



Gunnison Valley Transportation Planning Region

November 13, 2025
Hybrid In-Person and Via Zoom Video Conference

1. **CALL TO ORDER and INTRODUCTIONS** – Meeting was called to order at: 1:32p.m.
 - a. Vince Rogalski (Chair, GVTPR & Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee), Michelle Haynes (Region 10), Courtney Tribble (Region 10)
 - b. **CDOT Region 3:** Jessie Spencer (Planning and Local Support)
 - c. **CDOT Region 5:** Tim Funk (Environmental Specialist & Regional Planner), Tony Cady (Region Planning & Environmental Manager), Kevin Curry (Program Engineer)
 - d. **CDOT:** Crystal Armendariz (Office of Policy and Government Relations), George Gromke (Division of Transit & Rail-DTR), Crystal Armendariz attending on behalf of Jamie Grim (Federal & Local Government Liaison), Phil von Hake (Multimodal Transportation Planner/Liaison),
 - e. **TPR Members:** Bruce Nation (Town of Mount Crested Butte, Councilmember), Carl Holm (Deputy Town Administrator, Town of Cedaredge), David Averill (SMART), Gary Clark (All Points Executive Director), Alyssa Lewin (All Points Transit), Jim Loebe (Town of Mtn Village, Transit & Recreation Director), Joe Dillsworth (Town of Telluride, Transit Manager), Martin Schmidt (Gunnison County, Assistant County Manager for Public Works), Mel Yemma (Town of Crested Butte, Interim Community Development Director), Michelle Nauer (Ouray County Commissioner), Mike Bordogna (San Miguel County Manager), Mike Lane (Delta County Commissioner), Scott Murphy (City of Montrose, City Engineer) Pete Rice (Gunnison County Public Works Director, Alternate), Preston Neill (Town of Ridgway, Town Manager), Shea Earley (Town of Crested Butte, Public Works Director), Sue Hansen (Montrose County Commissioner), Barbara McLachlan (Durango County Commissioner), Carly McCowan (City of Gunnison, City Engineer), Scott Truex (Gunnison Valley RTA), Josh Smith(City of Ouray), Barbara Bowman
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES for August 14, 2025 GVTPR Meeting:**
ACTION ITEM: Motion to approve minutes: M/S: Michelle Nauer/Mike Lane. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Statewide Plan TPR Approval Resolution, Approval of the GVTPR Regional Plan:**
ACTION ITEM: Motion to approve the resolution of the Regional GVTPR 2050 Plan and the Statewide 2050 Plans: M/S: Michelle Nauer/Mike Lane. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.
 - a. Vince noted that the planning process went smoothly for this planning period.
4. **10- Year Plan Discussion Region 3/5**
 - a. Region 3 (Jessie Spencer)
 - i. Jessie Spencer noted that in Region 3, there is one change: the I-70 main line, and it goes from Horizon Drive over to Palisade and there is \$1.1 million being allotted to that project.
 - b. Region 5 (Tim Funk)
 - i. There was one change in CDOT Region 5 for the Gunnison Valley. It is US 550 between Uncompahgre River and Colona. It was on the last 10-Year plan, and it was budgeted at \$23 million which was not going to be enough funding. With some additional fatalities over the past summer, it has become more of a priority and now the funding cost is anticipated at \$31 million in total. It was initially anticipated to finish in 2036 but with the number of fatalities this project has been fast tracked and will be completed in 2030.
 - ii. “Regional Transit Service between Montrose and Telluride,” it will be a project implemented by SMART, is now proposed at \$2.1 million rather than the anticipated \$1.5 million listed.
 - iii. There are some Outrider improvements planned on the Durango to Grand Junction Route that DTR is working on.
 - iv. Two new projects in the 10-year plan are the 550 improvements and the intersection of Ilium in San Miguel County.
 - v. There is also a multimodal project in Placerville, Rico, and Norwood.
 - c. Region 3 & 5 will be presenting their 10-Year plans at the November Transportation Commission meeting. The full 10-year plan will not be fully approved until February 2026.

- d. Comment on Transit Plans: Bustang is a part of the transportation plans, and GVTPR is still interested in the bus between Montrose and Gunnison. An application has been put in to get that route put in. George Gromke mentioned that they are looking at potential operators in the region to run that service and so it is still in the plan.

ACTION ITEM: Motion to approve the GVTPR 10-year plan: M/S: Mike Bordogna/Sue Hansen. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Regional Updates:

a. Region 3

- i. Nate Jean could not attend in person and so the project updates are in the packet.
- ii. Comment: a lot of new patching on HWY 50 between Montrose and Gunnison

b. Region 5 (Kevin Curry)

- i. Timber Beam Bridge Repair: addressed 3 timber structures that needed additional support to bring them up to load capacity.
- ii. 145 MM Improvements (Norwood, Placerville Sawpit), ADA improvements, curb and gutter, sidewalks and crosswalks are in design phase, ad date in fall of 2026.
- iii. SH 145-Norwood Hill: rockfall mitigation estimate over budget, ad scheduled for fall 2026.
- iv. Bridge Preventative Maintenance: advertised a couple of years ago and bids came in too high and so the scope was re-worked., ad date in December 2026.
- v. US 550: Wall Repair: It is already designed. It had been shelved but that is now moving forward with an ad date in April 2026.
- vi. US 550 Billy Creek: next round of shoulder widening, add shoulders near Ridgway State Park entrance at Dutch Charlie. Tentatively scheduled for Fall of 2027.
- vii. FY 2026 Maintenance Projects:
 - 1. On SH 141 in San Miguel County, near Egnar, 1.5 miles of paving and about 5 miles of chip seal in Disappointment Valley
 - 2. SH 145 1.5 miles of paving south of Society Turn and then 1.5 miles through Society Turn
 - 3. Maintenance projects can only be up to \$350,000 per project without having to go to ad. That is why they tend to be smaller portions of road. 1.5 miles for Paving, about 5 for Chip Seal and tend to take about 1-2 weeks to complete.
 - 4. SH 90 in Montrose County will have a couple sections of 1.5 miles of paving right near the Utah border and then about 15 miles east of that.

6. Transportation Alternatives Program - TAP

- a. Transportation Alternatives Program (similar to MMOF) would like to have a designee from the GVTPR to serve on the TAP scoring committee. At the end of September 2026, the current infrastructure bill will expire and will have call for projects for 2027 when we know how much funding there is for TAP, potentially Fall of 2026 or Spring of 2027.
- b. Current amount of funding for projects is unknown but traditionally there has been more funding for TAP than for MMOF. There is some opportunities to do some relatively larger projects. Scoring committees are going to look at projects that are already designed and ready to go more favorably.

7. All Points Transit MMOF funding:

- a. Needs to be spent by the end of 2026 and this is specific to ARPA funding that was received.
- b. APT mentioned that it has budgeted all the MMOF Funding and should be spent by the deadline in their general operations.

8. Election of GVTRP Chair and Vice Chair

- a. Vince Rogalski has served in the GVTPR Chair position for over 30 years.
- b. Region 10 staff will assume some of the administrative functions that have been done as contracted services, as the planning grant no longer allows for contracted services.

- c. The Chair represents our Region at the Statewide Transportation Advisory Council (STAC) Meeting monthly. Typically, online but twice a year that meeting is in-person, May and October, at CDOT Headquarters in Denver. There is a travel allotment for the Chair to attend these meetings.
- d. GVTPR by-laws state that the terms for Chair & Vice Chair are 1-year; there is no limit on the number of terms that can be served. We do need representation at the STAC starting in January and so we do want to elect these positions at this meeting. The GVTPR by-laws state, the chair/vice chair “can serve until they resign or until they are replaced by the government member that appointed them to the TPR committee.”

ACTION ITEM: Nomination of Sue Hansen for GVTPR Chair and Michelle Nauer for GVTPR Vice Chair: M/S: Mike Bordogna/Jim Loebe None opposed. Motion passed unanimously. Nominations were accepted by acclamation.

9. Vince’s Retirement

- a. Thank you and appreciation for Vince Rogalski’s involvement in the GVTPR for the last 30 Years.

10. Meeting Adjourned: 2:33pm