

Boulder County DRCOG Subregional Forum TAC

Meeting Agenda
Nov 10, 2022
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

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1. Welcome & Introductions

Attendees:

Alex Hyde-Wright, Boulder County
Paul Frank, Boulder County
Kathleen Bracke, Boulder County
Nora Kern, DRCOG
Audrey DeBarros, Commuting Solutions
Chris Quinn, RTD
Jeff Arthur, City of Lafayette
Karen Blakemore, Town of Nederland
Jean Sanson, City of Boulder
Gerrit Slatter, City of Boulder
Carlos Hernandez, Town of Erie
Miguel Aguilar, Town of Erie
Megan Davis, City of Louisville
Phil Greenwald, City of Longmont
Todd Cottrell, DRCOG
Alex Ariniello, Town of Superior
David Blankinship, member of the public

2. Public Comment

No public comments

3. 2023 Schedule for Forum TAC Meetings

a. Keep 2nd Monday of the month?

Thumbs up for keeping with 2nd Monday of the month. Will need to change March meeting to make a funding rec for call 4. Doodle poll to be sent out by Alex.

4. DRCOG FY 2024-2027 TIP

a. Review of Subregional Share Call #4 Abstracts

45-50 public comments received.

Questions & Comments on project abstracts:

City of Boulder – West Colorado Ave project.

- Would like more information on the CU commitment.
- Important project because this is a place that all of CO gathers.
- Only potential shortcoming is possibly ROW issues and CU commitment.

Town of Erie – Flex Ride Service.

- This project is different from the study going on in SW Weld County.
- Possibly some future opportunities for cross-jurisdictional riding, especially with Via as the provider.
- Telling the story of how this project fits in with the larger picture of transit in SE Boulder County and SW Weld County will help application.

Town of Superior – McCaslin underpass.

- Question about funding and local match – Superior still working that out.
- Are there ped and bike counts?
- Is this feasible with the nearby irrigation ditch?
- Concern about cost overruns with an underpass.

City of Longmont – CO 66 Roadway widening/multimodal improvements.

- Is there a funding commitment from CDOT? – yes.
- Would encourage funds from DRCOG to go to the multimodal portion of the project.
- Focusing on regional connections in this corridor would help application.
- Mention that this route is on the Colorado bicycle map. Also mention that this project has been put off and crashes are occurring that could be reduced with this project.

City of Louisville – South Street Underpass.

- Is there potential developer participation in the cost of the project? – possibly, not quite that far along yet, but something we are looking at.
- Capture further in the application the connection between Centaurus and the rest of town.
- Highlight how this fits in to the changing land use in this part of Louisville.
- Highlight the safety element of this project with Highway 42.
- Talk about the transit connection on Highway 42 and how this could work with that.

Boulder County – SH 119 Bikeway.

- Hope is that all segments can be constructed at the same time.

b. Waitlist Process

- i. There will be waitlist for Call #4 for each forum. Additional details coming soon from DRCOG about how the waitlist process will work with Call #3 and Call #4.
 - c. Relationship between AQ/MM & STBG Tracks in Call #4 funding recommendation
 - i. Two application tracks in Call #4. Two separate applications. The applicant is required to choose a track. There will be an option to move projects to different tracks or split funding tracks before sending final forum recommendation to DRCOG. AQ/MM has a little funding available in FY 25, with most in FY 26 and FY 27.
- 5. DRCOG Community Based Planning Program
 - a. Focused on underserved communities
 - b. Work with nonprofits, community-based organizations
 - c. Pilot program
 - d. Applicant makes case for eligibility, no map or list of areas that are eligible
 - e. Applications due mid-December
- 6. RTD Updates
 - a. Fare Study & Equity Analysis
 - i. Had a series of public meetings about fare alternatives. Majority preferred Alt B.
 - ii. Alt A keeps current fare structure but lowers fares
 - iii. Alt B is a flat fare structure.
 - iv. Preference for Alt B from survey results
 - v. Some concerns about equity with Alt B, especially with lower income riders because local fare isn't cheaper than regional fare
 - vi. Review recommended alternative with board in February
 - vii. Release for public review in March
 - viii. Request final approval from board in June
 - ix. Goal to roll out changes January 2024
- 7. Vision Zero Safety Updates
 - a. No updates given at this meeting due to time constraints