



TRANSPORTATION NEWSLETTER

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TO: Transportation Commission

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SUBJECT: SB 267 / SB 260 Funding Allocation Year 3B Project Options

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to brief the Transportation Commission on available funding for the first tranche of SB 260 funds plus remaining premium from SB 267, present project proposals for this available funding and what the projects would accomplish for the state, provide an update on the regional equity, and discuss next steps.

Action

Approve project recommendations for Year 3B funding.

Background

Earlier this year, TC approved highway and transit projects for Year 3 SB 267 funding. The Year 3 SB 267 project list was based on an assumed ~\$500M for Highway and ~\$50M for

Transit

projects. 51 projects were selected for funding (18 highway, 20, transit, and 13 rural paving projects). It also included ~\$28M for project preconstruction so CDOT could deliver the SB 267 Year 4 project commitments quickly once Year 4 funding becomes available, plus stand ready

to move forward with projects in Years 5-10.

The final SB 267 Year 3 amount resulted in higher than anticipated premium. Additionally, SB 260 has been signed into law creating a sustainable source of transportation funding with immediate FY22 stimulus dollars.

Details

The Year “3B” Allocation includes:

- \$170,000,000 in SB 260 funds
- \$53,831,368 in additional highway SB 267 premiums
- \$14,535,000 in additional transit SB 267 premiums

This represents a total of ~\$238 million to allocate to projects statewide. At the July meeting, CDOT staff will present project proposals for these funds and what the projects would accomplish for the state. The proposals remain consistent with the 10-Year Plan strategic pipeline of projects and regional equity targets.

Next Steps

The near-completion of the first 4-years of the 10-Year Plan triggers the discussion on how best to complete the next 4-years of the 10-Year Plan. There will be more to come on this topic at future meetings.

In August, staff would like to discuss the Multimodal Transportation & Mitigation Options Fund (MMOF) changes and considerations associated with SB 260.

Timeline

July

- Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee Year 3B Discussion /Action
- Transit and Rail Advisory Committee Year 3B Discussion /Action
- Transportation Commission Year 3B Discussion / Action

August

- Briefing on MMOF
- Begin planning discussions for funding and prioritization of projects for the next 4-years of the 10-Year Plan.

Proposed Resolution #7

Instructing the Colorado Department of Transportation to dedicate the additional \$238 million in revenue received through Senate Bill 21-260 and the premium from the third tranche of Senate Bill 17-267 towards the project list enclosed.

Approved by the Transportation Commission on July 15, 2021

WHEREAS, Colorado Senate Bill 21-260 generates \$3,482 million in state transportation funding between FY22 and FY32, \$2,488 of which is dedicated to the State Highway Fund providing the Colorado Transportation Commission the authority to designate and select projects for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Department of Transportation has identified \$170,000,000 of the Senate Bill 21-260 funds to be available for allocation in FY 22; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Senate Bill 17-267 generates an estimated \$1.88 billion for transportation projects through lease purchase agreements in fiscal year (FY) 2019 through FY 2022 and provides the Colorado Transportation Commission the authority to designate and select projects for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, earlier this year, Transportation Commission approved highway and transit projects for FY 22 based on what was anticipated from the third tranche of Senate Bill 17-267 with the understanding that additional action may be needed depending on the actual funding generated through the issuance of the certificates of participation related to the lease purchase agreements; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the funds generated by SB 21-260, the final amount that was generated for year 3 of Senate Bill 17-267 was higher than anticipated with an additional \$53,831,368 in funds for highway projects, and an additional \$14,535,000 for transit projects; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Transportation Commission provided direction for the selection of additional projects from the 10 Year Pipeline of Projects to be funded in the event that the final SB17-267 amounts resulted in higher premium and/or additional funding became available; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) staff evaluated and analyzed potential projects with a goal of achieving regional equity; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Transportation Commission has identified an additional \$238 million in priority transportation projects for funding in FY 2022 via the

aforementioned sources at the direction of the Colorado Transportation Commission;
and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Colorado Transportation Commission approves the following list of transportation projects in Fiscal Year 2022 in accordance with stipulations provided by law:

Region 1

- I-70 Bustang Pegasus/Floyd Hill Mitigation – \$2,000,000
- Eisenhower-Johnson Memorial Tunnels Repairs and Maintenance - \$50,000,000
- I-70 Noise Wall Maintenance Phase 3-6- \$20,000,000
- I-25 and SH 7 Interchange Mobility Hub- \$12,500,00
- Valley Highway Phases 3 & 4 (Burnham Yard)- \$1,630,000
- Safer Main Streets: Urban Arterials Study and Implementation of Pilot Projects- \$2,500,000
- Bustang Fleet Purchases - \$625,000

Region 2

- I-25 Paving and Mobility- Fillmore to Garden of the Gods Colorado Springs- \$40,000,000
- South Central Storage and Maintenance Facility- \$700,000
- SH21 and Airport Road DDI Interchange Construction Design - \$4,000,000
- Colorado Springs Downtown Transit Center- \$1,000,000
- Pueblo Transit Downtown Transit Center Phase II Improvements- \$1,000,000
- Bustang Fleet Purchases- \$1,250,000

Region 3

- SH 13 GarCo RioBlanco Hill- \$29,000,000
- I-70B Multimodal Improvements- \$8,641,260

Region 4

- Sterling East Part 2 Slabs and Diamond Grind Both Directions- \$8,250,000
- I-76 East of Sterling Rural Paving- \$8,046,507
- Firestone-Longmont –Phase 2- \$13,000,000
- SH 7 Corridor Improvements- 95th/ SH 7 & Multimodal Preconstruction- \$13,438,913
- Bustang Fleet Purchases - \$625,000
- Northern Colorado Bustang Maintenance Facility- \$300,000

Region 5

- US 160 MP 0-8 Aztec Creek Resurfacing- \$2,000,000
 - US 160 Pagosa Reconstruction and Multimodal Improvements- \$13,500,000
 - US 160 Trinchera Ranch Safety and Wildlife Mitigation- \$3,419,000
 - US 24 Buena Vista Park-n-Ride and Intermodal Facility- \$440,000
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Herman Stockinger, Secretary Date

Transportation Commission of Colorado Proposed Resolution # 8

Commence Permanent Rulemaking and Delegate Authority to an Administrative Hearing

Approved July 15, 2021

Federal Legislative Report – Herman Stockinger, CDOT Deputy Executive Director

- On July 1 the House passed the Invest Act, which is the FAST Act reauthorization that must be passed by September 30.
- The Invest Act currently includes \$579 Billion in funding, which is four times the amount in the Recovery Act. Anticipated in that is about \$110 Billion for Roads, Bridges and Major Projects, that will fund the replacement of ten of the most economically significant bridges in the US, which are most likely in the eastern US. We do not know yet how much that will leave to formula grants to the states. It also includes \$48 Billion for transit, the largest amount in history, and \$66 Billion for passenger and freight rail.
- CDOT believes that the Act will be successful, but not likely to be fully hashed out until September. At this point there are too many unknowns to predict how much funding might come to Colorado.

Transportation TPR Meeting

NEXT MEETING NOTICE TPR meeting September 30, 2021

Region 10 at 10am to Noon