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**COMPASS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
JULY 11, 2023 – 1:30 P.M.  
COMPASS – 2ND FLOOR LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM  
700 NE 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
MERIDIAN, IDAHO**

## **ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL**

Facebook Live Streaming - <https://www.facebook.com/COMPASSIdaho>  
(Subject to availability and functionality of connection.)

**Committee members can participate in the meeting in-person or via Zoom conference call.** The Second Floor Large Conference Room is open for in-person attendance.

Please specify whether you plan to attend in-person or virtually when RSVPing to Teri Gregory at [tgregory@compassidaho.org](mailto:tgregory@compassidaho.org) or 208-475-2225.

### **\*\* AGENDA \*\***

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL (1:30)**

**II. OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**III. CONSENT AGENDA**

Page 3 **A.\* Approve June 13, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

Page 6 **A.\* Establish August 21, 2023, COMPASS Board Meeting Agenda Matt Stoll**

*Staff proposed agenda items for the regular meeting of the COMPASS Board scheduled for August 21, 2023, are attached.*

**B. Executive Session - Personnel Matter Idaho Code [74-206 (b)]**

*Committee members will go into executive session to discuss the Executive Director's 2023 performance evaluation. No action will be taken in the executive session. Any action will be taken in open session.*

**C. Consider Recommendation to COMPASS Board of Directors Regarding Executive Director's Employment Status**

Page 18 **D. \* Adopt Resolution 14-2023 Amending the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** Toni Tisdale  
*Toni Tisdale will seek Executive Committee's adoption of an amendment to the FY2023-2029 TIP, at the request of the Idaho Transportation Department.*

Page 23 **E. \* Recommend 2024 State Legislative Policy Positions for COMPASS Board Approval** Jacob Miller  
Jacob Miller will review draft policy statements for the 2024 Idaho Legislative session.

Page 27 **F. \* Recommend 2024 Federal Transportation Policy Positions for COMPASS Board Approval** Jacob Miller  
*Jacob Miller will review draft 2023 federal transportation policy positions.*

**V. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Page 30 **A. \* Status Report – Regional Transportation Advisory Committee – June (Memo Only)**

**VI. OTHER**

**Next Meeting:** August 8, 2023

**VII. ADJOURNMENT (2:30)**

**\*Enclosures      Agenda is subject to change.**

*Those needing assistance with COMPASS events or materials, or needing materials in alternate formats, please call 208-855-2558 with 48 hours advance notice.*

*Si necesita asistencia con una junta de COMPASS, o necesita un documento en otro formato, por favor llame al 208-855-2558 con 48 horas de anticipación.*

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
JUNE 13, 2023  
COMPASS SECOND FLOOR LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM AND ZOOM  
700 NE 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
MERIDIAN, IDAHO**

**\*\*DRAFT MINUTES\*\***

**ATTENDEES:** Jay Gibbons, Commissioner, Canyon Highway District #4, **Vice Chair**, via ZOOM  
Jim Hansen, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District, in person  
Brad Holton, Commissioner, Canyon County, in person  
Debbie Kling, Mayor, City of Nampa, **Chair**, in person  
Jason Pierce, Mayor, City of Eagle, via ZOOM  
Steve Rule, Mayor, City of Middleton, via ZOOM  
Robert Simison, Mayor, City of Meridian, via ZOOM  
Joe Stear, Mayor, City of Kuna, **Immediate Past Chair**, in person  
Jarom Wagoner, Mayor, City of Caldwell, in person

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Rod Beck, Commissioner, **Secretary-Treasurer**, Ada County  
Trevor Chadwick, Mayor, **Chair Elect**, City of Star  
Lauren McLean, Mayor, City of Boise

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Teri Gregory, COMPASS, in person  
Megan Larsen, COMPASS, in person  
Justin Lucas, Ada County Highway District, via ZOOM  
Amy Luft, COMPASS, in person  
Matt Stoll, Executive Director, COMPASS, in person  
Toni Tisdale, COMPASS, in person

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Debbie Kling called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Matt Stoll reminded Executive Committee members to have their web cameras on if attending remotely and that the chat function in Zoom has been turned off.

Mayor Kling and Mayor Wagoner announced the upcoming rodeos in Nampa and Caldwell in July and August.

Matt Stoll announced approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 Administrator to end the emission testing program in Ada County. The program is set to end on July 1, 2023, pending publication in the Federal Register.

Mayor Rule requested information on the recent Supreme Court ruling regarding waterways (the "Sackett case").

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **A. Approve May 9, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Jarom Wagoner moved and Jim Hansen seconded approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. Adopt Resolution Modifying the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Toni Tisdale presented Resolution 12-2023 modifying the FY2023-2029 TIP to increase the cost of two projects.

**Joe Stear moved and Jarom Wagoner seconded Executive Committee adoption of Resolution 12-2023 modifying the FY2023-2029 TIP. Motion passed unanimously.**

### **B. Recommend FY2024 COMPASS Workgroup Charters for COMPASS Board Approval**

Meg Larsen presented the FY2024 COMPASS Workgroup Charters.

After discussion, **Jarom Wagoner moved and Joe Stear seconded to recommend COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2024 COMPASS Workgroup Charters. Motion passed unanimously.**

### **C. Discuss Changes to the Executive Director Review Process**

Matt Stoll reviewed proposed changes to the Executive Director review process.

**Jim Hansen moved and Joe Stear seconded to recommend COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the proposed changes to the Executive Director review process. Motion passed unanimously.**

## **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEM**

### **A. Review Draft FY2024-2030 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Toni Tisdale reviewed the draft FY2024-2030 TIP project list prior to public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Brad Holton moved and Jarom Wagoner seconded to adjourn the meeting.**

Chair Debbie Kling adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

**Approved this 11 day of July 2023.**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Debbie Kling, Chair  
Community Planning Association of  
Southwest Idaho**

**Attest:**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Matthew J. Stoll, Executive Director  
Community Planning Association of  
Southwest Idaho**

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WORKSHEET FOR COMPASS BOARD AGENDA

<i>Item</i>	<i>Title/Description</i>	<i>Mandatory</i>	<i>Additional Information</i>	<i>Agenda Type<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Presenter</i>	<i>Proposed Agenda</i>	<i>RTAC Agenda</i>	<i>Program No.</i>
1.	Approve Minutes from most recent Board Meeting	Yes	Meets Idaho Code and various grant requirements.	Consent Agenda	N/A	N/A	Bimonthly	N/A	820
2.	Receive Minutes from most recent Executive Committee Meeting	Yes	Meets Idaho Code and various grant requirements.	Consent Agenda	N/A	N/A	Bimonthly	N/A	820
3.	Receive Minutes from most recent Finance Committee Meeting	Yes	Meets Idaho Code and various grant requirements.	Consent Agenda	N/A	N/A	As Appropriate	N/A	820
4.	Status Report – Current Air Quality Issues	No	Mary Ann Waldinger will provide a monthly report on current air quality issues.	Ex. Dir. Report	N/A	N/A	Bimonthly	N/A	801
5.	Status Report – Standing Committee Attendance	No	Per Board request of May 17, 2004.	Ex. Dir. Report	N/A	N/A	Bimonthly	N/A	820
6.	Receive Administrative Modifications to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program	Yes	Toni Tisdale will provide memorandums of approval for Administrative Modifications.	Ex. Dir. Report	N/A	N/A	As Appropriate	N/A	685

<sup>1</sup> Action; Consent Agenda; Executive Director's Report; Information; Special Item; Committee Reports; Open Discussion/Announcements

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7.	Approve List of Records for Destruction	No	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the list of records to destroy per the guidance in the Records Retention Policy.	Consent Agenda	N/A	N/A	As Appropriate	N/A	991
8.	Status Report – Staff Activity Reports	No	COMPASS staff will provide an overview of monthly activities.	Information	N/A	N/A	Bimonthly	N/A	
<b>CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS</b>									
9.	Approve Updates to the FY2025-2031 COMPASS Application Guide	Yes	Matt Carlson will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2025-2031 COMPASS Application Guide.	Consent	NA	Matt Carlson	August	July	685
10.	Approve changes to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Policy	No	Toni Tisdale will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of changes to the TIP Amendment Policy.	Consent	NA	Toni Tisdale	August	July	685
11.	Approve COMPASS Workgroup Charters	No	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the COMPASS Workgroup Charters for FY2024.	Consent	N/A	Meg Larsen	August	N/A	601

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12.	Ratify Amendment to the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Yes	Toni Tisdale will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' ratification of Resolution 14-2023 amending the FY2023-2029 TIP, at the request of the Idaho Transportation Department. The Executive Committee will be requested to adopt the resolution on July 11, 2023.	Consent	N/A	Toni Tisdale	August	June	685
13.	Status Report – Finance Committee	No	The Finance Committee Chair will provide a status report on the July 13, 2023, Finance Committee meeting.	Special Item	5	Finance Committee Chair	August	N/A	N/A
14.	Adopt Resolution XX-2023 Approving the FY2024 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP)	Yes	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2024 UPWP.	Action	15	Meg Larsen	August	N/A	601
15.	Executive Session – Personnel Matter, Idaho Code [74-206 (b)]	Yes	The Board of Directors will go into executive session to receive the Executive Committee's performance evaluation and recommendation regarding the Executive Director. No action will be taken in the session.	Action	15	N/A	August	Exec notf. June/disc July	



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16.	Consider Executive Committee's Recommendation Regarding Executive Director	Yes	The Board will consider the Executive Committee's recommendation resulting from the Executive Director's performance review.	Action	5	N/A	August	N/A	
17.	Approve FY2024 <i>Communities in Motion</i> Implementation grants and Project Development Program projects	Yes	Matt Carlson will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of FY2024 <i>Communities in Motion</i> Implementation grants and Project Development Program projects.	Action	10	Matt Carlson	August	July	685
18.	Approve an Amendment to <i>Communities in Motion 2050</i> , the Draft FY2024-2030 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and Associated Air Quality Conformity Demonstration	Yes	Austin Miller and Toni Tisdale will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of an amendment to <i>Communities in Motion 2050</i> , the FY2024-2030 TIP, and associated air quality conformity demonstration.	Action	15	Austin Miller/Toni Tisdale	August	August	685
19.	Approve 2024 Idaho Legislative Session Positions Statements	Yes	Jacob Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of 2024 Idaho legislative position statements.	Action	15	Jacob Miller	August	N/A	760

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20.	Approve 2024 Federal Transportation Position Statements	Yes	Jacob Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of 2024 federal transportation position statements.	Action	15	Jacob Miller	August	N/A	760
<b>UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS</b>									
21.	Establish 2024 COMPASS Board and Executive Committee Dates and Location. Provide 30 Day Notice of Annual Meeting	Yes	Confirm the 2024 COMPASS Board and Executive Committee Dates and Location.	Consent	NA	Matt Stoll	October		
22.	Approve Priorities for Rural Projects	Yes	Toni Tisdale will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' adoption of a resolution approving priorities for applications in rural areas.	Consent	NA	Toni Tisdale	October	September	685
23.	Status Report – Finance Committee	No	The Finance Committee Chair will provide a status report on the August 17, 2023, Finance Committee meeting.	Information / Discussion	5	Finance Committee Chair	October	N/A	N/A
24.	Member Agency Presentation – Projects of Regional Importance	No	Staff from the city of Kuna will present on potential projects in their community	Information / Discussion	15	City of Kuna Staff	October	N/A	N/A

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25.	Present findings of the Regional Housing Coordination Plan	Yes	Austin Miller and Madeline Baron will review the Regional Housing Coordination Plan.	Information /Discussion	20	Austin Miller and/or Madeline Baron	October	July	661
26.	Approve Metropolitan Transportation Planning Memorandum of Understanding with the Idaho Transportation Department	Yes	Matt Stoll will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of an updated memorandum of understanding with the Idaho Transportation Department of mutual roles and responsibilities in carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process in COMPASS' planning area	Action	15	Matt Stoll/ITD	October	Executive Committee: August/September	601
27.	Approve FY2024 COMPASS Resource Development Plan	Yes	Matt Carlson will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2024 Resource Development Plan, which outlines projects the Resource Development Team may work on to seek funding.	Action	15	Matt Carlson	October	September	685
28.	Approve <i>Communities in Motion 2055</i> goals and objectives	Yes	Austin Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' acceptance of the <i>Communities is Motion 2055</i> goals and objectives.	Action	15	Austin Miller	October	September	661

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29.	Status Report - State and Federal Legislative Issues	No	COMPASS staff will provide an update on the latest legislative developments at the state and federal levels.	Information	15	Jacob Miller	October	N/A	760
30.	Leadership in Motion Awards Presentation	No	Board Chair and Executive Director will present the 2023 COMPASS Leadership in Motion awards.	Pre-meeting	N/A	Chair	December	N/A	653
31.	Status Report – Finance Committee	No	The Finance Committee Chair will provide a status report on the November 30 and December 14, 2023, Finance Committee meetings.	Information / Discussion	5	Finance Committee Chair	December		
32.	Confirm Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) Membership	Yes	COMPASS Bylaws require the COMPASS Board of Directors' confirmation of RTAC membership.	Consent Agenda	N/A	N/A	December	N/A	N/A
33.	Adopt Resolution XX-2024 Approving Revision 1 of the FY2024 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP)	Yes	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of Revision 1 of the FY2024 UPWP.	Action	10	Meg Larsen	December	N/A	601
34.	Confirm 2024 Board Officer Slate	Yes	COMPASS Bylaws require the Board of Directors confirm ascension of new Board officers and election of new Secretary-Treasurer.	Action	10	Matt Stoll	December	N/A	

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35.	Accept <i>Communities in Motion 2055</i> population forecast control total	Yes	Austin Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' acceptance of the <i>Communities is Motion 2055</i> population forecast control total.	Action	10	Austin Miller	December	Nov	620
36.	Status Report - State and Federal Legislative Issues	No	COMPASS staff will provide an update on the latest legislative developments at the state and federal levels.	Information	15	Jacob Miller	December	N/A	760
37.	Confirm Finance Committee Membership	Yes	Confirm 2024 Finance Committee Membership	Consent Agenda		Matt Stoll	February 2024	N/A	
38.	Introduction to COMPASS	No	COMPASS staff will provide a brief introduction to COMPASS' work products and Board calendar	Information	15	Amy Luft	February	January	653
39.	Status Report - State and Federal Legislative Issues	No	COMPASS staff will provide an update on the latest legislative developments at the state and federal levels.	Information	15	Jacob Miller	February	N/A	760
40.	Adopt Resolution XX-2024 Approving Revision 2 of the FY2024 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP)	Yes	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of Revision 2 of the FY2024 UPWP.	Action	10	Meg Larsen	April	N/A	601

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41.	Accept 2024 Population Estimates	Yes	Austin Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' acceptance of the 2024 Population Estimates.	Action	15	Austin Miller	April	Demographic Advisory Workgroup March	620
42.	Approve FY2025 Membership Dues	Yes	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the proposed membership dues for FY2025.	Action	10	Meg Larsen	April	N/A	601
43.	Status Report - State and Federal Legislative Issues	No	COMPASS staff will provide an update on the latest legislative developments at the state and federal levels.	Information /Discussion	15	Jacob Miller	April	N/A	760
44.	Status Report – Finance Committee	No	The Finance Committee Chair will provide a status report on the June XX, 2024, Finance Committee meeting.	Information / Discussion	5	Finance Committee Chair	June	N/A	N/A
45.	Adopt Resolution XX-2024 Approving Revision 3 of the FY2024 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP)	Yes	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of Revision 3 of the FY2024 UPWP.	Action	10	Meg Larsen	June	N/A	601
46.	Approve Priorities for the End-of-Year and Redistribution Program	Yes	Toni Tisdale will seek Board of Directors' approval of the End-of-Year and Redistribution Program.	Consent	10	Toni Tisdale	June	May	685

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47.	Status Report - State and Federal Legislative Issues	No	COMPASS staff will provide an update on the latest legislative developments at the state and federal levels.	Information	15	Jacob Miller	June	N/A	760
48.	Approve COMPASS Workgroup Charters	No	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the COMPASS Workgroup Charters for FY2025.	Consent	N/A	Meg Larsen	August	N/A	601
49.	Status Report – Finance Committee	No	The Finance Committee Chair will provide a status report on the July XX, 2024, Finance Committee meeting.	Information / Discussion	5	Finance Committee Chair	August	N/A	N/A
50.	Adopt Resolution XX-2024 Approving the FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP)	Yes	Meg Larsen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2025 UPWP.	Action	15	Meg Larsen	August	N/A	601
51.	Executive Session – Personnel Matter, Idaho Code [74-206 (b)]	Yes	The Board of Directors will go into executive session to receive the Executive Committee's performance evaluation and recommendation regarding the Executive Director. No action will be taken in the session.	Action	15	N/A	August	Exec notf. June/disc July	

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52.	Consider Executive Committee's Recommendation Regarding Executive Director	Yes	The Board will consider the Executive Committee's recommendation resulting from the Executive Director's performance review.	Action	5	N/A	August	N/A	
53.	Approve Updates to the FY2026-2032 COMPASS Application Guide	Yes	Matt Carlson will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2026-2032 COMPASS Application Guide.	Action	15	Matt Carlson	August	July	685
54.	Approve FY2025 <i>Communities in Motion</i> Implementation grants and Project Development Program projects	Yes	Matt Carlson will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of FY2025 <i>Communities in Motion</i> Implementation grants and Project Development Program projects.	Action	20	Matt Carlson	August	July	685
55.	Approve the Draft FY2025-2031 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Yes	Toni Tisdale will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2025-2031 TIP.	Action	15	Toni Tisdale	August	August	685
56.	Approve 2025 Federal Transportation Position Statements	Yes	Jacob Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of 2025 federal transportation position statements.	Action	15	Jacob Miller	August	N/A	760



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57.	Approve 2025 Idaho Legislative Session Positions Statements	Yes	Jacob Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of 2025 Idaho legislative position statements.	Action	15	Jacob Miller	August	N/A	760
58.	Status Report - State and Federal Legislative Issues	No	COMPASS staff will provide an update on the latest legislative developments at the state and federal levels, as appropriate.	Information	15	Jacob Miller	August	N/A	760

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM IV-D

July 11, 2023

### Topic: FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

#### Request/Recommendation:

COMPASS staff requests the COMPASS Executive Committee's adoption of Resolution 14-2023 (attached) amending the FY2023-2029 TIP. More details about the proposed changes are provided below. The Regional Transportation Advisory Committee recommended adoption on June 28, 2023.

#### Background/Summary:

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) proposes to remove the **Railroad Crossing, Old Fort Boise Road, Canyon County** project from the regional transportation improvement program and use the funding released to cover cost increases on three other rail crossing projects in the region.

A public comment period on the proposed amendment was held June 6 - 14, 2023, through ITD's public comment process. No public comments were received by ITD.

Funds from the Old Fort Boise Road project are proposed to transfer to a railroad crossing project on Cherry Lane in the City of Nampa, which, in turn, would transfer state funds to two other projects (described below). Since all three projects are connected to the transfer of funds from the Old Fort Boise project, all affected projects are included in the amendment, although public comment is not necessary for the three other projects.

- **Railroad Crossing, Cherry Lane, Nampa** – Adjust phasing and convert construction costs from state funds to federal funds. During the design phase, it was determined that irrigation work is needed, as the structures are close to the irrigation system, which increased the cost by 60%.
- **Railroad Crossing, Karcher Road, Nampa** – Increase costs to match the current engineer's cost estimate, which increased by almost 42%.
- **Railroad Crossing, South Cole Road, Ada County** – Increase costs to match the current engineer's cost estimate, which increased by almost 41%.

If adopted, staff will request ratification of the action by the COMPASS Board of Directors on August 21, 2023.

#### Implication (policy and/or financial):

The amendment to the TIP ensures that the document continues to meet federal fiscal constraint requirements and enables one project to be removed and work to begin on the other three projects as soon as possible.

#### More Information:

- 1) Attachment – Resolution 14-2023
- 3) For detailed information contact: Toni Tisdale, Principal Planner, at [ttisdale@compassidaho.org](mailto:ttisdale@compassidaho.org)

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**RESOLUTION NO. 14-2023**

**FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE FY2023-2029  
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) has been designated by the Governor of Idaho as the metropolitan planning organization responsible for transportation planning in Ada and Canyon Counties;

**WHEREAS**, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Title 23 United States Code Section 134, and Title 49 United States Code Section 5303 require metropolitan planning organizations to develop and approve transportation improvement programs;

**WHEREAS**, the IIJA, Title 23 United States Code Section 134, and Title 49 United States Code Section 5303 require projects contained in the transportation improvement programs to be financially constrained;

**WHEREAS**, the IIJA, Title 23 United States Code Section 134, and Title 49 United States Code Section 5303 require transportation improvement programs be developed in consultation with all interested parties;

**WHEREAS**, a public comment period was held June 6 through June 14, 2023, by the Idaho Transportation Department for items requiring public involvement, and no comments were received;

**WHEREAS**, the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho desires to take timely action to ensure the availability of federal funds;

**WHEREAS**, the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho developed this Amendment to the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program in compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the attached table details the modifications to the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho's Executive Committee of the Board of Directors approves the Amendment to the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

**ADOPTED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2023.

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Debbie Kling, Chair**  
**Community Planning Association**  
**of Southwest Idaho Board of Directors**

**ATTEST:**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Matthew J. Stoll, Executive Director**  
**Community Planning Association**  
**of Southwest Idaho**

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COMPASS Amendment #3 for the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Idaho Transportation Department, June 7, 2023

Key No	Project	Scheduled Costs (including Match) (costs in \$1,000)							
		Cost year	PE	PC	RW	UT	CE	CN	SUM
20606	Railroad Crossing, Old Fort Boise Road, Canyon County	2023	ϑ <u>-10</u>	ϑ <u>-10</u>				230 <u>0</u>	230 <u>-20</u>
	Funding Source: Fed RRX  Install signals and gates at the Union Pacific railroad crossing at Old Fort Boise Road in Canyon County, west of the City of Parma. Local match from State Rail Protection Account. (Federal: -\$20,000).  <span style="color: red;">Remove project and deobligate unspent funds from previous years. Move funds to KN 23378 (\$250,000).</span>  <span style="color: red;">Previous obligations: \$20,000 Previous overall total: \$250,000 Adjusted overall total: \$0</span>	2024							0
		2025							0
		2026							0
		2027							0
		PD							0
		SUM	ϑ <u>-10</u>	ϑ <u>-10</u>	0	0	0	230 <u>0</u>	230 <u>-20</u>
	23378	Railroad Crossing, Cherry Lane, Nampa	2023	ϑ <u>5</u>	ϑ <u>25</u>				550 <u>0</u>
Funding Source: Leading Idaho  Install signals and gates and resurface the Union Pacific railroad crossing at Cherry Lane in the City of Nampa. (Federal: \$0).  <span style="color: red;">Adjust phasing and increase costs to match the engineer's estimate. Irrigation work is needed to place the structures. Convert construction from state funds to federal aid funds. Move funds from construction to design plus \$5,000 from balancing. Move the remaining funds to KN 23379 (\$225,000) and 23971 (\$300,000).</span>  <span style="color: red;">Original overall total: \$550,000 Adjusted overall total: \$880,000 Percent change: 60%</span>		2024							0
		2025							0
		2026							0
		2027							0
		PD							0
		SUM	ϑ <u>5</u>	ϑ <u>25</u>	0	0	0	550 <u>0</u>	550 <u>30</u>
22378		Railroad Crossing, Cherry Lane, Nampa	2023					ϑ <u>10</u>	ϑ <u>840</u>
	Funding Source: Fed RRX  <b>Same as above.</b> (Federal: \$850,000).  <span style="color: red;">Funds from KN 20606 (\$250,000), KN 23971 (\$75,000), KN 20638 (outside COMPASS area) (\$325,000) and KN 20128 (outside COMPASS area) (\$200,000).</span>	2024							0
		2025							0
		2026							0
		2027							0
		PD							0
		SUM	0	0	0	0	ϑ <u>10</u>	ϑ <u>840</u>	ϑ <u>850</u>

Key No	Project	Scheduled Costs (including Match) (costs in \$1,000)							
		Cost year	PE	PC	RW	UT	CE	CN	SUM
23379	Railroad Crossing, Karcher Road, Nampa	2023	0 5	0 25				550 750	550 780
	Funding Source: Leading Idaho  Install signals and gates and resurface the Union Pacific railroad crossing at Karcher Road in the City of Nampa. (Federal: \$0).  Increase costs to match the engineer's estimate. Move funds from construction to design plus \$5,000 from balancing. Funds from KN 23378 (\$225,000).  Percent change: 41.82%	2024							0
		2025							0
		2026							0
		2027							0
		PD							0
	SUM	0 5	0 25	0	0	0	550 750	550 780	
23971	Railroad Crossing, South Cole Road, Ada County	2023	75	25		225		0 300	325 625
	Funding Source: Leading Idaho  Install safety features and improve the southerly roadway approach on a railroad crossing on South Cole Road in Ada County. (Federal: \$0).  Increase to match costs in the engineer's estimate. Funds from KN 23378 (\$300,000).  Original overall total: \$552,000 Adjusted overall total: \$777,000 Percent change: 40.76%	2024							0
		2025							0
		2026							0
		2027							0
		PD							0
	SUM	75	25	0	225	0	0 300	325 625	
23971	Railroad Crossing, South Cole Road, Ada County	2023	75 0						75 0
	Funding Source: Fed RRX  Same as above. (Federal: \$X).  Move funds to KN 23378 (\$75,000).	2024							0
		2025							0
		2026							0
		2027							0
		PD							0
	SUM	75 0	0	0	0	0	0	75 0	
23971	Railroad Crossing, South Cole Road, Ada County	2023				152			152
	Funding Source: Strategic Initiatives (State)  Same as above. (Federal: \$0).  No change to this funding source.	2024							0
		2025							0
		2026							0
		2027							0
		PD							0
	SUM	0	0	0	0	152	0	0	152

AC = Advanced Construction  
 ADA = Americans with Disabilities Act  
 CE = Construction Engineering  
 CN = Construction  
 Fed = Federal

FY = Fiscal Year  
 ITD = Idaho Transportation Department  
 KN = Key Number  
 PE = Preliminary Engineering  
 PC = Preliminary Engineering Consultant

RRX = Railroad Crossing  
 RW = Right-of-Way  
 TIP = Transportation Improvement Program  
 UT = Utilities

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM IV-E

DATE: July 11, 2023

### **Topic: Draft 2024 State Legislative Position Statements**

#### **Request/Recommendation:**

COMPASS staff requests Executive Committee recommendation of the draft 2024 state legislative policy positions for COMPASS Board of Directors' approval.

#### **Background/Summary:**

Prior to each legislative session, the COMPASS Executive Committee reviews, revises, and recommends a set of state legislative position statements. The state legislative position statements provide direction and guidance to COMPASS' government affairs staff regarding the policy preferences and priorities of the COMPASS Board.

Historically, legislative position statements have been approved during the December Board meeting. This schedule left very little time prior to the start of the legislative session for strategic planning, stakeholder engagement, or bill drafting. In order to provide more time for pre-session legislative engagement, the timeline for approving the 2024 COMPASS legislative position statements has been accelerated.

Following the adjournment of the 2023 Idaho legislative session, COMPASS' government affairs staff reviewed the 2023 legislative position statements in light of newly enacted laws, changes in the makeup of the legislature, and input from individual member agencies.

Notable changes from the 2023 state legislative position statements include:

#### **Additions:**

- The addition of a new position statement establishing COMPASS' support for the reauthorization of the Strategic Initiatives Grant Program. During the 2023 legislative session, the COMPASS Board voted to support House Bill 132, which created the Strategic Initiatives Grant Program, a statewide discretionary grant program that provides funding for local transportation projects. In FY2024, the legislature appropriated \$136 million in one-time funding for the program. The addition of this legislative position statement expresses COMPASS' support for reauthorizing, increasing, and dedicating funding for the program in order to address local governments' infrastructure funding shortfalls.

#### **Deletions:**

- The deletion of the "Impact Fee Flexibility" position statement. Given the current makeup of the Idaho legislature, there is very little appetite for providing more flexibility with regard to the allowable uses of development impact fees. Attempts to loosen or expand the statutory limits imposed on development impact fees gained little to no traction during the 2023 legislative session. The legislature is probably more likely to further restrict rather than relax the allowable uses of impact fees.

**Revisions:**

- The “Property Tax” position statement has been updated to frame the issue in terms of growth rather than in reference to House Bill 389 from the 2021 Legislative Session. Given the fact that multiple property tax reform laws have been enacted since the passage of House Bill 389 in 2021, the position statement was revised to more generally express the policy preference of the COMPASS Board.
- The “Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety” position statement has been updated to frame the topic in terms of the Child Pedestrian Safety Program. Despite the enactment of multiple laws during the 2023 legislative session that limited local governments’ expenditures of transportation funds to projects that primarily benefit motorized vehicles, the legislature nevertheless continued to fund the Child Pedestrian Safety Program. The bicycle and pedestrian funding position statement was strategically revised to account for the popularity of the Child Pedestrian Safety Program relative to the legislature’s disdain for active transportation projects.
- The “Passenger Rail” position statement has been revised to frame the issue more broadly. The previous position statement contained multiple sub-statements that were specifically targeted at supporting the Federal Rail Administration’s Corridor ID Program application. Since that grant application has now been submitted, the position statement was tailored to more generally reflect COMPASS’ support for restoring passenger rail service.

**Implication (policy and/or financial):**

The 2024 state legislative position statements will provide guidance and direction for COMPASS’ government affairs staff during the 2024 legislative session.

**More Information:**

- 1) Attachment 1 – DRAFT 2024 State Legislative Position Statements
- 2) 2023 State Legislative Position Statements: [https://compassidaho.org/wp-content/uploads/2023\\_State\\_Legislative\\_Positions.pdf](https://compassidaho.org/wp-content/uploads/2023_State_Legislative_Positions.pdf)
- 3) For detailed information, contact: Jacob Miller, Government Affairs Coordinator, at [JMiller@COMPASSIdaho.org](mailto:JMiller@COMPASSIdaho.org)

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## Draft 2024 COMPASS State Legislative Positions

### Transportation Revenue

**COMPASS supports continued investment in Idaho's state and local transportation systems.** Idaho's current transportation investment level remains inadequate to address the state's growing infrastructure needs. State and local transportation entities face critical funding shortfalls for safety, maintenance, and expansion projects. Ada and Canyon Counties' combined population is forecast to be nearly 1.1 million people by the year 2050. An increase of over 300,000 people in 26 years will further strain a transportation system that is already congested and lacks mobility options for the region's residents. An additional \$193 million investment per year in the transportation system is needed to expand and maintain the system to safely meet the region's future mobility needs.

- **Increase state motor fuels excise tax.** The state fuel excise tax is currently the most efficient "user fee" to secure additional funding for state and local transportation needs. COMPASS supports increasing the state fuel excise tax to meet the infrastructure needs of Idahoans.
- **Support exploring alternative user-charge concepts.** New automotive technologies and increased fuel efficiency necessitate expanding transportation user fee concepts. A mileage-based user fee should be considered to ensure all users of the system pay a share of infrastructure costs.
- **Support reauthorization of funding for the Strategic Initiatives Grant Program.** The newly established statewide grant program allows the state to make significant and strategic investments in important local transportation projects. COMPASS supports reauthorizing, increasing, and dedicating funding for the Strategic Initiatives Grant Program to help address the shortfall of funding in local transportation projects.
- **Support a property tax system that allows for growth to pay for growth.** The current property tax cap arbitrarily limits local taxing districts' ability to deliver needed infrastructure in high-growth areas. Recent actions by the legislature to limit adjustments for new construction impede local jurisdictions' ability to meet the increasing infrastructure needs associated with new development.
- **Support local option sales tax authority.** Local option sales tax authority would provide local units of government with a tool to supplement investments in specific infrastructure projects subject to approval at the ballot box by affected residents.
- **Support a dedicated funding source for public transportation.** Idaho is one of only a few states that does not provide a dedicated funding source for public transportation needs. As the populations of the state and region continue to grow and diversify, both

urban and rural public transportation entities struggle to meet the mobility needs of their communities.

- **Support a dedicated funding source for child pedestrian and bicycle safety programs.** ~~safe, community-oriented bicycle and pedestrian options.~~ COMPASS supports increased and ongoing funding for safe community-oriented and neighborhood-oriented child pedestrian and bicycle safety programs. Recent actions by the legislature have restricted local governments' ability to deliver pedestrian safety projects. The state of Idaho should expand funding for local child pedestrian safety projects to keep up with the rising frequency and severity of accidents and to account for increasing inflation in the cost of construction, and pedestrian options should be a priority for the state.

## **State Transportation Policy**

COMPASS supports the following changes to Idaho statutes to further improve the ability of state and local transportation entities to meet the transportation needs of the state and region.

- **High occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes.** COMPASS supports changing existing statutory authority to allow HOV lanes to be considered by the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) Director in any region in Idaho. Current statutory language restricts HOV lanes to counties with populations under 25,000 and a resort community.
- **Speed limits on state highways.** COMPASS supports improved coordination and cooperation between ITD and local governments in the consideration and establishment of speed limits on state highways.
- **Interstate passenger rail service.** COMPASS supports establishing an informal working group, appointed by the Governor and in partnership with ITD, to continue coordinating state-level activities to restore passenger rail service to Idaho. State funding should be appropriated to ITD to aid in a future benefit-cost analysis of the possible restoration of passenger rail service in Idaho.
  - ~~COMPASS supports the establishment of an informal working group, appointed by the Governor, and in partnership with ITD, to continue coordinating state-level activities in support of restoring passenger rail service to Idaho.~~
  - ~~COMPASS encourages the Legislature to pass a resolution demonstrating its support for the return of passenger rail service, continuing conversations with the Federal Rail Administration (FRA) and Amtrak officials, and supporting the FRA Corridor ID Program application for service between the Boise Metro Area and Salt Lake City Metro Area.~~
  - ~~COMPASS supports allocation of state funding to ITD to assist in a future cost-benefit analysis of the possible restoration and state funding of passenger rail service in Idaho.~~
- **~~Impact fee flexibility.~~** ~~COMPASS supports statutory changes to allow for more flexible uses of development impact fees within a jurisdiction's right-of-way. Current statutory language limits the allowable use of development impact fees to roadway infrastructure to the exclusion of alternative transportation capital improvements, such as sidewalks, bicycle lanes, or bus/transit improvements.~~

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM IV-F

DATE: July 11, 2023

### **Topic: Draft 2024 Federal Legislative Position Statements**

#### **Request/Recommendation:**

COMPASS staff requests Executive Committee recommendation of the draft 2024 federal legislative policy positions for COMPASS Board of Directors' approval.

#### **Background/Summary:**

Each year the COMPASS Executive Committee reviews, revises, and recommends a set of federal legislative position statements. The federal legislative position statements provide direction and guidance to COMPASS' government affairs staff regarding the policy preferences and priorities of the COMPASS Board.

The draft 2024 federal legislative position statements are almost identical to the 2023 position statements, except for a few minor changes in wording. The vast majority of COMPASS' federal legislative positions depend upon a single piece of legislation, namely, the surface transportation reauthorization bill. Given the fact that the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) will not expire until 2026, there is no urgent need to make significant revisions to our federal legislative position statements.

**Implication (policy and/or financial):** The 2024 federal legislative position statements will provide guidance and direction for COMPASS' government affairs staff regarding the federal policy preferences and priorities of the COMPASS Board.

#### **More Information:**

- 1) Attachment 1 – DRAFT 2024 Federal Legislative Position Statements
- 2) 2023 Federal Legislative Position Statements: [https://compassidaho.org/wp-content/uploads/2023\\_Federal\\_Legislative\\_Positions.pdf](https://compassidaho.org/wp-content/uploads/2023_Federal_Legislative_Positions.pdf)
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## **DRAFT 2024 COMPASS Federal Transportation Position Statements**

**COMPASS encourages long-term reauthorization of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).** IIJA expires on September 30, 2026. Consistent, predictable federal investments through a new long-term surface transportation reauthorization bill will allow state and local governments to address much-needed infrastructure improvements. Starting discussions on the reauthorization of IIJA early will allow for the identification of the nation's most pressing issues and the vetting of possible and appropriate solutions.

**Congress must solve the perennial Highway Trust Fund funding shortfall in a permanent, meaningful way, eliminating the need for short-term infusions of general fund dollars.**

- **Support a federal fuel excise tax increase.** The federal fuel tax has not been increased since 1993 (31 years) and remains the most readily available user-pay solution to stabilizing the Highway Trust Fund.
- **Add additional road user charge concepts.** Improvements in fuel efficiency and the development of alternative fuel vehicles have had a negative effect on the Highway Trust Fund. Additional user fee concepts, such as mileage-based user fees, are necessary to capture evolving trends and changes in relation to transportation infrastructure funding.

**Provide more direct funding to local governments and increase local decision-making authority.** COMPASS encourages more flexibility in funding and direct allocation to regions, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), counties, cities, and public transportation authorities with transportation infrastructure responsibilities. The IIJA made some progress in this regard while placing greater responsibility on those entities to develop and meet system performance goals. MPOs should be direct recipients of federal transportation funding for all transportation planning and program efforts in metropolitan areas.

**Provide local flexibility.** COMPASS supports local flexibility to build, operate, and maintain local and regional transportation projects. Federal policy should allow MPOs and local governments to plan projects that use alternative design standards while meeting environmental objectives when the use of rigid federal design standards is inconsistent with local needs.

**Increase federal funding for public transportation.** Public transportation providers in both urban and rural areas of Idaho operate on very limited funding. Congress should provide more robust growth in federal public transportation programs to help these systems meet the needs of their communities. Local match requirements for Federal Transit Administration and Federal Highway Administration funding should be the same within each state.

**Increase federal support for non-motorized transportation options.** COMPASS supports increasing federal funding and incentives to provide safe bicycle and pedestrian mobility options designed to move toward zero deaths.

**Increase set-aside for off-system bridges.** Nearly 80% of the nation's bridges are the responsibility of local entities (not on the federal-aid highway system). Funding for off-system bridges is crucial for local entities to safely operate and maintain these bridge structures.

**Oppose federal aid turnback proposals.** COMPASS opposes any proposals to dismantle the federal transportation funding system by turning back all or a portion of the federal aid to the states.

**Inter-City Passenger Rail Service.** COMPASS encourages the Federal Rail Administration and Amtrak to study the feasibility of resuming Amtrak's "Pioneer Route" passenger rail service through the Treasure Valley. The Pioneer Route provided service from Seattle to Denver through Portland, Boise, and Salt Lake City for 20 years until it was discontinued in 1997. Given the recent economic and population growth in these areas of the Northwest, it is reasonable to study the feasibility of resuming Pioneer Route passenger rail service.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM V-A

Date: July 11, 2023

### **Topic: Status Report - Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC)**

#### **Request/Recommendation:**

Information only.

#### **Background/Summary:**

RTAC Bylaws state that the RTAC Chair will submit a monthly status report on RTAC activities to the COMPASS Executive Committee. Below is an outline of agenda items and actions from the June 28, 2023, meeting.

#### **ACTION ITEM**

##### **Amendment to the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

RTAC recommended COMPASS Executive Committee's adoption of an amendment to the FY2023-2029 TIP to remove a railroad crossing project on Old Fort Boise Road in Canyon County and use the funding released to cover cost increases on three other rail crossing projects — two in the City of Nampa and one in Ada County. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Executive Committee for action in its July 11, 2023, meeting, and to the COMPASS Board of Directors for ratification in its August 21, 2023, meeting.

#### **More Information:**

- 1) Contact Amy Luft, COMPASS Communication Coordinator, at [aluft@compassidaho.org](mailto:aluft@compassidaho.org) or Lee Belt, City Clerk, City of Greenleaf at [clerk@greenleaf-idaho.us](mailto:clerk@greenleaf-idaho.us).

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