



SOUTHWEST TRANSPORTATION PLANNING REGION

Regular Meeting Agenda

Thursday, October 8, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

Video/Phone Conference – See connection details below

- I. Introductions 9:00 a.m.
- II. Consent Agenda 9:10 a.m.
 - 1. August 2020 Meeting Minutes
 - 2. Financial Report: July 2020 – August 2020
- III. Reports 9:15 a.m.
 - 1. August, September 2020 STAC Update
 - 2. Transportation Commissioner Report – Sidny Zink
- IV. CDOT Reports 9:45 a.m.
 - 1. Fed Lands Planning Pilot Updates and Overview of Phase II - Elijah Henley
 - 2. SWTPR Regional Transportation Plan Adoption - Carrie Tremblatt
 - 3. R5 Construction Update - Kevin Curry
 - 4. Grant Opportunities - Matt Muraro
- V. Other Business 11:15 a.m.
 - 1. Updates – Round Robin
- VI. Adjourn

Next regular meeting date: Thursday, December 10, 2020

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**Southwest Colorado Regional Transportation
Planning Commission
Thursday, August 13, 2020 - 9:00 a.m.
Video/phone conference**

TPR Members in Attendance:

Clyde Church – La Plata County
Phil Johnson – City of Cortez
Katie Sickles – Town of Bayfield
Sarah Dodson Hill – City of Durango
Archie House Jr. – Ute Mountain Ute Tribe
Steve Garchar – Dolores County
Ken Charles – Town of Dolores
David Black – Town of Bayfield
Fred Brooks – Town of Mancos
Mark Garcia – Town of Ignacio
Doug McDonald – Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Jim Candelaria – Montezuma County
Martin Schmidt – Town of Pagosa Springs

Others in Attendance:

Patrick Davis – Southwest Rides
Gordon South – Southwest Center for Independence
Julie Bingham – Dolores County
Kevin Curry - Colorado Department of Transportation
Matt Muraro - Colorado Department of Transportation
Tony Cady - Colorado Department of Transportation
Julie Constan - Colorado Department of Transportation
Sidny Zink – Transportation Commissioner
Carrie Tremblatt – Colorado Department of Transportation
TJ Burr - Colorado Department of Transportation
Miriam Gillow-Wiles – Southwest Colorado Council of Governments
Jessica Laitsch – Southwest Colorado Council of Governments

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

I. Introductions

II. Consent Agenda:

June 2020 Meeting Minutes
Financial Report: July 2019 – June 2020

Jim Candelaria motioned to approve the June 2020 minutes, Steve Garchar seconded, unanimously approved.

Jim Candelaria motioned to approve the financial report, Steve Garchar seconded, unanimously approved.

III. Reports

1. June and July 2020 STAC Update

Matt reported that there was a state legislative report, they are developing legislative agendas. The CDOT budget forecast presentation will be shown later in the meeting. There was discussion on the SB 267 transit funding. There was a discussion about the 2045 statewide plan, the STAC and Transportation Commission will review the statewide and transit plans in August. There will be discussion later in the meeting regarding a proposed additional project.

2. Transportation Commissioner Report – Sidney Zink

Sidny reported that there was continued discussion about projected funding. She mentioned that this is her last year as commissioner, she suggested that interested parties contact her.

IV. Discussion/Decision Items

1. Ratification of letters of support for FTA Transit funds

Jessica described the purpose of the request. Sarah thanked the TPR for the support.

Sarah Dodson motioned to ratify the letters of support, Steve Garchar seconded, unanimously approved.

V. CDOT Reports

1. Construction Update – Kevin Curry

- R5 FY19 Center Line Rumble Strips – Completed.
- US 160 Pagosa Signals Pinon Hot Springs Lewis – Completed, the reduced traffic allowed for the work to be completed faster.
- FY 19 Bridge Preventative Maintenance – Completed, they encountered a number of delays.
- R5 Chain Station Improvements – Expected completion in September.
- US 550 MP 90.15 & 90.2, SH 145 MP 24.5 & 49.3 Wall Repairs – Work on SH 145 is done, expected completion in October.
- US 160 Towaoc to Cortez Chipseal – Work was delayed, but is nearly complete.
- Hawkins Signal & Curb Ramps Cortez – Work is ongoing.
- US 550/160 Connection South Design – Notice to proceed has been issued, they don't expect traffic delays on US 550 until next year.
- US 160/SH 151 Wildlife Crossing Project – Bids out, work will begin in the spring.
- R5 SH 184 MP 11.73, 12.29 Priority Culverts – Bid received, scheduled for October.
- US 160 Wolf Creek West Fiber – Under design, ad scheduled for late September.
- US 160 McCabe Creek Pagosa – Shelved due to funding reductions, this will be the first priority when funding becomes available.
- US 160 N-10-V South Fork Scour – Expect construction in 2020.
- US 160 West & Cortez PCCP Diamond Grind – Under design, expect construction in 2021.
- SH 145 Dolores Rico US 160 Cortez Htr Repave – Under design, ad expected in January with construction in the summer.
- US 550 Pacochupuk South Roadway Mobility & Safety Improvements – Under design.
- US 550 Billy Creek North Surface Treatment – Surface treatment, depends on funding.
- US 160 Four Corners to Aztec Creek – On the list for SB 267 funding.
- US 160 San Juan River Bridge Scour – In design phase, being reevaluated, tentatively identified for 2023.

Kevin reported that project work in 2020 is estimated at \$118 million, as compared to \$51 million last year, so the pandemic has not slowed work down.

1. Budget Forecast Update – Matt Muraro

Matt showed a pre-recorded presentation from the July STAC meeting on the FY 2020-21 revenue update. Phil asked if the discussion includes whether there is political will to change the gas tax. Matt responded that SB 267 provided a positive boost to rural roads, though the gas tax is tricky. Phil suggested that the discussion start as soon as possible. Matt added that it could happen at the state or federal level, tax increases are not popular. David suggested instead looking at user based mileage fee. Matt replied that CDOT ran a pilot project to do this, there were some privacy concerns. Clyde added that there is an app for tracking movement.

2. Regional Transportation Plan Update – Town of Bayfield/Julie Constan/Matt Muraro

Matt summarized the project list in the transportation plan. CDOT has had ongoing discussions with the Town of Bayfield to look at the connection near the middle school, they are looking at fully signalized intersection. Katie described the need for improved traffic flow in this area. David added that there is likely to be increased development, and added that he believed this was included in the plan and would like it included as there is now funding available. Matt asked if the TPR would like to add this as an unfunded priority to support Bayfield's grant funding efforts. Clyde added Bayfield one of fastest growing areas in the county. Phil expressed support for adding this project as an unfunded priority, not on 10-year funded project list at this time. David asked about the future potential to bump up the priority of the project in the future. Sarah expressed support for Phil's suggestion.

Sarah Dodson motioned to include Bayfield's project in the SWTPR list of priority projects, Steve Garchar and Doug McDonald seconded, unanimously approved.

3. Regional Grant Opportunities – Matt Muraro

Matt shared a summary of current grant opportunities; he will also send the summary out to the membership. Jim mentioned concerns about fast charging stations being cost prohibitive.

V. Other Business

1. Community Updates – Round Robin

Sarah reported that Durango Transit received an FTA 5339 grant to replace part of the aging fleet. Transit is still running with limited capacity, anticipating overflow since Fort Lewis returns to school next week. Durango has a Multimodal Administrator position open. The Needham Connect project is on schedule, should be complete in October. There are two finalists for the City Manager position.

Phil reported that the City of Cortez is working with Bustang to establish a stop near the high school and Walmart. They are also working on ADA ramps and the Hawkins intersection.

David reported that the Town of Bayfield is working on a water line replacement project.

The Town of Ignacio is working with CDOT on the Becker/Goddard intersection improvement which entails a new signal. Design work is underway and will be submitted to CDOT for FOR review and approval. Hopefully the project will be out for bid this fall.

Clyde Church motioned to adjourn, Jim Candelaria seconded, unanimously approved.

The meeting ended at 10:30 a.m.

SWTPR Financials 7/1/2020-8/31/2020

To: SW Colorado Transportation Planning Region
From: Jessica Laitsch
Date: 5 October, 2020

Comments: A profit and loss report for the period July 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020 is attached.

The TPR grant runs on a state fiscal year (July 1 to June 30). The attached P&L shows the current grant status. Because this is a reimbursement grant, the net income is showing in the negative as funds have been spent but not yet reimbursed.

Southwest Colorado Council of Governments

PROFIT AND LOSS

July - August, 2020

	TOTAL
Income	
Total Income	
GROSS PROFIT	\$0.00
Expenses	
Administrative Costs	
Operating Expenses	
Rent	175.00
Total Operating Expenses	175.00
Personnel Expense	
Salary and Wages	524.21
Total Personnel Expense	524.21
Total Administrative Costs	699.21
Total Expenses	\$699.21
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ -699.21
NET INCOME	\$ -699.21

STAC Summary – August, September

To: SW Colorado Transportation Planning Region
From: Jessica Laitsch
Date: 5 October, 2020

Comments: Below are some highlights from the August and September, 2020 Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC) meetings. The draft minutes for these meetings are also attached.

August:

Federal and State legislative report
Proposed budget reductions
Presentation of National Highway Freight Funding Proposal
Overview of Statewide Transportation Plan
Recommended changes to STAC bylaws

September:

Presentation of Green House Gas pollution reduction roadmap process
Division of Aeronautics Financial update
Discussion on STAC bylaws revision
Vote on amended bylaws in October
Review of new draft National Highway Freight Program Guidance Document

STAC Meeting Minutes
August 14th, 2020

Location: Via Web Conference
Date/Time: August 14, 2020; 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Chairman: Vince Rogalski, Gunnison Valley TPR Chair

Attendance:

Denver Area:	Elise Jones, Ron Papsdorf	San Luis Valley:	Michael Yohn, Keith Baker
Central Front Range:	Dick Elsner	South Central:	Walt Boulden
Eastern:	Grace Erickson	Southeast:	Jim Baldwin
Grand Valley:	Dana Brosig, Dean Bressler	Southwest:	Candace Payne, Sarah Hill, Phillip Johnson
Intermountain:	Bentley Henderson	Upper Front Range:	Elizabeth Relford, Barb Kirkmeyer
North Front Range:	Dave Clark, Suzette Mallette, Becky Karasko	Southern Ute Tribe:	Doug McDonald
Northwest:	Heather Sloop	Ute Mountain Ute Tribe:	Archie House Jr. (left at 10am)
Pikes Peak Area:	Norm Steen, John Liosatos, Andres Pico, Kathryn Wenger, Holly Williams	FHWA:	John Cater, Bill Haas
Pueblo Area:	Terry Hart, John Adams	FTA:	Kristin Kenyon

Shoshana Lew (CDOT Executive Director),
Karen Stuart (Transportation Commission Chair),
Rebecca White (CDOT Director, Division of Transportation Development),
Herman Stockinger (CDOT Deputy Executive Director/Office of Policy & Government Relations),
Jeff Sudmeier (CDOT Chief Financial Officer),
Tim Kirby (CDOT Manager, Statewide & Regional Planning),
Stephen Harelson (CDOT Chief Engineer),
Heather Paddock (CDOT Region 4 RTD),
Paul Jesaitis (CDOT Region 1 RTD),
Richard Zamora (CDOT Region 2 RTD),
Sophie Shulman (CDOT Director, Office of Innovative Mobility),
Andrew Karsian (CDOT Office of Policy & Government Relations),
John Lorme (CDOT Director of Maintenance and Operations),
Sidny Zink (Transportation Commissioner),
Katrina Kloberdanz (CDOT Region 4 Traffic Safety Engineer),
Julie Constan (CDOT Region 5 Traffic Safety Engineer),
David Krutsinger (CDOT Director of Division of Transit & Rail),

Gary Beedy (Transportation Commissioner) – joined at 10:42am

Agenda Item / Presenter (Affiliation)	Presentation Highlights	Actions
<p>Introductions & STAC Minutes / Vince Rogalski, STAC Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to approve the July 10, 2020 STAC meeting minutes by Terry Hart, seconded by Elise Jones. • Minutes approved unanimously. 	<p>Minutes approved</p>
<p>Commission Chair Introduction / Commissioner Karen Stuart</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation Commission Chair, Karen Stuart addressed the Committee and committed to make an effort to attend future STAC meetings regularly. • A summary of recent Commission topics of conversations was shared. 	
<p>CDOT Update on Current Events / Herman Stockinger, CDOT Deputy Director</p>	<p>Herman Stockinger:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Goolsby provided a briefing on the status of the Grizzly Creek and Pine forest fires and their impact and closure on I-70 through Glenwood Canyon. • Heather Paddock provided a briefing on the Cameron Peak Wildfire fire near Rustic, and resulting closures on Hwy 14 • Herman: COVID-19 cases among CDOT employees are down from the recent spike to only 7 cases currently; Work from home is expected to continue at least through October. • Staff are looking at a few things for cost savings to close the budget, items that have not yet come to STAC or TC. These include new processes for right-sizing MLOS and Asset Management budgets to maintain performance targets, without changing how funds are allocated around the state; looking at “systemic” safety issues - allowing Regions flexibility to use FASTER Safety funding on those aspects of rural paving projects. • PD1601 – Interchange Access policy is being looked at to include TDM analysis and requirements in certain 1601 approval cases. • The TC is exploring key policies this month for potential changes to make progress on policy goals to reduce GHG • CDOT’s new grant program, Revitalizing Main Streets, has received 37 applications and made 6 awards to-date; The Telework Challenge program has received 22 requests and made 4 awards. <p>STAC Comments:</p>	<p>No action.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vince: This points out the great need for resiliency in our statewide planning and what are the alternatives when roads close. • John Lorme: We have reached out to neighbor states to help message about the highway closures on I-70 especially, routing freight traffic to I-80. • Dave Clark: A question in our area regarding the GHG Roadmap; Some issues particularly Land Use have caused concerns and questions. We'd like an update at STAC to understand what that implies. • Norm Steen asked: What is the correlation of VMT (vehicle miles traveled) to GHG? How effective does reduced driving reduce GHG? • Sophie Shulman – We do have VMT reduction details and GHG reductions can be calculated by linear formula using the average vehicle fuel efficiency rate. • Rebecca White: We will bring back information on GHG reductions related to vehicles to a future STAC. • Suzette Mallette – With the Air Quality Control Commission considering adoption of the GHG emissions Roadmap in October, can we get a discussion in front of STAC before it's released? • Herman – we can arrange an update to STAC in September or October, in time for public comment on the Roadmap. 	
<p>Transportation Commission Update / Vince Rogalski, STAC Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chair • The TC will now return to the regular schedule of Workshops on Wednesdays and Regular meetings on Thursdays. • TC discussed GHG reductions. There were a lot of comments by members and they will continue to discuss in September what the policies and strategies are for reducing GHG. • PD1601 will be considered for amendments, which addresses decisions made on interchanges. The STAC too will hear those proposed changes. • PD703 will also be considered for amendments, which speaks to how and what financial transactions are heard by staff or the TC. • Equity, Diversity and Inclusiveness was also discussed, with respect to CDOT and state personnel policy. <p>STAC comments: none</p>	<p>No action.</p>
<p>TPR & Federal Partner Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>DRCOG</u>: We partnered with CDOT on a Safer Main Streets program; application due date is today; this will invest \$77M in multimodal projects in the Denver region. We are working on Region Plans – sub-regions meetings are happening in the next two weeks to identify region priorities; We'll be drafting the investment priority document over the next couple months. An RTD accountability committee is being formed to provide preliminary recommendations to the board by January, and final recommendations in July. 	<p>No action.</p>

- CFR: Our next meeting is August 31. CDOT is starting to design the fix of the Fairplay lighted intersection and involving the community in those decisions; construction is to begin end of 2021. We've also been discussing the light at County Road 43A on the Bailey side, and we encourage CDOT to consider their local plans and locals' concerns. We appreciate CDOT reaching out to the Counties regarding the high traffic resulting from the I-70 closures.
- Eastern: We saw a small setback on Hwy86 and CR13, with the asphalt being taken back out and set it back a couple months.
- Grand Valley: We had Board orientation last month; Our next meeting is August 24 when we'll adopt our UPWP and consider 2021-24 TIP amendment #2; We've posted the final RTP on our website; We've had some successful Revitalizing Main Street grant applications from GJ, Palisade.
- Gunnison Valley: The ADA ramps project has completed in Montrose and the project on Hwy 50 & 92 is continuing, with some expected traffic delays; Little Blue Canyon project design is completing in Sept (inaudible);
- Intermountain: Not much happening, just fires, floods, pestilence coming soon; Hwy13 is under construction making it a challenging route for detour from I-70; We really appreciate and support Mike Goolsby's effort to get Google Maps to not route travelers over mountain passes; They're hiring a consultant to look at parking on Hoosier Pass for Quandary Peak visitors.
- North Front Range: The Planning Council met on Aug 6 and had a presentation from the RAQC on the SIP; they also discussed the Active Transportation Plan and Environmental Justice Plans, both which will be adopted next year. North I-25 Segments 6-8 construction continues while some detours were needed to allow it to progress; Due to COVID-19, the funding of that has had to be changed, replacing some funds with TIFIA loans. CDOT will be updating the MPO on that as it progresses. Our VanGo was previously shut down; we now have 25 vans on the road which is about 52% of capacity. We're waiting to the end of the year to make any further changes or decisions on that program, presuming the situation improves.
- Northwest: The TPR met last week; detours from Glenwood (inaudible); We have two projects starting next week, one on Hwy40 the other on Hwy131; Resiliency was a priority to the previous Commissioner and is a very important topic of the current TPR as well. (inaudible)
- PPACG: Our monthly Board meeting was held yesterday; We are noticing increased traffic due to I-70; Negotiations are progressing on the Hwy94 BUILD Grant, which will expand access to the Shriever Air Force Base and Petersen Air Force Base for the Space Force

expansion; Action items at the meeting included final MMOF selections; Management of FTA 5310 funds will move from Mountain Metro Transit to the COG – we're working out details on that now; We also heard a DriveSmart Colorado presentation on traffic safety media campaign to address high speeds on rural roads.

- PACOG: We're starting next phase Hwy50 West project towards Pueblo West intersections; IGAs are proceeding on our MMOF projects; Santa Fe Streetscaping project using MMOF funds will begin soon; Our Long Range Transportation Plan update is being launched and we have a new webpage set up for that, www.pueblomovestheregion-2045.com; Phase 1 relocation of our transit maintenance facility has experienced a setback – we didn't get the 5339 grant we hoped for; Passenger rail station location study is coming to completion with virtual meeting on August 18, 6pm; We're down to 2 location options; I-25 projects north of Pueblo are starting toward Fountain, including a box culvert replacement; Outreach from CDOT on repair of rest stop north of town is getting started; We have adopted our 2021 UPWP.
- San Luis Valley: The Intersection Hwy17 & 170 is under construction finally; the Hwy17 north project widening is progressing; Hwy160 resurfacing is under way and near completion; We have bus service in the region again; A new temporary traffic signal will go in at Hwy285 and US50 in Poncha Springs until ultimately a roundabout can be constructed in the future.
- South Central: We've not had a meeting since last month and our next TPR meeting is in September; We're seeing some resurfacing on Hwy12 and US160; A big thanks to CDOT Maintenance for their response to the flash flood resulting from fire two years ago and getting that reopened quickly.
- Southeast: no report
- Southwest: We've received an FTA 5339 award of \$1.8 million in Archuleta Co for a bus shelter and Durango received almost \$500,000 to replace aging fleet vehicles; The contractor will be breaking ground this month on the \$99 million Hwy160 and 550 interchange project – an important project for the region that realigns the interchange and includes wildlife mitigation.
- Upper Front Range: We've had no meeting since June; We're looking forward to reviewing the planning area boundary analysis at our upcoming Sept 3 meeting; Working with CDOT on road closures with Union Pacific to get Right-of-Way in perpetuity; Weld County submitted hazmat designation petition for CR149 between I-76 and US34 to allow a crude oil hazmat designation.
- Southern Ute: no report
- Ute Mountain Ute Tribe: No report

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>FHWA</u>: The STIP was approved for 2021-24; Grand Valley and Pikes Peak TIPs being incorporated; We're working on training during COVID-19 – Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian is being offered online; • <u>FTA</u>: Section 5339 awards have been announced; RFTA was also awarded \$11M to upgrade the Glenwood Maintenance Facility; We're also offering debriefs on unsuccessful applications. 	
Federal and State Legislative Report / Andy Karsian, CDOT Office of Policy and Government Relations	<p>Presentation</p> <p>a) <u>Federal</u>: No Update</p> <p>b) <u>State</u>:</p> <p>i) Staff continues to develop the legislative agenda with the Governor's Office; topics to include GHG reduction efforts, green construction, protecting funding for DUI, statutory language clean up related to recent audit findings plus efficiencies in our rural paving projects.</p> <p>ii) OSPB is having department meetings with legislature - CDOT's will be at the end of August; Non-budgetary items to be approved then, and budgetary items will be developed through November;</p> <p>iii) No interim legislative committees will be meeting, except the Legislative Audit Committee and the Legislative Leadership Committee; No TLRC will be held.</p> <p>STAC Comments: None</p>	No Action.
FY 21 Budget Amendment / Jeff Sudmeier, CDOT Chief Financial Officer	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>Jeff Sudmeier:</p> <p>a) Jeff Sudmeier provided an overview of Proposed Budget Reductions based on July revenue forecasts, including \$2.2 million in Work Plan reductions, \$3.1 million in Program Reviews, \$1.3 million in FY20 Reversions from project savings, plus one-time reductions – altogether adding up to \$50.1 million.</p> <p>b) Resulting budget shortfall is currently \$12.8 million</p> <p>c) TC will consider budget amendment in August for the Work Plan reductions; further reductions outlined will be considered in a subsequent amendment in September.</p> <p>STAC Comments: None.</p>	No Action
Time Critical National Highway Freight Funding Proposal/ Rebecca White, CDOT Division of Transportation Development	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>a) Resulting from NHFP surplus funding, staff recommended its allocation to two additional high-priority projects reviewed and recommended by the Freight Advisory Committee (FAC):</p> <p>b) Recommended projects included \$2 million to close the funding shortfall on passing lanes on US40/287 between Limon and Kit Carson, and for \$400,000 to the Wolf Creek Pass Fiber and ITS project on US160.</p>	Approved to support

	<p>STAC Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Norm Steen: Were other projects considered in addition to these? And do any other projects suffer if we fund these projects? • Rebecca: No funds were taken from other projects; the funds resulted from cost savings on other projects. These were selected outside the normal call for projects but were evaluated using same criteria. • Michael Yohn – What the cost of signage with different language and has this been done elsewhere? • Julie Constan: I don't believe it's more expensive; We've worked with FHWA to develop for our VMS boards on Wolf Creek Pass that's not Spanish, but a graphic signage showing a shifting down to slow truck speeds on the pass. • Rebecca: No TC action is needed on this; it will be finalized by staff. <p>Move to support by Norm Steen; seconded by Dave Clark; unanimously Approved</p>	
<p>Statewide Transportation Plan – Rebecca White, CDOT Division of Transportation Development</p>	<p>Presentation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Statewide Transportation Plan, which kicked off in May 2019 has been finalized. b) The 60-day Public Comment Period has concluded. c) A big thanks is due to all who have contributed and been involved in its development including CDOT staff. d) Marissa Gaughan presented an overview of how the plan was developed, the outreach conducted, summary of the public comments received and the general organization and content of the Plan. <p>STAC Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vince Rogalski: One of the big differences in this plan is the involvement and integration of transit through the whole process. I saw many transit agencies involved and attending TPR meetings and that's really valuable. • Elise Jones: DRCOG really appreciates the effort that went into this plan and partnership we've had for joint public engagement and we think it does a great job of sending out the state's priorities and providing a framework to move ahead. • Norm Steen: I appreciate the focus on this as an adaptive planning tool that supports ongoing progress and communicates to legislature the state's needs as reflected from its voters and their constituents. 	<p>Approved</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vince Rogalski: I hope we consider that transit is a really important part of our transportation plan and look forward as to how we can keep improving our transit services. • Terry Hart moved to recommend adoption of the final 2045 Statewide Transportation Plan; Elise Jones seconded; • The Statewide Plan was unanimously approved and recommended for TC adoption. 	
<p>STAC Bylaws Subcommittee Report – Heather Sloop, Northwest TPR</p>	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>a) Holly Williams provided the Subcommittee’s overview of recommended changes, which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Required and Clarifying Revisions ii) Options for STAC Officer selections and terms of office iii) Timing for Distribution of Meeting Materials, and iv) Other STAC Meeting recommendations not for inclusion in the Bylaws <p>STAC Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Clark: Does this get approved by TC, or does the STAC have authority over this? • Holly Williams: The STAC approves its own Bylaws. • Suzette Mallette recommended language be added to address emergency action items and emergency meetings. • Rebecca – We understand the intent of the revised language for materials delivery, which enables STAC Representatives opportunity to seek input from their members. We really can’t meet the two-week requirement for materials distribution, however; with STAC being the week before Commission, we are often seeking STAC input that we want TC input on the following week; the Commission usually gets their packet one week before their meetings; with a two-week delivery requirement that forces we occasionally skip meetings, we really won’t be able to bring all the items to STAC that we want input on. • Vince Rogalski: I do think it’s difficult to achieve two weeks and one week is better. • Liosatos: The actual intent, I believe was to have a one-week requirement, but two weeks on items requiring action; The way the Bylaws are written now, we haven’t been following them as it is. I also don’t think that decisions that involve millions of dollars are ones that shouldn’t be allowed time to properly be heard and discussed. I might suggest that we are given ample time as a rule, but perhaps put in the emergency language of the Bylaws that exceptions may be made to that advance material delivery rule. • Rebecca White: The one-week requirement is very achievable; the two-week really is not. 	<p>No Action</p>

- Holly Williams: I want to make sure that CDOT staff are ok with one week and we don't want to hinder our ability to give input on important matters.
- Terry Hart: I think putting in a "preference" rule is best, not a rigid two-week requirement that hinders our ability to provide input on items.
- John Liosatos: When the committee initially considered the one-week requirement, it became clear that it really hinders our ability to gain input from our members prior to the discussion items. I recommend having a two-week requirement with a clause that allows for an exception to that as necessary.
- Barb Kirkmeyer: I suggest a provision requiring 2/3rds vote to allow voting on an item that was not given two-week notice.
- Norm Steen: when the STAC votes, it needs to be an informed vote; PPACG has several alternates attend to provide viewpoints; I agree STAC could vote to approve voting on an item; I'm support of a two-week requirement with a 2/3rds vote required for an item not afforded two weeks' notice.
- Terry Hart: If we do go with a rigid two-week requirement, I agree we'd need an exception clause.
- Elise Jones: I had a question about whether or not if we're too rigid on this, we end up basically taking STAC out of the discussion.
- Barb Kirkmeyer: I think at a minimum we state that we prefer two weeks, but it must be at least one week, and if not – allow 2/3 vote to allow; we can do both.
- Norm Steen: one week on non-vote items, two on votes
- Holly Williams: I think the subcommittee will have to meet again to discuss this. I agree with Norm on the two-week and we add a section clarifying the purpose of the STAC and have an emergency provision.
- Suzette: Our Bylaws already say we need to get the packets a week ahead; we're not consistent on current one-week requirement; why two weeks now?
- Liosatos: Bylaws are to govern STAC; staff are not bound by them, they abide by their own procedures;
- Vince: Something we could do, is we could approve the agenda and each meeting. As it is now, everything is on the agenda and we just approve it as is.
- Terry Hart: I'm ok with any of the mechanisms and I'm not worried about law; I'm concerned about why we're here, and that we're able to give input on TC matters; I think we could do a better job of getting input from our members; however, I've seen when organizations make their rules so strict that it harms their ability to do their job;
- Holly Williams: there's a difference between reality and what we'd like.
- Elise Jones: On article 3 section 3, it should say the tribes "may each appoint a voting member"; I think it's good to have the full vote of the STAC to elect its officers;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terry Hart: I'm fine with rotation concept; and it should definitely have the full vote of the STAC; • Barb Kirkmeyer: I do not agree with rotation of STAC Chair; it results in less-engaged members with less availability to attend CDOT and TC committee meeting to become Chair; STAC can select who best serves the committee without being forced to choose from a particular region; • Vince Rogalski: The Chair attends not only TC meetings and committees, but tours and other events around the state; it's a big commitment that not many can afford to do and do well; • Terry Hart: I agree with Barb; politics is about relationships; term limits hinders the ability of the Chair to build those productive relationships. • Holly: Recommend we consider the committee amend draft language based on today's discussion and discuss next month; no hurry to approve • Andy Pico: I agree that term limits serve no benefit here; • Herman Stockinger: Holly, I'm happy to sit and discuss with the Bylaws committee to talk about staff's processes and what will work to inform your decision on this. 	
Other Business / Vince Rogalski, STAC Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Norm Steen: Our next meeting is September 11 during Patriots Day event at 9am; many elected officials will be attending that, so many of us will miss voting on a number of items; I recommend moving voting items to the end of the agenda. • Our next STAC meeting will be September 11, 2020 (virtual) 	

STAC ADJOURNED at 11:56am

**STAC Meeting Minutes
September 11th, 2020**

Location: Via Web Conference

Date/Time: September 11, 2020; 9:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.

Chairman: Vince Rogalski, Gunnison Valley TPR Chair

Attendance:

Denver Area:	Elise Jones, Roger Partridge, Steve Cook	San Luis Valley:	Michael Yohn, Keith Baker
Central Front Range:	Dick Elsner	South Central:	Walt Boulden
Eastern:	Grace Erickson, Trent Bushner	Southeast:	Jim Baldwin, Stephanie Gonzales
Grand Valley:	Dana Brosig, Dean Bressler	Southwest:	Phillip Johnson
Intermountain:	Bentley Henderson	Upper Front Range:	Elizabeth Relford, Barb Kirkmeyer
North Front Range:	Dave Clark, Suzette Mallette, Becky Karasko	Southern Ute Tribe:	Not represented
Northwest:	Heather Sloop, Kristen Manguso	Ute Mountain Ute Tribe:	Archie House Jr.
Pikes Peak Area:	Norm Steen, John Liosatos, Andres Pico, Holly Williams	FHWA:	Bill Haas
Pueblo Area:	Terry Hart, John Adams	FTA:	Kristin Kenyon

Shoshana Lew (CDOT Executive Director),
Karen Stuart (Transportation Commission Chair),
Rebecca White (CDOT Director, Division of Transportation Development),
Herman Stockinger (CDOT Deputy Executive Director/Office of Policy & Government Relations),
Jeff Sudmeier (CDOT Chief Financial Officer),
Tim Kirby (CDOT Manager, Statewide & Regional Planning),
David Ulane (Aeronautics Division Director),
Craig Hurst (CDOT Freight Programs Manager),
Stephen Harelson (CDOT Chief Engineer),
Heather Paddock (CDOT Region 4 RTD),
Paul Jesaitis (CDOT Region 1 RTD),
Richard Zamora (CDOT Region 2 RTD),
Sophie Shulman (CDOT Director, Office of Innovative Mobility),
Andrew Karsian (CDOT Office of Policy & Government Relations),
Sidny Zink (Transportation Commissioner),
David Krutsinger (CDOT Director of Division of Transit & Rail)

Agenda Item / Presenter (Affiliation)	Presentation Highlights	Actions
<p>Introductions & STAC Minutes / Vince Rogalski, STAC Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A moment of silence was held in recognition of the events of September 11, 2001. ● Motion to approve the August 14, 2020 STAC meeting minutes by Andy Pico, seconded by Elise Jones. ● Minutes approved unanimously. 	<p>Minutes approved</p>
<p>CDOT Update on Current Events / Herman Stockinger, CDOT Deputy Director</p>	<p>Herman Stockinger:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The PD1601 item was removed from today’s agenda to allow for additional outreach over the next month before review by STAC in October. ● Wildfire update: The Cameron Peak Fire is currently at 102,000 acres, Pine Gulch is at 139,000 acres, Williams Fork is at 12,000 acres; the Grizzly Creek Fire at 32,000 acres has been declared a Natural Disaster, allowing CDOT to seek reimbursement for expenses due to the event, which is estimated at \$10 million. CDOT’s Chief Engineer is preparing to send a letter to FHWA requesting that reimbursement. None of the other wildfires have caused CDOT’s expenses to go above the \$750,000 threshold required to be able to seek reimbursement. ● There are a number of staff and leadership changes to report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TC member Irv Halter, who represents Region 9 including Park, Teller, El Paso and Fremont counties, is moving out of state. CDOT will begin the process to replace him. ○ Sophie Shulman is departing CDOT; her interim replacement is Kay Kelly from the CEO office. ○ Chief Engineer Steve Harelson is filling a new Deputy Chief Engineer position. This is not a new FTE for CDOT, but is a new position in his office; We expect an announcement of the selected candidate next week. ○ Charles Meyer, Traffic & Safety Engineering Manager has retired; We will hold off posting his position until after the new Deputy Chief is on board. ○ Jane Fisher, Manager of Project Management Office, has taken a position in the City of Denver; her position will also be filled after the Deputy takes office. ○ OPRG Local Liaison Erik Richardson is moving to Iowa; Julie George and Jamie Grimm are helping out in his areas until we fill the position. ○ Multimodal Planning Branch Manager Tim Kirby has accepted a position outside of CDOT; today is his last day. <p>STAC Comments: None</p>	<p>No action.</p>

<p>Transportation Commission Update / Vince Rogalski, STAC Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Chair expressed appreciation and compliments to the person or persons who do the TC Notes and Minutes; they provide a very good sense of what takes place and what's said. ● TC is looking at PD1601 and policies related to TDM. ● The Budget is reduced by about \$2.2 million; Jeff explained the ramifications of that. ● PD703 is being examined, which is about how much money CDOT staff or executive management can authorize without taking it to the Commission. Some felt the current \$1 million threshold was too low. ● TC approved a 2045 Statewide Plan and a good deal of recognition was given for the extensive outreach and the quality of the plan; A new dashboard was presented which provides an interactive map allowing you to see the status and progress on projects. ● PD14 regarding how we measure our progress and our targets for performance was discussed briefly. ● DTR Vulnerable Senior Transportation funding in the amount of \$1 million dollars was provided by the legislature to provide funding for senior transportation agencies that were not funded by the CARES Act. ● Mobility Systems Committee – looking at what GHG reduction goals will take to achieve in transportation. ● All the proposed actions on the regular agenda were passed. <p>STAC comments: None</p>	<p>No action.</p>
<p>TPR & Federal Partner Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>DRCOG</u>: The Board didn't meet in August but had a work session last week to discuss Front Range Passenger Rail process; Castle Rock was awarded a \$5.4 million BUILD grant for Crystal Valley Parkway Interchange; our 2050 Metro Vision is under development – the draft is expected to be reviewed and adopted by the Board in Spring 2021. ● <u>CFR</u>: Memorial Day weekend backups on US285 extended for 17 miles up to Crow Hill; Sunday and Monday backups went from Antero Junction to Jefferson, 33 miles; Had a TPR meeting August 31st – approved our 2045 RTP; approved a resolution amending our project priority list to include the Powers Blvd study being funded by MMOF. ● <u>Eastern</u>: Our TPR meeting is this Monday when we'll discuss and try to adopt our 2045 Transit Plan; The Sterling s-curve project is making progress after a couple hiccups; The bridge replacement in Wray experienced a 6" rainfall which wiped out houses and damaged the existing construction; We are developing a Hwy385 plan to determine how we're going to improve that. ● <u>Grand Valley</u>: The PEL for a new interchange on I-70 is wrapping up; Our Board met August 24 and approved TIP and UPWP amendments; We're currently awaiting a CPG contract; Region 3 held the FOR meeting for the I-70B & Grand intersection so we're excited to see that get moving. 	<p>No action.</p>

- Intermountain: The quarterly CDOT meeting was held; it was assuring to hear projects are getting done; Eisenhower Tunnel study is underway to assess hazmat travel through tunnel; Summit County has just taken delivery of 3 shiny new, full size battery electric buses.
- Stephen Harelson – StanTech has brought in European experts to develop a risk model for the Eisenhower tunnel;
- North Front Range: The Board met last week; heard a CDPHE wildfire presentation, showing impacts on air quality; Adopted safety vision of zero deaths, which establishes regional policy; Presented a video on I-25 Segments 6-8 progress; Heard a I-25 Coalition presentation from HPTE on TIFIA Loan process, being considered to close the funding gap after COVID-19 revenue impacts.
- Northwest: We had a needs assessment workshop with Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) to discuss forest access; Grand County is getting Red Dirt Hill project design ready where there have been deadly accidents; Routt County had 114 mph winds during a recent storm, sustained lots of tree damage; Steamboat is discussing local transit operations and requesting a variance on transit occupancy to increase to full capacity since we have very low COVID incidence; Is anyone else doing this or seeking this? We would like to work together to make skiing operations possible.
- PPACG: The Board approved two TIP changes; I-25 GAP project is progressing well; We heard an Air Quality report noting the wildfire impacts; CDPHE provided AQ with and without the fire impacts; We're preparing for our October Board retreat, and looking at preparations for a 2050 Plan kickoff.
- PACOG: Our Long Range Transportation Plan should be out in October to the public; Our 2021 work plan is under federal review; the Front Range Passenger Rail study is getting wrapped up to include recommendations for a hub site location; PACOG's bike/ped plan is coming out soon and will provide a framework for expanding our trails system; R2 RTD Richard Zamora attended Board last week; maintenance work on I-25 north of Pueblo on bridges as well as US50 west in Pueblo West is underway.
- San Luis Valley: Construction is ongoing on Hwy 17 & 160; A detour exists to Hwy 285; We're trying to get a 139 certificate for our airport; Sky West has been awarded central air service; with 139 we're able to get bigger planes to Denver; We have only 3 COVID-19 cases in our County and only six in the whole valley.
- South Central: Our next TPR isn't until September 24; We'll approve our 2045 Plans; PEL draft is out for review and should be finalized in the next few weeks.
- Southeast: Our TPR met Aug 26; We adopted our 2045 RTP and our region's Transit Plan; Our Region Coordinating Council (RCC) has been very active with transit; We finished our

	<p>website and brochures on that - thanks to CASTA for their support on that; Passing lanes projects are progressing on Hwy 285 south of Springfield and on US 50 between Manzanola and Fowler.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Southwest</u>: Our TPR met in August; We've sent letters of support to FTA for transit funds; Despite budget cuts, CDOT is doing a great job still getting maintenance and improvement projects done, especially the US 160/550 interchange. ● <u>Upper Front Range</u>: The TPR met and approved our 2045 RTP; We discussed updating planning area boundaries; we have municipalities wanting to change regions; the big question is what to do regarding counties since Weld County is in three different planning areas; we hope to have that wrapped up by end of the year. CDOT is putting together a guidebook on that process; Hwy 52 at I-76 is causing backups but is necessary to get the work done; We've submitted more PUC applications for rail crossing closures, specifically for O Street; The Hwy 71 study is completed; Weld County hazmat route request has been submitted for County Road 49 between I-76 & Hwy 34; PEL access management plan for Hwy 52 is in public engagement stage; September 13 will be the 7-year anniversary of the floods when every major north-south road was closed in the region. ● <u>Southern Ute</u>: no report ● <u>Ute Mountain Ute Tribe</u>: No new changes or updates; still looking at projects in grant proposal stage. ● <u>Gunnison Valley</u>: We received 10" of snow in our region; the wind took out many trees; TPR meeting is scheduled Oct. 1; There was a Sept 21 Little Blue Canyon project public meeting to get updates on project updates and address some Montrose/Gunnison County complaints; We will discuss results at the next TPR; and we have MMOF funding remaining to be awarded. ● <u>FHWA</u>: Bill Haas; Colorado has received \$77M extra obligation limit in the Federal redistribution. ● <u>FTA</u>: No report. ● Karen Stuart, TC Chair: Interested in hearing about BEB helping GHG reductions. ● Sidney Zink: I appreciate hearing the TPRs' reports; I have areas in three TPRs, so it's helpful to hear those here. 	
<p>Federal and State Legislative Report / Andy Karsian, CDOT Office of Policy and Government Relations</p>	<p>Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <u>Federal</u>: No Update b) <u>State</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) We are preparing for October, which is when legislative topics and strategies start to coalesce; 	<p>No Action.</p>

	<p>ii) November will bring a new legislative body with a number of senior members being termed out of office.</p> <p>iii) Major topics we expect this year include: GHG Roadmap to meet reduction targets, public project caps for CDOT, signage issues, passenger rail, Enhanced MPO regional transportation funding, funding issues, energy fees; Most conversations are still at a high level, but over the next few weeks specific Bill language will begin to take shape on these topics.</p> <p>STAC Comments: None</p>	
<p>Green House Gas (GHG) Roadmap Process - Will Toor, Colorado Energy Office (CEO) and Clay Clarke, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE)</p>	<p>Governor's Colorado GHG pollution reduction roadmap process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will Toor provided background and overview of the Governor's GHG Roadmap to attain GHG reduction targets and sought input from STAC. • The draft Roadmap will be released for public comment in October and be finalized in November. <p>STAC Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elise Jones: Roads and infrastructure are still being rebuilt from the 2013 floods; Have we assessed the full cost of the event? Boulder County estimates it may require an additional annual budget of \$150 million for infrastructure costs due to climate change and its impacts on pavement degradation and structure impacts; Has or is CDOT doing something similar for the State to project climate change impacts? • Will Toor: Colorado Resiliency Office has been developing a resiliency plan, but I'm not sure what's reflected for transportation specifically. • Stephen Harelson: CDOT is developing resiliency plans; a pilot program studied I-70 for impacts of floods, fires, etc. to develop benefit/cost model to improvements needed; • Elise Jones: Boulder County's estimation was primarily based on increased temperature impact to roads. • Rebecca White: Resiliency planning also looks at redundancy impacts in the road network. • Barb Kirkmeyer: Regarding the GHG plan, does it reflect the cost to implement? Does it include anything about decommissioning solar/wind facilities? What does it indicate for estimated cost to individual households to achieve the incremental reductions proposed in the plan? • Will Toor: Xcel Energy is required to develop a clean energy plan and plans to submit that in March 2021; It will reflect rate impacts; What we've seen so far is the incremental improvements have resulted in net benefit to consumers; technology improvements have driven costs down; The Colorado Utilities Plan adopted by the PUC in 2018 show, with prices having continued to drop for wind and solar, a net savings of \$200 million for those retirements and replacements; Utilities go through processes to get approval for rates, and reliability and affordability are key to those 	<p>No Action.</p>

	<p>decisions; Most of the modeling indicates cost reduction to customers, and only minimal cost impacts once you start to near the 80-90% GHG reductions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Barb Kirkmeyer: I've heard impacts to grid from solar and wind will require billions in increases to infrastructure that will increase consumers' rates. ● Will Toor: Tri-State Energy is now pivoting in the direction of clean energy in response to many of its cooperatives' dissatisfaction with rate increases in its previous plans; Transmission infrastructure is required to accommodate alternative sources, but the cost of infrastructure is part of the cost modeling; Nonetheless, the PUC concludes that there will be net consumer decreases due to wind and solar developments, and we project through 2030 we'll not see cost increases attributed to these GHG reductions. When we get beyond 80-90% reductions, it will require more technology innovations to achieve that 100% zero-emission target in 2050. ● Andy Pico: I disagree; CA is seeing 50% rate increases and rolling brown-outs due to what they've done; there is great cost to get power from dispersed wind and solar farms; utilities have to overbuild the grid to accommodate energy generated from renewables; It's cheap when the sun is shining and the wind is blowing, but when they're not, the utilities are stuck. I've seen NASA's climate change numbers, and this awe-inspiring climate crisis amounts to only 3/10th of a degree rise since the 1940's; On a rolling average, the peak was in 1934 and from that peak to today it has declined almost a degree; The real peak was in 2012 – it's been coming down since and in the last four years it's come down 6/10th of a degree. So if you're measuring how much the higher temperatures are degrading asphalt, which is one of the nonsense things I heard today, how are you degrading asphalt when we've seen a decrease of 8/10th of a degree over the last four years, as measured by NASA for the US? This is just nonsense and it's overblown. What you're going to do is crash the electrical grid. You're going to replace 100% of the state's fleet by 2030? – it isn't going to happen, it's nonsense. Let's get a grip on reality here rather than throwing the fear mongering out. ● Vince Rogalski: There's a lot to look at here and we'll have to have CEO come back and show us more information to continue the conversation on the GHG Roadmap and we'll have to get more input from the public. 	
<p>Division of Aeronautics Financial Update (Informational Update) – David Ulane, Aeronautics Division Director</p>	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>a) Director Ulane provided STAC an overview of the Colorado Aviation System Plan containing an inventory of airports, measures of the performance and condition of their assets, revenue projections, assessment of system needs, performance goals and assessment COVID-19 impacts.</p> <p>STAC Comments:</p>	<p>No Action</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gary Beedy (via chat): Question for aviation integration planning to state highways such as Hwy 36 to the space port? and freight? ● David Ulane: Yes – I do not have specifics on the particular highway and location you’re referring to, but we did have a very robust integration of roadway and freight planning in this plan. ● Vince: How is aviation fuel tax calculated? ● David: We have three different aviation fuel taxes in Colorado: Jet fuel is taxed 2.9% of the sale price. Non-commercial fuel pays 4 cents per gallon excise in addition to this sales tax. General aviation fuel pays 6 cents per gallon. Therefore, because aviation fuel revenues are based on both volume and price, it is challenging to forecast revenues because we have to project not just volume but the prices. 	
<p>STAC Bylaws Revision (Discussion and Input) – Holly Williams, Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments</p>	<p>Presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Holly Williams presented a summary of STAC survey results and the subcommittee’s recommendations. b) STAC Officer selection options included: 1) No change, 2) STAC Chair term limit of two consecutive, 2-year terms, and 3) in addition to these term limits, Chair must be selected on rotational basis from within one of CDOT’s five engineering regions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Survey indicated support is evenly split among the three options; ii) Subcommittee recommends a STAC vote today on these options. c) Distribution of STAC Materials options included: 1) Materials distributed one week in advance, approval of the agenda required by STAC vote at beginning of each meeting; 2) packet distribution one week in advance, action items distributed two weeks in advance, 2/3rd STAC approval vote required to consider action items delivered less than 2 weeks in advance; 3) all materials delivered two weeks in advance, no exceptions; or 4) No changes – all packet materials delivered one week in advance. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Subcommittee recommends STAC maintains current one-week advance delivery of materials, and emergency items (presented within less than one week of meeting) may be considered upon majority approval of STAC members present. <p>STAC Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Barb Kirkmeyer: Again, what were the Terms of Office survey results? ● Holly Williams: 20 survey responses were received: option 1 received 40%, option 2 35%, option 3 25%; We could vote today for any option, or vote for either option 1 or 2. ● Motion by Barb Kirkmeyer to support Option 2, adding STAC Chair term limits to the Bylaws of two 2-year terms, and no regional requirements; seconded by Dave Clark; ● Trent Bushner: I’m a No vote. 	<p>No Action</p>

- Heather: The subcommittee's intent today was to look at and discuss general options but not wanting to do full vote today on any one option.
- Dick Elsner: I'm a No vote.
- Terry Hart: Our Bylaws require draft bylaw changes be presented two weeks prior to a vote to adopt. But if we were to vote today, I'd be a No vote on Option 2.
- Barb Kirkmeyer: My motion today was to draft Option 2 into the Bylaws to be considered for a vote of adoption in October.
- Terry Hart: I think instead we should prepare to vote for a selection of the various options, and not for one option.
- Heather Sloop: I agree – that was the intent of the subcommittee; we're in no hurry to make a decision, so let's take the time to consider them all.
- Holly Williams: I recommend we eliminate option 3, and consider option 1 and 2 in October, then vote formally in November. I find the argument for Option 1 very compelling in that the relationship built up over many years between a Chair and CDOT and the TC to be very crucial and requires technical understanding; alternatively, I find it valuable for other STAC members to have the opportunity to obtain this experience as well.
- Heather Sloop: The subcommittee's recommendation is to survey one vote from each TPR, either today or even by email
- Norm Steen: I'm generally in favor of term limits, but for the sake of allowing TPRs to weigh in on all options, I would vote No on the current motion.
- Terry Hart: I'm ok with doing an electronic survey, and vote formally in October.
- Holly Williams: I recommend we consider options 1 & 2 in October, then vote on our choice in November.
- Motion died with all regions voting No except UFR.
- Heather Sloop: I'd like to ask if it's ok that we do a vote using Survey Monkey, then we can vote in October.
- Barb Kirkmeyer: Why do we need to do an electronic survey? Isn't that what the purpose of this meeting is? Let's just do a survey right now. Or is there some specific reason why we need to do it electronically?
- Terry Hart: I'm ok with either means, but doing a survey allows us to find consensus among the STAC membership. I think we should just do what the subcommittee recommends.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vince: A survey is informal; it allows us to draft what's preferred, then we take an official vote in October. ● John Liosatos: I want to know if we are in agreement to drop option 3 and consider only Option 1 and 2. Otherwise, we'll have another survey result that's split and not helpful at determining the preferred option. ● Vince Rogalski: Are we having an October election or not until next October? ● John Liosatos: Vince's current term is the first one that would count, should term limits be put in place. And he's currently in a two-year term. ● Holly Williams: If term limits were adopted next month, it would affect the next election in October 2021. ● Vince: So we're considering options 1 & 2; The subcommittee will draft an amended Bylaws that includes Option 2, Two-Year Term Limits, and STAC will have a vote on whether to adopt at the October 2020 meeting. 	
<p>National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) Guidance Document - Rebecca White, DTD, Director and Craig Hurst, Freight Programs Manager</p>	<p>Presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Rebecca White reviewed the new draft NHFP Guidebook b) Proposes a set of changes that strengthen the process of implementing the program and the selection of projects to be funded by NHFP. c) Streamlines the application process to save CDOT staff investing time developing projects that do not qualify or would not score highly. d) Requires projects first apply during Call For Ideas (CFI) process, which provides a preliminary review for eligibility and likelihood to compete well. Formal application is then only for the strongest qualifying projects to fully apply during the Call For Projects (CFP). e) Maintains stakeholder role throughout the process with involvement of FAC and STAC. <p>STAC Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Norm Steen: What is the role of the TC in this process? ● Craig Hurst: Final approval on project selections is not taken to TC; Both the FAC and STAC issue their recommendations to Executive Management (EMT), which makes final approval of awarded projects. ● Keith Baker: How do counties come into this? Do we propose our bottlenecks and recommended changes? ● Craig Hurst: It's best to work through your TPR to develop and communicate recommendations; CDOT is the applicant and submits potential project ideas through the Call for Ideas (CFI); This process helps CDOT put energy toward the best projects 	<p>No Action</p>

	<p>by identifying those that have the necessary requirements and would score well; In the previous selection cycle we found many good projects were not considered because they didn't have the needed data and significant effort had been invested into projects that were ineligible or did not compete well; this supports regions compile the best projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● John Liosatos: Can cities, counties be applicants in this process as well? ● Craig Hurst: Individual cities would not apply; they'd apply through the CDOT Region; counties and municipalities work with the Region to develop proposed projects. ● Norm Steen: Many roadway projects aren't all freight-related; Does this take existing projects and enhance to include freight elements? Are the CFI and CFP the same? ● Craig: CFI determines if it fits in NHFP guidelines and eligibility; NHFP can support larger projects that have freight components and benefits; ● John Liosatos: What type of functional class or roadway type is required? Critical Rural Freight Corridors are usually state highways; I don't know about County roads. ● Michelle Scheuerman: We are allotted fixed number of miles on critical urban/rural corridors; the projects should be on the primary freight network, and typically are State Highways or Interstates. ● John Liosatos: We have so many roadways that are operating like principal arterials but are not on the State Highway System (SHS). ● Michelle Scheuerman: CFI is a one-page, very simple submittal; It saves CDOT staff from spending energy developing applications for projects that wouldn't compete well or are ineligible; We have the draft guide document if anyone is interested. ● Craig Hurst: The next call is dependent on what happens with the next FAST Act; no set date until and unless it is reauthorized. ● Michelle Scheuerman: We are monitoring the current program of awarded projects to ensure they're progressing; If we realize savings from delayed/cancelled projects or cost efficiencies, we'll reprogram any remaining funds to other projects. ● Rebecca White: We will share the NHFP Guidance document with STAC members; Please follow up with Craig if you have questions or other comments. 	
Other Business / Vince Rogalski, STAC Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The next STAC election is in 2021. ● Our next STAC meeting will be October 9, 2020 (virtual) 	

STAC ADJOURNED at 11:50am



SOUTHWEST TRANSPORTATION PLANNING REGION

RESOLUTION 2020-01

SOUTHWEST 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado has established procedures in Title 43-1-1103 C.R.S. for the completion of regional transportation plans as a component of the statewide transportation planning process; and,

WHEREAS, the Southwest Transportation Planning Region has been established pursuant to rules promulgated by the Transportation Commission Colorado at 2 CCR 601-22; and,

WHEREAS, the Southwest Planning Commission has been established pursuant to Title 30-28-105 C.R.S. as the planning commission with authority to complete the regional transportation plan; and,

WHEREAS, the 2045 Southwest Regional Transportation Plan has been completed under the authority of the Southwest Regional Planning Commission and meets all the statutory requirements of regional transportation plans under 43-1-1103 C.R.S.; and,

WHEREAS, the 2045 Southwest Regional Transportation Plan includes the Southwest Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan (Regional Transit Plan), developed in accordance with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 planning requirements and in coordination with public, private, and non-profit transit and human services agencies in the region;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Southwest Regional Planning Commission does hereby adopt the Southwest 2045 Regional Transportation Plan dated October 8, 2020 as its official plan to guide transportation development until superseded by a subsequent updated or amended plan; and,

THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the Southwest Regional Planning Commission does hereby submit said plan to the Colorado Department of Transportation.

Philip Johnson, Regional Planning Commission

Chairperson

Date: _____