



# TRANSPORTATION NEWSLETTER

**DATE: NOVEMBER 2020**

**Vince Rogalski, Chairman**

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## **STAC Summary - November 13, 2020**

### **STAC Bylaws Revision - Vince Rogalski, STAC Chair**

Action: STAC Bylaws were unanimously amended as presented in the packet, clarifying the one-week notice and requirements for distribution of STAC materials prior to meetings, and for the allowance of emergency items to be considered only upon affirmative vote of STAC.

### **STAC Elections - Rebecca White, Director - Division of Transportation Development**

Actions:

- a) **Vince Rogalski was elected unanimously to a subsequent 2-year term as STAC Chair, term beginning with the December, 2020 STAC meeting.**
- b) Heather Sloop from the Northwest TPR was elected unanimously to a 2-year term as STAC Vice-Chair, term beginning with the December, 2020 STAC meeting.

Note: **That's two Officers from the Western Slope**

## **Governor's FY21-22 Budget Overview - Shoshana Lew, Executive Director**

- a) Statewide budgeting office forecasts that our economy is improving relative to previously projected shortfalls
- b) Some one-time fund savings realized in FY20 and FY21 will reduce future deficits and can be used to aid recovery
- c) Governor's proposed budget includes \$1.9 Billion for CDOT
- d) Includes \$200 million in one-time stimulus funding:
  - i) \$130 million for shovel-ready infrastructure projects from Ten Year Plan, and

ii) \$70 million for Revitalizing Main Streets (RMS) program and for expanding the Denver area's Safer Main Streets program statewide

### **STAC Discussion Summary:**

- Local stakeholders are encouraged to advocate for the Governor's stimulus program through their legislators and to communicate the amount of needs these funds may address.
- CDOT will work with local entities to overcome challenges of eligibility for these programs based on types of project expenses and/or required planning requirements. Interested agencies are encouraged to reach out to CDOT with questions or concerns.
- Entities interested in the Safer Main Streets program can expect it to be implemented with similar requirements and application processes to how it's currently run in the Denver Area.

### **Scenic and Historic Byways Update** - Lenore Bates, Colorado Scenic Byways Program Manager

- a) Staff provided an overview of scenic byways program, including current programs and efforts on the State's byways, including EV charging infrastructure programs
  - b) STAC was also provided an overview/summary of the 10-year Pipeline projects (map) on the state's scenic byways
- STAC Discussion: None

### **State Legislative Report** - Andy Karsian, CDOT Office of Policy and Government Relations (OPGR)

- a) Since the election, significant leadership change has taken place in the House, while few changes in the Senate
- b) Senator Donovan is now Senate President Pro-Tem
- c) House Speaker is now Alec Garnet; Majority Leader is Daneya Esgar from Pueblo Area;
- d) Esgar's replacement on JBC is Leslie Herod, as well as a new member from the Denver area, Chris Hanson; JBC Chair is Senator Moreno; Senator McCluskie is the JBC Vice-Chair; and Senators Rankin and Ransom are the Republican leaders on JBC.
- e) CDOT is having conversations on fees, impaired driving and off-highway vehicles, but few specifics to share yet.

### **Greenhouse Gas Roadmap Update**

DATE: November 18, 2020

TO: Transportation Commission

FROM: Kay Kelly, Interim Director, Office of Innovative Mobility

Rebecca White, Director, Division of Transportation Development

### **SUBJECT: Update on the Greenhouse Gas Roadmap Purpose**

This memo summarizes a larger briefing for the Commission providing an update on Colorado's Greenhouse Gas Roadmap.

Action

N/A. Informational briefing only.

Background

The attached powerpoint builds on several presentations the Commission has received this year on efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector. Most specifically, the 2019 passage of HB 1261 set ambitious emission reduction goals and required state agencies to develop a plan for meeting those targets. This plan, known as the Greenhouse Gas Roadmap, was released for public comment on September 30, 2020. The public comment period closed on November 12 and a final draft is expected to be issued by the end of the calendar year. This briefing summarizes key transportation recommendations in the draft Roadmap, describes outreach strategies to seek public input, and outlines expected next steps once the document is finalized.

Attachments

PowerPoint Presentation can be accessed at: Page 106

<https://cdotc.civicweb.net/filepro/document/3513/November%20TC%20Packet%20Agenda.pdf?widget=true>

One of the slides presented is below. The link above will provide the complete Presentation Starting on page 106

## *Land Use Planning and Incentives*

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State agencies must work with local governments and MPOs to develop strategies to promote more sustainable land use, and should develop criteria to use state investment to incentivize smart land use decisions.

Land use planning strategies can have a beneficial multiplier effect on other transportation policies.

**Transportation TPR Meeting**  
**NEXT MEETING NOTICE TPR meeting December 3, 2020**  
**Region 10 at 10am to Noon**  
**Possible Video Conference Only**