



TRANSPORTATION NEWSLETTER

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HB 23-1101

DATE: June 14, 2023

TO: Transportation Commission

FROM: Herman Stockinger

SUBJECT: Update on TPR Boundary Study

Purpose

To provide an update on the TPR Boundary Study.

Action

Informational only.

Background

On April 28, 2023, Governor Polis signed HB 23-1101 which includes the provision requiring CDOT to analyze the TPR boundaries in a study and provide recommendations for possible changes to the Transportation Commission on or before November 30, 2023. This legislation directs the Transportation Commission to review the study and open the rules governing the TPR boundaries. It does not mandate that the Commission adopt the recommendations.

The Transportation Commission has the authority to promulgate rules related to TPR boundaries. The rules related to TPR boundaries are the State Planning

Rules, the same rules that were amended to include requirements related to Greenhouse Gas pollutants, 2 CCR 601-22.

The amendment includes an extensive list of criteria that CDOT staff examine. The list in the bill is not in priority order:

- The Consistency and Transparency of the Transportation Planning Process Across the TPRs**
- The boundaries of the Transportation Planning Regions (TPRs)**
- Membership of the State Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC)**
- Membership of the Special Interim Transit And Rail Advisory Committee (TRAC)**

Pertaining to the boundaries, the study includes the following items to consider, also not in priority order:

- Highway, Transit Corridors and Transit District Boundaries**
- Disproportionately Impacted Communities**
- Vehicle Miles Traveled, Truck Vehicle Miles Traveled, Transit Vehicle Revenue Miles, and Lane Miles**
- Population Trends**
- Safety and Management Considerations**
- Commuting, Commercial Traffic, Freight Movement, Tourism Impacts, and Other Travel Patterns**
- Transit-Oriented Development and Access to Affordable Housing**
- Levels of Air Pollutants, Criteria Pollutants, and Greenhouse Gas Pollutants**
- Communities of Interest**

Since the passage of the bill, CDOT staff have briefed all ten rural TPRs and two MPOs on the provisions of the bill related to the TPR study.

CDOT has formed an Advisory Committee and on June 7 the Advisory Committee had its first meeting. Staff is developing a mapping tool, assessing

TPR IGAs and Bylaws, planning a series of public meetings, and beginning to work on a survey as an additional option for collecting public comments about our TPRs.

On or before November 30, 2023, The Department Shall Complete a Study and Study Report of:

- **The boundaries of the Transportation Planning Regions (TPRs)**
- **Membership of the STAC**
- **Membership of the Special Interim Transit And Rail Advisory Committee (TRAC)**
- **The Consistency and Transparency of the Transportation Planning Process Across the TPRs**

In conducting the study, The Department shall provide opportunity for public comment throughout the State and consider input from stakeholders throughout the State.

The Department shall submit the Study Report to the Transportation Commission and to the Transportation Legislation Review Committee on or before November 30, 2023.

Following completion of the study and with consideration of its findings, the Transportation Commission shall initiate updates to the rules before June 1, 2024.

Factors for consideration identified in legislation:

- **Highway and Transit Corridors and Transit District Boundaries;**
- **Disproportionately Impacted Communities;**
- **Vehicle Miles Traveled, Truck Vehicle Miles Traveled, Transit Vehicle Revenue Miles, and Lane Miles;**
- **Population Trends;**
- **Safety and Management Considerations;**
- **Commuting, Commercial Traffic, Freight Movement, Tourism Impacts, and Other Travel Patterns;**
- **Transit-Oriented Development and Access to Affordable Housing;**

- Levels of Air Pollutants, Criteria Pollutants, and Greenhouse Gas Pollutants;

- Communities of Interest;

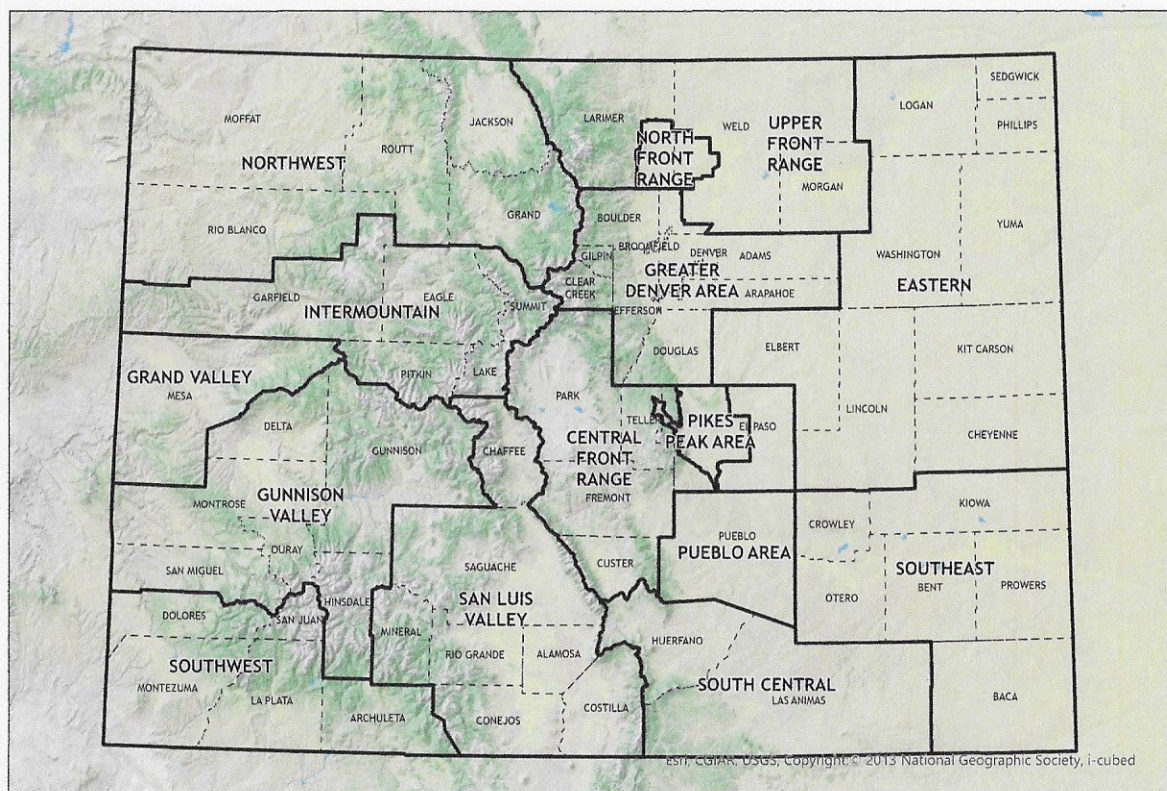
- CDOT staff continues to meet with TPRs and others regarding the study.

- Developing a mapping tool with maps for each criteria and the ability to “layer” various requirements onto one map.

- Assessing TPR IGAs and Bylaws.

- Formed an Advisory Committee.

- Considering a survey to receive input.





Advisory Committee

Name	Area Represented	Position
Anna Stout	Grand Junction	Mayor
Jonathan Godes	Glenwood Springs	City Councilor
TBD	RFTA	TBD
Tamera Pogue	Summit County	County Commissioner
Dick Elsner	Park County	County Commissioner
Keith Baker	Chaffee County	County Commissioner
Suzette Mallette	North Front Range MPO	Executive Director
Ron Papsdorf	DRCOG	Transportation Planning & Operations Director
Andy Gunning	PPACG	Executive Director
Kristin Stephens	Larimer County	County Commissioner
Terry Hoffmeister	Phillips County	County Commissioner

- First meeting held on June 7.
- Monthly update meetings with Director Lew and boundary study staff.
- Assist in determining content of “public meetings.”
- Assist in development of questions and format for a survey.

Transportation TPR Meeting
NEXT MEETING NOTICE TPR meeting
August 10, 2023
In-Person
From 10am to NOON
REGION 10