

**COMPASS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JULY 14, 2026 – 1:30 PM
COMPASS – 2ND FLOOR LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
700 NE 2ND STREET
MERIDIAN, IDAHO**

ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

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****AGENDA****

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

II. OPEN DISCUSSION/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve May 19, 2026, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (Page 3)

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Establish August 17, 2026, COMPASS Board Meeting Agenda

Craig Raborn, 1:35 pm, Page 6

Staff proposed agenda items for the regular meeting of the COMPASS Board scheduled for August 17, 2026, are attached.

B. Recommend FY2027 COMPASS Workgroup Charters for COMPASS Board Approval

Meg Sonnen, 1:50 pm, Page 14

Meg Sonnen will review FY2027 workgroup charters and seek Executive Committee recommendation to the Board of Directors.

C. Adopt Resolution 09-2026 Amending the FY2026-2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Toni Tisdale, 2:05 pm, Page 29

Toni Tisdale will seek Executive Committee adoption of Resolution 09-2026 amending the FY2026-2032 TIP.



D. Discuss 2027 State Legislative Positions

Craig Raborn, 2:20 pm, Page 38

Craig Raborn will review COMPASS's 2026 State Legislative position statements for guidance in developing the 2027 positions statements.

E. Discuss Federal Transportation Positions

Craig Raborn, 2:35 pm, Page 40

Craig Raborn will review COMPASS's current Federal Legislative position statements for guidance in developing any updates, changes, or new proposals..

V. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEM

A. Director's Report (If Needed)

Craig Raborn, 2:45 pm

Craig Raborn may provide a status report on COMPASS activities for Executive Committee discussion.

VI. OTHER

A. Next Meeting: August 11, 2026

VII. ADJOURNMENT (3:00 pm)

Agenda is subject to change.

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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 19, 2026
COMPASS
SECOND FLOOR LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM AND ZOOM
700 NE 2ND STREET
MERIDIAN, IDAHO**

****DRAFT MINUTES****

ATTENDEES:

Rod Beck, Commissioner, Ada County, **Chair**, in person
Zach Brooks, Commissioner, Canyon County,
Secretary/Treasurer, in person
Trevor Chadwick, Mayor, City of Star, in person
Miranda Gold, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District, in person
Dan Hyer, Councilmember, City of Greenleaf, **Chair Elect**, in person
Mary May, Councilmember, City of Eagle, **Vice Chair**, in person
John Overton, Councilmember, City of Meridian, in person
Eric Phillips, Mayor, City of Caldwell, in person
Joe Stear, Mayor, City of Kuna, via ZOOM

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jimmy Hallyburton, Councilmember, City of Boise
Lindy Lindstrom, Commissioner, Boise County
Matt Newton, Commissioner, Highway District #4

OTHERS PRESENT:

Teri Gregory, COMPASS, in person
Amy Luft, COMPASS, in person
Craig Raborn, Executive Director, COMPASS, in person

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rod Beck called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

No discussion/announcements.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve April 14, 2026, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Trevor Chadwick moved and Dan Hyer seconded approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.



ACTION ITEMS

A. Establish June 15, 2026, COMPASS Board Meeting Agenda

Craig Raborn presented agenda items 1-17 for the upcoming June 15, 2026, COMPASS Board of Directors' meeting.

Dan Hyer moved and Trevor Chadwick seconded approval of items 1 – 17 for the June 15, 2026, COMPASS Board of Directors' meeting. Craig Raborn has the latitude to amend the agenda as necessary. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Trevor Chadwick moved and John Overton seconded to move into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code [74-206 (b)] at 2:40 p.m.

Craig Raborn called roll. The following Executive Committee members were present and voted in the affirmative: Rod Beck, Zach Brooks, Trevor Chadwick, Miranda Gold, Dan Hyer, Mary May, John Overton, Eric Phillips, and Joe Stear.

The committee convened back into session at 3:05 p.m. No action was taken in the Executive Session.

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

After discussion, **Trevor Chadwick moved and Mary May seconded to recommend the COMPASS Board of Directors retain the employment of the COMPASS Executive Director, Craig Raborn, with a 6.44% salary increase in FY2027.** Motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

A. Director's Report

Craig Raborn provided a director's report regarding potential impacts of cuts to state transportation funding on projects in the COMPASS area and an initial report on a just-released draft of a federal transportation reauthorization bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Mary May moved and Dan Hyer seconded adjournment of the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair Rod Beck adjourned the meeting at 3:41 p.m.

Approved this 14th day of July 2026.

By: _____
Rod Beck, Chair
Community Planning Association of
Southwest Idaho

Attest:

By: _____
Craig Raborn, Executive Director
Community Planning Association of
Southwest Idaho

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM IV-A

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WORKSHEET FOR COMPASS BOARD AGENDA

Item	Title/Description	Mandatory	Additional Information	Agenda Type ¹	M or I ²	Time	Presenter	Proposed Agenda	RTAC Agenda	Prog No.
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.	Approve List of Records for Destruction	No	Meg Sonnen 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
5.	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
6.	Status Report – Standing Committee Attendance	No	Per Board request of May 17, 2004.	Ex. Dir. Report		N/A	N/A	Bimonthly	N/A	820

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

² MPO or Intracounty

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7.	Receive Administrative Modifications to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program	Yes	Toni Tisdale will provide memoranda of approval for Administrative Modifications.	Ex. Dir. Report		N/A	N/A	As Appropriate	N/A	685
8.	Status Report – Staff Activity Reports	No	COMPASS staff will provide an overview of monthly activities.	Information		N/A	N/A	Bimonthly	N/A	991
CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS										
9.	Approve FY2027 COMPASS Workgroup Charters	No	Meg Sonnen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the COMPASS Workgroup Charters for FY2027.	Consent		N/A	Meg Sonnen	August	N/A	601
10	Approve the FY2028-2034 COMPASS Application Guide	Yes	Matt Carlson will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2028-2034 COMPASS Application Guide.	Consent		N/A	Matt Carlson	August	July	685
11	Adopt Resolution XX-2026 Amending the FY2026-2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Yes	Toni Tisdale will seek adoption of a resolution amending the FY2026-2032 TIP, if needed.	Consent		N/A	Toni Tisdale	August (if needed)	Jun/ July/ Aug	685

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12	Adopt Resolution XX-2026 Approving the FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP)	Yes	Meg Sonnen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2027 UPWP.	Consent		N/A	Meg Sonnen	August	N/A	601
13	Adopt Resolutions amending <i>Communities in Motion 2050</i> and approving the FY2027-2033 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Yes	Austin Miller and Toni Tisdale will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' adoption of resolutions amending <i>Communities in Motion 2050</i> and approving the FY2027-2033 TIP.	Consent		N/A	Austin Miller/Toni Tisdale	August	Aug	685
14	Receive 2026 COMPASS Federal Transportation Planning Certification Final Report	Yes	Federal Highway Administration staff will present the 2026 COMPASS Federal Transportation Planning Certification Final Report.	Special Item		15	TBD	August	N/A	N/A
15	Receive Status Report – Finance Committee	No	The Finance Committee Chair will provide a status report on the July 23, 2026, and August 13, 2026, Finance Committee meetings.	Special Item		5	Finance Committee Chair	August	N/A	N/A
16	Adopt Resolution XX-2026 Approving Revision 3 of the FY2026 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP)	Yes	Meg Sonnen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of Revision 3 of the FY2026 UPWP.	Action		10	Meg Sonnen	August	N/A	601

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17	Approve FY2027 <i>Communities in Motion</i> Implementation Grants and Project Development Program Projects	Yes	Matt Carlson will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of FY2027 <i>Communities in Motion</i> Implementation grants and Project Development Program projects.	Action		15	Matt Carlson	August	July	685
18	Approve Updates to <i>Communities in Motion</i> and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Policies	No	Toni Tisdale will seek approval of updates and consolidation of all funding policies affecting <i>Communities in Motion 2055</i> and the TIP.	Action		15	Toni Tisdale	August	June	685
19	Approve <i>Communities in Motion 2055</i> project prioritization process	Yes	Austin Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the <i>Communities in Motion 2055</i> project prioritization process.	Action		20	Austin Miller	August	July	661
20	Approve Revisions to the Rural Prioritization Process		Toni Tisdale will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the revised rural prioritization process to add Boise and Elmore Counties for consideration.	Action		10	Toni Tisdale	August	July	685
21	Discuss Potential 2027 State and Federal Legislative Positions	No	Craig Raborn will lead a discussion of potential legislative positions for the 2027 State and Federal Legislative sessions.	Information		15	Craig Raborn	August	N/A	760

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UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS										
22	Establish 2027 COMPASS Board and Executive Committee Dates and Location. Provide 30 Day Notice of Annual Meeting	Yes	Confirm the 2027 COMPASS Board and Executive Committee dates and location.	Consent		NA	Craig Raborn	October	N/A	
23	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	Sept	685
24	Receive Member Agency Presentation – Projects of Regional Importance	No	Staff from TBD will present on issues important to their jurisdiction.	Special Item		20	TBD	October	N/A	N/A
25	Adopt Resolution XX-2027 Amending the FY2026-2032 and FY2027-2033 Regional Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs)	Yes	Toni Tisdale will seek adoption of a resolution amending the FY2026-2032 and FY2027-2033 TIPs, as requested by the City of Boise.	Action		10	Toni Tisdale	October (if needed)	Sept	685
26	Approve the FY2027 COMPASS Resource Development Plan	Yes	Matt Carlson will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2027 Resource Development Plan.	Action		15	Matt Carlson	October	Sept	685

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27	Approve 2027 State and Federal Legislative Positions	No	Craig Raborn will seek COMPASS Board of Director's approval of legislative positions for the 2027 State and Federal Legislative sessions.	Action		20	Craig Raborn	October	NA	720
28	Discuss Revisions to the Development Review Policy	No	Austin Miller will discuss revisions to the Development Review Policy (Policy No. 2023-01).	Information		15	Austin Miller	October	September	620
29	Status Report - SPEARS: Safe Pedestrian Intersection Prioritization for Enhanced Safety Plan	No	Hunter Mulhall and Kittelson & Associates will review the priority intersections and projects identified in the SPEARS plan	Information		15	Hunter Mulhall/ Kittelson and Associates	October	September	661
30	Status Report - Change in Motion Dashboard	No	Hunter Mulhall will share the contents of the Change in Motion Dashboard	Information		10	Hunter Mulhall	October	September	661
31	Leadership in Motion Awards Presentation	No	Board Chair and Executive Director will present the 2026 COMPASS Leadership in Motion awards.	Pre-meeting		N/A	Chair	December	N/A	653
32	Re-Appoint Meg Sonnen as BMHCT trustee	No	Appoint Meg Sonnen to a two-year term as Trustee representing COMPASS with the Boise Municipal Health Care Trust	Consent		N/A	N/A	December	N/A	991

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33	Confirm Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) Membership	Yes	COMPASS Bylaws require the COMPASS Board of Directors' confirmation of RTAC membership.	Consent		N/A	N/A	December	N/A	N/A
34	Member Agency Presentation – Projects of Regional Importance	No	Staff from TBD will present on potential projects in their jurisdiction.	Special Item		20	TBD	December	N/A	N/A
35	Receive Status Report – Finance Committee	No	The Finance Committee Chair will provide a status report on the November 19, and December 10, 2026, Finance Committee meetings.	Special Item		5	Finance Committee Chair	December	N/A	
36	Adopt Resolution XX-2027 Approving Revision 1 of the FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP)	Yes	Meg Sonnen will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of Revision 1 of the FY2027 UPWP.	Action		10	Meg Sonnen	December	N/A	601
37	Adopt Resolution XX-2027 Amending the FY2026-2032 and FY2027-2033 Regional Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs)	Yes	Toni Tisdale will seek adoption of a resolution amending the FY2026-2032 and FY2027-2033 TIPs, if needed.	Action		10	Toni Tisdale	December (if needed)	Oct/ Nov	685

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38	Approve <i>Communities in Motion 2055</i> funded and unfunded project lists.	Yes	Ausin Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of <i>Communities in Motion 2055</i> funded and unfunded project lists.	Action		20	Austin Miller	December	November	661
39	Approve Revisions to Development Review Policy	No	Austin Miller will seek COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of revision to the Development Review Policy (Policy No. 2023-01).	Action		15	Austin Miller	December	November	620
40	Confirm 2027 Board Officer Slate	Yes	COMPASS Bylaws require the Board of Directors confirm ascension of new Board officers and election of a new Secretary-Treasurer.	Action		10	Ex. Director	December	N/A	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM IV-B

DATE: July 14, 2026

Topic: FY2027 COMPASS Workgroup Charters

Request/Recommendation:

COMPASS staff seek Executive Committee recommendation for COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the workgroup charters for FY2027 activities.

Background/Summary:

The Board approved the Bylaws at its September 21, 2015, meeting. Section 7.2.10 (b) specifies that:

"Each task force or workgroup shall have a charter recommended by the Executive Committee for final approval by the Board, specifying the type of members to include, the tasks to accomplish, and the timeline for completion of those tasks."

The proposed workgroup charters that meet the requirements of Section 7.2.10 (b) are attached:

- Active Transportation
- Demographic Advisory
- Freight Advisory
- Grant Resource Alignment
- Housing
- Public Participation
- Public Transportation
- Regional Geographic Advisory
- Regional Operations
- Regional Safety
- Rural Prioritization

Implication (policy and/or financial):

In the absence of Executive Committee review/recommendation, the workgroup activities would be suspended until a recommendation could be brought forward to the Board for approval.

More Information:

- 1) Attachments: Workgroup charters
- 2) For detailed information contact: Meg Sonnen at 208-475-2228 or msonnen@compassidaho.org

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Work Group: Active Transportation Workgroup (ATWG)
Staff Liaison: Gus Loeffelholz

Purpose:

The purpose of the Active Transportation Workgroup is to provide guidance in the development, integration, and implementation of regional active transportation (bicycle/pedestrian/micromobility) planning. This encompasses stakeholder coordination, data collection and analysis, regional infrastructure mapping, needs identification, and member agency decision support.

Tasks:

1. Review and provide feedback on COMPASS Bike and Pedestrian Counter Program and Data Bike Report.
2. Assist in providing a list of unfunded projects for *Communities in Motion* (CIM) 2055.
3. Review and provide feedback for Bike/Walk COMPASS Map.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. COMPASS Data Bike Report and Bike/Pedestrian Counter Report – Draft Update (September 2026).
2. Data Bike Program Annual Summary (December 2026).
3. Prioritized list of CIM 2055 unfunded priority projects (November 2026).
4. Updated Bike/Walk COMPASS online map (Ongoing).

Membership:

Membership in the ATWG will be drawn from COMPASS member agency staff, health-related organization staff, representatives from the Foundation for Ada/Canyon Trails System, and advocacy group representatives.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

All decisions and recommendations of COMPASS workgroups are reached through consensus and there are no quorum requirements for workgroups. All workgroup meetings are open to anyone interested in attending. Individuals interested in attending should contact the staff liaison to obtain the scheduled meeting dates and planned agendas.



Work Group: Demographic Advisory Workgroup (DAWG)
Staff Liaison: Austin Miller

Purpose:

The purpose of the Demographic Advisory Workgroup is to provide expert guidance and feedback on COMPASS demographic and growth tracking projects.

Tasks:

1. Recommend 2027 population estimates to the COMPASS Board of Directors.
2. Review and provide feedback on the COMPASS Development Review Policy (Policy No. 2023-01) and development review checklist template.
3. Review and provide feedback on the 2026 Development Monitoring Report.
4. Review and provide feedback on the Development Checklist Report.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Development Review Policy (November 2026).
2. Development review checklist template (November 2026).
3. 2027 population estimates (March 2027).
4. 2027 Development Monitoring Report (March 2027).
5. Development Checklist report (March 2027).

Membership:

Membership in the DAWG will be drawn from member agency staff with appropriate expertise, chambers of commerce, major utilities, and the development community.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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Work Group: Freight Advisory Workgroup (FAWG)
Staff Liaison: Gus Loeffelholz

Purpose:

The purpose of the Freight Advisory Workgroup is to advise and provide input on freight-related issues and needs, and to help integrate freight into the development and implementation of the regional long-range transportation plan. The workgroup will facilitate information sharing and coordination among organizations, and advocate for freight considerations in transportation project prioritization and funding.

Tasks:

1. Provide input on the *Communities in Motion* (CIM) 2055 prioritization process for freight.
2. Share information about regional freight and the long-range transportation plan with constituents; provide feedback to COMPASS.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Prioritized list of CIM 2055 Funded Freight projects (November 2026)
2. Prioritized list of CIM 2055 Unfunded Freight projects (November 2026)

Membership:

Membership in the FAWG will be drawn from local and/or regional producers and processors, trucking companies and major shippers, rail companies, chambers of commerce, highway districts, and other agencies as appropriate.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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Work Group: Grant Resource Alignment Workgroup (GRAWG)
Staff Liaison: Matt Carlson

Purpose:

The purpose of the Grant Resource Alignment Workgroup is to strategize and collaborate among partnering agencies in creating an annual calendar for grant resources to maximize funding for projects that meet the goals of the *Communities in Motion 2050* (CIM 2050) long-range transportation plan. The workgroup will facilitate information sharing and coordination among organizations and advocate for grant considerations in transportation project prioritization and implementation.

Tasks:

1. Identify, review, and discuss federal, state, local, public, and private grant opportunities to assemble a list of prioritized funding opportunities for the current and next fiscal year.
2. Review unfunded projects for the current and next year's Resource Development Plan to identify prioritized regional needs and develop a prioritized list of unfunded or underfunded projects suitable for grant submission in the immediate and upcoming year.
3. Match grant opportunities with unfunded needs on a calendar basis to establish annual grant writing workflow, making sure all projects contribute to CIM 2050 goals.
4. Collaborate with involved parties to develop a comprehensive annual grant writing calendar with timelines and assigned primary and support roles to maximize total grant submission outputs while distributing workloads over time for improved grant submission outcomes.
5. Review grant writing calendar on an annual basis to adapt, change, and/or update based on emerging notices of funding opportunities as well as the obligation of grant funds.
6. Share information about the annual grant calendar, funding priorities, mid-year changes or updates and the overarching contributions to the long-range transportation plan with member agencies; provide feedback to the COMPASS Board of Directors.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Prioritized grant opportunities list (January 2027).
2. Prioritized unfunded projects list (January 2027).
3. Annual grant writing calendar with timeline and agreed-to roles and responsibilities (January 2027).
4. Development of FY2028 grant writing calendar prior to next fiscal year (July 2027).
5. Annual review of grant writing calendar, considering current grant developments (December 2027).

Membership:

Membership in the GRAWG will be drawn from member agency staff who are grant writers and/or those assigned to locate, write, review, and/or submit grants who wish to participate in a region-wide grant calendar process.



Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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Work Group: Housing Workgroup (HWG)
Staff Liaison: Brent Moore

Purpose:

The purpose of the Housing Workgroup is to provide guidance in the implementation of the COMPASS Regional Housing Coordination Plan. This encompasses needs identification, data collection and analysis, and the development of communication material.

Tasks:

1. Assist in the creation of materials for the COMPASS Housing Webpage.
2. Review of the *Communities in Motion 2055* Housing Chapter.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. COMPASS Housing Webpage Materials (Ongoing).
2. Draft *Communities in Motion 2055* Housing Chapter (March 2027).

Membership:

Membership in the HWG will be drawn from member agency staff with appropriate expertise, housing agencies, organizations representing under-served communities, and the development community.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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Work Group: Public Participation Workgroup (PPWG)
Staff Liaison: Amy Luft

Purpose:

The purpose of the Public Participation Workgroup is to advise COMPASS staff on COMPASS public participation and outreach activities; serve as a conduit for sharing information from COMPASS with Ada, Boise, Canyon, and Elmore County residents; and provide a forum for communication staff from COMPASS member agencies to share information, assist one another in public participation and outreach activities, collaborate on regional projects, and receive input on outreach activities from the general public and interested stakeholders.

Tasks:

1. Appoint one public or media representative to serve on the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) for CY2027.
2. Assist in selecting 2026 Leadership in Motion award recipients (one workgroup representative).
3. Review and provide input into the participation plan for public comment on the draft Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan.
4. Review and provide input into the participation plan for public comment on the draft *Communities in Motion 2055* plan.
5. Appoint a representative to assist in selecting 2027 Leadership in Motion award recipients.
6. Continue to support and implement the “Good Move” regional safety education campaign.
7. Review, provide input, and assist with other COMPASS outreach, education, and public participation activities as requested.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Representative to serve on RTAC for CY2027 appointed (November 2026).
2. 2026 Leadership in Motion recipients selected (December 2026).
3. Input provided on the participation plan for public comment on the draft Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan (March 2027).
4. Input provided on the participation plan for public comment on the draft *Communities in Motion 2055* plan (June 2027).
5. Representative to assist in selecting 2027 Leadership in Motion recipients appointed (August 2027).
6. “Good Move” regional safety campaign implemented (ongoing).
7. Assistance provided, as requested (ongoing).

Membership:

Membership in the PPWG will include COMPASS member agency communication (or related) staff, up to four individuals representing the general public/stakeholders (e.g., under-represented populations, environmental, transportation, health, etc.), and one member of the news media. Public/stakeholder and media representatives shall serve terms no longer than four years and shall be appointed by the COMPASS Executive Director through an application process.



Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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Work Group: Public Transportation Workgroup (PTWG)
Staff Liaison: Brent Moore

Purpose:

The purpose of the Public Transportation Workgroup is to develop and recommend components of the long-range public transportation system. Work will focus on meeting regional public transportation needs to improve mobility and access and maximize effectiveness of transportation investments.

Tasks:

1. Update the Regional Public Transportation Network for *Communities in Motion* 2055 (CIM 2055).
2. Review and recommend Performance Measures and Targets for CIM 2055.
3. Provide input on the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan.
4. Review Park and Ride site information.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Prioritized list of CIM 2055 Funded Public Transportation System projects (November 2026)
2. Prioritized list of CIM 2055 Unfunded Public Transportation System projects (November 2026)
3. CIM 2055 Performance Measures and Targets (November 2026)
4. Updated Park and Ride site inventory (May 2027)
5. Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan (June 2027)

Membership:

Membership in the PTWG will be drawn from member agency staff from Ada County, ACHD, Canyon County, City of Boise, City of Caldwell, City of Eagle, City of Garden City, City of Meridian, City of Middleton, City of Nampa, Boise State University, ITD, Valley Regional Transit, and other member agencies planning for public transportation.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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Work Group: Regional Geographic Advisory Workgroup (RGAWG)
Staff Liaison: Eric Adolfson

Purpose:

The purpose of the Regional Geographic Advisory Workgroup is to provide input and guidance on regional Geographic Information System (GIS) issues and tasks, such as orthophotography and the Regional Data Center.

Tasks:

1. Provide a forum to continue to improve regional GIS cooperation, while forming GIS policy and technical solutions that facilitate building cooperatively maintained regional datasets.
2. Advise COMPASS staff, workgroups, and the COMPASS Board of Directors on GIS investments and policies.
3. Report to either the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee or Executive Committee on topics such as investments and policies related to improving GIS outputs as needed.
4. Provide feedback to COMPASS staff on regional GIS planning activities.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Review regional data inventory and status. (Fall 2026)
2. Provide guidance on future GIS data collection projects. (Winter 2026/27)
3. Provide quality control and review of 2027 orthophotography project preliminary data. (Summer 2027)
4. Participate in RFP development for FY2028 orthophotography contract. This could include orthophotography, Lidar, contours, and other derivatives dependent upon funding availability and member agency contributions. (Existing contract ends in December 2027) (Spring 2027)
5. Stormwater management technology and dataset sharing discussions on a regional basis, resulting in data guidance and best practices for using tools like ESRI's Stormwater Utility Network to record maintenance accomplished on facilities; and potential integration with other hydrography datasets. (Beginning January 2027)

Membership:

Membership in the RGAWG will be drawn from representatives from member agencies and those with an interest in regional geographic data. Members should have information system technical experience or knowledge and active contribution to the region's data ecosystem with agency administrative authority.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027



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Work Group: Regional Operations Workgroup (ROWG)
Staff Liaisons: Hunter Mulhall

Purpose:

The purpose of the Regional Operations Workgroup is to coordinate the development of traffic operations strategies and identify tactics that enhance the efficiency, reliability, and safety of the regional multimodal transportation system. The workgroup is responsible for implementing adopted operations strategies, coordinating operations plans and strategies with other regional transportation planning efforts, and supporting the COMPASS Congestion Management Process.

Tasks:

1. Support the development of the COMPASS Congestion Management Dashboard and review congestion metrics for 2025.
2. Support the update to the Treasure Valley Transportation Systems Management and Operations Strategic Plan.
3. Support development of the Treasure Valley Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan.
4. Share successes and lessons learned from recent ITS/TSMO deployments.
5. Review tools, data, and technologies to support congestion management and operations planning.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. COMPASS Congestion Management Dashboard (Winter 2027).
2. Treasure Valley Transportation Systems Management and Operations Strategic Plan (Fall 2028).
3. Treasure Valley Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan (Fall 2028).

Membership:

Membership in the ROWG will be drawn from representatives of transportation and emergency management agencies from across Ada and Canyon Counties that are active in the planning, funding, design, operation, and maintenance of the region's multimodal transportation infrastructure.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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Work Group: Regional Safety Workgroup (RSWG)
Staff Liaisons: Hunter Mulhall

Purpose:

The purpose of the Regional Safety Workgroup is to support implementation of the actions identified in the Regional Safety Action Plan. The workgroup will also track progress toward regional safety goals, evaluate the effectiveness of implemented safety countermeasures, evaluate regional crash trends, coordinate grant opportunities, and identify additional safety needs.

Tasks:

1. Monitor and support the development of regional safety performance measures and targets that align with the goals outlined in the Regional Safety Action Plan.
2. Continue implementing the actions identified in the Regional Safety Action Plan.
3. Identify new actions or needs to address the safety emphasis areas identified in the Regional Safety Action Plan.
4. Assess successes and challenges of implementing safety countermeasures across the region.
5. Coordinate on local and federal grant opportunities to implement regional safety improvements.
6. Support development of a safety resources hub.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Regional safety performance measures and targets (Feb 2027).
2. Safety resource hub (Summer 2027).

Membership:

Membership in the RSWG will be drawn from representatives of transportation and emergency management agencies from across Ada and Canyon Counties that are active in the planning, safety, funding, design, operation, and maintenance of the region's multi-modal transportation infrastructure.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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Work Group: Rural Prioritization Workgroup (RPWG)
Staff Liaison: Toni Tisdale

Purpose:

The purpose of the Rural Prioritization Workgroup is to develop recommended priority lists for rural programs managed by the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC). The focus of this workgroup is determining the most beneficial rural projects within the COMPASS Planning Area Boundary (Ada and Canyon Counties) (referred to as the Metropolitan Planning Organization [MPO] area) and outside the COMPASS Planning Area Boundary (Boise and Elmore Counties) (referred to as the non-MPO area) to maximize rural transportation funding opportunities.

Tasks:

1. Working with member agencies in the non-MPO area, develop a prioritization process for the non-MPO area before the next prioritization cycle.
2. Discuss and recommend the most beneficial rural projects for funding programs managed by LHTAC using the prioritization process updated and approved by the COMPASS Board at their June 2027 meeting.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Work with Boise and Elmore County elected officials and staff to develop a rural prioritization process for the non-MPO area (could include non-member cities and highway districts) (winter 2026/2027).
2. Provide the non-MPO area prioritization process to RTAC for recommendation (May 2027) and to the COMPASS Board of Directors for approval (June 2027).
3. Host a meeting for both the MPO area and the non-MPO area to prioritize rural projects (August 2027).
4. Provide two lists of rural priorities to RTAC for recommendation (September 2027) and to the COMPASS Board of Directors for approval (October 2027).

Membership:

Membership in the RPWG will be drawn from mayors, staff, and/or contract engineers from all rural agencies in Ada and Canyon Counties. In Boise and Elmore Counties, the membership will be determined through the development process.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee:

Charter approved by COMPASS Board:

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2027

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM IV-C

Date: July 14, 2026

Topic: Amendments to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Request/Recommendation:

COMPASS staff requests COMPASS Executive Committee's adoption of Resolution 09-2026 (Attachment 1), amending the FY2026-2032 TIP at the request of the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and the Ada County Highway District (ACHD). The Regional Transportation Advisory Committee recommended approval on June 24, 2026.

Background/Summary:

Approval is needed from the COMPASS Board of Directors to approve a significant increase in the cost of an existing project in the TIP and to add a new project to the TIP. To that end, COMPASS requests approval of two changes to the FY2026-2032 TIP. The full details of the proposed changes are attached to Resolution 09-2026.

- Proposed Cost Increase, Existing Project: The Idaho Transportation Department requests to increase the design costs on a project to improve **mobility along Interstate 84** in southern Idaho by \$5 million to complete the final design. An ongoing study will determine the most effective locations and improvement types.
- Proposed New Project: The Ada County Highway District requests to add **43rd Street, Ustick Road to the Boise River Greenbelt**, City of Garden City. The project would allow the purchase of right-of-way for a future project to rehabilitate the roadway and improve pedestrian and bicycle travel.

A public comment period was held from June 9 through June 23, 2026, to address the proposed amendments. Verbatim comments are provided in Attachment 2. Public comments were requested on two different actions; therefore, not all projects in the comments are reflected in this action. A total of nine comments were received. No changes are recommended based on public comments.

If approved, staff will request confirmation of the action by the COMPASS Board of Directors on August 17, 2026.

Implication (policy and/or financial):

The amendments to the TIP ensure the documents continue to meet federal fiscal constraint requirements and enable work on the projects to begin immediately.

More Information:

- 1) Attachment 1 – Resolution 09-2026
- 2) Attachment 2 – Verbatim Public Comments
- 3) For detailed information, contact: Toni Tisdale, Resource Development Team Lead, at 208/475-2238 or ttisdale@compassidaho.org

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RESOLUTION NO. 09-2026

**FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE FY2026-2032
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) was 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 from June 9, 2026, through June 23, 2026, and comments were shared with the COMPASS Executive Committee for consideration;

WHEREAS, COMPASS desires to take timely action to ensure the availability of federal funds;

WHEREAS, COMPASS developed this amendment to the FY2026-2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program in compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations; and

WHEREAS, the attached table details the amendment to the FY2026-2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the COMPASS Executive Committee approves this amendment to the FY2026-2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

ADOPTED this 14th day of July 2026.

By: _____
Rod Beck, Chair
Community Planning Association
of Southwest Idaho Board of Directors

ATTEST:

By: _____
Craig Raborn, AICP, Executive Director
Community Planning Association
of Southwest Idaho

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Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS)

Amendment #4 for the FY2026-2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program

				Scheduled Funding for Project Lifetime								
	Project	Sponsor	*Current Total	Revised Total	Total Change	Percent Change	Program/ Funding Source	Federal Funding Year	Funding Phase	Current Total	Total After Revision	Brief Explanation
25068	I-84, Mobility Improvements, District 3	ITD	\$100,000,000	\$105,000,000	\$5,000,000	5.00%	TECM	2026	Design	\$10,000,000	\$15,000,000	Increase design by \$5,000,000 to cover the estimated cost.
ORN25459	43rd Street, Ustick Road to Boise River, Garden City	ACHD	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	100.00%	STBG-TMA	2026	Right-of-Way	\$0	\$100,000	Add project for right-of-way only; construction is not currently funded. Description: Right-of-way funds only for a project to rehabilitate 43rd Street from Ustick Road to the Boise River in the City of Garden City. Work will include constructing curb, gutter, sidewalk, and pedestrian ramps that are compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, providing bicycle facilities, and installing an enhanced pedestrian crossing at Ustick Road and 43rd Street. (Design is under KN 23833.) Construction is not yet funded.

* Current Total is the total amount previously and currently programmed in the TIP, prior to this action.
 COMPASS TIP Amendment Policy: <https://www.compassidaho.org/documents/people/policies/TIPAmendPolicy081522.pdf>
 Only information proposed to change is included in this amendment detail.

Acronyms:

ACHD = Ada County Highway District
 I = Interstate
 ITD = Idaho Transportation Department
 KN = Key Number

STBG = Surface Transportation Block Grant
 TECM = Transportation Expansion and Congestion Mitigation
 TMA = Transportation Management Area

Public Comments Received (Verbatim)

Amendment #9 to the regional long-range transportation plan, *Communities in Motion 2050*, Amendments #4 and #5 to the FY2026-2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Public Comment Period: June 9 – June 23, 2026
Total number of comments received by COMPASS: **9**

Topic:

This amendment would significantly increase the cost of an existing project and add two projects.

- Proposed Cost Increase, Existing Project: The Idaho Transportation Department requested to increase the design costs on a project to improve mobility along Interstate 84 in southern Idaho by \$5 million to complete final design. An ongoing study will determine the most effective locations and improvement types.
- Proposed New Project: 43rd Street, Ustick Road to the Boise River Greenbelt, City of Garden City (Ada County Highway District). Add a project to purchase right-of-way for a future project to rehabilitate the roadway and improve pedestrian and bicycle travel.
- Proposed New Project: Swan Falls Bridge (Ada County Highway District). Add a project to design a bridge over Indian Creek and the Union Pacific Railroad in the City of Kuna.

Comment (The comments below are verbatim, as submitted by the commenter. As such, typographical errors have not been corrected.)	Staff Response	Name, Zip Code, Affiliation
I support the additional funds for the I-84 design. It is disappointing how quickly congestion has returned to I-84. This vital east-west link is important to a high percentage of Treasure Valley residents. It appears that the addition of some axillary lanes at congested interchanges may relieve some of this congestion. If these projects were phased and taken individually, costs could be far more acceptable than seeing these improvements as a single unitary project. Opening an additional lane across the Nampa corridor my also prove critical to relieving I-84 congestion.	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors, the Idaho Transportation Department, and Ada County Highway District.	Fred Hoadley, Nampa

Comment (The comments below are verbatim, as submitted by the commenter. As such, typographical errors have not been corrected.)	Staff Response	Name, Zip Code, Affiliation
I support the \$5 million increase in design funding for a project to improve mobility along Interstate 84 in southern Idaho and complete the final design. And I support the two new projects 1) 43rd Street and Ustick Road to the Boise River Greenbelt in Garden City and 2) Swan Falls Bridge - the design of an overpass to replace the bridge over Indian Creek and add an overpass over the railroad tracks, replacing the existing at-grade railroad crossing.	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors, the Idaho Transportation Department, and Ada County Highway District.	Pike Tienert
See attachment 1	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors, the Idaho Transportation Department, and Ada County Highway District.	Ada County Development Services
I approve	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors, the Idaho Transportation Department, and Ada County Highway District.	Mac McOmber
I absolutely think we should give them the funds they are asking for! Public transportation as it is here, is astonishing. Any improvements are welcome and should be supported 100%.	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors, the Idaho Transportation Department, and Ada County Highway District.	NA
\$5m (more) of taxpayer money just for design phase is excessive. Please reconsider.	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors, the Idaho Transportation Department, and Ada County Highway District.	Jeff Schaberg
I like the idea of providing a direct access to the greenbelt on 43rd. The access on curtis/veterans parkway is not safe for cyclists as we need to ride on the sidewalk since there are no bike lanes. Crossing chinden is a problem at 43rd unless an overpass or stop light is added.	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors and Ada County Highway District.	NA

Comment (The comments below are verbatim, as submitted by the commenter. As such, typographical errors have not been corrected.)	Staff Response	Name, Zip Code, Affiliation
Dear Compass, The bridge over Indian Creek and Union Pacific is a chance to get ahead of the game. We need this desing to be done by then end of 2027 and then fund it and build by 2030. Currently Kuna is one of the fastest growing commnities in Idaho. Growth on the "other sides of the tracks" is happening. Now there is a new fire station and this will create more growth. I have lived in Kuna for over 30 years and seen the growth and the talk about a birdge has been since this community went from 69 two lanes to now a 5 lane highway. Kuna needs this bridge. My idea is take 69 all the way south across to either king or Kuna rd and do a bypass out to the black creeks exiti to the freeway. This will create a full circle around the valley beuceee you could connnect 16 south through McDermitt out to the bypass on King or Kuna RD. THEN 69 could connect into this. Do this while the land is available and not built on. Thanks,	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors and Ada County Highway District.	NA
Hello:I live in Kuna, south of the railroad tracks, so my wife and I drive over that Swan Falls railroad crossing almost every day and sometime multiple times a day. Crossing the double tracks is one of the roughest rides anywhere in the county. There was an effort to smooth it out a few months ago but it didn't make much of an improvement. The, of course, there's the issue of the trains blocking the crossing. Some trains move quickly, so you only get stopped for maybe 3-4 minutes. Some trains move very slowly so you're stopped for maybe 6-7 minutes. And some trains just stop across the roadway. And then go back and forth a number of times. Usually, at those times they are either picking up or dropping off cars on a siding next to the main tracks. When that happens, traffic could be stopped for 10 minutes or more. On at least one occasion when we were stopped there, an ambulance with lights flashing had to get to the other side of those tracks and had to wait for 4-5 minutes. Holding up the regular traffic is bad enough. Holding up an ambulance is unacceptable. All this to say, the proposed change to Communities in Motion 2050, amendment #9, is crucial. It ought be made a high priority item, especially if more housing is planned for and approved on that side of the tracks.Thank you.	Thank you for your comments; they will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors and Ada County Highway District.	Bruce Wasserman



ADA COUNTY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

TO: COMPASS
FROM: Ada County Development Services
DATE: 6-12-2026
RE: Proposed Amendments to Communities in Motion 2050 and the FY2026–2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program
CC: Richard Beck, Development Services Director

To whom it may concern,

Ada County Development Services supports the proposed amendments to Communities in Motion 2050 and the FY2026–2032 Regional Transportation Improvement Program, including the additional design funding for Interstate 84 mobility improvements, the 43rd Street corridor project in Garden City, and the Swan Falls Road grade-separated crossing project in Kuna.

These projects address identified transportation needs and support the continued function of the regional transportation network as population and employment growth occur throughout Ada County and the Treasure Valley.

Interstate 84 Mobility Improvements

Ada County supports the proposed increase in design funding for Interstate 84 mobility improvements. Interstate 84 is a major transportation and freight corridor serving residents, businesses, and communities throughout southern Idaho. Completing final design work will help identify and advance improvements that address congestion, improve traffic operations, enhance safety, and support efficient movement of people and goods.

43rd Street Corridor Improvements

Ada County supports the addition of right-of-way funding for the future rehabilitation of 43rd Street between Ustick Road and the Boise River Greenbelt in Garden City. The project will improve roadway and pedestrian infrastructure, address accessibility needs, and provide bicycle facilities within an established corridor. Acquiring right-of-way at this stage helps preserve opportunities for future transportation improvements and supports coordinated infrastructure planning.

Swan Falls Road Grade-Separated Crossing

Ada County supports the addition of preliminary engineering and design funding for the Swan Falls Road grade-separated crossing project. Replacing the existing at-grade railroad crossing and bridge with a grade-separated facility has the potential to improve safety, reduce transportation delays, improve emergency response reliability, and accommodate projected traffic demand in the area. The

project would also improve connectivity for all roadway users and support long-term transportation system efficiency.

In conclusion, these projects represent strategic investments in transportation infrastructure that support safety, system reliability, freight movement, and long-term planning efforts throughout the region. Ada County Development Services supports adoption of the proposed amendments.

Working together to plan for the future

2026 COMPASS State Legislative Positions

Approved October 20, 2025

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. An additional \$193 million investment per year in the transportation system is needed in the Treasure Valley alone to expand and maintain it to meet the region's current and future safety and mobility needs.

Enhanced transportation revenues. COMPASS supports enhancing state and local transportation revenues in a stable and predictable fashion to address Idaho's long-term infrastructure funding needs, including, but not limited to, local roadways, highways, public transportation, active transportation, and child pedestrian safety projects, as well as planning, scoping, and studies to accelerate the early development of future projects.

Growth

COMPASS supports policies that encourage growth to pay for growth. Ada and Canyon Counties' combined population is forecast to grow to 1.3 million by 2055. An increase of over 400,000 people in 30 years will further strain a transportation system that is already congested and lacks mobility options for the region's residents. COMPASS supports policies that allow local jurisdictions to meet the increasing demands for infrastructure in Idaho.

- **Property tax cap.** COMPASS supports adjusting the property tax cap on local taxing districts to meet the increasing infrastructure needs and ongoing operations and maintenance costs associated with new development.
- **Transportation impact fee flexibility.** COMPASS supports expanding the statutorily allowable uses of transportation impact fees to include additional capital improvements such as sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and public transportation improvements.

Housing

COMPASS supports policies that enhance regional and local efforts to align housing availability with transportation investments and infrastructure planning. Policies that promote a range of housing options—particularly in areas with existing or planned transportation infrastructure and services—can help improve regional mobility, economic opportunity, infrastructure efficiency, and make addressing housing undersupply more feasible. COMPASS encourages legislation that supports local flexibility, market-driven solutions, and voluntary tools to improve housing outcomes that are coordinated with transportation systems.

State Transportation Policy

COMPASS supports policies to augment state and local transportation entities' abilities to meet the transportation needs of the state and region, including but not limited to:

- **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.
- **Speed limits on state highways.** COMPASS supports improved coordination and cooperation between ITD and local governments in establishing speed limits on state highways within local jurisdictional boundaries.
- **Interstate passenger rail service.** COMPASS supports the restoration of Amtrak passenger rail service in Idaho.
- **Safety and accessibility.** COMPASS supports policies that improve the safety and accessibility of the transportation system for its most vulnerable users through enhanced engineering, education, enforcement, and emergency response.

2026 COMPASS Federal Transportation Positions

Approved October 20, 2025

COMPASS encourages long-term reauthorization of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). The 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 (32 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 negatively affected the Highway Trust Fund. Additional user fee concepts 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 in building, operating, and maintaining 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 rigid federal design standards are inconsistent with local needs.

Simplify federal transportation grants. COMPASS supports simplifying the process for applying for, receiving, and managing discretionary federal transportation grants. Federal policy should reduce administrative burdens imposed on local governments by streamlining the federal grants process.

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.

Interstate 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.