



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

KCATT MEETING AGENDA

March 22, 2022 - 8:00 AM

Idaho Transportation Department District One Headquarters
600 W. Prairie Avenue, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome/Introductions
3. Approval of February 15, 2022, Meeting Minutes – **Action Item**
4. Public Comments (limited to non-agenda items 3 minutes)
5. Member Project, Transit & Utility Updates
6. Planning Updates
 - a. 2020 Census Traffic Analysis Zone Revisions
 - b. 2022 Safety Performance Targets
7. Idaho Transportation Board Update
8. Current Business
 - a. 2022-2024 KCATT Non-Voting Members
 - b. Regional Traffic Management Center Update
9. Upcoming KMPO Board Items
10. Other Business
 - a. KCATT Member Items
11. Next Meeting – April 26, 2022
12. Adjournment

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KCATT MEETING MINUTES

for

March 22, 2022

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Call to Order:

Chair Ben Weymouth called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and welcomed attendees.

Welcome / Introductions

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| Ben Weymouth, Chair | East Side Highway District |
| Kevin Jump, Vice Chair | City of Rathdrum |
| Kevin Howard | Worley Highway District |
| Rob Palus | City of Post Falls |
| Michael Lenz | Post Fall Highway District |
| Eric Shanley | Lakes Highway District |
| Marvin Fenn | Idaho Transportation Department |

KMPO Staff

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

Alternates and Guests

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| Monty Montgomery | Lakes Highway District |
| Donna Montgomery | Citizen |
| Angela Comstock | JUB |
| Chad Ingle | Kootenai County |
| Adam Miles | DOWL |
| Dan Smith | IDEQ |
| Whitley Laws | DOWL |
| Karen Neorr | KEC |
| Jason Stippich | Avista |
| Aaron McCure | HDR |

3. Approval of February 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes – Action Item

Kevin Howard moved to approve the February 15, 2022 minutes. Rob Palus seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

There were no public comments provided.

5. Member Project, Transit & Utility Updates

Marvin Fenn, ITD, reported crews were phasing out of winter and into spring maintenance. ITD has received numerous phone calls regarding litter along the I-90 and US-95 corridors; cleanup efforts were noted. Mr. Fenn reported the legislature approved the Bill (772) giving surplus funds to ITD and the locals and explained the Continuing Resolution had been extended through September; several workshops are expected over the next few weeks. The I-90/SH-41 interchange bid opening date is April 19th. District 1 will try to get the SH-53 – Hauser Lake Road to North Bruss Road project before the ITD Board next month. They are putting together a project to repair pavement throughout the District using the Supporting Infrastructure Asset (SIA) program funds.

Eric Shanley, Lakes Highway District, reported crews were transitioning into spring maintenance, clearing rights-of-way areas, filling potholes, and doing general maintenance. He noted several overlays were scheduled and remarked that they were waiting for the asphalt plants to open. The Bill recently signed by the governor will provide the District approximately \$1 million for maintenance; they will be doing an overlay on Ramsey Road. The District has several projects including a guardrail improvement and widening project on Cape Horn Road, which he is hoping to get through the LHTAC approval process and out to bid. They are doing some design work on the Old US-95/Union Pacific railroad bridge; he will keep the committee updated, as they will be holding a public hearing.

Michael Lenz, Post Falls Highway District, reported their crews were also transitioning into spring maintenance and filling potholes. The removal of some load limit restrictions is expected in the upcoming week. The Prairie Avenue/Idaho Road roundabout project is ongoing; the completion date is anticipated to be June 1st. He is hoping to send out the Request for Proposal (RFP) for design of the packaged Hayden Avenue/Meyer Road roundabout and Prairie Avenue – Meyer Road to SH-41 5-lane roadway projects by April 1st. The District is planning to do some overlays on Riverview Drive with the funding from the recent governor's bill.

Rob Palus, City of Post Falls, reported that, last week, the city council approved a bid award for the reconstruction of three-quarters of a mile of Prairie Avenue and the installation of a multi-lane roundabout at the Spokane Avenue/Prairie Avenue intersection; the project will cost approximately \$5.6 million and is expected to take all summer. They are currently out to bid on the Poleline Avenue/Cecil Road roundabout project and on a safety project, the installation of a center median on Mullan Avenue by Walmart. Mr. Palus noted a developer was moving forward with their plans to construct a retail development on the northeast corner of SH-41 and Prairie Avenue; the project includes the Prairie Avenue/Zorros Avenue multi-lane roundabout which is in preliminary design. The city's legal department is working with BNSF on the Chase Road/BNSF railroad crossing agreement.

Kevin Howard, Worley Highway District, reported crews were sweeping winter sand material from the roadways and addressing potholes; road restrictions are still in place. Although the Kidd Island Road project has wrapped up, there is a separate contract in place for the monitoring of Kidd Creek. The District is still waiting on vegetation for the Sun Up Bay Road/Bennion Road and Bennion Road/Finnebott Road intersection projects. He received preliminary notice that they will receive LHRIP funds to help with the Rockford Bay Road/Loffs Bay Road intersection project. The District expects to receive approximately \$500,000 from House Bill 772; they will be reviewing their CIP and other projects to see where the funds will best be used.

Kevin Jump, City of Rathdrum, reported on the Boekel Road/Meyer Road roundabout project, noting the city's continued effort to acquire the last piece of right-of-way; some utility relocation work is being done. The traffic signal poles and cabinets for the SH-53/Meyer Road intersection project are expected to be delivered in April. The Transportation Master Plan update is expected to be completed in May. The city has had to apply for recertification of the quiet zone on Mill Street; a modification to the median during BNSF's installation of the second set of tracks created an issue with the certification status.

Chair Ben Weymouth, East Side Highway District, reported they were wrapping up the Canyon Road Bridge feasibility study and draft TS&L. Springston Bridge will remain closed; they will be seeking the Governor's bridge money to fund the removal of the bridge. Design of the Canyon Road/Fernan Lake guardrail project should be complete soon. He will be discussing the Yellowstone Trail Road project with Western Federal Lands this afternoon. Crews are doing spring cleanup.

Chad Ingle, Kootenai County, noted the Riverstone Transit Center Phase 2 pre-bid meeting is scheduled for April 13th. Bid openings for the bus stop improvement projects were held last week.

Karen Neorr, KEC, reported they will likely get a FEMA award and be undergrounding approximately 20 miles of line in the Spirit Lake East subdivision area; the project will be done in early 2023. They have purchased four acres on Ramsey Road, north of Boekel Road, to install a substation; they are working to acquire easements for a transmission line from Lancaster Road to the new substation. KEC has listed five acres on Rimrock Road for sale.

Jason Stippich, Avista, thanked the committee for allowing them to get in on projects early.

6. Planning Updates

a. 2020 Census Traffic Analysis Zone Revisions

Ali Marienau noted the 2020 model update will be done this year and include the 2020 Census data. As part of the update, the Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs) were reconfigured to distribute the population more evenly and align with 2020 Census block boundaries in the adjusted areas; 90 TAZs were added. Additional considerations included commercial, residential, and industrial areas. The committee packet included information outlining the process, TAZ population density maps comparing 2010 to 2020, and a TAZ jurisdiction assignment list. Jurisdictions will be asked to review roads, intersections, and connectors in those TAZs that have been assigned to them. A workshop will likely be held following the April KCATT meeting.

b. 2022 Safety Performance Targets

Ali Marienau noted the KMPO Board had previously approved the support of ITD's Safety Performance Targets for Kootenai County; this is the annual review. The 2022 data was emailed to the committee. A comparison of the most recent data, 2016-2020, and the previous five-year period, shows an increase in all five target areas with forty-three percent of all fatalities and serious injuries occurring on the state highway system; the corridors with the highest fatal crashes are US-95, I-90, and SH-53; driver behavior continues to be the top contributing factor.

Mr. Shanley commented on the reference of "performance measures" when discussing fatalities. He noted ITD's "Toward Zero Deaths" initiative and questioned if there was not a different term that could be used. [The outlined "performance measures" are derived from FHWA and FTA.]

7. Idaho Transportation Board Update

Mr. Fenn commented on the recent Performance Measures and explained that the Idaho State Police (ISP) has overtime availability for patrolling various high activity events, work zones, and other problem areas. Last year, they made 305 "contacts" which included speeding (131) and aggressive driving (31). Mr. Fenn noted driver behavior, safety issues on I-90 and US-95, and the possibility of using technology to get wrong-way drivers off the roadway sooner. This month, the Board meeting will be held on March 24th in District 4 (Burley). The April Board meeting will be held on 24th in District 5 (Pocatello). They will continue to address Headquarters facility issues.

8. Current Business

a. 2022-2024 KCATT Non-Voting Members

Mr. Miles noted the 2020-2022 term for the current KCATT non-voting members ends this month. KMPO will be advertising the open two-year term positions and seeking representatives from various transportation interests, including aviation, bike, pedestrian, freight, and rail. He commented on the value the committee gains from this input and encouraged them to notify anyone who might be interested in applying for the non-voting member positions. Next month, the applications will be before KCATT for their review and recommendation to the KMPO Board.

b. Regional Traffic Management Center Update

Mr. Miles noted the FY22 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) included efforts to move forward with the planning and development of the Regional Traffic Management Center (TMC). He had acquired a list of firms that had experience with TMCs and contacted them – asking what they would like to see in a RFP. Mr. Miles highlighted the importance of a firm understanding scalability and noted the number of large projects that are planned throughout the area. He will present the RFP to KCATT for review in April.

Mr. Palus sat in on a phone call with one of the firms. They had reviewed the Kapsch TMC study – identified weaknesses, inputs moving forward, the coordination of technologies between the jurisdictions, and the importance of staff who could handle the management of those elements and the software. Mr. Palus commented on providing a safe and efficient transportation system and recommended the implementation of a traffic incident management team.

Mr. Fenn noted the District is working with Headquarters to see what they can do to setup a dedicated incident response vehicle on their system; focus areas would include I-90, US-95, and, possibly, SH-41. The Idaho State Police has provided a letter of support. Mr. Fenn said, if there was a sponsor, he believed there would be an opportunity for SHRP2 (Strategic Highway Research Program) training.

9. Upcoming KMPO Board Items

Mr. Miles noted the upcoming meeting would only include updates; there are no action items.

10. Other Business

a. KCATT Member Items

Mr. Fenn reported that ITD had received several positive phone calls from locals regarding the impact of the load limits on SH-53. The reduced speed limit for trucks creates natural gaps in traffic and provides more opportunities for drivers to access the highway. Mr. Fenn noted there were several upcoming roadway projects and said it will be important for the jurisdictions to coordinate their schedules to help redistribute traffic and avoid unnecessary delays.

Ben Weymouth noted the District is working on traffic calming measures for Coeur d’Alene Lake Drive. An open house will be held on April 13th or 14th.

11. Next Meeting – April 26, 2022

12. Adjournment

With nothing further before the committee, Chair Ben Weymouth adjourned the March 22, 2022 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Signature on File
Recording Secretary