

# Keeping Up With COMPASS

December 2016

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

## Executive Committee – November 8, 2016

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

Next meeting date: December 13, 2016, COMPASS, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Large Conference Room

### November Action Items:

- COMPASS Board of Directors Annual Meeting. Established the agenda for the COMPASS Board of Director's annual meeting, scheduled for December 19, 2016.
- 2017 Board Officers. Recommended Board approval of 2017 COMPASS Board of Directors officers. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board for action at its December 19, 2016, meeting.
- 2017 Federal Transportation Policy Positions. Recommended federal transportation policy positions for COMPASS Board approval, including support for additional and diversified federal transportation funding and requesting that Congress begin to work now on reauthorization of the FAST Act. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board for action at its December 19, 2016, meeting.
- 2017 Idaho Transportation Policy Positions. Recommended Idaho transportation policy positions for COMPASS Board approval, including supporting increased and diversified transportation funding, extension and expansion of the "surplus eliminator," increased funding for local transportation agencies, and support for local option sales tax authority. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board for action at its December 19, 2016, meeting.
- Board Member Travel. Approved a travel request for Caldwell Mayor Garret Nancolas to attend the National Association of Regional Council's National Conference of Regions in February 2017 in Washington DC.

### November Information/Discussion Items:

- FASTLANE Grant. Received information on the federal FASTLANE grant program. COMPASS and the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) submitted a grant application in the FY2016 funding cycle for I-84 from Northside Boulevard to Franklin Boulevard, but the application was not funded. ITD and COMPASS intend to submit the same project for the FY2017 funding cycle, which recently opened; applications are due December 15. The IT Board will discuss match for the grant application in its November Board meeting.

## Regional Transportation Advisory Committee – November 2, 2016

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

Next meeting date: December 7, 2016, COMPASS, First Floor Board Room

### November Information/Discussion Item:

- Communities in Motion 2040 2.0. Participated in a workshop to review progress made on *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* (CIM 2040 2.0). Topics discussed included the financial forecast; transportation system components (bicycle/pedestrian, freight, public transportation, roadways); performance measure framework; and next steps in the planning process for identifying individual component needs, prioritizing goals, and selecting projects to be funded through CIM 2040 2.0.

# Workgroups

## Active Transportation Workgroup

Meeting date: November 9, 2016

Highlights:

- Identified how the bicycle/pedestrian component will interact with the freight, roadways, and public transportation components.
- Finalized regional bicycle corridors for a future gap analysis and right-of-way prioritization.
- Began work on identified corridor overviews and SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats) analyses.

More information: [www.compassidaho.org/people/workgroups.htm#atwg](http://www.compassidaho.org/people/workgroups.htm#atwg)

Next meeting date: January 11, 2017

## Public Transportation Workgroup

Meeting date: November 29, 2016

Highlights:

- Received an update on the development of a State Street Transit Oriented Development plan, funded through a Federal Transit Administration grant.
- Reviewed potential changes to the future regional park and ride map.
- Continued a discussion of a future high capacity corridor south of the Boise River. Staff will develop an outline of steps to evaluate what would make a long-term vision for rail a viable option.

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Next meeting date: TBD

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