

**Attachment A**  
**Meeting Summary**  
**Transportation Advisory Committee**  
**Monday, June 23, 2025**

**\*In-person meeting with Virtual Option for Public (Via Zoom)**

**Members (or Voting Alternates) Present:**

Kent Moorman	Adams County – City of Thornton
Michele Ricco	Adams County
Jenna Hahn	Adams County – City of Commerce City
Jeff Dankenbring	Arapahoe County – City of Centennial
Brent Soderlin	Arapahoe County – City of Littleton
Bryan Weimer	Arapahoe County
Alex Hyde-Wright	Boulder County
Michelle Melonakis	Boulder County – City of Lafayette
Jean Sanson	City of Boulder
Sarah Grant (Chair)	Broomfield, City & County
Justin Begley	Denver, City & County
David Krutsinger (Alternate)	Denver, City & County
Jonathan Webster (Alternate)	Denver, City & County
Larry Nimmo (Alternate)	Douglas County – City of Castle Pines
Tom Reiff	Douglas County – City of Castle Rock
Justin Schmitz (Vice Chair)	Douglas County – City of Lone Tree
Christina Lane	Jefferson County
Mike Whiteaker	Jefferson County – City of Lakewood
Hilary Simmons	Older Adults Special Interest Seat
Jeff Boyd	Housing Special Interest Seat
Frank Bruno	Via Mobility Special Interest Seat
Jacob Riger	Denver Regional Council of Governments
Brodie Ayers	Aviation Special Interests Seat
Colleen Kirby Roberts	Environmental Special Interest Seat
Kyra Reumann-Moore (Alternate)	Regional Air Quality Council
Jessica Myklebust	Colorado Department of Transportation Region 1
Marissa Gaughan (Alternate)	Colorado Department of Transportation Division of Transportation Development
Carson Priest	Transportation Demand Management Special Interest Seat

**Members Attending Virtually or Additional Alternates Present:**

Jordan Rudel (Alternate)	Colorado Department of Transportation Region 1
Lisa Sakata (Alternate)	Environmental Special Interest Seat
Mike Vanatta (Alternate)	Jefferson County
Phil Greenwald (Alternate)	Boulder County – City of Longmont
Evan Pinkham (Alternate)	Southwest Weld County
Doug Rex (Alternate)	Denver Regional Council of Governments
Zeke Lynch (Alternate)	Douglas County

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Chris Chovan (Alternate)  
Aaron Bustow (Alternate)  
Darius Pakbaz

Adams County – City of Westminster  
Federal Highway Administration (ex-officio)  
Colorado Department of Transportation Division of  
Transportation Development

**Public:** John Gardocki, Jason Longsdorf, Logan Kolander, Shawn Poe, Cory Schmitt, DJ Beckwith, Ryan Arthur, Chris Hudson, Jack Persin, Madi Sydnor, Camilla Soechtig, JoAnn Mattson, Tom Worker-Braddock, Dee McIntosh, Rich Christy, Jason Hercules

**DRCOG staff:** Nora Kern, Cam Kennedy, Josh Schwenk, Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Sheila Lynch, Todd Cottrell, Cole Neder, Carolyn Klamm, Sang-Gu Lee, Aaron Villere, Pavlo Krokidis, Steph Piperno, Erik Braaten, Jenny Wallace, Ala Alnawaiseh, James Kolberg

### Call to Order

Chair Sarah Grant called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

### Public Comment

Jacob Riger reminded the committee that today is Ron Papsdorf's last day at DRCOG and expressed appreciation and best wishes to him. Additionally, Amy Saxton, who represented the non-MPO seat for Gilpin and Clear Creek Counties, is retiring. The only new member this month is Miguel Aguilar of Erie, who represents the Southwest Weld County seat.

### May 19, 2025 Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

The summary was accepted.

### Action Item

#### *2050 Regional Transportation Plan Update – Regional Roadway System*

Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Regional Transportation Planning Program Manager, discussed the proposed updates to the Regional Roadway System (RRS) for the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (2050 RTP) update. DRCOG staff is proposing RRS additions for segments of missing state highways and to expand the RRS network in the rural and mountain areas of the region. In addition, staff conducted a call for RRS revisions from local governments from March 17-April 14. DRCOG staff reviewed the submissions and reached out to local government staff for additional information as needed.

Michelle Melonakis inquired if there is a benchmark DRCOG tries to reach regarding how much spacing there should be between RRS roadways. Alvan replied that there is no specific benchmark.

Larry Nimmo inquired why, on the Call for Revisions document, some requests are listed as pending. Alvan stated there were several requests which staff did not want to make a recommendation on without having additional local knowledge. For those segments that staff are still coordinating with local governments, they are listed as pending.

Bryan Weimer moved to recommend that the Regional Transportation Committee adopt the Regional Roadway System, dependent on federal functional classification and planning boundary. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

## **Discussion Items**

### *Small-Area Forecast: Member Agency Feedback Update*

James Kolberg, Data Analyst, explained the importance of, and the methodology for, updating the region's small area forecast. As part of the update process, DRCOG staff accepted feedback from January 20 through February 21. Twelve jurisdictions provided 105 comments, which led to block-level capacity changes to 2,800 census blocks and adding 169 new scheduled projects totaling over 7,000 housing units. All jurisdictions that provided comments received a follow-up email to describe how their comments were incorporated into the forecast. A follow-up webinar was held on May 29 to share the updated forecast.

### *2050 Regional Transportation Plan Update*

Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Regional Transportation Planning Program Manager, discussed that at the May TAC meeting, DRCOG staff presented results from testing several conceptual 2050 transportation and land use scenarios. Given the volume of information presented in May, DRCOG staff would like to continue the discussion on scenario planning results, highlight potential next steps, provide an overview of how investments are expressed in the RTP, and provide general updates on the development of the RTP.

Kent Moorman inquired about the six metrics for the candidate project evaluation framework and wanted to know about the option to expand the capacity of roadways. Alvan stated that the framework doesn't show specific project types, it is more about evaluating how each project could address the RTP priorities. Many multimodal mobility RTP projects do have capacity components.

Kent also inquired about the 15 submittals specified for Adams County. Alvan explained how the number of submittals for each county was calculated and that the candidate project submittals will come from the county transportation forums. Additional projects could be submitted by RTD or CDOT.

Justin Begley asked if project types are decided by forums and do the forums scope and submit the projects. Alvan stated that many projects have different components beyond simply being safety, active transportation, improving air quality, or other specific project types.

Kent Moorman asked about the types of funding the candidate project submittals would be competing for. Alvan replied that the submittals are only for projects where the jurisdiction is requesting regional funds (state or federal funding administered by CDOT, DRCOG, and RTD). Locally funded capacity projects will be addressed separately.

Jessica Myklebust inquired about the evaluation framework and whether there could be a category for projects that focus on maintenance rather than capacity. For example, an interchange in poor conditions could help address several of the proposed evaluation criteria. Alvan stated that such a category could be created. Jacob Riger clarified that maintenance is an important component of the 2050 RTP and that most maintenance investments are reflected as a programmatic funding category, though the RTP does also identify a few significant maintenance projects, the as the Eisenhower-Johnson Memorial Tunnels.

Bryan Weimer asked if vehicle miles of delay is being considered as part of this since it is a good metric for air quality conformity. Alvan stated that vehicle miles of delay is considered, and staff lean on the target established for Metro Vision. Additionally, as federally required, DRCOG staff also includes a congestion mobility score that analyzes what the network could potentially look like without these planned investments.

Alex Hyde-Wright asked if a project is already in the RTP, do forums need to resubmit or is everything automatically carried over from the existing RTP? Alvan responded that forums need to resubmit projects if they are not currently under construction or in the National Environmental Policy Act Development.

#### *Active Transportation Plan*

Aaron Villere, Senior Planner, explained that beginning last year, DRCOG set out to create a major update to the plan, both to revise the network and to address emerging needs and innovations in active transportation that have occurred over the past five years. In July 2025, DRCOG is planning to release a public draft of the next Active Transportation Plan, including revised networks and current guidance on challenges and opportunities identified by local government staff and partner agencies addressing implementation.

Brodie Ayers inquired whether enhancing infrastructure such as bike parking and bike storage is included. Aaron responded that supportive infrastructure assets are mostly going to be discussed in a supplementary guide. Brodie Ayers encouraged that those assets should be depicted in the plan itself since it will encourage more people to use e-bikes or e-scooters.

Marissa Gaughan took the opportunity to mention that CDOT's Active Transportation Plan is available on the CDOT website for public comment and review. Comment is open through July 18. DRCOG and CDOT have collaborated throughout the development of each agency's Active Transportation Plan.

Bryan Weimer inquired if all regional corridors are equal or if there is a hierarchy of importance, and how active corridors measure up against recreational corridors. Aaron stated that they are all equal in terms of the end product and end value. Jacob Riger added that this region is one of the largest in the country in terms of active

transportation and there is a lot of overlap between corridors being used for transportation and recreation, such as along the Cherry Creek Trail and High Line Canal Trail.

### **Informational Item**

#### *Grant Informational Form: 2025 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)*

Jacob Riger, Multimodal Transportation Planning Manager, stated that for regional coordination and transparency, DRCOG staff asked for jurisdictions interested in the SS4A Notice of Funding Opportunity to fill out and submit a grant information form so it could be shared with this committee. Ultimately, DRCOG received nine completed grant info forms by the time the June TAC agenda was sent out. DRCOG also completed a grant information form as it intends to apply for this funding opportunity.

### **Administrative Items**

#### *Member Comment/Other Matters*

Kyra Reumann-Moore stated that the Regional Air Quality Council (RAQC) is working on the Serious Ozone State Implementation Plan which will go to the Air Quality Control Commission later this year for approval. The state plans to request voluntary reclassification, so the plan will not model ozone attainment by next year's deadline, but it still contains the chapters that are needed to meet EPA planning requirements. Additionally, RAQC is developing a control strategy blueprint to make policy recommendations related to actions and implementation measures over the next five years about how to achieve emission reductions to get the region back into ozone attainment. Lastly, RAQC will be hosting workshops to evaluate emission control strategy approaches for improving air quality. The workshops will be held at DRCOG on July 22nd and in Fort Collins in August.

Jacob Riger mentioned that this upcoming Wednesday is Bike to Work Day and encouraged everyone to sign up and participate. Additionally, Jacob encouraged continued attendance over the coming summer months given the volume of agenda items for upcoming TAC meetings.

Next Meeting – July 28, 2025

### **Adjournment**

There were no additional comments and the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.