

# Keeping Up With COMPASS

December 2018

A newsletter for COMPASS members to keep abreast of COMPASS Board, committee, and workgroup actions.

## Executive Committee – November 13, 2018

More information: [www.compassidaho.org/people/execmeetings.htm](http://www.compassidaho.org/people/execmeetings.htm)

Next meeting date: January 8, 2019, COMPASS, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Large Conference Room [NOTE: The December Executive Committee meeting has been cancelled]

### November Action Items:

- December Board Meeting Agenda. Established the agenda for the December 17, 2018, COMPASS Board of Directors annual meeting.
- FY2018-2022 and FY2019-2023 TIPs. Approved amendments to the FY2018-2022 and FY2019-2023 Regional Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) to increase construction costs for the State Highway 55 Snake River Bridge near the City of Marsing. Costs will be covered through statewide balancing. The FY2018-2022 TIP continues to serve as the federally approved TIP until the Federal Highway Administration approves the FY2019-2023 TIP, which is expected in December. Until that time, COMPASS must keep both TIPs up to date. The COMPASS Board of Directors will be asked to ratify the Executive Committee's action in its December 17, 2018, meeting.
- 2019 Federal Transportation Policy Positions. Recommended 2019 federal policy positions for COMPASS Board of Directors' approval. Positions address reauthorization of the FAST Act, federal transportation funding, private investment incentives, funding for public transportation, and non-motorized transportation. The Board of Directors will be asked to approve the recommended statements in its December 17, 2018, meeting.
- 2019 Idaho Legislative Position Statements. Recommended 2019 Idaho legislative position statements for COMPASS Board of Directors' approval. Positions address transportation revenue, extension of "surplus eliminator" funding, local option sales tax authority, a funding mechanism for public transportation authorities, high occupancy vehicle lanes, and non-motorized transportation. The Board of Directors will be asked to approve the recommended statements in its December 17, 2018, meeting.
- 2019 COMPASS Board Officer Slate. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors approval of the following slate of officers for 2019: Chair, Commissioner Tom Dale; Chair Elect, Councilmember Elaine Clegg; Vice Chair, Mayor Garret Nancolas; Secretary/Treasurer, Mayor Stan Ridgeway; Immediate Past Chair, Commissioner Sara Baker. The Board of Directors will receive the recommended slate of officers for action in its December 17, 2018, meeting.
- Board Member Travel. Approved a travel request for Mayor Garret Nancolas to represent COMPASS at the National Association of Regional Councils' 2019 National Conference of Regions in Washington, DC, February 10-13, 2019.

## Finance Committee – November 27, 2018

More information: [www.compassidaho.org/people/financemeetings.htm](http://www.compassidaho.org/people/financemeetings.htm)

Next meeting date: December 13, 2018, COMPASS, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Large Conference Room

### November Action Items:

- Variance Report. Approved the October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018, variance report.
- UPWP. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of Revision 1 of the FY2019 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP). The Board of Directors will be asked to approve this revision in its December 17, 2018, meeting.

### November Information/Discussion Item:

- Disbursement Report. Reviewed disbursements made in the reporting period (August 4 – November 20, 2018).

## Regional Transportation Advisory Committee – November 28, 2018

More information: [www.compassidaho.org/people/rtacmeetings.htm](http://www.compassidaho.org/people/rtacmeetings.htm)

Next meeting date: January 23, 2019, COMPASS, First Floor Board Room [NOTE: The December RTAC meeting has been cancelled]

### November Action Items:

- CIM 2040 2.0 Additional Projects. Recommended adding two projects to the list of “funded” projects in the draft *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* (CIM 2040 2.0) plan. The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) identified funding for these two projects (widen US 20/26 from I-84 to Middleton Road in Canyon County to six lanes and purchase right-of-way to eventually connect State Highway 16 to I-84) after the initial public comment period on the draft plan ended. The two projects comprise portions of the #2 and #5 state priority projects in draft CIM 2040 2.0, respectively. The full draft CIM 2040 2.0 document, including these two projects, will be presented to the COMPASS Board of Directors for adoption in its December 17, 2018, meeting.
- CIM 2040 2.0 Update Policy. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of a policy to update project information in the CIM 2040 2.0 document. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its December 17, 2018, meeting. If approved, the implementation of the policy will be reviewed in early 2020.
- FY2019-2023 TIP. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' adoption of an amendment to the FY2019-2023 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include several changes, including the two projects that were added to the draft CIM 2040 2.0 plan (above). This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its December 17, 2018, meeting.
- TMA Balancing. Approved actions to balance the Surface Transportation Program and Transportation Alternatives Program in the Transportation Management Area (STP-TMA and TAP-TMA). Four projects are affected by the action. Two projects will be processed through an administrative modification; the other two require a TIP amendment and will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for approval in December as part of the TIP amendment discussed above.

### November Information/Discussion Items:

- Federal Aid Obligation Deadlines. Reviewed COMPASS' and ITD's federal aid obligation deadlines for STP-TMA, STP-Urban, and TAP-TMA funds. Failure to meet deadlines could result in project delays.
- Transit Performance Dashboard. Reviewed Valley Regional Transit's transit performance measure plan and dashboard.
- Transit Asset Management Plan and Policy. Reviewed Valley Regional Transit's transit asset management plan and investment prioritization criteria.
- Next Long-Range Transportation Plan. Reviewed COMPASS' proposed planning assumptions and approach for the next long-range transportation plan, due by December 2022. Discussion on this item will continue through spring 2019, to present a complete scope of work to the COMPASS Board of Directors' for approval in June 2019.

# Workgroups

## Freight Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: November 6, 2018

Highlights:

- Reviewed funded and planned projects that address freight needs identified in the 2017 COMPASS freight study.
- Discussed new advanced traffic signal projects, presented by Jim Larsen, Ada County Highway District.
- Brainstormed long-term freight needs and topics for further discussion.

*Next meeting date:* January/February 2019

## Public Participation Workgroup

Meeting date: November 13, 2018

Highlights:

- Selected Deanna Smith as the 2019 Public Participation Workgroup representative to the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee.
- Reviewed and discussed how COMPASS is reporting information on performance measures in the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and how that information is being shared with the general public.
- Reviewed the public comment process and outcomes from the draft *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* plan and discussed ways to improve.

*Next meeting date:* Early 2019

## Active Transportation Workgroup

Meeting date: November 27, 2018

Highlights:

- Discussed and recommended adjustments to a bicycle/pedestrian latent demand analysis model being developed by COMPASS.
- Reviewed 2019 workgroup goals.
- Shared accomplishments that have occurred since the September 2018 workgroup meeting.

*Next meeting date:* Late 2018 or early 2019

## Public Transportation Workgroup

Meeting date: November 6, 2018

Highlights:

- Discussed the workgroup charter and prioritized tasks.
- Reviewed *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* and ValleyConnect 2.0 and how to implement them.
- Provided feedback on a draft fixed guideway scenario work plan.

*Next meeting date:* Early 2019

## Rails with Trails Workgroup

Meeting date: November 13, 2018

Highlights:

- Provided feedback on a draft request for proposals for consultant assistance to provide cost estimates, develop concept designs, identify barriers, and develop multi-jurisdictional agreements for a rails with trails pathway.
- Discussed next steps for the workgroup.

*Next meeting date:* February 2019