

Keeping Up With COMPASS

November 2018

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

Board of Directors – October 15, 2018

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Next meeting date: December 17, 2018, Nampa Civic Center

October Special Item:

- Federal Certification Review. Received an overview of COMPASS' 2018 federal [Certification Review](#) from the Federal Highway Administration – Idaho Division. The review is required every four years to evaluate COMPASS' planning processes and determine if they meet all federal requirements. COMPASS was "Certified with Conditions," meaning that the COMPASS program substantially meets federal requirements, but does have certain "corrective actions" to address.

October Action Items:

- CIM 2040 Amendment. [Amended Communities in Motion 2040](#) (CIM 2040) to add performance targets and an environmental study on State Highway 55 in Canyon County to prepare for future widening. Widening State Highway 55 in Canyon County is unfunded priority #4 in CIM 2040.
- FY2019-2023 TIP. Approved the FY2019-2023 [Regional Transportation Improvement Program](#) (TIP). Federal approval is anticipated by December 31, 2018; until this occurs, the FY2018-2022 TIP will remain in effect.

October Information/Discussion Item:

- Finance Committee. Received a status report on the August 23, 2018, Finance Committee meeting.

Regional Transportation Advisory Committee – October 24, 2018

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Next meeting date: November 28, 2018, COMPASS, First Floor Board Room

October Action Items:

- CIM 2040 2.0. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors adoption of *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* (CIM 2040 2.0), including changes presented at the meeting, such as adding additional detail/clarification in some technical documents and updating project descriptions and costs when more up-to-date information has become available. All changes are factual in nature and do not change any of the policies in the plan. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its December meeting. The committee also discussed a proposed policy regarding making technical updates to the online CIM 2040 2.0 plan; this item will be brought back to RTAC for action in its November meeting.
- FY2018-2022 and FY2019-2023 TIPs. Recommended Executive Committee adoption of 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. This item is being brought to the Executive Committee for action in November, due to the need to begin work right away. The COMPASS Board of Directors will be asked to ratify the Executive Committee's action in its December meeting.

- Development Review Protocol. Recommended COMPASS Executive Director's approval of revisions to the Development Review Protocol. The protocol directs when and how COMPASS staff complete Development Review Checklists to provide feedback to member agencies on how proposed developments align with *Communities in Motion*.

October Information/Discussion Item:

- Project Development Program. Reviewed proposed changes to the Project Development Program. RTAC suggested a subcommittee be formed to review the changes in detail and provide a recommendation back to RTAC. Representatives from Ada County and the Cities of Eagle, Kuna, Nampa, and Parma volunteered to serve on the subcommittee.

Workgroups

Census Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: October 2, 2018

Highlights:

- Shared progress, questions, and concerns regarding the 2020 Census with each other.
- Reviewed results of a workgroup survey regarding COMPASS assistance with local outreach.
- Reviewed a COMPASS Census 2020 outreach tools web page.
- Discussed ways to encourage hard-to-count populations to participate in the 2020 Census.
- Provided feedback to COMPASS on potential additional members on the Census Advisory Workgroup.

Next meeting date: January 2019

Demographic Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: October 16, 2018

Highlights:

- Recommended revisions to the COMPASS Development Review Protocol to better focus efforts on reviewing developments that will most impact the regional transportation system.
- Discussed how to coordinate the review of the Census 2020 geographic boundaries for the Census Participants Statistical Areas Program.
- Discussed updating approved development records to help with COMPASS forecasting.
- Discussed municipal service maps as a tool to align local and regional growth forecasts.

Next meeting date: March 2019

Rails with Trails Workgroup

Meeting date: October 16, 2018

Highlights:

- Reviewed completed work.
- Received updates on local progress on rails-with-trails.
- Discussed priority tasks for FY2019.
- Reviewed a draft consultant scope of work to develop cost estimates for a Treasure Valley rail-with-trail.

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