



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

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

## **KCATT MEETING AGENDA**

September 27, 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 August 23, 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. TMC Facilities and Operations Plan Update
  - b. Population Forecast Update
  - c. INRIX Street Analytics Training
7. Idaho Transportation Board Update
8. Current Business
  - a. DRAFT FY 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – **Action Item**
9. Upcoming KMPO Board Items
  - a. DRAFT FY 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Action Item
10. Other Business
  - a. KCATT Member Items
11. Next Meeting – October 25, 2022
12. Adjournment

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## KCATT MEETING MINUTES

for

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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**

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
Chris Bosley .....	City of Coeur d'Alene
David Callahan .....	Kootenai County
Eric Shanley .....	Lakes Highway District
Marvin Fenn .....	Idaho Transportation Department
Rob Beachler .....	Idaho Transportation Department

### **KMPO Staff**

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

### **Alternates and Guests**

Whitley Laws .....	DOWL
Riannon Zender .....	JUB
Carrie Ann Hewitt .....	Idaho Transportation Department
Laura Winter .....	Ruen-Yeager
Matt Harwood .....	Ruen-Yeager
Mike Slegers .....	HDR

### **3. Approval of August 23, 2022 Meeting Minutes – Action Item**

**Rob Palus moved to approve the August 23, 2022 minutes as submitted. Kevin Howard 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**

Carrie Ann Hewitt, Idaho Transportation Department, commented on two I-90 overpass projects outside the KMPO area. She provided an update on the SH-41 widening project; the contractor expects the project to be completed this fall. Crews are continuing to do miscellaneous work on the US-95 Granite North project. Updates on the SH-53 project, between Hauser Lake and North Bruss Roads, included roadway patching, temporary widenings, and the installation of a luminaire at the SH-53/Hauser Lake Road intersection; the project between Latah Street and Sylte Ranch Road is expected to be ready for bid by the end of this week. The SH-53/Ramsey Road intersection project should be ready for bid this fall. Ms. Hewitt reported a delay in the paving of the I-90 – Cedars to Dudley project due to sample disputes; there is approximately three weeks' worth of paving remaining.

Marvin Fenn, ITD, commented on the SH-53 project and noted ITD was attempting to address some intersection improvement disputes, involving SH-53 and Cloverleaf Road, with the City of Hauser. The issue is related to improvements ITD had required from a developer prior to the development of the SH-53 widening project.

Eric Shanley, Lakes Highway District, reported projects on Spirit Lake, Hudlow, Nunn, and Rimrock Roads were complete. Crews are currently working on building mailbox turnouts on Ramsey Road; an overlay project will be done next year. With three parcels remaining, the District is finishing up acquiring right-of-way for a rehab project on a two-mile section of Diagonal Road; the project area will be cleared next spring and the rehab done in 2024. Mr. Shanley commented on the Old Highway 95/Union Pacific Railroad bridge project, noting FHWA requested a change to the functional classification on the portion of Parks Road connecting the new bridge to the US-95 interchange; the project is on hold awaiting that change. The Lancaster Road/Huetter Road roundabout project, a joint project with Post Falls Highway District, is in design. The bid for a safety project with three locations, including Cape Horn Road, came in 30 percent over the engineer's estimate; following some design changes, the project will go back out to bid in the February timeframe. He commented on possible grant funding for the Bridging the Valley projects; the District will attempt to submit the grant application on their own, as a local, since LHTAC was not able to help them. Crews are doing fall maintenance, shouldering, and getting ready for winter.

David Callahan, Kootenai County, reported the Planning and Zoning Commission is reviewing the minor subdivision regulations and expressing more concern about infrastructure. They want minor subdivisions adjacent to a public highway district road – and are seeking to drop the current maximum from four to two lots; all others would be considered major subdivisions. As the Board of County Commissioners were “okay” with the changes, he sent the matter onto their legal counsel. Mr. Callahan said, prior to it going to a hearing, he will run it by KCATT, noting that it is more in line with the committee's original request. He said the Planning and Zoning Commission was taking a different stand than they had in the past and are looking at a provision in the subdivision exemption code to address 20-acre parcel divisions.

Chris Bosley, City of Coeur d'Alene, reported that they will hold the final design review for the RRFB (Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon) project through LHTAC today; the project is expected to be done next year and will include seven locations for pedestrian safety improvements. He met with Coeur Terre yesterday to discuss the conditions he had placed on their development along Huetter Road. Mr. Bosley questioned the committee about their set tolerance for paving thickness, noting the city's experience with contractors failing to meet their two-inch requirement. As he has not been able to find any published standards that included a tolerance, the city is considering adding a two-inch minimum to their standards. Several KCATT members remarked that they require, as a minimum, two-inch paving.

Michael Lenz, Post Falls Highway District, reported the District was still in contract negotiations on the Prairie Avenue – Meyer Road to SH-41 five-lane and Hayden Avenue/Meyer Road roundabout project. In anticipation of overlays and chip seals next year, crews are replacing culverts on Riverview Drive from Spokane Street to the state line. Mr. Lenz commented on the current SH-53 project, noting issues related to the management of traffic at the side roads and asked Mr. Fenn to take that into consideration moving forward.

Rob Palus, City of Post Falls, reported the Poleline Avenue/Cecil Road roundabout project opened just before school started; they have received no complaints. The Prairie Avenue and Spokane Street roundabout project is still under construction and expected to open late October/early November; reconstruction of Spokane Street between Grange and Poleline Avenues, will be done next spring/summer. The city is waiting for comments back on the Chase

Road/BNSF rail crossing improvements and trail extension. The city continues their coordination with ITD on the SH-41 widening and I-90/SH-41 interchange projects.

Kevin Howard, Worley Highway District, reported crews were currently working on an in-house project, enhanced maintenance on Rolling Hills Road between Ator Hill and Bloomsburg Bay Roads. The Greensferry Road guardrail project went out for a Request for Information (RFI); scoring will be October 13th. The District is preparing to go out for bid on the Loffs Bay Road Mica Creek Bridge project. Crews are preparing equipment for winter maintenance.

Vice Chair Kevin Jump, City of Rathdrum, reported that the city had entered into a contract with Sonray Enterprises for the relocation of a waterline affecting ITD's SH-53 project through Rathdrum; construction is expected to begin in November. He provided an update on the Boekel Road/Meyer Road project; Ed Morris has been hired to do an additional appraisal on the one remaining parcel that must be acquired. Mr. Jump provided an update on their Transportation Master Plan (TMP), noting the Capital Improvement Program and Land Use Plan; it will go before their Planning and Zoning Commission in October and to city council late October or mid-November. The city received a pedestrian safety grant to extend the pathway along the west side of Meyer Road between Boekel Road and Nagel Lane; the project is expected to be under construction next spring.

Chair Ben Weymouth, East Side Highway District, reported that the District did very well during Round 2 of the Leading Idaho Local Bridge Program; they were awarded funding for two bridge projects – equal to approximately 20 percent of the total funding available in Round 2. The District has tried for decades to get the Cataldo bridge project funded; at this point, the project timeline is unknown. Chair Weymouth said it would be appropriate to thank the consultants for their preliminary work, others who helped, and, noting the political side, thanked everyone involved there. He believed the guardrail projects on Canyon and Fernan Lake Roads were out to bid and would open sometime in October. The District has entered into a cost-share agreement with the resident on Carlin Bay Road and will be doing a 3.2-mile project next summer. The Yellowstone Trail project is at a stalemate with Western Federal Lands – “no build” is a viable option; however, the District is working to get the project back on track. Crews will be installing several culverts, preparing for next year's chip seals and winter.

Mr. Miles questioned Mr. Fenn on the recent SH-97 overlay project. Mr. Fenn explained that the project was “spotty” and that crews have been working on long-term fixes, mining out soft spots on the shoulders of the roadway. He received an email this morning notifying him that they are running out of money for the project. Chair Weymouth explained that the District's cost-share project with the Carlin Bay residents, at the north end of the ITD project, was dependent on ITD's overlay project. Mr. Fenn noted there had been complaints about too many traffic delays at the north end of the project.

There were no transit or utility representatives present.

Noting the subdivision regulation being handled by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Shanley provided an additional update, noting subdivision activity in Lakes Highway District. Excluding new subdivisions coming in, their Board addressed four new subdivisions during their last Board meeting alone. There are currently nine major subdivisions under construction – all with new public highway district roadways.

Mr. Callahan noted that the Board of County Commissioners authorized he and Nick Snyder, Kootenai County Parks & Waterways Director, to look into a \$50 million open space bond; it will be on the November 2023 General Election Ballot.

## **6. Planning Updates**

### **a. TMC Facilities and Operations Plan Update**

Glenn Miles reported the contract for the Regional Traffic Management Center Facilities and Operations Plan with Iteris and Parametrix was signed September 8<sup>th</sup>. An email requesting information on capital improvement structures has been sent to the jurisdictions. He explained that the requested information is necessary for the consultant to pull the network together. He noted two possible site locations – adjacent to Cracker Barrel off Appleway Avenue and at the ITD pit site off Marie Avenue. The Plan is to be completed by September 2023.

### **b. Population Forecast Update**

Ali Marienau noted that the KMPO Board adopted the 2020-2045 Future Growth Projections. The next step will be to divide the forecast by Traffic Analysis Zone (TAZ); 30 percent of the forecasted dwelling units and a portion of the retail and medical land uses will be hand-placed. Late this week or early next week, she will be reaching out to the jurisdictions to set up a time to work through this process, which will include a review of commercial land uses to ensure a reasonable forecast. Ms. Marienau hoped to have the model update complete by the end of the year. In preparing for that, she will be seeking their review of the current project list to ensure it is up to date for the forecast model; she will also be seeking traffic counts for gap areas. Earlier this year, she had sent out a request seeking information on the 2020 network; she will be contacting those who did not respond, noting the information is needed prior to the model calibration.

### **c. INRIX Street Analytics Training**

Mr. Miles noted KMPO was now under contract with INRIX for Street Analytics. A list of those interested in the training was sent to INRIX. To access the data, user agreements must be in place. Mr. Miles provided an overview of the data available through the program. He commented on the Bridging the Valley project and explained that he will be asking INRIX to “mock” signals at a few at-grade railroad crossings to determine time delays and performance characteristics. BNSF had provided data for crossings at Beck, McGuire, and Pleasant View Roads about four years ago; the average daily delay was seven hours. In addition to travel delays, safety issues and the redistribution of traffic will be of interest. The training will be held on Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and will be recorded for those who are unable to attend. He thanked ITD for their contribution and noted the jurisdictions would have access to the data for the 91 regional signals.

## **7. Idaho Transportation Board Update**

Mr. Fenn commented that he did not have any updates from the last Board meeting. States have received the funding from the Redistribution of Federal Formula Funds in August. He noted the State of Idaho received approximately \$60 million and said he hoped the local agencies received some benefit. The next three Board meetings will be held in Boise – October 20<sup>th</sup>, November 17<sup>th</sup>, and December 5<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Fenn reported that ITD will seek to increase the speed limit on US-95, north of Boekel Road, to 70 miles per hour; he provided some background on the action and said he is hoping the matter will be before the ITD Board during their next meeting.

## **8. Current Business**

### **a. DRAFT FY 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Action Item**

Mr. Miles commented on the draft 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) noting the 30-day public comment period and open house. No comments were received, and no one

attended the open house. A recommendation from KCATT was needed.

**Rob Palus moved to recommend the draft FY 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the KMPO Board for approval. David Callahan seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

Mr. Jump confirmed that they were able to obligate the Boekel Road/Meyer Road intersection project. Mr. Miles explained that would accelerate the project. Mr. Miles noted that this was the only regional project that benefited from the Redistribution funding received by the state.

#### **9. Upcoming KMPO Board Items**

- a. DRAFT FY 2023-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Action Item

Chair Weymouth noted the draft FY 2023-2029 TIP would be before the KMPO Board for approval.

#### **10. Other Business**

- a. KCATT Member Items

Rob Beachler commented that, for the last two years, he has been working with industry on rule-making for broadband access within the state highway right-of-way and noted an upcoming \$300-\$500 million broadband expansion in the State of Idaho. He explained ITD's experience with the process, proposed policies, and industry sponsored legislation, noting ITD's suggestions were not incorporated into the policies. Mr. Beachler said, with the upcoming funding, there will be an increase in unregulated utilities. He felt it would be beneficial for the jurisdictions to have a better understanding – and have policies in place. He noted that there were some very active people engaged in wireless communication and their impacts to communities; the City of Dalton Gardens has one of the strongest ordinances. The public comment period for ITD's Utility Accommodation Policy closes tomorrow; it will be before the ITD Board in October and before the legislature during their next session. In light of his recent role and experience working with broadband policies, Mr. Beachler offered to do a workshop for the committee members and discuss upcoming broadband expansion, design guidelines, zoning, and policies. If they are not prepared, the industry may dictate how they access their right-of-way.

Vice Chair Jump and Mr. Bosley, sharing their experiences with these utilities and the impact they have had on their communities, both expressed great interest in the workshop.

Chair Weymouth thanked Mr. Beachler for bringing the matter to KCATT's attention. Based on the feedback, the committee was very interested in a workshop. Mr. Miles will set it up.

Chair Weymouth reported that he is on the Idaho Standards for Public Works Construction (ISPMC) executive board; he would be happy to address any related questions or concerns.

#### **11. Next Meeting – October 25, 2022**

#### **12. Adjournment**

**With nothing further before the committee, Chair Ben Weymouth adjourned the September 28, 2022 meeting.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

Signature on File  
Recording Secretary