.1			X	X
4.2				X
4.3			X	X
4.4				
4.5			X	X
4.6				X
4.7				
4.8			X	X
5.1				X
5.2				X
6.1			X	X
6.2				X
6.3				X
7.1				X
7.2				X
7.3	X			X
7.4				X
7.5				X
8.1				X
8.2				X
8.3				
8.4				
8.5				
8.6				
8.7				
8.8				
9.1				X
9.2				X
9.3				X
9.4				X
9.5				X

Planning Priorities

For the 2024-2025 UPWP, priorities include significant updates to several of our core planning documents. Recognizing a quickly changing landscape regarding federal and state statute, post-pandemic travel patterns, and regional priorities, DRCOG is interested in updating our documents to ensure their continued relevance and usefulness for our region. Included within this UPWP are the following planning efforts:



- Updating or amending existing major plans, including the Title VI Implementation Plan, Limited English Proficiency Plan, Americans with Disabilities Act Program Access Plan, Public Engagement Plan, Regional Active Transportation Plan, Regional Multimodal Freight Plan, and Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero.
- Developing and adopting new plans and programs, including the 2026-2027 UPWP, Climate Action Plans, Regional Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan, and the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.
- Beginning updates to major plans and programs, including Metro Vision, the Regional Transportation Plan, and the 2028-2031 Transportation Improvement Program.

Additionally, DRCOG intends to continue its focus from the prior UPWP on implementation activities. New implementation assistance in this document includes a new Regional Bus Rapid Transit Program, new Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Action Plan implementation assistance, housing and transportation coordination, and new Transportation Improvement Program set-asides focused on planning activities that bridge the Regional Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program, amongst other activities.

DRCOG Nondiscrimination and Accessibility

Transportation planning activities must be consistent with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and additional federal and state nondiscrimination statutes. Current efforts include:

- A new nondiscrimination complaint procedures document in 2022.
- An updated Title VI Implementation Plan in September 2021.
- An updated Limited English Proficiency Plan in September 2021.
- An updated Americans with Disabilities Act Program Access Plan in September 2021.
- Updates to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program as required to participate in the Colorado Unified Certification Program that was approved by the United States Department of Transportation in April 2004.

The current versions of these documents are available on DRCOG's [nondiscrimination webpage](#) for public access.

Federal Quadrennial Review Comments

Every four years FHWA and FTA perform a review of the metropolitan transportation planning process conducted by DRCOG, CDOT, and RTD. The last review was completed in 2020. Recommendations from that review are incorporated in this document, as appropriate. The next review will be completed in 2024, and this document may be modified, as needed, to incorporate work that addresses any recommendations made at that time.



Relationship to Air Quality Planning

DRCOG's planning process is responsive to federal clean air legislation. Clean Air Act amendments were passed by Congress in 1990 and require that the Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan for metropolitan areas in nonattainment areas for criteria pollutants show conformity with state implementation plans for air quality.

Notably for the Denver region:

- 2008: The Environmental Protection Agency lowered the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ground-level ozone to 0.075 parts per million.
- 2012: The Environmental Protection Agency designated the Denver Metro/North Front Range Area as marginal nonattainment under the 2008 ozone standard.
- 2015: The Environmental Protection Agency lowered the standards for ground-level ozone to 0.070 parts per million.
- 2018: The area was designated as marginal nonattainment for the 2015 ozone standard.
- 2019: The Environmental Protection Agency reclassified the area as serious nonattainment of the 2008 standard.
- 2020: A state implementation plan for the 2015 ozone standard was developed and approved. Because the region did not attain the standard, a new state implementation plan was developed.
- 2022: An updated state implementation plan was adopted by the Air Quality Control Commission. Final approval from the state, Environmental Protection Agency, and FHWA is pending.

Procedures to ensure interagency coordination are defined in the Framework for Transportation Planning in the Denver Region. An agreement was signed by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, CDOT, DRCOG, North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization, Regional Air Quality Council, and Upper Front Range Transportation Planning Region in September 2022 that defines the specific roles and responsibilities. DRCOG is responsible for preparing transportation data to be used for air quality modeling associated with conformity determinations. The Air Pollution Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is responsible for conducting air quality modeling and mobile source emission calculations.

Air quality conformity has been demonstrated for both the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program and 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program, and the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan. The Regional Transportation Plan explicitly lists air quality among the region's priorities. The plan includes the development of a bus rapid transit system, an expanded and well-connected trail network, and Complete Streets provisions to serve all users. Additionally, CDOT's Greenhouse Gas Transportation Planning Standard requires DRCOG to incorporate a reduction in surface transportation



greenhouse gas emissions into its transportation planning process. The current amended version of the Regional Transportation Plan, adopted in September 2022, was found to meet or exceed the greenhouse gas reduction levels for each analysis year, as required by the standard.



Status of DRCOG Planning Documents

Table 5 lists the most recent status (as of August 2023) of DRCOG’s major planning documents.

Table 5: Major Planning Document Status

Document	Action/Date
Metro Vision	Amended May 2019
2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan	Updated September 2022
2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program	Adoption August 2023 & amended regularly
Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero	Adopted June 2020
Regional Complete Streets Toolkit	Adopted October 2021
Regional Multimodal Freight Plan	Adopted May 2020
Denver Regional Active Transportation Plan	Adopted January 2019
Regional Transportation Operations and Technology Strategic Plan	Adopted February 2023
Coordinated Transit Plan	Amended September 2022
DRCOG Section 5310 Program Management Plan	Amended May 2021
Title VI Implementation Plan	Adopted September 2021
Americans with Disabilities Act Program Access Plan	Adopted September 2021
Limited English Proficiency Plan	Adopted September 2021
Public Engagement Plan	Amended August 2021



Planning Activities

This section details the work program to be conducted by DRCOG and its partner agencies in fiscal years 2024-2025. Nine Objectives outline the primary themes of the work that will be conducted. Within each Objective, several Activities describe specific topics to be worked on. Each Activity includes a description of that Activity’s purpose, a list of Tasks to be completed, any discrete Deliverables to be produced and what year they are anticipated to be completed in, and a list of participant agencies (including the lead agency if more than one is involved).

Objective 1.0 Program Administration and Coordination

Administer the core Metropolitan Planning Organization transportation planning program.

Activity 1.1 Direct Program Management

Purpose: Effective administration of the DRCOG transportation planning process, including management of DRCOG planning staff and grants.

Tasks:

- Supervise and monitor staff work on UPWP tasks.
- Manage internal systems and performance measurement related to this work program.
- Prepare and maintain adequate records of correspondence, purchasing, and contracts.
- Routine personnel, office, and administrative activities.

Participants: DRCOG.

Activity 1.2 DRCOG Staff Training and Development

Purpose: Provide DRCOG staff with the necessary training and development to perform their jobs efficiently and effectively.

Tasks:

- Provide staff with in-house and offsite training opportunities (webinars, conferences, classes, etc.).

Participants: DRCOG.



Activity 1.3 Unified Planning Work Program

Purpose: Develop and maintain the Unified Planning Work Program in compliance with applicable federal laws.

Tasks:

- Manage, administer, evaluate progress, and amend, as necessary, the 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program.
- Develop and adopt the 2026-2027 Unified Planning Work Program.

Deliverables:

2024

- Fiscal Year 2023 UPWP end-of-year report.
- Fiscal Year 2024 UPWP mid-year report.

2025

- Fiscal Year 2024 UPWP end-of-year report.
- Fiscal Year 2025 UPWP mid-year report.
- 2026-2027 UPWP.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, and local governments.

Activity 1.4 Metropolitan Planning Organization Compliance

Purpose: Conduct the metropolitan transportation planning process in compliance with applicable federal and state laws.

Tasks:

- Facilitate, participate in, and support DRCOG’s metropolitan planning organization committee structure.
- Incorporate state and federal rules and regulations on the regional transportation planning process, including addressing public involvement, environmental justice, Title VI/Limited English proficiency/Americans with Disabilities Act, and document accessibility.
- Update DRCOG’s Nondiscrimination Plans and explore the development of an Equity Action Plan.
- Participate in the 2024 joint FHWA and FTA Quadrennial Review of the metropolitan planning organization planning process and address any items resulting from the review.
- Review the Denver region Metropolitan Planning Area boundaries based on the 2020 Decennial Census.



Deliverables:

2024

- Fiscal Year 2023 Title VI and Local Agency Assurances.
- Fiscal Year 2023 Nondiscrimination Status Report.
- Title VI Implementation Plan update.
- Limited English Proficiency Plan update.
- Americans with Disabilities Act Program Access Plan update.

2025

- Fiscal Year 2024 Title VI and Local Agency Assurances.
- Fiscal Year 2024 Nondiscrimination Status Report.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, FHWA, FTA, RTD.



Objective 2.0 Planning Coordination and Outreach

Involve the public, local governments and stakeholders, and our regional partners in the planning process to address the transportation and development issues of the region and ensure outcomes that are consistent with Metro Vision goals and policies.

Activity 2.1 DRCOG Public Engagement and Outreach

Purpose: Inform the public about DRCOG’s plan and program development and implementation processes, provide opportunities for them to participate in planning and policy decisions, and provide educational resources about DRCOG and planning in general.

Tasks:

- Implement and evaluate engagement and outreach strategies identified in the Public Engagement Plan.
- Update the DRCOG Public Engagement Plan.
- Conduct meetings to gather public comment and/or inform the public regarding major planning products identified in the UPWP.
- Create and maintain various DRCOG web pages and other communications materials.
- Revitalize DRCOG web properties through a website refresh project.
- Hold the Civic Academy, a program to educate participants about regional issues and empower them to participate in civic decision-making.
- Work to increase public involvement through new interactive virtual technologies and explore additional equity-based community outreach opportunities.
- Give presentations as requested.

Deliverables:

2024

- DRCOG Public Engagement Plan.
- Annual Report of Public Engagement Activities.

2025

- Annual Report of Public Engagement Activities.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, and local governments.

Activity 2.2 Local Government and Stakeholder Education, Outreach, and Support

Purpose: Provide education, outreach, and support to local governments and other stakeholders.



Tasks:

- Educate local governments and other interested parties about the DRCOG transportation planning process, federal regulations, and associated documents.
- Meet with local governments about their transportation and growth and development planning issues and needs and provide support and technical assistance as necessary.
- Facilitate educational opportunities for local government staff, data professionals, and other stakeholders to collaborate and exchange information. Consultant services may be required.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, and local governments.

Activity 2.3 Regional Planning Coordination

Purpose: Maintain the working relationship and coordination of planning efforts between DRCOG and its local governments, planning partners, and neighboring transportation agencies to address transportation issues and opportunities.

Tasks:

- Maintain communication, coordinate, and exchange information with partners adjacent to DRCOG; attend Statewide Metropolitan Planning Organization Committee meetings; coordinate with neighboring metropolitan planning organizations on growth and development forecasting; work with federal partners to strengthen coordination around transportation issues on federal lands.
- Maintain communication, coordinate, and exchange information with partners located within the DRCOG region.
- Host the Agency Coordination Team and participate in CDOT and RTD regularly scheduled meetings in order to facilitate communication among planning partners.
- Monitor, participate, and assist with statewide, regional, and interregional transportation planning activities, corridor studies, National Environmental Policy Act studies, Planning & Environmental Linkage studies, and funding opportunities. Implement or incorporate outcomes into planning documents as appropriate.
- Participate in and/or monitor the state transportation-related enterprises and committees.
- Host and facilitate work groups, committees, and cohorts of local governments and partner agencies around general topics of regional interest.
- Coordinate with CDOT and the United States Department of Defense to identify any needed updates to the federal-aid highway system, including to the Strategic Highway Network.
- Apply for state and federal discretionary grants and other applicable funding opportunities that advance and help implement the planning activities and tasks



contained in this Unified Planning Work Program. Consultant assistance will be used to help DRCOG prepare specific grant funding applications.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD

Activity 2.4 Dashboards and Interactive Data Visualizations

Purpose: Develop dashboards and interactive data visualizations to share information about various DRCOG datasets and programs for external audiences.

Tasks:

- Coordinate with staff of relevant programs on design elements.
- Develop guidance and workflows, then dashboards or interactive visualizations, based on datasets related to various programs.
- Consultant services may be required in the development of various dashboards and interactive visualizations.

Participants: DRCOG.

Activity 2.5 Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Action Plan Implementation Assistance

Purpose: Provide assistance, tools, and resources to local agencies in implementing the strategies identified in the Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Action Plan.

Tasks:

- Convene a workshop series with local agencies covering Mitigation Action Plan strategies.
- Work with local agencies to identify gaps in local knowledge and expertise related to implementing Mitigation Action Plan strategies.
- Conduct a regional parking utilization study to determine the feasibility of lowering parking standards.
- Develop a report on parking strategies for smart growth.
- Consultant services will be used in the development of meetings, studies, and reports.

Deliverables:

2025

- Denver Regional Parking Utilization Study.
- Smart Growth Parking Strategies.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), local governments, CDOT.



Objective 3.0 Land Use and Development Planning

Develop, refine, and implement Metro Vision, the region’s long-range plan, as well as work to plan for land use, growth, and development, to enhance and improve the quality of life in the Denver region.

Activity 3.1 Metro Vision Plan – Collaboration and Implementation Assistance

Purpose: Work with local and regional partners to maintain and implement Metro Vision.

Tasks:

- ~~• Meet with local governments to identify and pilot initiatives affecting growth, development, economic vitality, and quality of life.~~
- Participate in regional partnerships that advance Metro Vision outcomes and objectives.
- Maintain Metro Vision and amend as necessary through member-sponsored plan amendments as well as other amendments to ensure consistency between Metro Vision and other regional initiatives.
- Work with local governments and other stakeholders to implement Metro Vision. Focus efforts and attention around key geographies identified in Metro Vision and the Regional Transportation Plan for use in regional and local planning and implementation activities (i.e., urban centers, high-opportunity areas).
- Work with local government partners to identify and support appropriate Metro Vision strategies, ~~and~~ implementation measures and pilot initiatives.
- Review Metro Vision urban centers and amend as appropriate.
- Review Metro Vision performance measures and amend as appropriate.
- Initiate a comprehensive review and update of the Metro Vision plan.

Deliverables:

2024

- Amendments (if any) to Metro Vision.

2025

- Amendments (if any) to Metro Vision.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), local governments, CDOT, RTD.

Activity 3.2 Metro Vision Plan – Research and Performance Management

Purpose: Research and share data and information that may illustrate progress toward, and issues faced in achieving, plan outcomes.



Tasks:

- Analyze and share progress on Metro Vision outcomes.
- Collect data in support of Metro Vision performance measurement.
- Prepare small area assessments, data analysis, and reporting related to Metro Vision implementation and outcomes.
- Build capacity and workflows to support regional and local scenario analysis, including impacts of alternative land use and development patterns.
- Compile information on local comprehensive and small-area plans. Consultant services may be required.
- Reformat and update community and legislative profiles.

Deliverables:

2024

- Metro Vision performance measure status report.
- Metro Vision measures interactive data visualization.
- Community and Legislative Profiles.
- Regional Data Briefs.

2025

- Metro Vision performance measure status report.
- Community and Legislative Profiles.
- Regional Data Briefs.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), local governments, CDOT, RTD, Department of Local Affairs.

Activity 3.3 Livable Centers Small-Area Planning

Purpose: Manage the Transportation Improvement Program set-aside program to assist local agencies in developing ways to achieve the outcomes in Metro Vision related to centers and nodes of communities throughout the region.

Tasks:

- Conduct solicitations for Livable Centers Small-Area Planning Transportation Improvement Program set-aside program.
- Contract with vendors and/or consultants for selected projects.
- Manage the development of plans and projects.
- Consultant services will be used in the development of plans and projects.



Deliverables:

2024

- Small area plan(s).

2025

- Small area plan(s).

Participants: DRCOG (lead), local agencies, CDOT, RTD.

Activity 3.4 Housing Coordination Planning

Purpose: Integrate housing, transportation, and economic development strategies in the regional transportation planning process and Metro Vision.

Tasks:

- Assess regional housing needs and opportunities that have a significant role in growth, housing, and economic development patterns contributing to growth in regional travel demand.
- Consult with state entities responsible for economic development, housing, and transportation; local entities responsible for land use, economic development, housing, and transportation; as well as other appropriate entities, to identify current goals and strategies, as well as common issues and opportunities.
- Compare transportation plans to land use management plans, including zoning plans, that may affect road use, public transportation ridership and housing development while also identifying the location of existing and planned housing and employment, and transportation options that connect housing and employment.
- Develop a Housing-Transportation Coordination Plan that integrates housing, transportation, and economic development strategies in the regional transportation planning process.
- Identify strategic priorities for potential integration in and coordination with the housing, economic development or transportation plans of state, local, and other appropriate entities, which include Metro Vision and the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Procure consultant services to assist in housing coordination planning.

Deliverables:

2025

- Housing-Transportation Coordination Plan.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), local governments, housing agencies, CDOT and other state government agencies, RTD.



Objective 4.0 Multimodal Planning

Develop, refine, and implement the Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan, as well as the various modal plans which help to implement its principles.

Activity 4.1 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan

Purpose: Maintain the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan.

Tasks:

- Process amendments to the Regional Transportation Plan as needed.
- Initiate and participate in project development activities to implement the Regional Transportation Plan project and program investment priorities.
- Track progress on strategies identified in the Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Action Plan.
- Begin updating the Regional Transportation Plan document. Consultant services will be used in the development of the plan.
- Refine new equity analysis methodology for use in the Regional Transportation Plan.

Deliverables:

2024

- Amendments (if any) to the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Annual Mitigation Measures Status Report.

2025

- Amendments (if any) to the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Annual Mitigation Measures Status Report.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, local governments, and other stakeholders and partner agencies.

Activity 4.2 Federal Performance Measure Reporting

Purpose: Update, compile, and report on the implementation of federally required performance measures related to regional transportation planning processes.

Tasks:

- Compile data associated with federal transportation performance measures.
- Set or revise targets and develop baselines for each federal transportation performance measure.
- Prepare and/or assist CDOT with preparing performance measure reports.
- ~~Prepare/update Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality Performance Plan.~~



- Integrate performance measures into other DRCOG work products, as appropriate.

Deliverables:

2024

- Target reporting for federal transportation performance measures.
- Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality Performance Plan: Mid-Performance Period Progress Report.
- Federal performance measures interactive data visualization.

2025

- Target reporting for federal transportation performance measures.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD.

Activity 4.3 Transportation Corridor Planning

Purpose: Lead and coordinate corridor plans for priority regional multimodal corridors.

Tasks:

- Solicit proposals for corridor planning projects from local agencies and community groups and select initial project proposals.
- Procure consultant services for development of planning recommendations.
- Develop engagement materials to communicate program goals and services.
- Lead/coordinate corridor plans.
- Reconnecting Communities Assessment - Identify priority opportunities for projects to retrofit or mitigate existing facilities that create barriers to community connectivity.
- Consultant services will be used in the development of the selected planning efforts.

Deliverables:

2024

- Corridor Plan(s).

2025

- Corridor Plan(s).

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, local governments, community organizations.



Activity 4.4 Community-Based Transportation Planning

Purpose: Lead or coordinate community-based transportation plans to improve mobility options for low-income and disadvantaged populations through grassroots efforts to identify local communities' most important transportation challenges and develop strategies to overcome them.

Tasks:

- Solicit proposals for community-based transportation plan projects from local agencies and community groups and select initial project proposals.
- Procure consultant services for development of planning recommendations.
- Develop engagement materials to communicate program goals and services.
- Lead/coordinate plans.
- Consultant services will be used in the development of the plans and projects.

Deliverables:

2024

- Community Based Transportation Plan(s).

2025

- Community Based Transportation Plan(s).

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, local governments, community organizations.

Activity 4.5 Active Transportation Planning

Purpose: Monitor efforts, provide assistance, and prepare products that support active transportation activities consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan.

Tasks:

- Monitor progress on active transportation projects funded through the Transportation Improvement Program.
- Conduct and compile counts and maintain data related to active transportation.
- Continue regional active transportation meetings/summits.
- Provide assistance to local and regional agencies, as requested.
- Maintain, track metrics, and continue implementation activities for the Active Transportation Plan.
- Conduct, develop, coordinate, and monitor other activities such as level of traffic stress assessment and regional wayfinding.
- Update the Regional Active Transportation Plan. Consultant services may be required.
- Maintain an inventory of regional bicycle facilities.



- Implement a regional bicycle and pedestrian count program. Consultant services may be required.

Deliverables:

2024

- Regional bicycle facility inventory.
- Annual report on status of Transportation Improvement Program-funded active transportation projects.

2025

- Regional bicycle facility inventory.
- Annual report on status of Transportation Improvement Program-funded active transportation projects.
- Active Transportation Plan (update).

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, local governments.

Activity 4.6 Transportation Demand Management Planning

Purpose: Monitor efforts, provide assistance, and prepare products that support transportation demand management services consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan.

Tasks:

- Conduct calls for projects for the Transportation Demand Management Services Transportation Improvement Program set-aside program.
- Monitor progress on transportation demand management Transportation Improvement Program-funded projects.
- Support sustainability and resiliency planning and projects, connecting transportation demand management strategies, like parking, to greenhouse gas reduction strategies.
- Complete and begin implementation of the Regional Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan. Consultant services may be required.
- Provide transportation demand management technical assistance and support services as needed.
- Conduct, develop, coordinate, and monitor other activities such as “last-mile” studies and transportation demand management project effectiveness and TDM project benefit tools calculation methodology. Vendor services may be required.
- Maintain~~Complete~~ a regional transportation demand management inventory.



Deliverables:

2024

- Annual report on status of Transportation Improvement Program-funded transportation demand management projects.
- Regional Transportation Demand Management Inventory.
- Regional Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan (carryover from 2022-2023 UPWP).

2025

- [Transportation demand management incentives white paper.](#)
- Annual report on status of Transportation Improvement Program-funded transportation demand management projects.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, Transportation Management Associations, local governments.

Activity 4.7 Complete Streets Planning

Purpose: Plan for Complete Streets in the Denver region and provide assistance to local agencies in implementing Complete Streets.

Tasks:

- Continue implementing the Regional Complete Streets Toolkit, including prioritizing complete streets safety investments in accordance with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.
- Maintain, amend, and update the Regional Complete Streets Toolkit's Street Typology.
- Assist local agencies in locating, designing, and implementing Complete Streets improvements in their communities.

Deliverables:

2025

- Updated Regional Complete Streets Typology.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, local governments.

Activity 4.8 Regional Freight Planning

Purpose: Monitor efforts, provide assistance, and prepare products that support freight activities.



Tasks:

- Update the Regional Multimodal Freight Plan. Consultant services may be required.
- Participate in the National Highway Freight Program project selection process and designate Critical Urban Freight Corridors (as needed) based on project selection.
- Participate in Freight Advisory Council meetings.
- Review critical urban freight corridors and identify opportunities for additional designations.

Deliverables:

2025

- Regional Multimodal Freight Plan.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, local governments.



Objective 5.0 Air Quality

Plan for improved air quality in the Denver region and conduct analyses to ensure the region meets federal air quality conformity standards.

Activity 5.1 Air Quality and Conformity

Purpose: Complete air quality conformity determinations associated with transportation facilities identified in the Transportation Improvement Program and the Regional Transportation Plan.

Tasks:

- Monitor legislation impacting transportation air quality processes. Assist air quality agencies as needed.
- Research improved methods for calculations of greenhouse gas and air quality measures.
- Monitor the readings and trends of criteria pollutants in relation to established attainment standards.
- Prepare highway and transit networks (DRCOG), update planning assumptions, perform air quality conformity model runs (DRCOG and Air Pollution Control Division), and review highway networks (CDOT) and transit networks (RTD) associated with amendments of the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Provide travel model data results in support of air quality conformity analyses.
- Prepare air quality conformity findings (DRCOG) and assess findings (Air Pollution Control Division and Air Quality Control Commission) associated with amendments to the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Participate in the development of the new ozone state implementation plan.
- Continue activities associated with the Regional Haze State Implementation Plan.
- Assist with local and regional analyses of emissions, greenhouse gases, and other air quality topics.
- Coordinate with the state on developing a Carbon Reduction Strategy (carryover from 2022-2023 UPWP).
- Evaluate emissions impacts of Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality funded Transportation Improvement Program projects.
- Evaluate opportunities and priorities for federal and state grant funding to reduce on-road highway source carbon dioxide emissions and other negative environmental attributes.



Deliverables:

2024

- Conformity Determination Reports for Regional Transportation Plan amendments (as needed).
- Annual Report on Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality-funded Transportation Improvement Program projects.

2025

- Conformity Determination Reports for Regional Transportation Plan amendments (as needed).
- Annual Report on Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality-funded Transportation Improvement Program projects.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), Air Pollution Control Division, Regional Air Quality Council, Air Quality Control Commission, RTD, CDOT.

Activity 5.2 Climate Pollution Reduction Planning Grant

Purpose: Implement the Environmental Protection Agency planning grant for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the Denver region.

Tasks:

- Convene monthly stakeholder meetings with local agency staff.
- Conduct greenhouse gas emissions inventory and projections.
- Develop greenhouse gas reduction targets, quantified reduction measures, workforce planning analysis, benefits analysis, low income/disadvantaged communities benefits analysis, and review of authority to implement recommendations.
- Develop priority and comprehensive climate action plans.
- Consultant services may be required in the development of materials and deliverables.

Deliverables:

2024

- Priority Climate Action Plan.

2025

- Comprehensive Climate Action Plan.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), Regional Air Quality Council, CDOT, RTD, local agencies.



Objective 6.0 Project Programming

Identify and implement priorities within the metropolitan area by effectively developing and managing the Transportation Improvement Program.

Activity 6.1 Prepare Transportation Improvement Program

Purpose: Prepare the Transportation Improvement Program by identifying projects to be funded with federal and state resources and other regionally significant projects.

Tasks:

- Maintain and amend the Policies for Transportation Improvement Program Development, as needed.
- Identify and explore alternative process methods for calls for projects.
- Prepare and adopt the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program document.
- Begin policy-level discussions for the 2028-2031 Transportation Improvement Program.

Deliverables:

2025

- Adopt 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, local governments.

Activity 6.2 Transportation Improvement Program Set-Asides

Purpose: Reaffirm adopted policies, select projects, and maintain and monitor the Transportation Improvement Program set-asides to be funded with federal resources.

Tasks:

- Review and revise the Policies for 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program Set-Aside Programs, as necessary.
- Coordinate set-aside program calls for projects and amend selected projects into the adopted Transportation Improvement Program.
- Coordinate solicitations for Transportation Corridor Planning, Community-Based Transportation Planning, Livable Centers Small-Area Planning, and Innovative Mobility set-asides and amend selected projects into the adopted Transportation Improvement Program.
- Coordinate to ensure successful implementation of selected projects.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, local governments.



Activity 6.3 Transportation Improvement Program Management

Purpose: Maintain and monitor the adopted Transportation Improvement Program by identifying projects to be funded with federal and state resources and other regionally significant projects.

Tasks:

- Amend the current Transportation Improvement Program as necessary and maintain current project information on DRCOG’s website and in the Transportation Regional Improvement Projects and Survey database, known as TRIPS.
- Conduct appropriate project programming activities when revenues change.
- Provide financial and project coordination assistance to implementing agencies and project sponsors.
- Conduct activities with CDOT and local governments to continuously refine the intergovernmental agreement, contracting, and federal aid processes.
- Monitor the monthly status of projects and provide results through various means.
- Maintain and update the TRIPS project database and associated data.

Deliverables:

2024

- Amendments and administrative modifications, as necessary.
- Fiscal Year 2023 Projects Delayed Report.
- Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects.
- Updated TRIPS database and web-based interface.

2025

- Amendments and administrative modifications, as necessary.
- Transportation Improvement Program interactive data visualization.
- Fiscal Year 2024 Projects Delayed Report.
- Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, local governments.



Objective 7.0 Transportation Systems Operations and Safety

Implement regional priorities through strategies to improve the safety and effectiveness of the existing transportation system, explore innovative solutions, and protect air quality.

Activity 7.1 Congestion Management Process

Purpose: Administer the Denver region’s Congestion Management Process.

Tasks:

- Update the Congestion Management Process databases annually.
- Update formulas and factors for delay calculations, as warranted.
- Evaluate new data sources and methodologies, as warranted.
- Prepare public information and outreach documents/presentations.
- Maintain performance tracking report on Transportation Improvement Program-funded roadway projects.
- Evaluate opportunities for innovative, integrated, and multimodal solutions to congestion relief in the Denver region.

Deliverables:

2024

- Annual Report of Traffic Congestion in the Denver Region.

2025

- Annual Report of Traffic Congestion in the Denver Region.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, Transportation Management Associations, public highway authorities.

Activity 7.2 Regional Transportation Operations & Technology

Purpose: Provide a regional transportation operations perspective to the Metro Vision planning process, assure conformance with the Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture, and lead inter-jurisdictional and interagency coordination on transportation technology deployment and day-to-day transportation system operations.

Tasks:

- Facilitate and participate in meetings, activities, and committees.
- Monitor transportation technology deployment to ensure compliance.
- Maintain the DRCOG Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture.



- Assist project sponsors with DRCOG Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture coordination and Regional Transportation Operations and Technology Set-Aside projects, especially as it relates to neighboring architectures.
- Incorporate technology and operations strategies into all applicable DRCOG activities and products.
- Monitor and participate in national, state, regional, and local mobility technology efforts.
- Maintain and update web maps on traffic signals and other applicable efforts.
- Conduct calls for projects for the Regional Transportation Operations and Technology Transportation Improvement Program set-aside program.
- Develop multi-agency and multimodal strategies to coordinate operations across jurisdictional boundaries.
- Prepare a concept of operations for a regional Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measure implementation.
- Prepare a concept of operations for Regional Situational Awareness Platform implementation.
- Prepare a concept of operations for Regional Performance Monitoring Data Archive Platform implementation.
- Consultant services may be required for coordinated operations strategies development and concept of operations development.

Deliverables:

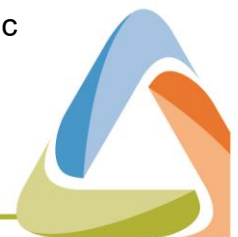
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- Annual update to the DRCOG Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture.
- Updates (as needed) to the Regional Transportation Operations and Technology Strategic Plan.
- Regional Multi-Agency and Multimodal Coordinated Operations Strategies document.
- Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measure concept of operations.

2025

- Annual update to the DRCOG Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture.
- Updates (as needed) to the Regional Transportation Operations and Technology Strategic Plan.
- Regional Situational Awareness Platform concept of operations.
- Regional Performance Monitoring Data Archive Platform concept of operations.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), FHWA, CDOT, RTD, public highway authorities, public safety agencies, local governments.



Activity 7.3 Transportation Security Planning

Purpose: Participate in security-related activities and develop planning products/methods that will be used to consider security in the process to identify, evaluate, and fund transportation projects.

Tasks:

- Participate on federal and state agency committees dealing with security, hazards, and transportation, as requested, including Colorado’s North Central All-Hazards Region and the Denver Urban Area Security Initiative.
- Monitor and respond to federal rulemaking and guidance documents.
- Refine roles, establish, and maintain relationships to existing documents and protocols, and determine further activities with local stakeholders.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, local governments, Colorado Department of Public Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (North Central Region and Northeast Region).

Activity 7.4 Transportation Safety Planning

Purpose: Incorporate safety data and analyses into transportation planning and public awareness activities; maintain and expand DRCOG’s Regional Vision Zero Program.

Tasks:

- Geocode, quality check, disseminate, and house crash data.
- Convene stakeholders to improve crash data quality.
- Prepare crash and safety analyses, as necessary for both internal and external users.
- Prepare and publish ~~annual Bicycle and Pedestrian~~ Active Modes Crash Report.
- Respond to requests for information.
- Maintain, implement, and update Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero.
- Identify priority initiatives and projects for opportunities to either participate in federal initiatives and/or apply for federal grants and administer/implement awarded grants. Consultant services may be required.

Deliverables:

2024

- Updated Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero.
- 2024 ~~Bicycle and Pedestrian~~ Active Modes Crash Report.
- Updated Regional Vision Zero Story Map.
- Interactive crash data visualization.

2025



- ~~• Crashes interactive data visualization~~
- Vision Zero Quick Build Toolkit.
- ~~• 2025 Bicycle and Pedestrian Crash Report.~~

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, Colorado Department of Revenue, local governments.

Activity 7.5 Innovative Mobility Planning

Purpose: Initiate, participate in, and support transportation technology and innovative mobility planning and strategic work in the Denver region, including implementing Mobility Choice Blueprint and work associated with the Advanced Mobility Partnership.

Tasks:

- Coordinate, implement and monitor emerging transportation technology and innovative mobility ~~recommendations, programs, policies, research,~~ and projects in the region.
- ~~• Conduct, develop, coordinate and monitor other activities relating to topics such as emerging mobility, transportation technology, mobility hubs, curbside management and shared mobility.~~
- Coordinate and participate in committees and conversations to advance mobility in the region and nation.
- Implement, maintain, and update Shared Micromobility in the Denver Region document.
- Maintain and update shared micromobility inventory and Story Map.
- Maintain and update regional shared micromobility dashboard. Consultant or vendor services may be required.
- Prepare a Mobility Hubs in the Denver Region white paper.
- ~~• Monitor transportation technology related pilots, update regional inventory of pilots and programs, and provide educational opportunities to highlight transportation technology related pilots, programs, and services in the region.~~
- ~~• Maintain and update regional inventory of transportation technology related pilot programs and projects.~~
- Evaluate and identify potential regional demonstration projects for potential funding under the federal Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation program.
- Solicit proposals for innovative mobility set-aside projects from local agencies and select initial project proposals. Develop engagement materials to communicate program goals and services. Procure consultant and/or vendor services for development of plans and/or demonstrations and lead/coordinate set-aside planning efforts.
- Consultant services will be used in the development of the plans and projects.



Deliverables:

2024

- Shared Micromobility in the Denver Region update.
- ~~Mobility Hubs in the Denver Region white paper.~~
- Innovative mobility set-aside project(s).
- Annual update to shared micromobility inventory and Story Map.
- Annual update to regional shared micromobility dashboard.

2025

- Mobility Hubs in the Denver Region white paper.
- Innovative mobility set-aside project(s).
- Annual update to shared micromobility inventory and Story Map.
- Annual update to regional shared micromobility dashboard.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, local governments.



Objective 8.0 Public Transportation Planning

Plan and operate rapid transit corridors, the regional bus network, and transit facilities.

Activity 8.1 Regional Transit/Human Service Transportation Planning and Coordination

Purpose: Improve regional transit access and mobility through increased planning and coordination.

Tasks:

- Work with stakeholders to coordinate human service transportation.
- Compile ongoing service data to use for the travel model, plans, reports, and other activities as needed.
- Conduct calls for projects for the Human Services Transportation set-aside program of the Transportation Improvement Program and FTA 5310 and Older Americans Act funding.
- Maintain a performance tracking report on Transportation Improvement Program-funded transit projects.
- Manage the Human Services Transportation set-aside program of the Transportation Improvement Program and the Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area FTA 5310 program. Maintain and update FTA 5310 Project Management Plan.
- Maintain and begin update to Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan (Coordinated Transit Plan).

Deliverables:

2024

- FTA 5310 Project Management Plan update, if necessary.

2025

- FTA 5310 Project Management Plan update, if necessary.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), RTD, CDOT, Denver Regional Mobility and Access Council and others

Activity 8.2 Regional Bus Rapid Transit Planning

Purpose: Continue to evolve the Regional Bus Rapid Transit Partnership to implement the Regional Bus Rapid Transit Network identified in the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan.



Tasks:

- Develop a Regional Bus Rapid Transit Partnership agreement, charter, Program Management Plan, and/or similar framework documents to strengthen and formalize the Partnership’s goals, structure, process, and work activities.
- Facilitate meetings of the Regional Bus Rapid Transit Partnership to address shared design, funding, project development, service, fare, maintenance, branding, communication, and other common issues across the Regional Bus Rapid Transit Network.
- ~~• Lead the facilitation of corridor partnership meetings, and lead the initial planning and “pre-NEPA” study, for the East Colfax Extension BRT project in collaboration with Aurora, Denver, CDOT, RTD, and other applicable stakeholders.~~
- Participate with appropriate stakeholders (CDOT, local governments, RTD, and others) in ongoing planning and project development activities to implement Bus Rapid Transit in the Colorado Boulevard, Federal Boulevard, East Colfax Avenue, and CO119 corridors.
- Conduct initial visioning and planning activities on other corridors as part of the Regional Bus Rapid Transit Network.
- Procure consultant services as needed to support the Partnership’s work activities, and/or planning and project development activities.

Deliverables:

2024

- Regional Bus Rapid Transit Partnership agreement, charter, Program Management Plan, and/or similar documents.

~~2025~~

- ~~• “Pre-NEPA” study for the East Colfax Extension BRT project~~

Participants: DRCOG, CDOT, RTD, local governments, FTA.

Activity 8.3 FasTracks Review and Assessment

Purpose: Review and assess the status of FasTracks with respect to State Senate Bill 90-208 as directed by the DRCOG Board.

Tasks:

- RTD prepare FasTracks Change Report(s) for DRCOG.
- DRCOG complete the review and assessment of RTD FasTracks Change Report(s), as needed (If consultant assistance is required for DRCOG financial plan review of an RTD Change Report, RTD would provide funding for the financial consulting effort).



- Based on DRCOG review and assessment of RTD Change Report(s), take further action pursuant to State Senate Bill 90-208, and/or amend the Regional Transportation Plan, if needed.
- Provide RTD’s annual FasTracks Status Report to the DRCOG Board (due annually to DRCOG by May 1st).

Deliverables:

2024

- FasTracks Change Report (if needed).
- DRCOG review and assessment of RTD Change Report(s), when/if submitted by RTD.
- If needed, subsequent State Senate Bill 90-208 action and/or Regional Transportation Plan amendment.
- RTD 2024 FasTracks Annual Status Report.

2025

- FasTracks Change Report (if needed).
- DRCOG review and assessment of RTD Change Report(s), when/if submitted by RTD.
- If needed, subsequent State Senate Bill 90-208 action and/or Regional Transportation Plan amendment.
- RTD 2025 FasTracks Annual Status Report.

Participants: DRCOG, RTD.

Activity 8.4 RTD Local Government Planning Process

Purpose: Incorporate the input of local governmental jurisdictions into planning activities.

Tasks:

- Gather input from local government representatives for RTD’s ~~Mid-term Financial Plan~~Five-Year Financial Forecast capital projects and annual service plan changes.
- Conduct coordinated public involvement efforts associated with RTD products such as environmental studies and other planning activities.

Participants: RTD (lead), local governments, DRCOG.

Activity 8.5 RTD Financial Planning

Purpose: To prepare the RTD ~~Mid-term Financial Plan~~Five-Year Financial Forecast/FTA Program of Projects.

Tasks:



- Forecast revenues and expenditures.
- Evaluate the RTD base system and the FasTracks program.

Deliverables:

2024

- 2025-2029~~30~~ Mid-term Financial Plan~~Five-Year Financial Forecast~~ for input into the Transportation Improvement Program.

2025

- 2026-2030~~4~~ Mid-term Financial Plan~~Five-Year Financial Forecast~~ for input into the Transportation Improvement Program.

Participants: RTD.

Activity 8.6 RTD Base System Planning

Purpose: Provide base system-level planning for the rapid transit corridors, the regional bus network, and transit facilities.

Tasks:

- Continue oversight of base system planning process.
- Conduct other assorted engineering, planning, and environmental activities.

Participants: RTD (lead), DRCOG, CDOT.

Activity 8.7 Transit Facility Planning

Purpose: Research and report on transit facilities.

Tasks:

- Prepare quarterly Park-n-Ride use reports and biannual user distribution geocoding and mapping.
- Participate in local jurisdiction land-use planning processes for station areas.
- Pursue joint development at RTD transit stations, as practical and legal.
- Monitor and evaluate transit priority signal implementation.
- Plan for mobility hubs at priority locations identified in partnership among RTD, CDOT, and DRCOG.
- Prepare studies and reports such as transit-oriented development activity report, FasTracks Quality of Life Study, and Park-n-Ride utilization reports.
- Provide ongoing transit-oriented development education and outreach.

Deliverables:

2024



- Mobility hub plan(s).
- State of transit priority implementation report.

2025

- Maintenance facility study.
- Mobility hub plan(s).

Participants: RTD (lead), CDOT, DRCOG, local governments.

Activity 8.8 FasTracks Program Management and Planning Assistance

Purpose: Oversee and manage engineering, planning, environmental, project controls, and construction management activities for FasTracks (consultant assistance may be required).

Tasks:

- Prepare necessary environmental documentation for Northwest Rail Corridor Starter Service.
- Prepare basic design plans to determine station locations, environmental impacts, and costs for Northwest Rail Corridor Starter Service.

Participants: RTD and DRCOG.



Objective 9.0 Planning Data and Modeling

Acquire and maintain data and tools to support the region's transportation and land use planning activities.

Activity 9.1 Develop and Maintain Geographic Information Systems

Purpose: Research, develop, and deploy Geographic Information Systems tools and technologies that support UPWP activities.

Tasks:

- Develop, maintain, and update data, tools, applications, and visualizations that allow all users to explore and consume any type of data collected.
- Coordinate the acquisition of regional datasets (i.e., Denver Regional Aerial Photography Project, Regional Planimetric Data Projects, Regional Land Use Land Cover Projects, Regional Lidar Projects, etc.).
- Maintain internal processes and infrastructure in support of data, application, and tool development.
- Complete the local data collection and regional dataset creation efforts.
- Prepare new web maps for appropriate planning efforts and products, as needed.
- Research, evaluate, and integrate the state Linear Reference System into DRCOG's Geographic Information Systems data.
- Streamline online data product development, templates, and publication.

Deliverables:

2024

- Regional Data Catalog data offerings (updates, as needed).
- Web maps, as needed.
- 2022 Denver Regional Planimetric Project deliverables.

2025

- 2024 Denver Regional Aerial Photography Project deliverables.
- Regional Data Catalog data offerings (updates, as needed).
- Web maps, as needed.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), local governments.

Activity 9.2 Land Use Modeling and Forecasting

Purpose: Maintain, operate, and enhance the land use modeling and forecasting tools.



Tasks:

- Collect, compile, and purchase data to update and improve UrbanSim model inputs.
- Document, automate, and improve model workflows.
- Coordinate with the State Demography Office at the Department of Local Affairs in their updates to household and employment control totals.
- Investigate and implement appropriate enhancements to DRCOG's land use modeling.
- Improve the scripts for exports to the Focus travel demand model.
- Coordinate with other metropolitan planning organizations and peer agencies using the UrbanSim model.
- Align UrbanSim with Focus model inputs.
- Prepare new forecast runs for Regional Transportation Plan updates as necessary.
- Consultant services may be required in modeling improvements.

Deliverables:

2024

- Small-area forecast data on the Regional Data Catalog when reviewed and used in an amendment cycle (if any).

2025

- Small-area forecast data on the Regional Data Catalog when reviewed and used in an amendment cycle (if any).

Participants: DRCOG (lead), local governments, Department of Local Affairs.

Activity 9.3 Transportation Modeling and Forecasting

Purpose: Maintain, operate, expand, and refine the transportation modeling and forecasting tools.

Tasks:

- Update the travel model networks and transportation information database as needed prior to model runs.
- Provide travel model data results in support of requests by planning partners, local governments, and private firms.
- Perform continuous efforts to improve and streamline the Focus model.
- Evaluate travel demand data sources for use in model component validation efforts.
- Align Focus with UrbanSim model inputs.



- Evaluate implementing the Caliper Highway/Transit Master Network (for maintaining different projects) or other model process enhancements (carryover from 2020-2021 UPWP).
- Participate in CDOT-led Statewide Travel Surveys Project in 2023. Consultant services may be used to report on survey results for the DRCOG region.
- Conduct modeling research and documentation.
- Complete a calibration and validation of the regional travel demand model. Consultant services may be required.

Deliverables:

2024

- Focus model runs and output data files used for air quality conformity determinations and other studies, if needed.

2025

- Focus model calibration and validation report.
- Focus model runs and output data files used for air quality conformity determinations and other studies, if needed.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD.

Activity 9.4 Data Collection and Management

Purpose: Obtain, maintain, and distribute transportation and related data to be used in the regional transportation planning process.

Tasks:

- Collect and process local government, CDOT, and RTD data.
- Coordinate the acquisition of local and regional datasets.
- Collect transit ridership, Park-n-Ride lot user data, and other transit-related data.
- Collect bridge and pavement condition data from CDOT and local governments.
- Maintain and update internal and publicly accessible datasets and tools.

Deliverables:

2024

- Annual local data inventory.
- Regional datasets from local data.

2025

- Annual local data inventory.
- Regional datasets from local data.



Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, local governments.

Activity 9.5 Regional Mobility Data Platform

Purpose: Identify opportunities and tools to effectively collect, manage, and maintain transportation data from transportation providers.

Tasks:

- Continue to work with Advanced Mobility Partnership partners to refine the mobility data platform concept.
- Identify opportunities to coordinate on implementation next steps.
- Consultant services may be required in the development of platform elements.

Participants: DRCOG (lead), CDOT, RTD, local governments.



Appendix A: Other Major Planning Activities

Table 6 below describes other major transportation planning activities that will be ongoing in the Denver region in fiscal years 2024-2025 but funded through means other than federal metropolitan transportation planning funds. For local planning activities not funded through federal sources, an approximate estimate of the local cost is provided per federal guidelines. Note that some activities are planned to occur within this timeframe but are still in the initial planning stages and do not yet have cost estimates developed.

Table 6: Planning Activities Funded Through Other Means

Sponsor	Description	Funding Source
Adams County	120th Safety and Multimodal Corridor Study - US85 to Tower	Transportation Improvement Program - \$200,000
Adams County	Adams County Comprehensive Safety Action Plan	Transportation Improvement Program - \$1,500,000
Adams County	Roadway Functional Classification Update	Local - \$500,000
Arapahoe County	Arapahoe County Transit and Micromobility Study	Transportation Improvement Program - \$665,000
Arvada	Arvada Transportation System Plan	Local - \$360,000
Arvada	CO72 Transportation Plan	Local - \$400,000
Aurora	I70/Quail Run Interchange 1601	Local - Costs Not Yet Known
Aurora	Aurora Multimodal Transportation Master Plan	Transportation Improvement Program - \$3,225,000
Bennett	Safety Action Plan	Local - \$100,000
Boulder County	Boulder County Vision Zero Safe Routes to School Action Plan	Transportation Improvement Program - \$296,000
Boulder County	Boulder Countywide Strategic Transit Plan	Transportation Improvement Program - \$1,500,000
Boulder County	Boulder to Erie Regional Trail Master Plan	Local - \$260,000
Boulder County	South Boulder Road Bus Rapid Transit Study: Broadway/Table Mesa-CO7/119 th	Transportation Improvement Program - \$500,000
Broomfield	Comprehensive and Transportation Plan Update	Local - Costs Not Yet Known



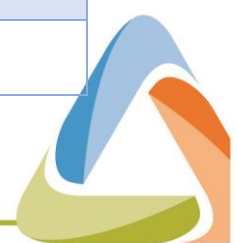
Sponsor	Description	Funding Source
Broomfield	Open Space and Trails Master Plan Update	Local - Costs Not Yet Known
Castle Pines	Fiber Optic Master Plan Transportation Master Plan	Local - Costs Not Yet Known
Castle Pines	Transportation Master Plan	Local - \$150,000
Castle Rock	CO86 Corridor Study: Franktown to US85	Local - \$1,000,000
CDOT Division of Transportation Development	10-Year Plan Maintenance and Update	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transportation Development	2050 Long-Range Plan and Program Distribution	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transportation Development	Colorado Downtown Streets Complete Streets Guide Update	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transportation Development	Colorado Freight Plan Update	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transportation Development	Greenhouse Gas Planning and Reporting	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transportation Development	Mountain Rules Truck Safety Video Series	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transportation Development	Safe Routes to School Strategic Plan Implementation	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transportation Development	Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transit and Rail	Bustang Expansion Study	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transit and Rail	Connected Colorado	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Division of Transit and Rail	Intercity and Regional Bus Network Plan Update	Federal Transit Funds
CDOT Office of Innovative Mobility	Bus Electrification Study	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Region 1	I25 Segment 2 National Environmental Policy Act Study	Statewide Planning and Research Program



Sponsor	Description	Funding Source
CDOT Region 1	I25: Speer & 23 rd Bridge and Interchange Project	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Region 1	I270 Corridor Environmental Impact Statement	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Region 1	I70 East Corridor Environmental Impact Statement Reevaluation	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Region 1	Vazquez Environmental Assessment: I270 to 64 th	Statewide Planning and Research Program
CDOT Region 4	I76/Weld County Road 8 Interchange 1601 Study	Statewide Planning and Research Program
Commerce City	64th Corridor Study: CO2 to Quebec	Transportation Improvement Program - \$125,000
Commerce City	Economic Development Strategic Plan	Local - \$76,000
Commerce City	Drainage Master Plan	Local - \$750,000
Commerce City	Intelligent Transportation Systems Plan	Local - \$250,000
Commerce City	Land Development Code	Local - \$500,000
Commerce City	Parks, Recreation, and Golf Master Plan	Local - \$145,000
Commerce City	Transportation Master Plan	Local - \$195,000
Denver	38 th Multimodal Corridor Study	Local - \$350,000
Denver	Evans Multimodal Corridor Study	Local - \$500,000
Denver	Bike Network Verification and Facility Upgrade Project	Local - \$500,000
Denver	Shared Micromobility Programmatic Framework	Local - \$50,000
Denver	Near Northwest Area Plan	Local - \$400,000
Denver	Southwest Area Plan	Local - \$400,000
Denver	Far Southwest Area Plan	Local - \$400,000
Douglas County	Douglas County Transit & Multimodal Feasibility Study	Transportation Improvement Program - \$400,000
Douglas County	Douglas County Transportation Master Plan Update	Local - \$400,000
<u>DRCOG</u>	<u>92nd Avenue Corridor Study</u>	<u>Transportation Improvement Program - \$250,000</u>
<u>DRCOG</u>	<u>Advancing 303 Artway and the Montbello Loop</u>	<u>Transportation Improvement Program - \$250,000</u>



Sponsor	Description	Funding Source
<u>DRCOG</u>	<u>Brighton Core City Circulation Plan</u>	<u>Transportation Improvement Program - \$250,000</u>
DRCOG	Community-Based Transportation Planning	Transportation Improvement Program - \$1,250,000
DRCOG	Denver Regional Crash Data Consortium	405(c) Grant
<u>DRCOG</u>	<u>East Colfax Bus Rapid Transit Extension Corridor Plan: I225 to E470</u>	<u>Transportation Improvement Program - \$1,000,000</u>
DRCOG	Innovative Mobility	Transportation Improvement Program - \$2,000,000
DRCOG	Livable Centers Small-Area Planning	Transportation Improvement Program - \$1,250,000
<u>DRCOG</u>	<u>Pecos Street Multimodal Corridor Study</u>	<u>Transportation Improvement Program - \$450,000</u>
<u>DRCOG</u>	<u>Sheridan Corridor Plan: 52nd to Hampden</u>	<u>Transportation Improvement Program - \$250,000</u>
DRCOG	Traffic Signal Plans	Transportation Improvement Program - \$2,000,000
DRCOG	Transportation Corridor Planning	Transportation Improvement Program - \$1,50250,000
Erie	I25 Interchange Study: CO52-Erie Pkwy	Transportation Improvement Program - \$500,000
Erie	Southwest Weld County Transit First and Last Mile Study	Transportation Improvement Program - \$167,000
Frederick	Community Parks Master Plan	Local - \$400,000
Frederick	Open Space and Trails Management Plan	Local - \$125,000
Frederick	Downtown Outdoor Recreation Master Plan	Local - \$75,000
Frederick	Boulder Creek Trail Master Plan	Local - \$150,000
Frederick	Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Plan	Local - \$385,150
Jefferson County	Comprehensive and Transportation Master Plans Update	Local - \$950,000



Sponsor	Description	Funding Source
Jefferson County	Lookout Mountain Road Corridor Study	Local - \$150,000
Littleton	Transportation Master Plan Update	Local - \$300,000
Littleton	Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update	Local - \$100,000
Littleton	Traffic Operations Plan	Local - \$150,000
Littleton	Littleton Boulevard Land Use and Economic Development Study	Local - \$500,000
Littleton	Mary Carter Greenway Feasibility Study	Local - \$175,000
Littleton	Open Space, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan	Local - \$225,000
Littleton	Economic Development Strategic Plan	Local - \$150,000
Longmont	Transportation Mobility Plan Update	Local - \$300,000
Mead	Mead Trails & Open Space Master Plan Update	Transportation Improvement Program - \$325,000
Nederland	Nederland Multimodal Transportation Plan	Transportation Improvement Program - \$149,000
Parker	Comprehensive Master Plan Update	Local - \$250,000
Parker	Open Space, Trails, and Greenways Master Plan Update	Local - \$100,000
RTD	Bus Stop Accessibility Study and Equity Analysis	FTA Areas of Persistent Poverty Program - \$500,000
<u>RTD</u>	<u>Federal Boulevard Transit Oriented Development Implementation Plan</u>	<u>FTA Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning - \$2,000,000</u>
RTD	Light Rail Level Boarding Feasibility Study	Transportation Improvement Program - \$1,500,000
Superior	Comprehensive Plan & Transportation Master Plan Update	Local - \$250,000
Thornton	88th Corridor Study: Pecos to Dahlia	Transportation Improvement Program - \$250,000
Thornton	Parks and Open Space Plan	Local - In-House
Thornton	Development Code Update	Local - \$450,000
Thornton	Standards and Specifications Update	Local - In-House
Thornton	Thornton Multimodal Trail Study and Preconstruction	Transportation Improvement Program - \$1,310,000
Weld County	Southwest Weld County Trail Alignment Study	Transportation Improvement Program - \$800,000



Sponsor	Description	Funding Source
Wheat Ridge	38 th West Study	Local - \$615,000
Wheat Ridge	Envision Wheat Ridge Comprehensive Plan Update	Local - \$500,000
Wheat Ridge	Traffic Signal Master Plan	Local - Costs Not Yet Known



Appendix B: 2022-2023 Accomplishments

This section discusses major activities completed as part of the 2022-2023 UPWP. Additional details are available in the Fiscal Year 2022 and Fiscal Year 2023 Mid-Year and End-of-Year Status Reports available on the DRCOG website.

Program Administration and Coordination

- Developed the new UPWP document.
- Updated Title VI Implementation Plan, Limited English Proficiency Plan, and Americans with Disabilities Act Program Access Plan.
- Developed new Framework for Transportation Planning in the Denver Region.
- Developed equity index and project benefits and burdens analysis.

Planning Coordination and Outreach

- Piloted new public engagement approaches associated with the ongoing equity analysis project.
- Held two iterations of Civic Academy.
- Piloted land use-transportation connection technical assistance program.
- Began scoping housing-transportation coordination plan.

Long Range and Multimodal Planning

- Conducted local government cohort meetings on inclusionary zoning.
- Updated Community Profiles.
- Published two Data Briefs.
- Completed an update to the Regional Transportation Plan, including air quality conformity, Greenhouse Gas Transportation Report, and Mitigation Action Plan.
- Adopted revised federal performance measures.
- Developed Complete Streets Story Map and prioritization framework.
- Selected projects and contracted consultants for first corridor and community-based transportation plans.

Project Programming

- Adopted Policies for Transportation Improvement Program Development.
- Conducted four calls for projects and selected projects.
- Developed 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program.
- Adopted Policies for 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program Set-Aside Programs.



- Conducted calls for projects for Regional Transportation Operations and Technology, Transportation Demand Management Services, and Human Service Transportation set-asides and selected projects.
- Developed Annual Listing of Obligated Projects for Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022.
- Developed Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022 Projects Delayed Reports.

Transportation Systems Operations

- Completed 2021 Annual Report on Traffic Congestion in the Denver Region.
- Adopted new Regional Transportation Operations and Technology Strategic Plan.
- Updated Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture.
- Awarded 405c grant and convened Crash Data Consortium.
- Updated shared micromobility inventory and Story Map.
- Launched regional shared micromobility open data portal.
- Developed regional transportation technology pilot tracker.

Public Transportation Planning

- Updated Coordinated Transit Plan.
- Began new RTD Subregional Service Councils.
- Began Northwest Rail Peak Period Service study.
- Conducted Fare Equity Study
- Adopted 2023-2028 and 2024-2029 Mid-term Financial Plans.
- Adopted Reimagine RTD System Optimization Plan and Mobility Plan for the Future.
- Published 2020 and 2021 Quality of Life Transit Oriented Development Reports and Transit Oriented Development Visual Guide.

Planning Data and Modeling

- Completed Denver Regional Aerial Photography Project, Denver Regional Planimetric Project, and Regional Land Cover Project deliverables.
- Recalibrated Focus travel model prior to Regional Transportation Plan amendment.
- Published mobility data platform concept white paper.



Appendix C: Program Financing Tables

Tables 7 through 10 depict the anticipated revenues and expenditures of federal Consolidated Planning Grant funds for this UPWP.

Table 7: Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 UPWP Revenue Sources

Funding Source	Federal Funding	DRCOG Cash Match	RTD In-Kind Match	Total
DRCOG 2024 Consolidated Planning Grant	\$6,131,562	\$318,650	\$955,951	\$7,406,163
DRCOG 2025 Consolidated Planning Grant	\$6,240,818	\$324,367	\$973,100	\$7,538,130
DRCOG 2022/2023 Carryover	\$7,119,940 <u>6,471,927</u>	\$370,015 <u>336,339</u>	\$1,110,045 <u>1,009,015</u>	\$8,600,000 <u>7,817,281</u>
Total Available Funding	\$19,492,320 <u>18,844,307</u>	\$1,012,993 <u>979,356</u>	\$3,038,980 <u>2,938,066</u>	\$23,544,293 <u>22,761,574</u>



Table 8: Fiscal Year 2024 UPWP Anticipated Expenses

FY 2024/2025 UPWP Objectives and Activities	Total Consolidated Planning Grant Expenditures*			
	FY 2024			
	Total Expenditure	DRCOG Cash Match	RTD In-Kind Match	CPG (federal)
Objective 1.0 Program Administration and Coordination	\$ 994,076	\$ 42,770	\$ 128,310	\$ 822,995
Activity 1.1 Direct Program Management	\$ 358,499	\$ 15,424	\$ 46,273	\$ 296,802
Activity 1.2 DRCOG Staff Training and Development	\$ 153,246	\$ 6,593	\$ 19,780	\$ 126,872
Activity 1.3 Unified Planning Work Program	\$ 200,690	\$ 8,635	\$ 25,904	\$ 166,151
Activity 1.4 MPO Compliance	\$ 281,641	\$ 12,118	\$ 36,353	\$ 233,170
Objective 2.0 Planning Coordination and Outreach	\$ 1,462,435	\$ 62,921	\$ 188,764	\$ 1,210,750
Activity 2.1 DRCOG Public Engagement and Outreach	\$ 214,226	\$ 9,217	\$ 27,651	\$ 177,357
Activity 2.2 Local Government and Stakeholder Education, Outreach and Support	\$ 341,159	\$ 14,678	\$ 44,035	\$ 282,445
Activity 2.3 Regional Planning Coordination	\$ 449,001	\$ 19,318	\$ 57,955	\$ 371,728
Activity 2.4 Develop and Publish Data Dashboards	\$ 272,446	\$ 11,722	\$ 35,166	\$ 225,558
Activity 2.5 GHG Mitigation Action Plan Implementation Assistance	\$ 185,603	\$ 7,986	\$ 23,957	\$ 153,661
Objective 3.0 Land Use and Development Planning	\$ 1,301,752	\$ 56,008	\$ 168,024	\$ 1,077,721
Activity 3.1 Metro Vision Plan-Collaboration and Implementation Assistance	\$ 343,264	\$ 14,769	\$ 44,307	\$ 284,189
Activity 3.2 Metro Vision Plan-Research and Performance Management	\$ 333,028	\$ 14,329	\$ 42,986	\$ 275,714
Activity 3.3 Livable Centers Small-Area Planning	\$ 98,140	\$ 4,222	\$ 12,667	\$ 81,250
Activity 3.4 Housing Coordination Planning	\$ 527,321	\$ 22,688	\$ 68,064	\$ 436,569
Objective 4.0 Multimodal Planning	\$ 2,028,989	\$ 87,297	\$ 261,892	\$ 1,679,800
Activity 4.1 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan	\$ 494,354	\$ 21,270	\$ 63,809	\$ 409,276
Activity 4.2 Federal Performance Measure Reporting	\$ 35,120	\$ 1,511	\$ 4,533	\$ 29,076
Activity 4.3 Regional Corridor Planning	\$ 333,884	\$ 14,365	\$ 43,096	\$ 276,422
Activity 4.4 Community Based Transportation Planning	\$ 159,306	\$ 6,854	\$ 20,562	\$ 131,890
Activity 4.5 Active Transportation Planning	\$ 492,995	\$ 21,211	\$ 63,633	\$ 408,151
Activity 4.6 Transportation Demand Management Planning	\$ 287,384	\$ 12,365	\$ 37,094	\$ 237,925
Activity 4.7 Complete Streets Planning	\$ 71,658	\$ 3,083	\$ 9,249	\$ 59,326
Activity 4.8 Regional Freight Planning	\$ 154,287	\$ 6,638	\$ 19,915	\$ 127,734
Objective 5.0 Air Quality	\$ 322,446	\$ 13,873	\$ 41,620	\$ 266,953
Activity 5.1 Air Quality and Conformity	\$ 239,862	\$ 10,320	\$ 30,960	\$ 198,582
Activity 5.2 EPA Carbon Reduction Planning Grant	\$ 82,584	\$ 3,553	\$ 10,660	\$ 68,372
Objective 6.0 Project Programming	\$ 582,398	\$ 25,058	\$ 75,173	\$ 482,168
Activity 6.1 Prepare Transportation Improvement Program	\$ 227,663	\$ 9,795	\$ 29,386	\$ 188,482
Activity 6.2 Transportation Improvement Program Set-Asides	\$ 117,471	\$ 5,054	\$ 15,163	\$ 97,254
Activity 6.3 Transportation Improvement Program Management	\$ 237,265	\$ 10,208	\$ 30,625	\$ 196,431
Objective 7.0 Transportation Systems Operations and Safety	\$ 887,716	\$ 38,194	\$ 114,582	\$ 734,940
Activity 7.1 Congestion Management Process	\$ 214,464	\$ 9,227	\$ 27,682	\$ 177,555
Activity 7.2 Regional Transportation Operations & Technology	\$ 127,722	\$ 5,495	\$ 16,486	\$ 105,741
Activity 7.3 Transportation Security Planning	\$ 5,837	\$ 251	\$ 753	\$ 4,832
Activity 7.4 Transportation Safety Planning	\$ 502,931	\$ 21,639	\$ 64,916	\$ 416,377
Activity 7.5 Innovative Mobility Planning	\$ 36,762	\$ 1,582	\$ 4,745	\$ 30,435
Objective 8.0 Public Transportation Planning	\$ 585,562	\$ 25,194	\$ 75,581	\$ 484,787
Activity 8.1 Regional Transit/Human Service Transportation Planning	\$ 132,397	\$ 5,696	\$ 17,089	\$ 109,611
Activity 8.2 Regional Bus Rapid Transit Planning	\$ 154,936	\$ 6,666	\$ 19,998	\$ 128,272
Activity 8.3 FasTracks Review and Assessment	\$ 11,822	\$ 509	\$ 1,526	\$ 9,787
Activity 8.4 RTD Local Government Planning Process	\$ 19,476	\$ 838	\$ 2,514	\$ 16,124
Activity 8.5 RTD Financial Planning	\$ 11,822	\$ 509	\$ 1,526	\$ 9,787
Activity 8.6 RTD Base System Planning	\$ 225,322	\$ 9,694	\$ 29,083	\$ 186,544
Activity 8.7 Transit Facility Planning	\$ 29,787	\$ 1,282	\$ 3,845	\$ 24,661
Activity 8.8 FasTracks Program Management and Planning Assistance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Objective 9.0 Support Systems for Planning	\$ 1,777,212	\$ 76,465	\$ 229,394	\$ 1,471,354
Activity 9.1 Develop and Maintain Geographic Information Systems	\$ 368,409	\$ 15,851	\$ 47,552	\$ 305,005
Activity 9.2 Land Use Modeling and Forecasting	\$ 506,298	\$ 21,783	\$ 65,350	\$ 419,164
Activity 9.3 Transportation Modeling and Forecasting	\$ 414,551	\$ 17,836	\$ 53,508	\$ 343,207
Activity 9.4 Data Collection and Management	\$ 232,076	\$ 9,985	\$ 29,955	\$ 192,136
Activity 9.5 Regional Mobility Platform	\$ 255,878	\$ 11,009	\$ 33,028	\$ 211,842
FY 2024 Anticipated Expenditures	\$ 9,942,586	\$ 427,780	\$ 1,283,339	\$ 8,231,467

*Total expenditures include CPG and cash match.

Table 9: Fiscal Year 2025 UPWP Anticipated Expenses

FY 2024/2025 UPWP Objectives and Activities	Total Consolidated Planning Grant Expenditures*			
	FY 2025			
	Total Expenditure	DRCOG Cash Match	RTD In-Kind Match	CPG (federal)
Objective 1.0 Program Administration and Coordination	\$ 1,038,657	\$ 44,688	\$ 134,065	\$ 859,904
Activity 1.1 Direct Program Management	\$ 374,394	\$ 16,108	\$ 48,325	\$ 309,961
Activity 1.2 DRCOG Staff Training and Development	\$ 160,375	\$ 6,900	\$ 20,700	\$ 132,775
Activity 1.3 Unified Planning Work Program	\$ 209,599	\$ 9,018	\$ 27,054	\$ 173,527
Activity 1.4 MPO Compliance	\$ 294,289	\$ 12,662	\$ 37,985	\$ 243,642
Objective 2.0 Planning Coordination and Outreach	\$ 1,564,076	\$ 67,294	\$ 201,883	\$ 1,294,898
Activity 2.1 DRCOG Public Engagement and Outreach	\$ 223,391	\$ 9,611	\$ 28,834	\$ 184,945
Activity 2.2 Local Government and Stakeholder Education, Outreach and Support	\$ 356,233	\$ 15,327	\$ 45,981	\$ 294,925
Activity 2.3 Regional Planning Coordination	\$ 464,852	\$ 20,000	\$ 60,001	\$ 384,851
Activity 2.4 Develop and Publish Data Dashboards	\$ 281,181	\$ 12,098	\$ 36,293	\$ 232,790
Activity 2.5 GHG Mitigation Action Plan Implementation Assistance	\$ 238,420	\$ 10,258	\$ 30,774	\$ 197,388
Objective 3.0 Land Use and Development Planning	\$ 1,243,176	\$ 53,488	\$ 160,463	\$ 1,029,226
Activity 3.1 Metro Vision Plan-Collaboration and Implementation Assistance	\$ 357,012	\$ 15,360	\$ 46,081	\$ 295,571
Activity 3.2 Metro Vision Plan-Research and Performance Management	\$ 346,014	\$ 14,887	\$ 44,662	\$ 286,465
Activity 3.3 Livable Centers Small-Area Planning	\$ 102,694	\$ 4,418	\$ 13,255	\$ 85,020
Activity 3.4 Housing Coordination Planning	\$ 437,456	\$ 18,822	\$ 56,465	\$ 362,170
Objective 4.0 Multimodal Planning	\$ 1,677,670	\$ 72,182	\$ 216,545	\$ 1,388,943
Activity 4.1 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan	\$ 516,495	\$ 22,222	\$ 66,667	\$ 427,607
Activity 4.2 Federal Performance Measure Reporting	\$ 36,757	\$ 1,581	\$ 4,744	\$ 30,431
Activity 4.3 Regional Corridor Planning	\$ 337,613	\$ 14,526	\$ 43,577	\$ 279,510
Activity 4.4 Community Based Transportation Planning	\$ 161,972	\$ 6,969	\$ 20,907	\$ 134,097
Activity 4.5 Active Transportation Planning	\$ 251,856	\$ 10,836	\$ 32,508	\$ 208,511
Activity 4.6 Transportation Demand Management Planning	\$ 191,355	\$ 8,233	\$ 24,699	\$ 158,423
Activity 4.7 Complete Streets Planning	\$ 74,895	\$ 3,222	\$ 9,667	\$ 62,005
Activity 4.8 Regional Freight Planning	\$ 106,727	\$ 4,592	\$ 13,776	\$ 88,359
Objective 5.0 Air Quality	\$ 337,383	\$ 14,516	\$ 43,548	\$ 279,319
Activity 5.1 Air Quality and Conformity	\$ 251,098	\$ 10,804	\$ 32,411	\$ 207,884
Activity 5.2 EPA Carbon Reduction Planning Grant	\$ 86,284	\$ 3,712	\$ 11,137	\$ 71,435
Objective 6.0 Project Programming	\$ 609,230	\$ 26,212	\$ 78,636	\$ 504,382
Activity 6.1 Prepare Transportation Improvement Program	\$ 238,078	\$ 10,243	\$ 30,730	\$ 197,105
Activity 6.2 Transportation Improvement Program Set-Asides	\$ 122,846	\$ 5,285	\$ 15,856	\$ 101,704
Activity 6.3 Transportation Improvement Program Management	\$ 248,306	\$ 10,683	\$ 32,050	\$ 205,573
Objective 7.0 Transportation Systems Operations and Safety	\$ 742,025	\$ 31,926	\$ 95,777	\$ 614,322
Activity 7.1 Congestion Management Process	\$ 224,263	\$ 9,649	\$ 28,947	\$ 185,668
Activity 7.2 Regional Transportation Operations & Technology	\$ 133,608	\$ 5,748	\$ 17,245	\$ 110,614
Activity 7.3 Transportation Security Planning	\$ 6,115	\$ 263	\$ 789	\$ 5,062
Activity 7.4 Transportation Safety Planning	\$ 339,568	\$ 14,610	\$ 43,830	\$ 281,128
Activity 7.5 Innovative Mobility Planning	\$ 38,471	\$ 1,655	\$ 4,966	\$ 31,850
Objective 8.0 Public Transportation Planning	\$ 653,381	\$ 28,112	\$ 84,335	\$ 540,934
Activity 8.1 Regional Transit/Human Service Transportation Planning	\$ 138,538	\$ 5,961	\$ 17,882	\$ 114,696
Activity 8.2 Regional Bus Rapid Transit Planning	\$ 162,046	\$ 6,972	\$ 20,916	\$ 134,158
Activity 8.3 FasTracks Review and Assessment	\$ 12,373	\$ 532	\$ 1,597	\$ 10,243
Activity 8.4 RTD Local Government Planning Process	\$ 20,381	\$ 877	\$ 2,631	\$ 16,874
Activity 8.5 RTD Financial Planning	\$ 12,373	\$ 532	\$ 1,597	\$ 10,243
Activity 8.6 RTD Base System Planning	\$ 26,499	\$ 1,140	\$ 3,420	\$ 21,938
Activity 8.7 Transit Facility Planning	\$ 281,171	\$ 12,097	\$ 36,292	\$ 232,781
Activity 8.8 FasTracks Program Management and Planning Assistance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Objective 9.0 Support Systems for Planning	\$ 1,585,100	\$ 68,199	\$ 204,597	\$ 1,312,305
Activity 9.1 Develop and Maintain Geographic Information Systems	\$ 385,329	\$ 16,579	\$ 49,736	\$ 319,014
Activity 9.2 Land Use Modeling and Forecasting	\$ 500,172	\$ 21,520	\$ 64,560	\$ 414,092
Activity 9.3 Transportation Modeling and Forecasting	\$ 376,861	\$ 16,214	\$ 48,643	\$ 312,003
Activity 9.4 Data Collection and Management	\$ 164,269	\$ 7,068	\$ 21,203	\$ 135,998
Activity 9.5 Regional Mobility Platform	\$ 158,470	\$ 6,818	\$ 20,454	\$ 131,197
FY 2025 Anticipated Expenditures	\$ 9,450,697	\$ 406,616	\$ 1,219,849	\$ 7,824,232

*Total expenditures include CPG and cash match.

Table 10: Total Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 Anticipated Expenditures

FY 2024/2025 UPWP Objectives and Activities	Total UPWP Expenditure	Other Grant Funds				
		FY 2024 and 2025				
		Federal	STBG Toll Credits Match	EPA CRPG**	NHTSA 405c**	CMAQ**
Objective 1.0 Program Administration and Coordination	\$ 2,032,733	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activity 1.1 Direct Program Management	\$ 732,893					
Activity 1.2 DRCOG Staff Training and Development	\$ 313,621					
Activity 1.3 Unified Planning Work Program	\$ 410,289					
Activity 1.4 MPO Compliance	\$ 575,930					
Objective 2.0 Planning Coordination and Outreach	\$ 3,026,511	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activity 2.1 DRCOG Public Engagement and Outreach	\$ 437,616					
Activity 2.2 Local Government and Stakeholder Education, Outreach and Support	\$ 697,392					
Activity 2.3 Regional Planning Coordination	\$ 913,853					
Activity 2.4 Develop and Publish Data Dashboards	\$ 553,627					
Activity 2.5 GHG Mitigation Action Plan Implementation Assistance	\$ 424,023					
Objective 3.0 Land Use and Development Planning	\$ 2,544,928	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activity 3.1 Metro Vision Plan-Collaboration and Implementation Assistance	\$ 700,277					
Activity 3.2 Metro Vision Plan-Research and Performance Management	\$ 679,042					
Activity 3.3 Livable Centers Small-Area Planning	\$ 200,833	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 500,000			
Activity 3.4 Housing Coordination Planning	\$ 964,776					
Objective 4.0 Multimodal Planning	\$ 3,706,658	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 275,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activity 4.1 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan	\$ 1,010,849					
Activity 4.2 Federal Performance Measure Reporting	\$ 71,877					
Activity 4.3 Regional Corridor Planning	\$ 671,497	\$ 600,000	\$ 150,000			
Activity 4.4 Community Based Transportation Planning	\$ 321,278	\$ 500,000	\$ 125,000			
Activity 4.5 Active Transportation Planning	\$ 744,851					
Activity 4.6 Transportation Demand Management Planning	\$ 478,739					
Activity 4.7 Complete Streets Planning	\$ 146,553					
Activity 4.8 Regional Freight Planning	\$ 261,014					
Objective 5.0 Air Quality	\$ 659,829	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 660,000	\$ -	\$ -
Activity 5.1 Air Quality and Conformity	\$ 490,960					
Activity 5.2 EPA Carbon Reduction Planning Grant	\$ 168,869			\$ 660,000		
Objective 6.0 Project Programming	\$ 1,191,628	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activity 6.1 Prepare Transportation Improvement Program	\$ 465,741					
Activity 6.2 Transportation Improvement Program Set-Asides	\$ 240,317					
Activity 6.3 Transportation Improvement Program Management	\$ 485,571					
Objective 7.0 Transportation Systems Operations and Safety	\$ 1,629,741	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 381,100	\$ 2,217,000
Activity 7.1 Congestion Management Process	\$ 438,727					
Activity 7.2 Regional Transportation Operations & Technology	\$ 261,330					\$ 2,217,000
Activity 7.3 Transportation Security Planning	\$ 11,952					
Activity 7.4 Transportation Safety Planning	\$ 842,499				\$ 381,100	
Activity 7.5 Innovative Mobility Planning	\$ 75,233	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 500,000			
Objective 8.0 Public Transportation Planning	\$ 1,238,943	\$ 900,000	\$ 225,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activity 8.1 Regional Transit/Human Service Transportation Planning	\$ 270,935					
Activity 8.2 Regional Bus Rapid Transit Planning	\$ 316,983	\$ 900,000	\$ 225,000			
Activity 8.3 FasTracks Review and Assessment	\$ 24,194					
Activity 8.4 RTD Local Government Planning Process	\$ 39,857					
Activity 8.5 RTD Financial Planning	\$ 24,194					
Activity 8.6 RTD Base System Planning	\$ 251,821					
Activity 8.7 Transit Facility Planning	\$ 310,958					
Activity 8.8 FasTracks Program Management and Planning Assistance	\$ -					
Objective 9.0 Support Systems for Planning	\$ 3,362,312	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activity 9.1 Develop and Maintain Geographic Information Systems	\$ 753,737					
Activity 9.2 Land Use Modeling and Forecasting	\$ 1,006,470					
Activity 9.3 Transportation Modeling and Forecasting	\$ 791,411					
Activity 9.4 Data Collection and Management	\$ 396,345					
Activity 9.5 Regional Mobility Platform	\$ 414,348					
FY 2024/2025 Anticipated Expenditures	\$ 19,393,284	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 660,000	\$ 381,100	\$ 2,217,000
Anticipated Unused FY 24/25 Contract Funds (Carryover to FY26/27)	\$ 3,368,290					
TOTAL Funding Available	\$ 22,761,574					

**The EPA Carbon Pollution Reduction Grant, NHTSA 405c, and Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality grants are 100% federal

Appendix D: Acronym Glossary

Table 11 lists acronyms which appear in this document.

Table 11: Acronym Glossary

Acronym	Description
CDOT	Colorado Department of Transportation
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
DRCOG	Denver Regional Council of Governments
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
RTD	Regional Transportation District
Title VI	Title VI (Six) of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
TRIPS	Transportation Regional Improvement Projects and Survey database
UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program



ATTACHE

Regional Transportation Committee

Meeting date: May 14, 2024

Agenda Item #: 7 (Attachment E)

Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Fiscal Year 2024 Funding Awards

Agenda item type: Action

Summary

Recommended awards for Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 funding for the Denver-Aurora Urbanized area for the period beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.

Background

The Denver Regional Council of Governments is the designated recipient of Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 funding for the Denver-Aurora urbanized area. The program provides annual funding to support specialized transit services for older adults and individuals with disabilities. Approximately \$3.1 million is available for projects for the period beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.

At its April 16, 2024, meeting, the Regional Transportation Committee considered and recommended funding allocations based on the recommendation of the program funding review panel. Original estimates for available funding were based on five-month apportionments from the Federal Transit Administration for federal fiscal year 2024 and available federal fiscal year 2022 unspent funding. The annualized estimate for federal fiscal year 2024 funding was \$3.3 million. However, the FTA released full year apportionments in April 2024 and the actual funding apportioned for federal fiscal year 2024 is about \$2.9 million, which is approximately \$400,000 less than originally estimated. Based on projected unspent currently awarded funding being available to carryover for the DRCOG project, DRCOG staff is recommending amending the awards recommended by the review panel to reduce the award amount to DRCOG from \$900,000 to \$516,346. All other projects will remain as originally recommended by the review panel.

DRCOG released a call for projects in November 2023 soliciting proposals for the section 5310 funding. DRCOG received requests from 10 agencies totaling over \$4.1 million for capital, operating and mobility management projects that benefit older adults and individuals with disabilities. The proposals were reviewed by an independent panel of stakeholders and experts in the region, which included staff from the City and County of Denver, City of Northglenn, Adams County, and members of DRCOG's Advisory Committee on Aging. Each proposal was reviewed and scored based on the criteria outlined in DRCOG's Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Program Management Plan.

The selection panel met to discuss the proposals and make project funding recommendations. The panel prioritized funding for ongoing operations and mobility management support over



capital requests. The capital requests for replacing worn down vehicles were recommended based on prior year awards for replacements, and the useful life of the vehicles being replaced. No awards are recommended for software purchases, as the requests were not as competitive compared to other projects or were relatively small requests the panel felt like could be funded elsewhere. No requests for expansion vehicles were recommended, as the replacement requests from that organization were prioritized to maintain operations and there wasn't enough funding to accommodate all the projects.

Action by others

[March 25, 2024](#) – Transportation Advisory Committee recommended approval.

Previous discussion/action

[April 16, 2024](#) – Regional Transportation Committee discussed original award recommendations.

Recommendation

Move to recommend to the Board of Directors approval of the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 awards for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 as recommended by the review panel and adjusted by DRCOG staff.

Attachments

1. Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Recommended Awards
2. Staff presentation

For more information

If you need additional information Travis Noon, Program Manager – Area Agency on Aging Grant Compliance, Administration and Finance, at 303-480-6775 or tnoon@drcog.org.



DRCOG Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Awards with Prior Year Funding

Organization	Proposed Service	Average Score	Requested State/Federal Funds	Recommended?	Amount Awarded
Via Mobility Services	Operating Assistance	2.78	\$983,435.50	Yes	\$983,435.00
City of Lakewood	Operating Assistance	2.44	\$83,767.92	Yes	\$70,000.00
Laradon Hall Society for Exceptional Children and Adults	Operating Assistance	1.89	\$190,056.00	Yes	\$140,000.00
Via Mobility Services	Mobility Management	2.74	\$479,000.00	Yes	\$479,000.00
Denver Regional Council of Governments	Mobility Management	2.70	\$1,000,000.00	Yes	\$516,346.00
A Little Help	Mobility Management	2.35	\$20,000.00	Yes	\$20,000.00
Colorado Nonprofit Development Center	Mobility Management	2.34	\$297,000.00	Yes	\$297,000.00
Douglas County Government	Mobility Management	2.34	\$453,000.00	Yes	\$300,887.00
Support Management	Capital Projects - ADA Compliant Vehicle Replacement	2.45	\$144,416.00	Yes/2 Vehicles	\$144,416.00
Laradon Hall Society for Exceptional Children and Adults	Capital Projects - ADA Compliant Vehicle Replacement	2.16	\$269,246.00	Yes/1 EV	\$102,476.00
Easter Seals Colorado	Capital Projects - ADA Compliant Vehicle Replacement	1.93	\$104,222.75	Yes/1 Vehicle	\$94,000.00
Support Management	Capital Projects - Vehicle Expansion	2.14	\$72,208.00	No	\$0.00
City and County of Broomfield	Capital Projects - Equipment	2.51	\$9,435.00	No	\$0.00
A Little Help	Capital Projects - Equipment	1.96	\$60,000.00	No	\$0.00
Total			\$4,165,787.17		\$3,147,560.00



2024-2025 Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Awards

Travis Noon, Program Manager – Area Agency on Aging Grant Compliance



Background

- DRCOG is the designated recipient of Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 funding for the Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area
- Section 5310 funds are used to support capital, operating and mobility management projects in the area that meet the needs of older adults and individuals with disabilities

Call for Projects

- DRCOG released a call for projects in November 2023
- 10 organizations submitted proposals requesting nearly \$4.1 million dollars
- There is approximately \$3.1 million available for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025
- Applications were reviewed and scored by a review panel who made the recommendation for funding

Adjusted Amount Available

- Original estimated amount for federal fiscal year 2024 funding was based on five-month apportionments provided in March by the Federal Transit Administration.
- Originally estimated that approximately \$3.3 million would be apportioned for federal fiscal year 2024.
- Full-year apportionments were provided by the Federal Transit Administration in April.
- Actual funding available for federal fiscal year 2024 is approximately \$2.9 million.

Adjusted Award Recommendations

- Based on projected unspent funding available to carryover for the DRCOG project from federal fiscal year 2023 staff is recommending adjusting the DRCOG award down to account for this shortfall.
- Original panel recommended award for DRCOG: \$900,000
- Adjusted recommendation by staff: \$516,346
- All other award remain the same as recommended by the panel.

Recommended Awards

Organization	Awarded Project	Average Score	Amount Awarded
Via Mobility Services	Operating Assistance	2.78	\$983,435.00
City of Lakewood	Operating Assistance	2.44	\$70,000.00
Laradon Hall Society	Operating Assistance	1.89	\$140,000.00
Via Mobility Services	Mobility Management	2.74	\$479,000.00
Denver Regional Council of Governments	Mobility Management	2.70	\$516,346.00
A Little Help	Mobility Management	2.35	\$20,000.00
Colorado Nonprofit Development Center	Mobility Management	2.34	\$297,000.00
Douglas County Government	Mobility Management	2.34	\$300,887.00
Support Management	ADA Compliant Vehicle Replacement	2.45	\$144,416.00
Laradon Hall Society	ADA Compliant Vehicle Replacement	2.16	\$102,476.00
Easter Seals Colorado	ADA Compliant Vehicle Replacement	1.93	\$94,000.00
Support Management	Vehicle Expansion	2.14	\$0.00
City and County of Broomfield	Software	2.51	\$0.00
A Little Help	Software	1.96	\$0.00
Total			\$3,147,560.00

Recommended Motion

Move to recommend to the Board of Directors approval of the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 awards for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 as recommended by the review panel and adjusted by DRCOG staff.

Thank you

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ATTACH F

Regional Transportation Committee

Meeting date: May 14, 2024

Agenda Item #: 8 (Attachment F)

Nondiscrimination Program Update

Agenda item type: Discussion

Summary

Overview of DRCOG's required three-year update to the agency's Nondiscrimination Program, including the Title VI Implementation Plan, Limited English Proficiency Plan, Americans with Disabilities Act Program Access Plan, and new Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Plan.

Background

The Denver Regional Council of Governments is a recipient of federal financial assistance. All agencies that receive federal funds are required to comply with various nondiscrimination laws and regulations, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which forbids discrimination against anyone in the U.S. because of race, color or national origin.

Further, DRCOG adheres to other federal nondiscrimination statutes that afford legal protection, including the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities in all areas of public life. DRCOG is also committed to engaging and involving all residents of the Denver region, including those with limited English proficiency, in its activities.

DRCOG staff have initiated a required three-year update to the three existing plans; the Title VI Implementation Plan, Limited English Proficiency Plan and Americans with Disabilities Act Program Access Plan and are developing a new Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Plan for its Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 grant program.

DRCOG staff will provide an overview of the plans and a tentative update schedule.

Action by others

None

Previous discussion/action

None

Recommendation

None

Attachment

Staff presentation



For more information

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Nondiscrimination program

Regional Transportation Committee: May 14, 2024



Topics

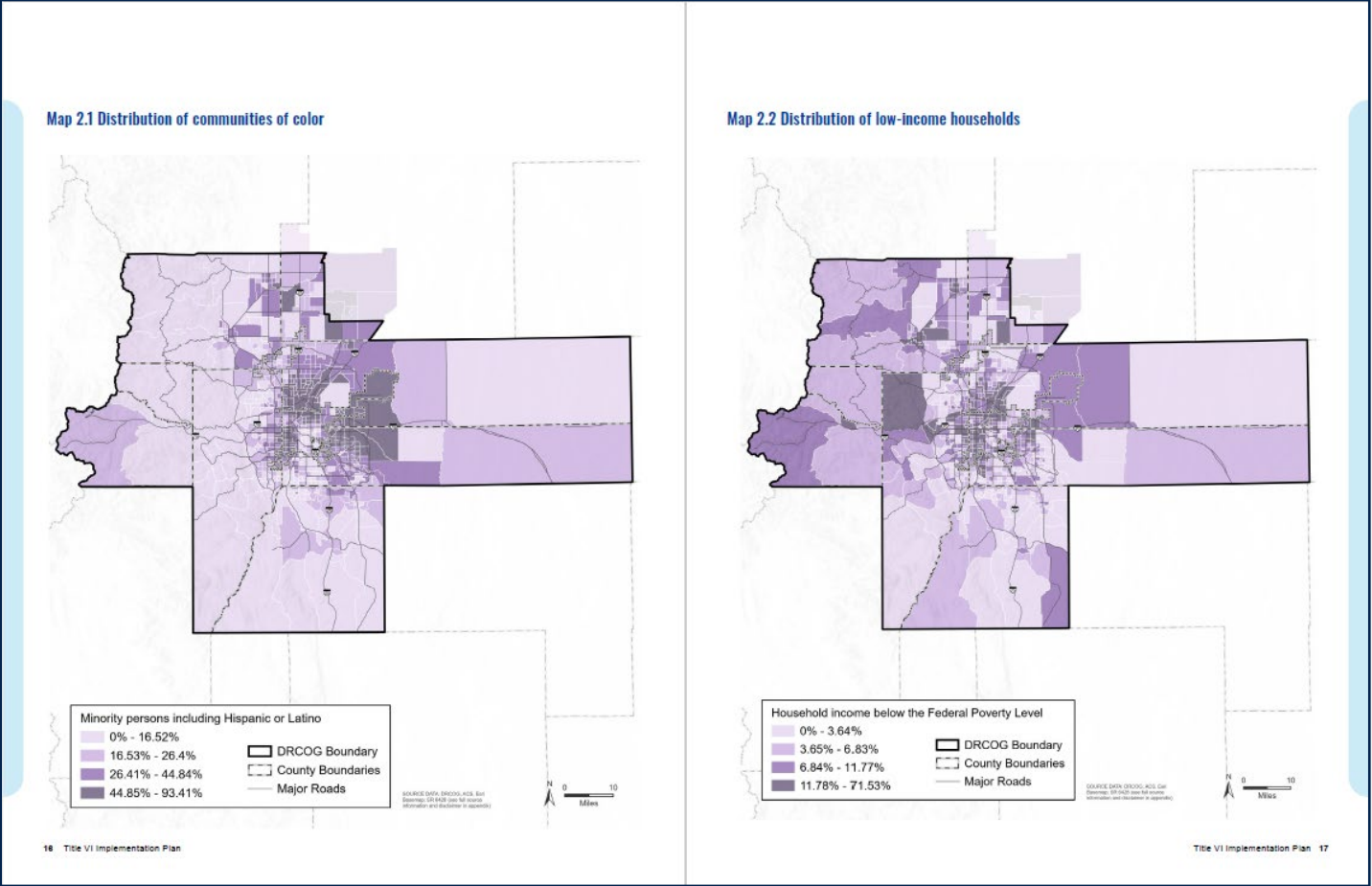
- Plan overview:
 - Title VI Implementation Plan.
 - Limited English Proficiency Plan.
 - Americans with Disabilities Act Program Access Plan.
 - 5310 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Plan.
- Scope of update.
- Timeline.

Title VI Implementation Plan



- Demonstrates DRCOG has the procedures and resources to ensure services are provided in a nondiscriminatory manner.
- Documents related activities conducted by DRCOG over the previous three years, including major plans and programs.
- Informs the public and recipients of the standard process for reviewing programs, projects and recipients to ensure compliance.

Demographic profile of the Denver region



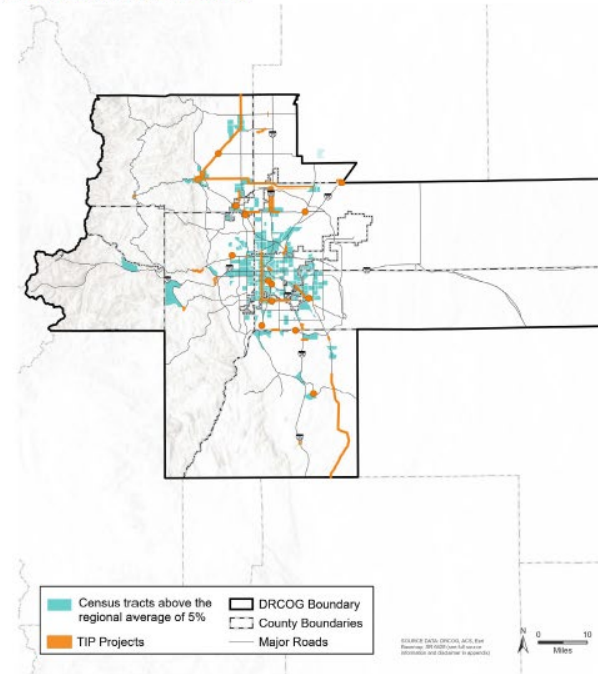
Transportation investment analysis



Households without a motor vehicle

Map 4.7 illustrates information related to households without a motor vehicle within the Denver region. The information was collected at the census tract level. The estimated population without access to a motor vehicle accounts for approximately 5% of the total population within the region.

Map 4.7 Transportation investments compared with concentrations of households without a motor vehicle



Additional information included



Policies and procedures.



Board and committee structure.



Staff divisions and major plans and programs.



Subrecipient monitoring.

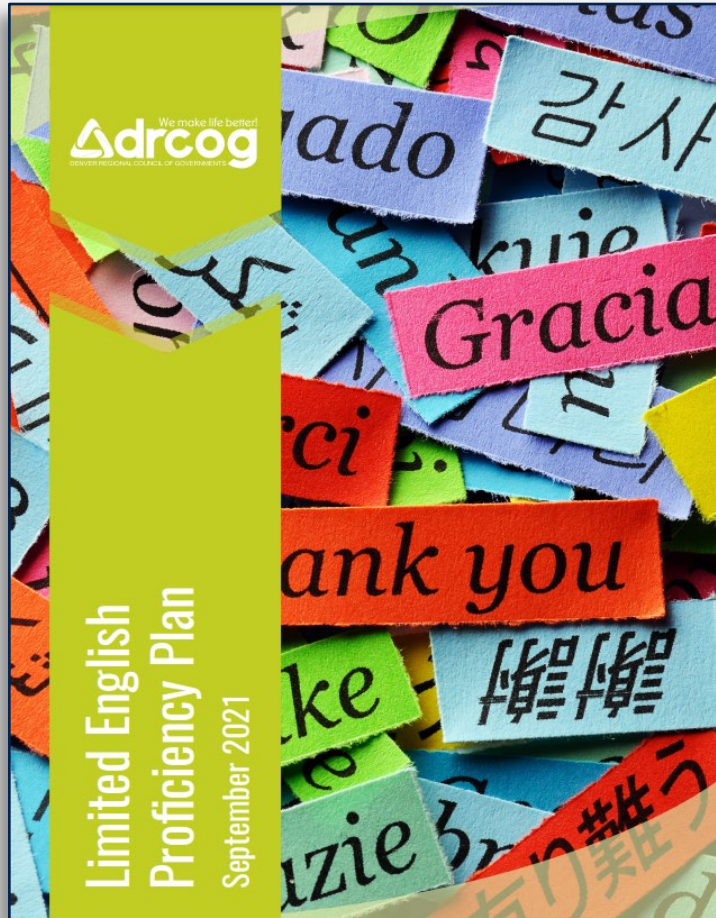


Data.



Public participation.

Limited English Proficiency Plan



- Goal is to ensure all residents of the DRCOG region can, to the fullest extent practicable, participate in DRCOG activities.
- Outlines how individuals who may need language assistance are identified, the ways assistance is provided, and how they are notified that assistance is available.
- Describes staff training required and the resources available.

Limited English proficiency assessment of the Denver region

Map 3.1 Distribution of individuals with limited English proficiency

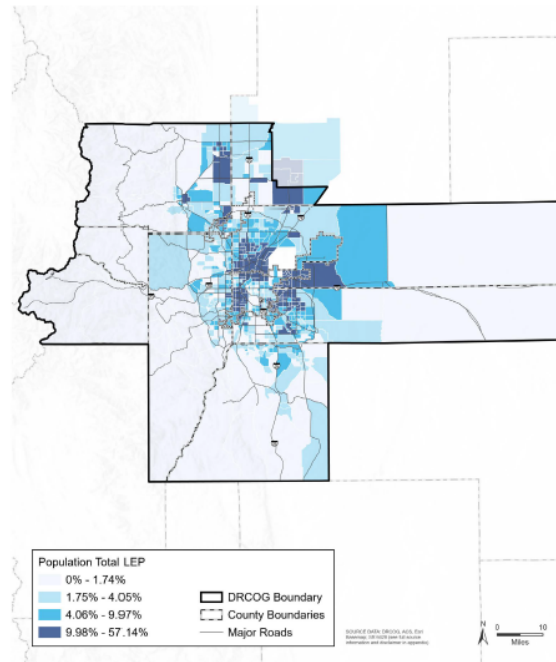


Table 3.1: Individual language spoken at home by individuals 5 years and older with limited English proficiency

Language	Total	Percent
Spanish or Spanish Creole	148,704	5.22%
Vietnamese	9,807	0.34%
Chinese	8,452	0.30%
African languages	7,328	0.26%
Korean	5,965	0.21%
Russian	5,907	0.21%
Other Asian languages	4,159	0.15%
Other Indic languages	3,437	0.12%
Arabic	2,922	0.10%
French (including Patois, Cajun)	2,014	0.07%
Other non-English languages	16,365	0.57%
Total population with limited English proficiency	215,060	7.55%
Total regional population	2,850,084	100%

Table 3.1, derived from the 2015-2019 American Community Survey, shows top individual languages spoken at home in the Denver region by the number of individuals 5 years old and older with limited English proficiency that speak those particular languages. Spanish or Spanish Creole is by far the most common non-English language spoken at home. The second-most common language is Vietnamese.

DRCOG staff has developed maps B.1 through B.5 in [Appendix B](#) to illustrate the geographic distribution of the top five non-English language groups in the Denver region.

Table 3.2, also derived from the 2015-2019 American Community Survey, shows the top 10 languages spoken

by people 5 years old and older with limited English proficiency, by county, within the DRCOG planning area. Geographic concentrations of people with limited English proficiency who speak certain languages is considered for specific events or project outreach.

In addition to the regional data presented on the previous pages, the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Colorado Department of Transportation recommend consulting school board data because it is easy to obtain, reliable and accurate. Such data for the entire state, compiled by the Colorado Department of Education, is available in [Appendix C](#) as a map limited to the Denver region.

Four-factor analysis

- **Factor 1:** The number or proportion of LEP persons eligible to be served or likely to be encountered by a program, activity, or service of the recipient or grantee.
- **Factor 2:** The frequency with which LEP individuals come in contact with the program.
- **Factor 3:** The nature and importance of the program, activity, or service provided by the recipient to people's lives.
- **Factor 4:** The resources available to the recipient and costs.

Americans With Disabilities Act Program Access Plan



- Outlines the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 that apply to DRCOG.
- Documents how DRCOG makes its programs, activities, and services accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Information included



Office space.



Website features.



Public meetings.



Planning process.



Subrecipient monitoring.

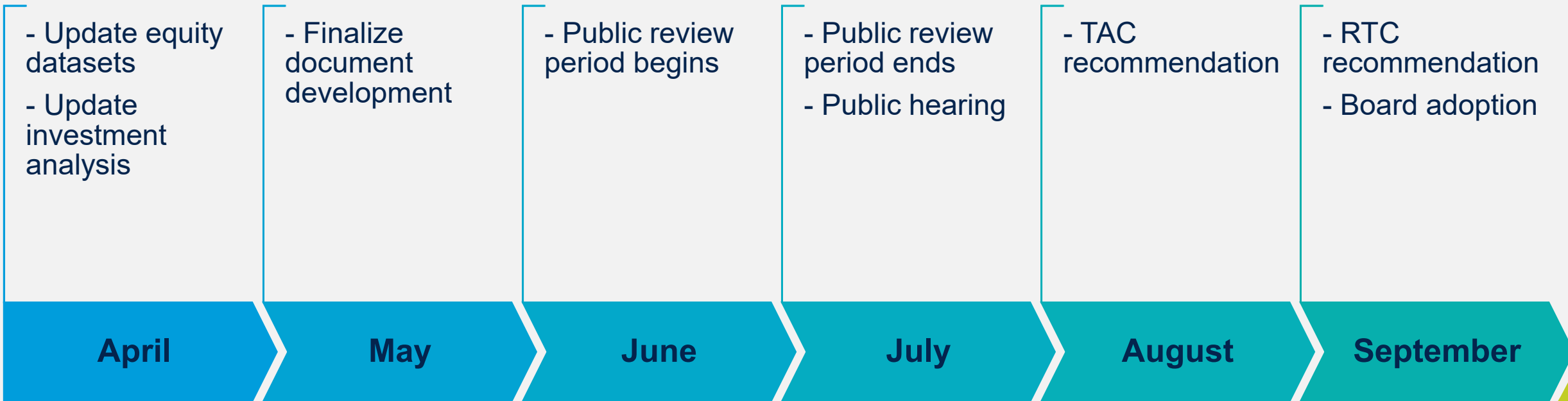
5310 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Plan (new)

- DRCOG serves as the Designated Recipient for Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 program funding.
- DRCOG anticipates issuing contracts to recipients and subrecipients greater (in total) than \$250,000.
- A DBE Information Request Form is included in all bid solicitations and includes DBE clauses in all applicable contracts and requests for proposal.

Scope of update

- Title VI Implementation Plan:
 - Utilize updated 'marginalized communities' definition and equity index.
 - Update investment analysis using the equity index, domains, and benefits-burdens analysis.
- Limited English Proficiency Plan:
 - Update data.
 - Reflect new DRCOG procedures.
- ADA Program Access Plan:
 - Incorporate new state accessibility requirements and DRCOG's response.

Schedule (tentative)



- Federal deadline: **October 1**

Thank you!

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