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### ***COMPASS Requests Feedback on Draft Participation Plan***

*Meridian, ID* – The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) requests and encourages public participation and input into its plans and planning processes, from *Communities in Motion*, the regional long-range transportation plan for Ada and Canyon Counties, to its short-term transportation budget, the regional transportation improvement program.

Now, COMPASS is looking for input on how it requests input. “We are asking for public feedback on our draft updated participation plan – a guide that describes how residents and other interested stakeholders can learn about, and provide input into, COMPASS plans and planning processes,” explains COMPASS Communication Coordinator Amy Luft. “The participation plan is designed to help people understand different ways they can be involved with COMPASS, as well as what to expect from COMPASS’ outreach and participation programs.” The draft plan is an update to the current COMPASS participation plan, which was adopted in 2018.

The draft plan and comment forms are available on the COMPASS website ([www.compassidaho.org](http://www.compassidaho.org)) or via US mail or email by contacting 208/475-2229 or [aluft@compassidaho.org](mailto:aluft@compassidaho.org). The draft plan and comment materials are available in both English and Spanish.

Public comments will be accepted through July 5, 2021. Comments may be submitted via comment form (online or hard copy; see above), or by email ([aluft@compassidaho.org](mailto:aluft@compassidaho.org)), US mail (COMPASS, 700 NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 200, Meridian, ID 83642), or fax (208/855-2559).

The draft plan will be updated, as appropriate, based on feedback received. All public comments, and revisions made based on comments, will be shared with the COMPASS Public Participation Workgroup and the COMPASS Board of Directors. The COMPASS Board of Directors will be asked to consider the plan for adoption in August. Once adopted, the final plan, with comments, will be posted on the COMPASS website.