

Keeping Up With COMPASS

September 2020

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

Board of Directors – August 17, 2020

More information: www.compassidaho.org/people/boardmeetings.htm

Next meeting date: October 19, 2020

August Action Items:

- FY2021 UPWP. Adopted COMPASS' FY2021 [Unified Planning Work Program and Budget](#) (UPWP). Fiscal year 2021 begins October 1, 2020.
- Amtrak and Passenger Rail Service. Approved a [federal legislative position statement](#) encouraging Congress to provide the necessary tools and funding to study the feasibility of resuming Amtrak's "Pioneer Route" passenger rail service to the Treasure Valley.
- Funding Application Guide. Approved the [FY2022-2028 COMPASS Funding Application Guide](#). This guide will assist member agency staff in applying for funding for projects through programs managed by COMPASS.
- FY2020-2026 TIP. Approved an [amendment](#) to the FY2020-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to increase the cost of a project in the City of Nampa.
- End-of-Year Priorities. Approved the addition of the City of Middleton's Cemetery Road extension project to the previously approved list of prioritized projects for potential end-of-year Surface Transportation Program – Urban funding.
- CIM Implementation Grants/Project Development Program. Approved projects for FY2021 *Communities in Motion* (CIM) Implementation Grants and Project Development Program assistance.

August Information/Discussion Items:

- High Capacity Transit. Received an overview of the [Treasure Valley High Capacity Transit Study Update](#).
- Finance Committee. Received a status report on the June 18 and July 16, 2020, Finance Committee meetings.
- COVID-19 and Trip-Making. Received an update on changes in traffic, bicycle/pedestrian activity, and bus ridership during the COVID-19 pandemic and previewed a [new interactive map](#) showing the changes to traffic volumes. The presentation slides, including additional slides with more detailed information, are available [online](#).

Finance Committee – August 27, 2020

More information: www.compassidaho.org/people/financemeetings.htm

Next meeting date: December 3, 2020

August Action Items:

- 2020 Audit. Approved the FY2020 audit process.
- Variance Report. Approved the October 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020, variance report.

August Information/Discussion Item:

- Disbursement Report. Reviewed disbursements made in the reporting period (July 4 – August 5, 2020).

Regional Transportation Advisory Committee – August 26, 2020

More information: www.compassidaho.org/people/rtacmeetings.htm

Next meeting date: September 23, 2020

August Action Item:

- Resource Development Plan. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of the FY2021 COMPASS Resource Development Plan. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action at its October 19, 2020, meeting.

August Information/Discussion Items:

- "Where Do We Grow From Here?" Survey. Received detailed results of COMPASS' "Where do we grow from here?" survey. This information will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors in its October 19, 2020, meeting.
- High Capacity Transit Survey. Reviewed the proposed approach for a January 2021 survey on high capacity transit options. This information will be shared with the COMPASS Board of Directors in its October 19, 2020, meeting.

Workgroups

Rural Prioritization Process Workgroup

Meeting date: August 6, 2020

Highlights:

- Prioritized five projects for the Surface Transportation Block Group – Rural program and four projects for the Local Rural Highway Investment Program – Construction.

Next meeting date: August 5, 2021

Active Transportation Workgroup

Meeting date: August 10, 2020

Highlights:

- Reviewed the status of the update to the COMPASS Complete Streets (network) policy.
- Reviewed the bicycle network and roadway typologies within the Complete Network policy.

Next meeting date: September 8, 2020

Public Transportation Workgroup

Meeting date: August 12, 2020

Highlights:

- Discussed the approach and next steps for a high capacity transit survey, to be released in January 2021.

Next meeting date: September 2020

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