



TRANSPORTATION NEWSLETTER

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Current Status

October

- Formatted survey results from the Public and TPR Administrator surveys into information that informed us on draft recommendations.
- Met with TPR's that were being considered for TPR boundary changes and considered public feedback to help inform our final recommendations.

November

- Early November: Finished the Draft TPR Study Report, sharing a few chapters with the Advisory Committee for their review and feedback.
- Provided each of the 23 recommendations to STAC for them to vote on.
- Mid-November: Provide final report to the Transportation Commission and Workshop the recommendations with them.

January

- Ask the TC to open the Planning Rules.
- Rule review and adoption takes between 4-6 months.

Below are recommendations presented to the Transportation Commission November 15, 2023 with comments from thSTAC

1. Recommendation for CDOT improvements

- An improved TPR-related website to better enable the public to find information about all TPRs in the state.
- Increased outreach to elected officials, especially newly elected, to make sure they have the background and understanding of CDOT as an organization and the role of TPRs and MPOs.
- Organize annual or biannual meetings for all of the TPR administrators to discuss processes and share best practices for TPR management.
- Consider whether current funding to TPRs is adequate and make necessary adjustments if needed.

Note: STAC voted to support these recommendations, and public comment has been supportive as well.

2. Recommendations for STAC and TRAC

- a. Establish term limits for STAC Chairs and Vice-Chairs. Up to two consecutive terms of two years each, with details worked out by STAC via an update to their bylaws.
- b. Rotate Chairs/Vice-Chairs between rural TPRs and urban TPRs, ensuring STAC leadership always has both a rural and urban voice, with details worked out by STAC via an update to their bylaws.
- c. Add the Chair of the Transit and Rail Advisory Committee (TRAC) to STAC as a nonvoting member.
- d. Encourage multiple TPRs whose members have overlapping political jurisdictions to adopt governing documents to disallow a single political jurisdiction from representing two TPRs on STAC at any given time.

Note: STAC voted to support these recommendations, but also voted 7-6 in support of the Chair and Vice-Chair having a term limit of 3 terms over the staff recommended 2 terms. Public comment has also been supportive of these recommendations.

3. Ensure all TPRs are following statutory requirements and best practices for public bodies, including governing documents containing the following information:

- a. Who: The name of the organization, the members
- b. What: The duties of the organization, ability to spend and receive funds, ability to sue and be sued, enter into contracts
- c. Ability to terminate and amend
- d. When/Where: Overview of general meeting cadence and locations
- e. Officers, Elections of Officers, Length of term of Officers
- f. Quorum & Voting structure (if not simple majority)
- g. Ensures all meetings are open to the public and will be publicly noticed
- h. Agendas and meeting minutes are available and accessible to the public
- i. Meetings allow time for public comment on the agenda
- j. Identifies how STAC representative is chosen
- k. Provides for how the TPR is to be administered
- l. Includes a Conflict of Interest Statement
- m. Ensure TPR information can be found on the internet

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Staff Recommendations for new TPR Boundaries

Per statute, only 15 TPRs can exist, 10 of which must be rural. As such, for a new TPR to be created another TPR must be consolidated.

4. Recommendations for TPR Boundary Changes

- a. Combine Southeast TPR and South Central TPR into one new TPR.
- b. Divide the Intermountain TPR into two TPRs:
 - i. West IMTPR would consist of Garfield, Pitkin, and the SW portion of Eagle County.
 - ii. East IMTPR would consist of Summit, Lake, and the bulk of Eagle County.

Note: STAC voted to oppose these changes and voted in support of the TC adopting no boundary changes. SE & SC TPRs and their member governments oppose the recommendations, and the IM TPR voted 12-7 to support making no changes. However, public comment from some IM TPR members have been supportive of the change.

For those who would like to read the entire study and report which is over 100 page, I will be leaving at copy at the Region 10 Office

**Transportation TPR Meeting
NEXT MEETING NOTICE TPR meeting TBD
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<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/kdUqCH8cUT>

Video Conference Only