



Community Planning & Permitting

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Boulder County DRCOG Subregional Forum TAC

June 15, 2026, 1 – 2:30 PM

Meeting Summary

1. Welcome and Introductions

Attendees:

- Boulder Chamber Transportation Connections: Elaine Erb
- Boulder County: Alex Hyde-Wright, Paul Kwiatkowski, Akia Pichon, Nick Aguilera, Danny Herrman, Landon Hilliard
- City of Boulder: Danny O'Connor, Gerrit Slatter
- City of Lafayette: Michelle Melonakis
- City of Longmont: Alex Donaldson
- City of Louisville: n/a
- Commuting Solutions: Audrey DeBarros
- CU Boulder: Clark Rider, Scott McCarey
- CDOT: Josie Thomas, Katrina Klobberdanz
- DRCOG: Todd Cottrell
- RTD: Chris Quinn
- Town of Nederland: n/a
- Town of Erie: John Firouzi, Miguel Aguilar
- Town of Lyons: n/a
- Town of Superior: Brannon Richards, Alex Bullen
- Nelson Nygaard (Linking Boulder County consultant team): Jennifer Wieland, Paul Lutey

2. Public Comment

No public comment provided.

3. RTD Service Planning

a. [Proposed Sept 2026 Runboard changes:](#)

- i. Implementation of the Route AL: Longmont-DIA bus service
 - 1. Staff advocating for additional stop at I-25/CO 7 Mobility Hub.
- ii. Discontinuance of Route 228: Broomfield-Superior-Louisville-Lafayette service
 - 1. Coordination by Commuting Solutions with partners to educate the public and arrange meeting with RTD staff to discuss. Superior staff interested in evaluating transit improvements in Superior with understanding that Route 228 is low performing
- iii. DASH: Willoughby service adjustment, seasonal service reinstated
- iv. JUMP, 225, NB, SKIP: seasonal service reinstated
- v. 204, 206, 323, AB, LD, LX: schedule adjustments
 - 1. Boulder Chamber Transportation Connections supports the return of the #206 to Flatiron Business Park, and eventually reconnection to Boulder Junction.

b. 2027 Budget & Service Reduction

- i. A 20% service reduction may be coming in 2027; this is currently in discussion between RTD Board and staff. Criteria that will be used to determine which routes will see service reductions have yet to be determined, but typically continuously low performing routes with close alternative service would be considered.
- ii. Jarrett Walker and Associates is supporting RTD's Comprehensive Operations Analysis; scenarios will include service reductions of 20% and maybe 17.5% and 15%.
- iii. RTD's share of SB24-230 funding is still undetermined

4. Linking Boulder County Update and Discussion (Countywide Transit Plan)

a. Transit Scenarios: Ridership, Coverage, Serving Daily Needs

Wieland presented an approach that develops multiple distinct future transit scenarios and refines to a single preferred scenario. Scenarios will be used to understand trade-offs and use a 20-year planning horizon. Project team recognizes possibility of RTD service cuts in 2027.

Transit improvement Strategies grouped into four buckets:

- Transit Services in five tiers of rapid routes, frequent, community, limited/seasonal, on-demand
- Supportive Transportation Services such as TNC and bike/scooter share
- Capital Projects such as bus stop amenities
- Programs and Policies including free/reduced fares

Scenario Assumptions:

- Each scenario requires an additional \$40M in annual funding to implement
- Major planned projects assumed as a baseline for all scenarios: CO 119 Diagonal Flyer, Front Ranger Passenger Rail joint-service, Mountain Rail Phase 1
- Services not assumed in the baseline for all scenarios: CO 7 Transit Starter Service, Ride Gunbarrel, Ride Free Lafayette, Ride SouthEast, Lyons Flyer

Introducing the scenarios:

- “Grow Ridership” of high demand routes with focus on rapid and frequent services
- “Cover the County” by expanding the geography and increasing connections in the system
- “Support Daily Life” with dependable service in a hybrid of scenarios #1 and #2.

Discussion:

- Want to bring attention to the shuttle service for Red Tail Ridge in Scenario 2.
- Suggestion to ask Superior community about bikeshare/scooter share concept and locations
- Aguilar: Interest in having the Route AL (future Longmont-DIA RTD service) connect with the center of Erie and not only travel around the periphery of Town.
- Recommend ascertaining the interest of Lime to expand scooter coverage across the county. Response is that Lime will be involved during development of preferred scenario.
- DeBarros: Paratransit would accompany all three scenarios. Response is that more level of detail will be provided with the development of the preferred scenario because it’s clearly an important aspect of the system. Paratransit services will be added to the list of assumptions
- Erb: Consider HOP extension and east Boulder on-demand service for human services in east Boulder area.
- Bullen: Capture the fact in transit scenarios that #228 is being studied for re-routing.

- Slatter: Will the plan recommend that the performance of the CO 7 TSS be evaluated as a way to inform the future service of CO 7 extension of the JUMP to the I-25 mobility center? Will the RTD COA consider the recommendations of the Linking Boulder County? Scenario 1 mentioned a north Boulder transit center. What services will operate to it?
 - Response: SKIP, 204, Lyons Flyer, future 28th St Bound extension
- Aguilar: Consider routes to meet the growth in community and of students such as Parkdale neighborhood.
- O'Connor: How can the plan's assumptions account for the up to 20% service reductions by RTD and inform the public of the scenarios given this possibility?

Request to partners to review the Draft Scenarios Memorandum and submit comments to project team by June 24, 2026 end of day ahead of the Subregional Forum meeting on July 6, 2026.

5. FY 2029-2032 TIP Regional Share Project Brainstorming

- a. Tabled until next Forum TAC Meeting.

6. Call for July 2026 Forum Agenda Items

- a. Request to be sent via email.

7. CDOT, RTD, DRCOG Updates

- a. Tabled until next Forum TAC Meeting.

8. Municipal Updates

- a. Tabled until next Forum TAC Meeting.