

# Keeping Up With COMPASS

May 2023

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

## Board of Directors – April 17, 2023

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

Next meeting date: June 26, 2023; COMPASS First Floor Board Room

### April Special Items:

- Federal-Aid Funding. Received a report on the implications of changes to urban area boundaries, new federal funding programs, and concerns over the Idaho Transportation Department's distribution of federal transportation funding.
- Finance Committee. Received a status report on the March 23 and April 5, 2023, Finance Committee meetings.

### April Action Items:

- High-Capacity Transit PEL Study. Accepted a scope of work for a high-capacity transit Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study to be used in a Request for Proposals (RFP). The RFP will be issued over the summer to allow work on the project to begin in October, at the start of FY2024.
- UPWP. Adopted Revision 2 of the FY2023 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP).
- 2023 Population Estimates. Accepted the [2023 population estimates](#) for Ada and Canyon Counties.
- Member Dues. Approved general and special member dues for FY2024.

### April Information/Discussion Items:

- HOV Analysis. Received a status report on the results of the I-84 Corridor Operations Plan [high-occupancy vehicle \(HOV\) analysis](#).
- CIM 2055. Reviewed the draft *Communities in Motion 2055* (CIM 2055) workplan. COMPASS staff will continue to refine the workplan and bring it back to the COMPASS Board of Directors for approval in June.
- 2023 Idaho Legislative Activity. Received an overview of the outcome of transportation legislation in the 2023 Idaho legislative session.

## Finance Committee – April 5, 2023

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

Next meeting date: June 15, 2023; COMPASS Second Floor Large Conference Room

### April Action Item:

- Membership Dues. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of updated FY2024 membership dues, following the discovery of an error in the population estimate for the City of Star presented at the March 23, 2023, Finance Committee meeting. This item was brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its April 17, 2023, Board meeting (above).

## Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) – April 26, 2023

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

Next meeting date: May 24, 2023; COMPASS First Floor Board Room

### April Special Items:

- Carbon Reduction Program. Received a status report from the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) on the new federal Carbon Reduction Program.
- PROTECT Program. Received a status report from ITD on the new federal Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) program.

### April Action Items:

- FY2023-2029 TIP. Discussed a proposed amendment to the FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add an ITD project to evaluate signal operations and maintenance practices on state routes in Ada County. This item will be continued to the May 24, 2023, RTAC meeting to allow time for outstanding questions to be addressed.
- Chinden Boulevard Pedestrian Crossing Project. Accepted a proposal to request public comment on a proposed change to the scope of work for a pedestrian crossing project on US 20/26 (Chinden Boulevard) to move the project from 43<sup>rd</sup> Street to 32<sup>nd</sup> or 33<sup>rd</sup> Streets. The public comment materials will note that work will continue to find a solution to address pedestrian crossing safety issues at the Chinden Boulevard/43<sup>rd</sup> Street intersection.

## Workgroups

### Freight Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: April 18, 2023

#### Highlights:

- Introduced new COMPASS staff member Alexa Roitman.
- Reviewed freight components of the *Communities in Motion 2055* workplan.
- Discussed the FY2023 and FY2024 Freight Advisory Workgroup charters and priority tasks for the next 18 months.

Next meeting date: June 29, 2023

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