



City of Coeur d' Alene
City of Post Falls
City of Hayden
City of Rathdrum
Coeur d' Alene Tribe
East Side Highway District
Idaho Transportation Department
Kootenai County, Idaho
Lakes Highway District
Post Falls Highway District
Worley Highway District

Cooperatively Developing a Transportation System for all of Kootenai County, Idaho

KMPO Board Meeting

March 10, 2022 1:30 pm

Post Falls City Council Chambers, Post Falls City Hall, 1st Floor
408 N. Spokane Street, Post Falls, Idaho

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order – Lynn Borders, Chair**
- 2. Changes to the Agenda and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest – Action Item**
- 3. Approval of January 13, 2022, Meeting Minutes – Action Item**
- 4. Public Comments** (limited to non-agenda items 3 minutes)
- 5. KCATT Recap & Recommendations – Ben Weymouth**
 - a. Recap of Activities – January/February 2022
 - b. No Recommendations
- 6. Administrative Matters**
 - a. January 2022 KMPO Expenditures – **Action Item**
 - b. February 2022 KMPO Expenditures & Financial Report – **Action Item**
 - c. KMPO 2022-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Requests:
 1. #2 Request to Modify the FY 2022 Program Year to Delay a Project from FY 2022 to FY 2023
 2. #3 Request to Modify the FY 2022 Program Year to Revise and Add Funding
 3. #4 Request to Modify the FY 2022 Program Year to Revise and Add Funding
- 7. Other Business**
 - a. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #5 – I-90/SH-41 Interchange - Advance to FY 2022 Construction and Increase Funding – **Action Item**
 - b. Federal Funding Update – **Informational**
 - c. Possible Changes to the Federal Urbanized Area Boundary – **Informational**
 - d. Non-Metropolitan Local Official Consultation Plan Draft – **Discussion**
- 8. Public Transportation (Informational Items Provided to KMPO)**

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 - a. Kootenai County Transit Report – Kootenai County Public Transportation Staff
 - b. Coeur d'Alene Tribe Rural Transit Report – Alan Eirls
- 9. Director's Report** (written report included in Board packet)
- 10. Board Member Comments**
- 11. Next Meeting – April 14, 2022**
- 12. Adjournment**

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MEETING MINUTES

Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization
Regular Board Meeting
March 10, 2022
Post Falls City Council Chambers, Post Falls City Hall, 1st Floor
408 N. Spokane Street, Post Falls, Idaho

Board Members in Attendance:

Lynn Borders, Chair	City of Post Falls
Dan Gookin	City of Coeur d'Alene
Damon Allen	Idaho Transportation Department, District 1
Ed DePriest	City of Hayden
Jim Kackman	Coeur d'Alene Tribe
Monty Montgomery, Alternate	Lakes Highway District
Vic Holmes	City of Rathdrum
Jeff Tyler	Post Falls Highway District
Corinne Johnson	Worley Highway District
Graham Christensen	East Side Highway District

Board Members Absent:

Rod Twete, Vice Chair	Lakes Highway District
Leslie Duncan	Kootenai County

Staff Present:

Glenn Miles	Executive Director
Ali Marienau	Transportation Planner
Kelly Lund	Executive Secretary

Attendees:

Riannon Zender	JUB
Ben Weymouth	KCATT
Jody Bieze	Kootenai County
Donna Montgomery	Citizen
Marvin Fenn	Idaho Transportation Department, District 1

1. Call to Order – Lynn Borders, Chair

The regular meeting of the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board was called to order by Chair Lynn Borders at 1:30 p.m.

2. Changes to the Agenda and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest – Action Item

Mr. Jim Kackman moved to approve the agenda. Ms. Corinne Johnson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. Approval of January 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes – Action Item

Mr. Vic Holmes moved to approve the January 10, 2022 meeting minutes. Ms. Corinne Johnson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

4. Public Comments (limited to non-agenda items 3 minutes)

There were no public comments.

5. KCATT Recap & Recommendations – Ben Weymouth

a. Recap of Activities – January and February 2022

KCATT Chair Ben Weymouth provided a recap of the January and February KCATT meetings. Following the January meeting, an ADA Compliance, Design, and Best Practices workshop was held. During the February meeting, Mr. Miles presented a request from FHWA addressing an Executive Order, Promoting Access to Voting, which is intended to ensure accessibility to polling places without significant or unexpected traffic delays. The committee reported no known issues; Mr. Miles has reported this information back to FHWA. The committee also discussed significant construction on the prairie and upcoming state and federal funding possibilities.

b. No Recommendations

KCATT had no recommendations before the Board.

6. Administrative Matters

a. January 2022 KMPO Expenditures – **Action Item**

b. February 2022 KMPO Expenditures & Financial Report – **Action Item**

Mr. Vic Holmes moved that the Board meet their obligations and liabilities for January and February 2022. Mr. Jim Kackman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Ed DePriest arrived at 1:34 p.m.

- ### c. KMPO 2022-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Requests:
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Mr. Miles commented on the Administrative Amendments; no action was required.

7. Other Business

a. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #5 – I-90/SH-41 Interchange - Advance to FY 2022 Construction and Increase Funding – **Action Item**

Mr. Miles explained TIP Amendment #5 was related to the I-90/SH-41 interchange and required an action by the KMPO Board, as it met the threshold requiring a formal amendment. ITD has requested the project be advanced and receive an additional \$33.5 million in construction funds.

Mr. Damon Allen noted the I-90/SH-41 interchange project had been under development with ITD, under the ITIP process, for several years and was originally programmed for approximately \$40 million. Due to inflation, the cost is currently estimated to be \$70 million. The ITD Board approved the project for funding through the Transportation Expansion & Congestion Mitigation (TECM) Program bonds. If the Amendment is approved by the KMPO Board, ITD will be able to put the project out for advertisement tomorrow. Construction will begin this summer and is expected to take three to four years. Mr. Allen and Mr. Marvin Fenn commented on accessibility and phasing of the project; full-time access to I-90 and SH-41 is expected.

Mr. Jeff Tyler moved to approve Transportation Improvement Program Amendment (TIP) #5. Mr. Graham Christensen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

b. Federal Funding Update – **Informational**

Mr. Miles explained that the government has been operating on a number of short-term

Continuing Resolutions since October 1st. Yesterday, the House passed an omnibus bill that would provide funding through the end of the fiscal year – and, in the event the bill is held up in the Senate, passed an omnibus bill extending funding through March 15th. The intent is to make all FY-22 money available for the balance of the fiscal year. Mr. Miles explained that three competitive grant programs, RAISE, INFRA, and National Infrastructure Project Assistance (Megaprojects) will be bundled into one funding opportunity; Notice of Funding Opportunities are expected. Mr. Miles will be discussing the implementation of the new bill with ITD in the next few weeks. He commented on the possibility of obtaining early right-of-way acquisition funds for a couple of City of Hayden and Post Falls Highway District projects. With the increase in oil prices, more TIP amendments are expected.

c. Possible Changes to the Federal Urbanized Area Boundary – **Informational**

Mr. Miles noted the U.S. Census Bureau is seeking a change in the methodology for the designation of urbanized area boundaries. The map, included in the packet, shows the current urbanized area boundary and a potential boundary based on the proposed criteria. In the past, they allowed the boundary to be smoothed to include urbanized areas. Based on the current proposal, urbanized areas that do not meet the criteria will be excluded from the boundary leaving urban and rural pockets. He discussed the implication on formula funding, which is based on the federally designated urbanized area boundary and noted that not all areas within the city boundaries will meet the proposed criteria. The final criteria are expected to be published in the Federal Register this month and will have a 90-day comment period; the maps are not expected to be released until August 2022.

d. Non-Metropolitan Local Official Consultation Plan Draft – **Discussion**

Mr. Miles noted ITD had put out the draft Non-Metropolitan Local Official Consultation Plan. The document outlines how ITD intends to notify and interact with local jurisdictions which are outside the urbanized area (e.g., Spirit Lake, Rathdrum, Hauser, and Worley). He encouraged agencies with responsibilities outside the urbanized area – small towns and the four highway districts, to take advantage of the opportunity to provide input and comment on how they would like to interact with ITD in their planning, programming, and project development phases; Federal statute requires this to be in place. The comment period is open until April 1st.

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a. Kootenai County Transit Report – Kootenai County Public Transportation Staff

Ms. Jody Bieze noted the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) anticipated funding increases and questioned Mr. Miles on the funding opportunities for the rural versus the urbanized areas.

Mr. Miles stated that there was an increase in all funding programs but said, depending on the funding type, an increase could be offset by the proposed changes to the urban area boundary.

Ms. Bieze reported work on the Strategic Service Plan update continues; they will be giving presentations to the city councils and discussing different funding mechanisms that support different types of transportation. She reviewed the packet she had provided to the Board noting February fixed route/demand-response ridership and on-time performance. With the rise in fuel prices, an increase in ridership is expected. Phase 3 of the Integrated Mobility Innovation (IMI) project is expected to be completed by the end of March. Bids for the bus stop improvements at Panhandle Health and Huetter Road are due March 14th. The Invitation for Bid (IFB) for Phase 2 of the Riverstone Transit Center will be released at the end of March.

b. Coeur d' Alene Tribe Rural Transit Report – Alan Eirls

Mr. Alan Eirls was not in attendance. Ms. Bieze reported Mr. Eirls was driving, noting the continued driver shortage. Mr. Eirls said he did not have any significant updates.

9. Director's Report (written report included in Board packet)

Mr. Miles provided an update on the Regional Traffic Management Center, noting recent discussions on next steps; there is interest in developing an implementation and operating plan. The intent is to move the project forward using Early Acquisition of Right-of-Way in Corridors funding. More updates are expected in the not-too-distant future.

Mr. Miles noted that he serves on the City of Hayden's Development Impact Fee Committee. During the meeting last week, they discussed balancing the cost of growth – and growth helping to pay for itself. He expects more jurisdictions will be discussing how to manage deficiencies and how to pay for those over time.

10. Board Member Comments

Ms. Johnson commented on the recent Board workshop and the level of information that was covered. She thanked Mr. Miles and said it was very educational.

11. Next Meeting – April 14, 2022

12. Adjournment

Mr. Jim Kackman moved to adjourn the March 10, 2022 KMPO Board meeting. Ms. Corinne Johnson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously

The regular meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Signature on File
Recording Secretary