

Keeping Up With COMPASS

April 2024

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

Executive Committee Special Meeting – March 6, 2024

*More information: <https://compassidaho.org/executive-committee-meeting-schedules-packets-and-minutes/>
Next meeting date: March 14, 2024; COMPASS, Second Floor Large Conference Room*

March 6 Action Item:

- House Bill 637. Directed COMPASS staff to take no position on Idaho House Bill 637, which addresses the election, terms, districts, compensation, and number of commissioners for single countywide highway districts.

Executive Committee – March 12, 2024

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Next meeting date: April 9, 2024; COMPASS, Second Floor Large Conference Room*

March 12 Action Items:

- April Board Meeting Agenda. Established the agenda for the April 15, 2024, COMPASS Board of Directors meeting.
- 2024 Idaho Legislative Activity. Received an update on legislation relevant to COMPASS introduced to date and directed COMPASS staff to seek to amend House Bill 608 (Agricultural Protection Areas) to remove language prohibiting the use of eminent domain in designated Agricultural Protection Areas.
- Board Member Travel. Approved a travel request for Board Chair Trevor Chadwick to attend the National Association of Regional Councils' 2024 Annual Conference, June 23 – 26, 2024, in Atlanta, GA.

March 12 Information/Discussion Items:

- NARC Conference. Received a report from Board Chair Trevor Chadwick on the National Association of Regional Councils' National Conference of Regions attended by Chair Chadwick, Matt Stoll, and Jacob Miller in February.
- ITD MOU. Received a status report from Matt Stoll regarding the status and projected timelines for the completion of an updated memorandum of understanding (MOU) between COMPASS and the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD).

Finance Committee – March 21, 2024

More information: <https://compassidaho.org/finance-committee-meeting-schedules-packets-and-minutes/>

Next meeting date: June 13, 2024; COMPASS, Second Floor Large Conference Room

March Action Items:

- Vice Chair. Elected Ada County Highway District Commissioner Miranda Gold as Finance Committee Vice Chair. Per COMPASS Board bylaws, the COMPASS Board Secretary/Treasurer serves as Chair of the Finance Committee. Caldwell Mayor Jarom Wagoner is the COMPASS Board Secretary/Treasurer for 2024.
- Variance Report. Approved the October 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, variance report.
- Membership Dues. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of FY2025 membership dues. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its April 15, 2024, Board meeting.
- FY2024 UPWP. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of Revision 2 of the FY2024 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP). This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its April 15, 2024, meeting.

March Information/Discussion Items:

- Disbursement Report. Reviewed disbursements made in the reporting period (December 6, 2023 – March 5, 2024).
- Revenue and Expense Projections. Reviewed COMPASS' five-year revenue and expense projections, in preparation for development of the FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget.

Regional Transportation Advisory Committee – March 27, 2024

More information: <https://compassidaho.org/regional-transportation-advisory-committee-meeting-schedules-packets-and-minutes/>

Next meeting date: April 24, 2024; COMPASS, First Floor Board Room

March Action Items:

- Federal-Aid Programs. Recommended updates to formula-based federal-aid programs for FY2025-2031 to be included in the draft FY2025-2031 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) based on project rankings recommended by RTAC on February 28, 2024. The full draft FY2025-2031 TIP will be brought to RTAC for review in its May 22, 2024, meeting
- UPWP. Recommended priority rankings of member agency requests for COMPASS' FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP). The COMPASS Finance Committee will balance the priorities with available resources and recommend a final UPWP for COMPASS Board of Directors' approval in August.
- Delivery Deadlines. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval to extend the March 1 obligation deadline for 12 projects. The deadline extension requests will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action via consent agenda in its April 15, 2024, meeting

- [CIM 2055](#). Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of an amendment to the approved *Communities in Motion 2055* goals and objectives to add statements regarding providing multimodal access to jobs and housing and reducing the impact of transportation on the environment. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its April 15, 2024, meeting
- [FY2024-2030 TIP](#). Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of an amendment to the FY2024-2030 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add one project and make changes to the scope and/or cost of six projects. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its April 15, 2024, meeting.

Workgroups

Freight Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: March 1, 2024

Highlights:

- Discussed the purpose of the Freight Advisory Workgroup.
- Introduced members of the workgroup.
- Received an update from Mark Wasdahl (Idaho Transportation Department) on the I-84 Meridian Interchange to Eagle Interchange Eastbound Auxiliary Lane project.

Next meeting date: Early April

Demographic Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: March 11, 2024

Highlights:

- Reviewed the 2023 Development Review Checklist Report.
- Discussed the 2023 Development Monitoring Report.
- Reviewed and supported the 2024 Ada and Canyon County population estimates.

Next meeting date: May 2024

Regional Operations Workgroup

Meeting date: March 12, 2024

Highlights:

- Discussed regional interest in updating the emergency/transit signal preemption system.
- Received a demonstration from Flow Lab AI on its traffic management solutions.
- Discussed ideas for congestion management projects to evaluate as part of the 2023 congestion management annual report.

Next meeting date: TBD

Affordable Housing Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: March 29, 2024

Highlights:

- Reviewed insights from COMPASS' "Housing Market Fundamentals" education series presentation and workshop.
- Finished prioritizing topics for educational materials; this process was started, but not completed, in the previous meeting.
- Provided input into types of assistance workgroup members can provide to assist COMPASS in developing educational materials.

Next meeting date: TBD

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