



Region 10

**Gunnison Valley TPR Minutes
May 12, 2022**

**9:00 a.m. to noon,
Online meeting only**

- 4) **WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS** – Vince Rogalski called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. with the following in attendance via Zoom: Roger Rash (Montrose County), Kris Holstrom and Mike Borgdana (San Miguel County), Don Suppes, Weldon Koontz and Robbie LeValley (Delta County), David Hood (City of Delta), Marlene Crosby, Cathie Pagano and Joe Lavorini (Gunnison County), Ben Tisdell (Ouray County), Cody Tusing (City of Gunnison), Jim Loebe and Lauren Kirn (Town of Mt. Village), Robert Hurd (Hinsdale County), Paul Ruud and Jason White (Town of Telluride), Josh Smith (City of Ouray), Michael Bacani (Town of Mt. Crested Butte), Preston Neill (City of Ridgway)

CDOT Representatives: Jason Smith, Julie Constan, Carrie Tremblatt, Mark Rogers, Jennifer Allison, Annelise van Vonno, TJ Burr, Tony Cady, Matt Muraro, Kim Kinnison, Mike Konn, Arthur Miller

Region 10 Staff: Michelle Haynes, Courtney Rodwell, Karla Distel

Guests: Transportation Commissioners Kathy Hall and Mark Garcia, Sarah Curtis (All Points Transit), David Averill (SMART), Scott Truex (Gunnison RTA), Mike McVaugh (HDR)

2) **APPROVAL OF minutes of March 10, 2022**

The minutes of the March 10, 2022, meeting were sent out via email prior to the meeting. A correction was requested to show that Michael Bacani attended representing Mt Crested Butte. Motion for approval of the minutes was M/S by Ben Tisdell/Paul Ruud and was approved without objection.

3) **10-Year Plan Approvals**

a. **Region 3 – Mark Rogers**

- Mark shared a spreadsheet of the Region 3 Major Highway Mobility Priorities (copy sent via email after the meeting). Region 3 has received \$176 million in SB-260/267 funding for years 5-10. \$44 million is dedicated to rural resurfacing. Projects proposed for SB260/267 capital funding for the next 4 years are SH 92 Rogers Mesa and US 550 South of Montrose. This was agreed to at prior meetings and does not include RPP or FASTER funds. Vince clarified that this funding was split equally between the TPRs.
- Mark also shared that it is time for the County meetings, so he will be reaching out to representatives from each of the counties to contact him to setup an in-person or virtual meeting. Region 5 offered to have a centrally located meeting location and meet with each county individually. Virtual meetings are also an option. Please reach out to Mark or Matt to schedule.
- Mark shared that recent cost increases have left the US550 South project short of funding. Accordingly, CDOT staff would like feedback from GVTPR members regarding option of completing US550 South and reducing funds available for SH92 Rogers Mesa or keep project

funding for both intact. In response to a question, Jason clarified that US550 costs are approaching \$24 million, an option could be to break into several phases but that will be more costly and not as efficient. The US550 project is further along in design than SH92. The option is to complete US550 and then dedicate the balance of funds to SH92. Phase I of SH92 is already partially funded, this would be for the remaining funds. SH 92 project would probably not be able to be completed all the way into Hotchkiss with existing funding levels. Mark clarified that the CDOT staff is seeking concurrence for the proposal to complete US550 and then use balance of funds for SH92. Does not require a motion since the update of the Region 3 5- and 10-year plans was approved by motion at the last meeting, this is for information only.

b. Region 5- Matt Muraro

- Matt reviewed the scenarios that were presented at the last meeting but noted that some of the projects listed were not in the SB260/267 plan and thus were not eligible for funding. Matt noted that staff have revisited the Hwy550 project. Existing projects going out to bid later this year will address the wildlife underpass and passing lanes at Pacochupuk, which leaves the shoulder improvements for approximately 2 miles along Billy Creek. Shoulders will be 8-foot with 6-foot paving, culvert extensions; updated cost of about \$23 million. This frees up about \$2.28 million for the multi-modal projects (including ADA, curb & gutter, crosswalks, RRFB's and restriping) at Sawpit/Placerville, Norwood and Rico. Projects that are not eligible for this funding because they are not on the 10-year plan could seek other sources of funding. They will remain in the 10-year plan but not in the STIP. The two scenarios differ in when the funding is available, making funding for the multi-modal projects available in years 1-4 vs in years 5-10. This funding does not require match. Matt clarified that the multi-modal projects are not fully defined but a tentative budget would be about \$300,000 for design and about \$1 million for construction. Matt will work to develop an additional scenario which contemplates design funds for the multi-modal projects in years 1-4 and funding in later years for a vote at the next meeting in July.

c. MMOF 2022 Application Process – Vince Rogalski - There is about \$6 million in funding available for projects in the GVTPR with 50% state/50% federal. Federal funds must be spent by December 2026.

The following applications have been received:

- All Points Transit – 2 projects, Microtransit Pilot and Regional Delta-Montrose Route Service amt requested \$1,200,000 and Rural Transit Operations – Regional Dial a Ride and Montrose Public Service, amt requested \$600,000
- City of Gunnison – 3 projects, Denver Avenue Multimodal Engineering Feasibility Study, amt requested \$175,000, Ohio Avenue Multimodal and Safe Routes to School Phase 1 (2022), amt requested \$385,000, Ohio Avenue Multimodal and Safe Routes to School Phase 2 (2023), amt requested \$250,000
- Delta County – North Fork Miners trail, amt requested \$1,415,000
- Gunnison County – Crested Butte to Crested Butte South Multimodal Trail Planning Project, amt requested \$125,000
- Hinsdale County – Hinsdale County Road 30 Bike Lane Installation and Chip Seal Overlay, amt requested \$720,000
- San Miguel Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) – Design of Bicycle/Pedestrian Underpass at Meadows Trail/SH 145, amt requested \$128,000
- Town of Mountain Village – Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Improvements, amt requested \$525,945
- Total of all MMOF requests - \$5,523,945, total project costs - \$13,611,817
- At the July meeting, each applicant will be allowed to make an in-person or virtual presentation at which time the GVTPR representatives can vote on funding
- The source of funding may be based on how quickly the project can be completed since the federal funds have a deadline
- Ouray County and partners would like to submit a request for funding for improvements to the Bustang stop in Ridgway and preliminary funding for a shuttle route between Ridgway and

Ouray, estimated cost of about \$500,000. They will submit their request as soon as possible and meet with TJ Burr to review the project scope and estimates.

- d. Vince shared that there are three requests for extensions for existing projects:
- City of Gunnison – would like to match completion schedule with Safe Routes to Schools, due to long lead times may need time extension, revised completion date next spring
 - Town of Mountain Village – requesting an extension in case contractor or supply delays.
 - San Miguel County – initial delays due to covid, interviews and contractor selection next week, should still be able to complete by June 2023, but this gives allowance in case of contractor delays
 - Vince reminded all grantees that pay applications must be submitted by June 2023 or they may not be allowed
 - A motion to extend the deadline was M/S by Ben Tisdell/Robert Hurd. There were no objections
- e. Vince has a request from Hinsdale County to reduce match from 25% to 10% (match of \$80,000 instead of \$200,000) for the proposed MMOF project under consideration.
- A motion to approve was M/S Ben Tisdell/Cody Tsuing. There were no objections. The request will now be forwarded to the STAC.
- f. Michelle shared that she has received several requests that Region 10 support a coordination role in regional transit planning, possibly \$30,000. Vince suggested that this could be considered after the Ouray/Ridgway project is reviewed but encouraged Region 10 to submit. In response to a question, Michelle indicated that this could be either staff or contract and could also assist with the update of the regional plan.

4) Reports

Region 3 Construction Update – Jason Smith (included in packet)

Current projects:

- a. **Blue Creek Canyon/Windy Point:** Contractor - American Civil Constructors Mountain West. Construction resumed March 14 and is anticipated to continue through November 2022. Impacts to the traveling public include two 4-hour full closures during the day (April 2021 to June 2022) and full closure all night long April through October. The road is scheduled to be open 6:30 to 8:30 am, 12:30 to 1:30 pm and 5:30 to 7:30 pm Monday through Friday with single-lane alternating traffic and fully open to two-way traffic on the weekends and holidays. Due to the I70 closures in 2021, the project completion date has been extended to 2023.

Upcoming projects:

- b. SH 133 Landslide Mitigation - \$2.9 million construction budget, contractor Williams Construction, construction began November 2021 and is anticipated to continue through June 2022. Embankment repair near MP 15.3 and landslide repairs near MP 21.7.
- c. Combined SH 92 over the Gunnison River Bridge Replacement (MP 6.5) & SH 92 Resurfacing from MP 4 to MP 7 -, \$13.1 million construction budget, Contractor: Ralph L Wadsworth Construction Company, construction began November 2021 and continues through December 2022. Replace the load-rated bridge over the Gunnison River at MP 6.5. Detour bridge is in place to minimize delays and keep traffic open in the area. Montrose County adopted 1 span of the old bridge and the City of Delta adopted 2 spans.
- d. SH 149 Lake City Resurfacing - \$23.4 million construction budget - will be a coordinated project with Region 5, funded by SB 267 Rural Resurfacing funds. MP 92 to MP 23, cold-in-place recycle and asphalt overlay. Contractor – United Companies, Construction began March 28, 2022 and continue through October 2022.
- e. US 550 Montrose South Resurfacing Otter Road to San Juan Avenue, Contractor: United Companies, \$9.7 million construction budget. Construction anticipated to begin May 16 and continue through October 2022. Asphalt mill and overlay. Also includes US 50 Harvest Road to San Juan Avenue. San Juan Avenue intersection is not included in this project and will be added into a later project.

- f. SH 92 Hotchkiss to Crawford including Bridge Street in Hotchkiss and ADA ramps: Contractor – United Companies, contract \$7.9 million. Construction anticipated to begin May 16 and run through October 2022. 1” leveling course with asphalt overlay, full-depth reclamation of Bridge Street through Hotchkiss. There will be a public meeting on this project.
- g. SH 133 Chip Seal: Contractor: United Companies, \$1.6 million. Chip sealing 12.4 miles of SH 133 from MP 11.4 to 23.8. Construction anticipated July 25-September 2022.
- h. SH 133 Embankment and River Repair: Budget \$2.265 million, ad date 7/14/22. Embankment repair of the North Fork of the Gunnison River near MP 15.3 on SH 133. Construction anticipated September 2022-July 2023.
- i. Other shelf-ready projects: US 50 and SH 348 Resurfacing (anticipated 2023), SH 114 Rural Resurfacing (anticipated 2023), SH 92 Rogers Mesa (anticipated 2023), US 50 & US 550 Resurfacing (anticipated 2023 but may be merged into 2022 project), SH 92 Rogers Mesa Reconstruction Phase 1 (TBD), US 550 Otter Road to Colona (TBD), US 50 and US 550 Intersection Improvements (TBD), US 50 Passing Lanes Blue Mesa (TBD), ADA Ramps in Delta, Olathe, Gunnison, Montrose, Cedaredge & Crested Butte (TBD).

Region 5 Construction Update – Tony Cady (sent out via email after the meeting)

Upcoming projects:

- a. US 550 Ouray to Colona MP 94-116, surface treatment, budget \$15 million. Contractor Kilgore Companies, LLC, construction began April 4, 2022. HMA leveling course and overlay, includes 2 miles of shouldering between MMP 98 and 100.
- b. R5 Bridge Preventative maintenance – Contractor KSK, LLC. Award amount \$2.4 million Includes preventative maintenance on three bridge structures on SH 141 in Montrose Counties. Construction scheduled to begin end of May 2022
- c. US 550 Pacochupuk/Billy Creek Safety Improvements MP 106-114.5, north of Ridgway State Park, budget \$6.9 million, advertise December 2022, construction 2023, leveling course overlay, wildlife protection, right turn lanes at Dutch Charlie. Proposal includes animal underpass at Billy Creek.
- d. SH 145 MP 63.4 Wall Replacement – budget \$800,000, advertise fall 2022 construction tentative 2023. Replace two wooden walls in need of replacement.
- e. US 550 MP 81 & 89 Bluepoint and Mother Cline Avalanche Mitigation – budget \$660k, advertise and construct 2022. Install Gasex avalanche system at a known path.
- f. SH 97 Nucla Pedestrian Improvements - \$240k Local Agency funding, advertise December 2022.
- g. R5 FY22 Chain Stations, budget \$1.85 million, ad date December 2022. Chain stations including two locations on SH 145 in San Miguel County.
- h. SH 149 – Guardrail is moving forward and cold-in-place recycle will begin tomorrow at the south end, moving north, then follow up with HMA overlay. Possible project celebration on June 23.

DTR Update – TJ Burr

- i. Reminder that all reimbursement requests are due through the end of the year shortly after June 30
- j. CASTA spring training conference May23-27 Colorado Springs.
- k. Adjusting the 5311 Funding formula is being revised, see TJ for more information
- l. NTD (National Transit Database) reports are due from transit agencies, see TJ if you are interested
- m. Awards are going out for capital funding, delay was due to price increases
- n. 5310/5311/5339 supercall for funding will be issued in late June/early July
- o. Desk and site reviews underway in Montrose and Grand Junction

Annaliese reminded everyone that funding is available for the Revitalizing Main Street grants program.

The revised meeting date is July 14, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This meeting will be held at Montrose County Road and Bridge facility on LaSalle Road with a virtual option. All TPR members are asked to confirm their voting representative with Michelle.

6) ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 11:56 am.