

Working together to plan for the future

Work Group: Environmental Review Workgroup (ERWG)

Staff Liaison: Lila Klopfenstein

Purpose:

The purpose of the Environmental Review Workgroup is to share data, consider environmental goals and community values early in the long-range planning process, and identify potential environmental mitigation strategies to help restore and maintain environmental functions affected by projects in the long-range transportation plan. The environmental review is aimed at creating a seamless decision-making process that minimizes duplication of effort, promotes environmental stewardship, and reduces delays in project implementation.

Tasks:

- 1. Provide input on the High-Capacity Transit Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study.
- 2. Review data for an updated *Communities in Motion 2055* (CIM 2055) Environmental Review map.

Deliverables, Schedule:

- 1. High-Capacity Transit PEL Study (ongoing).
- 2. List of data and sources for the CIM 2055 Environmental Review Map (October 2025).

Membership:

Membership in the ERWG will be drawn from federal, state, and local environmental and resource agencies, and member agency staff with appropriate expertise.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee: July 16, 2024

Charter approved by COMPASS Board: August 19, 2024

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2025

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.