

City of Post Falls City of Hayden City of Rathdrum

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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

August 23, 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 June 28, 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. 2021 FHWA Transportation Performance Measures (TPM) Update
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- 10. Other Business
 - a. KCATT Member Items
- 11. Next Meeting September 27, 2022
- 12. Adjournment

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KCATT MEETING MINUTES

for

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Call to Order:

Vice Chair Kevin Jump called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. and welcomed attendees.

Welcome / Introductions

| Kevin Jump, Vice Chair | City of Rathdrum |
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| | Worley Highway District |
| | City of Post Falls |
| | Post Fall Highway District |
| Chris Bosley | City of Coeur d'Alene |
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Marvin Fenn Idaho Transportation Department

KMPO Staff

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

Alternates and Guests

| Chad Ingle | Kootenai County |
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| Angela Comstock | |
| Kevin Kuther | |
| Jeff Peters | |
| Ron Helmick | |
| Karen Neorr | |
| | Department of Environmental Quality |
| Daniel Baker | |
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3. Approval of June 28, 2022 Meeting Minutes - Action Item

Rob Palus moved to approve the June 28, 2022 minutes as submitted. Michael Lenz 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 the westbound I-90 Huetter Port of Entry is still closed due to the termination of the contractor; they are looking at alternatives until a new contractor is found. Updates included the groundbreaking for the I-90/SH-41 interchange project last Tuesday; an update on the SH-41 project; paving of the I-90 Cedars to Dudley project; paving projects throughout the District are expected to wrap up mid-September; drainage work on the Veterans Memorial Bridge; and bridge work that is expected to continue into October.

Alan Soderling, City of Hayden, reported that the 4th Street/Honeysuckle Avenue roundabout project had been completed. Crews are working on maintenance items.

Chris Bosley, City of Coeur d'Alene, reported that they had completed the chip sealing of Coeur d'Alene Lake Drive – their joint project with East Side Highway District. He commented on the

feedback from residents regarding the loss of the travel lane(s) and said the City is following the Master Plan that was approved by City Council for taking over jurisdiction of the roadway. Mr. Bosley commented on the original plan and explained that the remainder of the work will be done during the construction of the Hagadone Corporation towers project.

Mr. Miles complimented Mr. Bosley on obtaining federal environmental approval in three months for a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant related to sidewalk work.

Michael Lenz, Post Falls Highway District, reported the District had completed their chip seal projects and were a little behind on road striping. Crews are doing some finishing touches on the Upriver Drive project and will be seeding the area next month. The Spokane Street River Bridge will be down to one lane for the bridge inspection on August 24th. The District is preparing to start contract negotiations with the consultant for the Prairie Avenue 5-lane project and Hayden Avenue/Meyer Road roundabout design.

Rob Palus, City of Post Falls, reported the city had selected the consultant for their Transportation Master Plan update. Chip seal projects are complete. The safety project on Mullan Avenue in front of Walmart had been completed; the city has received a few compliments and no complaints on the project. The Poleline Avenue/Cecil Road roundabout project is under construction and is scheduled to open September 2nd or 3rd. Work on the Prairie Avenue and Spokane Street roundabout and ancillary road widening improvements project continues; it is scheduled to be complete late October or early November. He commented on the Chase Road project, noting the concept report had been revised and submitted to LHTAC on August 11th.

Kevin Howard, Worley Highway District, reported the Sun Up Bay Road/Bennion Road and Bennion Road/Finnebott Road project has been completed and closed out. The partnership project on Solitaire Road has been completed. Seal coats and pavement markings have been completed. An in-house project on Rolling Hills Road between Ator Hill and Bloomberg Roads will begin this fall. Crews are catching up on a few maintenance items.

Kevin Jump, City of Rathdrum, reported that the bids for the watermain relocation work on SH-53 had been opened; a Notice of Award is expected to be issued this week. The signal at SH-53 and Meyer Road has been activated; pedestrian ramps have been installed and pavement markings complete. The Transportation Master Plan update is wrapping up. He is currently reviewing the capital improvement plan, which will before their Planning and Zoning Commission this month and before City Council the meeting thereafter.

Ron Helmick, Ziply, provided several project updates including Cecil and Poleline Avenues, Spokane and Prairie Avenues, SH-41, SH-53, the I-90/SH-41/Seltice Way interchange and Kidd Island Road. He needs to get a permit from Post Falls Highway District to address cables that are still hanging down on the Riverview Drive guardrail project. Mr. Helmick commented that he is doing his best to address requests from the various agencies and appreciates their patience. He asked to be made aware of any issues that need to be taken care of.

Karen Neorr, KEC, had no updates to report.

Chad Ingle, Kootenai County, provided an update on the bus stop improvements at Huetter Road/Seltice Way and the Atlas Road stop near Panhandle Health. Progress on Phase 2 of the Riverstone Transit Center was noted; the project is expected to be complete in four months. Mr. Ingle provided the status of the Paratransit and fixed route bus procurements. Work on finalizing the draft Strategic Service Plan continues.

6. Planning Updates

a. 2021 FHWA Transportation Performance Measures (TPM) Update

Ali Marienau provided an overview of Kootenai County's 2021 Transportation System Performance measure updates for pavement condition, bridge condition, travel time reliability, and freight reliability, as required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). In 2019, the KMPO Board choose to adopt ITD's performance targets; 2021 pavement conditions for Interstate National Highway System (NHS) and Non-Interstate NHS did not meet ITD targets. The 2021 System Performance data has been included in the draft 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Mr. Palus questioned the travel time reliability performance measure, commenting that it did not seem realistic. Mr. Miles explained that the measure does not take into account the average speed, but the reliability of the estimated travel time. In response to a question from Mr. Helmick, Mr. Miles explained that construction projects do impact performance measures and said it is important to look at the data and see what may have caused the increase or decrease; travel time reliability and pavement conditions were cited as an example.

Mr. Fenn noted that the ability to impact various performance measures differ; while pavement conditions can improve quickly, improving bridge conditions takes time.

b. 2045 Population Forecasts – Action Item

Ali Marienau noted the review of the 2045 Population and Employment forecasts in May. At that time, the highway districts were concerned about the data showing a decrease in the districts' populations within the next ten years. She noted the limited data for the highway districts and explained the methodology was also used in the urban area. In June, following discussions with several KCATT members regarding growth and development in the unincorporated areas, an additional analysis was done using building permit and minor subdivision data; the analysis also looked at city annexations over time. Ms. Marienau reviewed the results and discussed the anticipated impacts to the cities and highway districts. Though growth is expected to continue in the unincorporated area, growth rates will vary. Each highway district was looked at differently. Due to similarities between East Side and Worley Highway Districts, a growth rate of 0.6% was applied. A growth rate of 1.9% was applied to Lakes Highway District and 1.3% to Post Falls Highway District. She recommended KCATT approve the 2020-2045 forecasts and make a recommendation of approval to the KMPO Board.

Mr. Palus said, due to the wording, the City of Post Falls' Planning Department had difficulty understanding the section of the memo outlining the 40% of the growth in the highway district coming into the city.

Rob Palus moved to recommend the adoption of the 2045 Population Forecasts to the KMPO Board. Kevin Howard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

7. Idaho Transportation Board Update

Mr. Fenn reported that he was unable to attend last month's ITD Board meeting; according to the minutes, it was a quiet. This month, the Board met in District 1; most of the Board members attended. The Board tour was done August 17th; on the way up to the ITD workshop in Sandpoint, the Board toured the geofoam block manufacturing facility in Post Falls, SH-41, SH-53, the Granite project, and US-95 and the Lakeshore Drive project at the south end of the Sandpoint long bridge. The workshop was open to the public, highlighted key projects, and was well attended by 60-70 people. The Board meeting was held the following day, August 18th, at the District 1 office; regarding action items, it was a quiet meeting. He noted the ITD Board held

a special meeting earlier in the month to discuss selling the ITD Boise headquarters building that sustained extensive flood damage earlier in the year. Mr. Fenn said the Board truly enjoyed and appreciated staff and the locals attending the workshops.

Mr. Miles said he was pleased to see KMPO Board member Jeff Tyler and the Post Falls Public Policy Committee chair attend the workshop in Sandpoint; Mr. Tyler addressed the ITD Board and commented that he appreciated ITD's work in the region and in his District. Mr. Miles noted the ITD Board was able to see several projects during the Board tour and had commented on them. The Board discussed the SH-53 state line to US-95 project, which is in the Idaho Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) and said he suspects the project will begin in 2023; KMPO will be putting \$400,000 into the project.

8. Current Business

a. DRAFT FY 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) - Action Item

Mr. Miles noted the Unified Planning Work Program sets out the activities planned from October 1st to September 30th of the following year. The FY 2023 program is a relatively large program and includes moving forward with the Regional Traffic Management Center and partnering with ITD District 1 in looking at the future of SH-53; other work included in the program was noted.

Michael Lenz moved to accept/recommend the adoption of the draft FY 2023 Unified Planning Work Program to the KMPO Board. Rob Palus seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

b. DRAFT FY 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Review

Mr. Miles commented on the draft 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) saying he expects the program to reach record setting size over the next several years, primarily due to the I-90 improvements, which will add approximately \$200 million to the existing \$300 million program. He understood the end of the year program will have record redistribution funding this year. He noted the possibility of fully funding the City of Rathdrum's Meyer Road roundabout project and encouraged Vice Chair Jump to get the project through the environmental process; the City of Hayden's Ramsey Road Extension project, scheduled for 2024, is the oldest project in the program. Mr. Miles asked the committee to let him know of any corrections so they can be addressed prior to the Board's adoption of the Program. The comment period closes September 6th; there is no action this month.

c. Regional Traffic Management Center Facilities and Operations Plan Update

Mr. Miles reported that the KMPO Board had authorized him to enter negotiations with Iteris for the Regional Traffic Management Center Facilities and Operations Plan, a document which outlines the type, size, and location of the facility based on a 20-year design life. He has been working closely with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Idaho Division and the Georgia Division, where there is an ITS/Traffic Management expert. A Board tour of the Spokane Regional Transportation Management Center (SRTMC) was provided; a copy of SRTMC's interlocal agreement was requested. During the September KMPO Board meeting, Mr. Miles will be seeking authorization to enter into the contract with Iteris.

9. Upcoming KMPO Board Items

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Vice Chair Jump reviewed the upcoming KMPO Board items, noting action items.

10. Other Business

a. KCATT Member Items

Mr. Palus commented on a recent article in the newspaper regarding a grant the City of Coeur d'Alene received to complete the Prairie Trail from Huetter Road to Meyer Road. He noted the City of Post Falls is working with a developer to complete the Trail from Prairie Avenue to SH-41. Last week, the City of Coeur d'Alene, City of Post Falls, Post Falls Highway District, and North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation met to discuss the two trail projects and how to connect them at the Meyer Road/Prairie Avenue intersection; a 2023 construction is likely.

Mr. Fenn noted ITD was finishing up a permit for the upcoming transport of long windmill blades through the region. He commented on the pavement striping at US-95 and Kathleen Avenue and said ITD is working on finding a contractor to eliminate the markings and accommodate the dual-left turns; he noted the southbound signal head cover had been removed.

Kevin Kuther, LHTAC, reported their counsel approved the first round of Leading Idaho Local Bridge Program funding, consisting of approximately \$38 million; the rankings are posted on their website. The Children Pedestrian Safety Program funding ratings are also posted on their website. The jurisdictions should have received their July distribution of the FY 2023 maintenance funds. He commented on the substantial amount of money that is expected to be available through the end of the year program and commented that they are trying to get projects on the outyears advanced forward; the City of Rathdrum has a project on that list. The funding workshops are expected in the October timeframe. He and Mr. Miles attended the recent Freight Advisory Committee meeting; the freight applications are being programmed. Mr. Kuther noted the Post Falls Highway District's Prairie Avenue project was included in the program; however, Mr. Miles and Mr. Lenz did not see it in the program.

Mr. Miles said, initially, ITD had received applications from six or seven jurisdictions for Federal freight funding. After FHWA requested criteria be included, ITD sought more applications and submitted several of their own. In the end, the original six or seven applicants fell to the bottom of the list. Mr. Miles commented that it did not seem like an objective and unbiased approach.

Mr. Kuther said he is hoping the project funding list will be available soon; 17 of the 21 applications were awarded to locals. LHTAC has three new employees, former ITD employee Bill Roberson, who is working part-time to get funding requests through the ITD system, and engineers John Bilderback and Lisa Popoff; a position for a financial officer remains open. The T2 class schedule is expected to be released September 1st.

11. Next Meeting – September 27, 2022

12. Adjournment

Michael Lenz moved to adjourn the August 23, 2022 meeting. Kevin Howard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

Signature on File

Recording Secretary