



# TRANSPORTATION NEWSLETTER

**DATE: JUNE 2022**

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## Reminder: New STAC Meeting Dates

Discussion on New STAC Meeting Dates – Aaron Willis, Statewide and Regional Planning Section Manager, CDOT Division of Transportation Development (DTD)

- It is difficult for CDOT staff to prepare materials for STAC and TC due to the proximity of the two meetings. A live poll was conducted on meeting format (virtual versus in-person) and meeting day.

It was agreed that STAC will meet in-person two times a year (May and October) and ten times virtually. **The STAC meeting will take place on the first Thursday of the month from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. The first STAC Meeting on the new schedule will be JULY 7, 2022.**

This will go into effect in July.

### STAC Discussion

- In-person meetings will not have a virtual option in order to encourage attendance.
- STAC members discussed scheduling conflicts.

**TO: THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**FROM: REBECCA WHITE, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT**

**DATE: JUNE 15, 2022 SUBJECT: 10-YEAR PLAN UPDATE**

### Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to provide the Transportation Commission with an update on the 10-Year Plan ahead of sharing an updated draft.

### Action

No action is required.

## Background

The 10-Year Plan is being updated to reflect state SB22-260 and federal infrastructure bill revenues, along with the recently adopted GHG pollution reduction planning rules, and the progress thus far in delivering the original first four years of the 10-Year Plan.

### TPR/MPO Prioritization Discussions:

Staff is currently in the process of updating the 10-Year Plan project tables based on approved sets of highway and multimodal projects from each TPR and MPO. The updated tables will show what has been funded in the first four years of the plan (FY 19-22), and proposed funding over the next four years (FY 23-26) which include both new and deleted projects. Lastly, staff has included a new column for project status to better track progress made toward delivering the 10-Year Plan.

### GHG Baseline Model Overview:

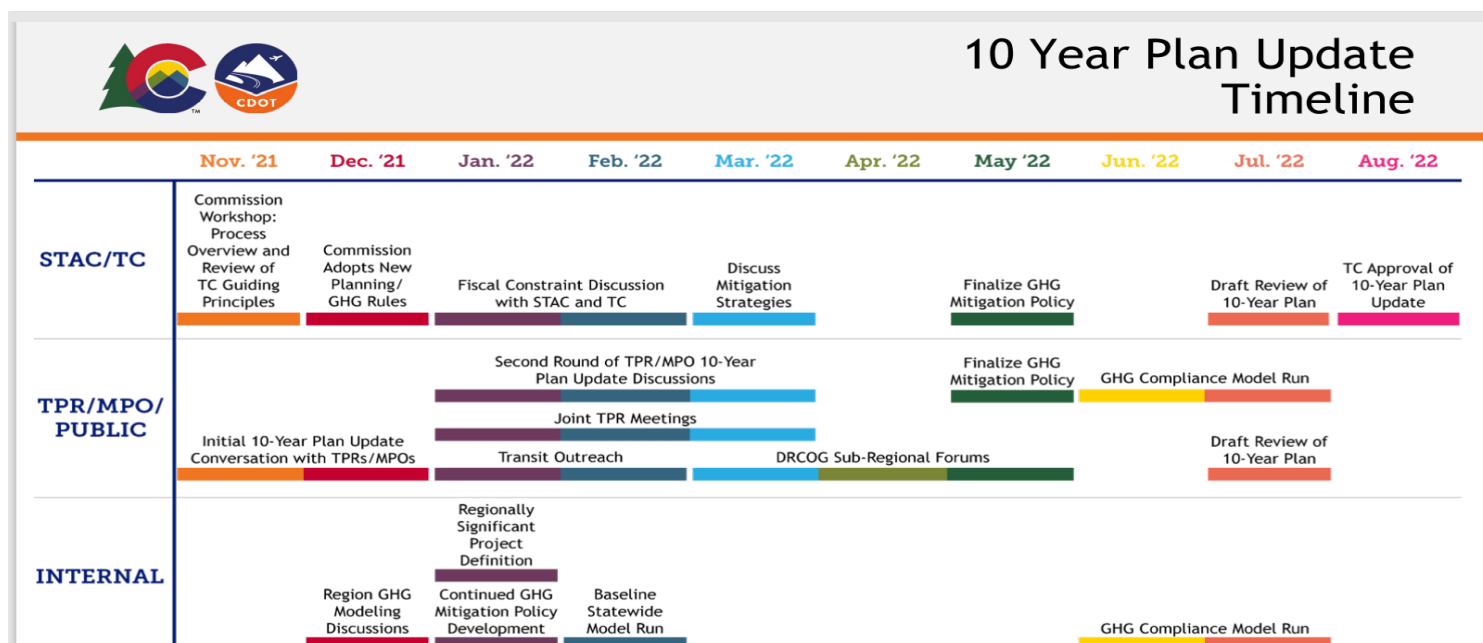
CDOT's modeling team is working on modeling both the CDOT "baseline" (non-MPO regionally significant projects in the 10 Year Plan) and the "compliance scenario" (non-MPO regionally significant projects in the updated 10 Year Plan). Staff anticipates sharing initial modeling results in the July timeframe. The NFRMPO and DRCOG also must demonstrate compliance with the GHG Rule by October 1, 2022, and are similarly working on updating their plans and conducting modeling runs.

### 10-Year Plan Narrative:

Staff has developed a draft outline for the narrative portion of the updated 10-Year Plan. This narrative component focuses on what projects have been delivered to date, how CDOT will demonstrate compliance with the GHG planning rules, and what the 10-Year Plan delivers in terms of improved safety, a more resilient system, increasing multimodal options, and reinforcing the Department's commitment to fixing Colorado's rural roads. The 10-Year Plan narrative will also include links to accountability dashboards that allow stakeholders to track progress moving forward.

### Next Steps:

Later this summer staff intends to share preliminary GHG modeling results that will frame the discussion on how CDOT plans to achieve the GHG reduction goals identified in the GHG planning rules. Additionally, staff will share the updated draft 10-Year Plan project tables for review and release for a 30-day public review and comment period.



## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO: COLORADO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**FROM: HERMAN STOCKINGER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND DIRECTOR OF POLICY**

**DATE: JUNE 15TH, 2022**

**SUBJECT: UPDATE TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ON RECENTLY SUBMITTED AND FORTHCOMING GRANT APPLICATIONS TO IIJA DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS**

### **Purpose**

To share progress on submitted applications, and current and future coordination of proposals to anticipated programs under the Infrastructure Investment Jobs Act (IIJA).

### **Action**

At this time, there is no action to be taken. As proposals are determined, similarly to previous applications, Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise (BTE) will be asked to support applicable bridge components with conditional funding commitments.

### **Background**

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) recently released, or have announced a date of release, for the following discretionary grant programs:

1. NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAYS PROGRAM (NSBP)
2. TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PILOT PROGRAM (TOD)
3. SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL (SS4A)
4. RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES PILOT PROGRAM (RCC)
5. THE BRIDGE INVESTMENT PROGRAM

### **The following discretionary grant programs for FY22 have already closed:**

1. REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE with SUSTAINABILITY and EQUITY (RAISE): Two applications were submitted by CDOT, and a third was submitted with CDOT's strong support in April 2022.
2. MULTIMODAL PROJECTS DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM (MPDG): A combined solicitation for INFRA, Mega, and Rural Surface Transportation programs. Three applications were submitted by CDOT, and three more were submitted with CDOT's strong support in May 2022.
3. 5339(b) and 5339(c): A combined solicitation for the Low or No Emission Vehicle Program and the Bus and Bus Facilities Program. CASTA and FHU Consulting supported the coordination of 20 applications from 15 different entities; CDOT submitted all applications on behalf of individual agencies under the State DUNS/UEI in May 2022.

### **Details**

1. NSBP grants will support projects related to the planning, design, development, construction, management, protection, and/or marketing of a State of Tribal scenic byway or scenic byway program. Local entities are being offered support by DTD to coordinate their own applications for CDOT to submit on their behalf. Currently, there are nine applications being developed for submission. These applications are due June 20th, 2022.
2. TOD grants will support projects that enhance economic development and ridership; facilitate multimodal connectivity and accessibility; increase access to transit hubs for pedestrian and bicycle traffic; enable mixed-use development; identify infrastructure needs; and include private sector participation.

3. SS4A grants will support initiatives to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries. States are NOT ELIGIBLE to apply, but resource-sharing and collaboration with eligible entities (MPO's, local governments, transit agencies, tribal governments, or multijurisdictional groups) is encouraged.
4. RCC grants will support projects related to the planning, capital construction, and technical assistance to equitably and safely restore community connectivity through the removal, retrofit, mitigation, or replacement of eligible transportation infrastructure facilities that create barriers to mobility, access, or economic development. The RCC NOFO will be released in "Summer" 2022.
5. The Bridge Investment Program NOFO and details release was postponed from May to June 2022. It is anticipated this program will be a funding opportunity for large-scale projects to replace, rehabilitate, preserve or protect one or more bridges on the National Bridge Inventory.

#### **Options and Recommendation**

With the forthcoming Bridge Investment Program being a highly bridge-centric competitive program, BTE will be encouraged to engage with the proposal process and approve resolutions to commit BTE match funding to applicable projects.

**Transportation TPR Meeting**  
**NEXT MEETING NOTICE TPR meeting July 14**  
**Place TBD**  
**From 10am to 2:00pm**