

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 13th, 2025 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 Graham Christensen, Chair
- 2. Changes to the Agenda and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest Action Item
- 3. Approval of February 13th, 2024, Meeting Minutes Action Item
- 4. Public Comments (limited to 3 minutes per person)
- 5. KCATT Recap & Recommendations Robert Palus, KCATT Chair
 - Recap of Activities February 25th, 2025 meeting

6. Administrative Matters

- a. February 2025 KMPO Expenditures Action Item
- b. March 2025 Financial Snapshot
- c. KMPO Office Space Update Action Item
- d. KMPO 2025-2031 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Requests: Notification
 - i. Amendment #7: Modification to KN 12310 Ramsey Road Extension Wyoming to Lancaster increasing STBG-Large Urban funding for Land Purchase

7. Other Business

a. KMPO Call for FTA Section 5339 Capital and Section 5310 Operating and Capital Projects - Notification

8.

Public Transportation (Informational Items Provided to KMPO) - Informational KMPO is not the Designated Recipient of FTA Funding for the provision of transit Service in Kootenai County. These presentations and informational items are provided as a service to the public and to local jurisdictions. Questions related to service, schedules, or concerns should be directed to Kootenai County or the Coeur d' Alene Tribe.

- a. Kootenai County Transit Report Kootenai County Public Transportation Chad Ingle
- 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 10th, 2025
- 12. Adjournment

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Item 3

MEETING MINUTES

Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization Regular Board Meeting February 13, 2025 Post Falls City Council Chambers, Post Falls City Hall, 1st Floor 408 N. Spokane Street, Post Falls, Idaho

Board Members in Attendance:

Jeff Tyler Thomas Shafer Corinne Johnson (alternate) Bruce Mattare, Vice Chairman Graham Christensen, Chairman Steve Adams Damon Allen Jim Kackman Randy Westlund Dan Gookin

Board Members Absent:

John Hodgkins

Staff Present:

Glenn Miles Ali Marienau Kate Williams

Attendees:

Rob Beachler Terry Werner Robert Palus Donna Montgomery Monty Montgomery Chad Ingle Angela Sieverding City of Hayden Worley Highway District Kootenai County East Side Highway District Lakes Highway District ITD, District 1 Coeur d'Alene Tribe City of Post Falls City of Coeur d'Alene

Post Falls Highway District

City of Rathdrum

Executive Director Transportation Planner Administrator

ITD LHTAC City of Post Falls Citizen Citizen Kootenai County East Side Highway District

1. Call to Order – Graham Christensen, Chairman

The regular meeting of the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board was called to order by Chairman Graham Christensen at 1:30 p.m.

Changes to the Agenda and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest No conflicts of interest were declared. Mr. Christensen called to approve the agenda as is, which passed unanimously.

3. Approval of December 12th, 2024, Meeting Minutes – Action Item

Mr. Christensen called for a motion to approve the December 2024 meeting minutes as presented.

Mr. Steve Adams motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Randy Westlund seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

Mr. Robert Kleinjans, Hayden Lake, addressed the KMPO board about a plan by the City of Hayden Lake to create a one-way road on Lakeview Drive, near Miles Ave. This is near where he lives, and he stated his opinion that creating a one-way will not be beneficial to those in the area. He asked who it would be best to speak to about this road change. Mr. Miles explained that KMPO was not directly involved in the management or operational controls of local roads and encouraged him to reach out to Lakes Highway District, as that road is in their jurisdiction.

5. KCATT Recap & Recommendations – Robert Palus, Chairman

a. Recap of Activities from January 28th, 2025 meeting

Mr. Robert Palus introduced himself as the 2025 chairman for KCATT and stated that Mr. Eric Shanley, Lakes Highway District, is serving as the vice-chair. He reported about various jurisdictional projects that were reported on at the KCATT meeting. ITD updated KCATT on the I-90/SH 41 interchange project; they are currently working on pedestrian work, with plans in March to move forward with SPUI portion of the interchange. ITD anticipates closing the westbound off ramps in March and directing traffic to the detour route that will use Seltice Way. Work is being done intermittently on the SH 53Pleasant View Rd. interchange; ITD is coordinating with BNSF to obtain a railroad crossing closure the beginning of March 2025. The I-90 (SH-41 to US-95) project is planned to be advertised March, with plans for construction in the summer of 2025. ITD will hold a public comment open house for the I-90 US-95 Interchange Project on March 5th at the CDA Inn Best Western. Lakes Highway District reported that they received at \$14.5 million grant for the BNSF railway crossing at Brunner Road. The City of Hayden reported they will be holding a preconstruction meeting at the end of January for the Ramsey Road extension project. The City of Rathdrum reported they are working on design work for the Lancaster Ave./Meyer Road intersection project. The City of Coeur d'Alene reported they are working on their Government Way Signal upgrade project. Post Falls Highway District is working on bids for the Hayden Ave./Meyer Road Intersection. They also are meeting with the City of Post Falls to discuss the funding shortfall for the Prairie Trail Pedestrian Underpass. East Side Highway district is working on winter maintenance items. The City of Post Falls is anticipating Seltice Way between Chase Road and McGuire Road to be under construction this summer. Mr. Palus reported that Ms. Ali Marienau, KMPO, gave KCATT the 2025 update on Safety Performance Measures and Targets. She reviewed the data for KCATT that will be presented to the KMPO board under agenda item 7b.

b. STBG Scoring Recommendation

Mr. Palus presented the KCATT recommendation for the STBG Scoring results. He reported that two jurisdictions had submitted projects for KCATT to score, and that the City of Coeur d'Alene's project (15th Street, Harrison Ave. to Best Ave.) scored highest.

After discussion of the scoring process and the projects in question, KCATT voted unanimously for a recommendation that the KMPO board accept the STBG Scoring Results as presented by KMPO, and prioritize the City of Coeur d'Alene project.

6. Administrative Matters

a. December 2024, January 2025 KMPO Expenditures – Action Item

Mr. Glenn Miles reported that KMPO received their 2024 financial audit from the accounting firm of Magnuson, McHugh & Dougherty, and had paid the bill on that account. KMPO also paid for their annual subscription for the travel demand software (VISTRO) used for modeling.

Mr. Randy Westlund motioned to approve expenses for December 2024 and January 2025, as presented. Mr. Jeff Tyler seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

- February 2025 Financial Snapshot
 Mr. Miles reported that KMPO is in good standing and that all accounts are up to date. He stated he is planning to give a more in-depth financial report on KMPO to the board in April.
- c. FY 2024 Financial Audit Reports for Acceptance- Action Item

Mr. Miles offered the board a printed and bound version of the KMPO 2024 financial audit that was created by the accounting firm of Magnuson, McHugh & Dougherty. He reported that the audit had no major findings and that overall KMPO is in good financial standing.

Mr. Jeff Tyler motioned to accept the report as presented. Mr. Randy Westlund seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

d. Updated Engagement Letter Hawley-Troxell-Action Item

Mr. Miles reported to the board that the previous legal counsel representative for KMPO has retired and that the firm has merged with Hawley-Troxell. A new updated letter of engagement was created to reflect the new name of the legal firm and to identify the new attorneys that will represent KMPO.

Mr. Bruce Mattare motioned to accept the new engagement letter with Hawley-Troxell as presented. Mr. Randy Westlund seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

- e. KMPO 2025-2031 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Requests: Notification
 - i. Amendment # 3: Request by the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) to increase funding for KN 20378 and KN 22875

Requests by the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) to increase funding for two currently programmed projects. The first amendment for KN 20378 Huetter Rd UP Railroad Crossing, increases the PE/Utility phase cost of the project by \$400,000 with a life time project cost now estimated at \$420,000. The second amendment modifies KN 22875 Lancaster-Huetter Road Roundabout, increasing the utilities cost of the project by \$266,852 with a life time project cost now estimated at \$2,765,812.

- ii. Amendment #4: ITD modification to realign funding on two projects in FY 2025 in advance of bidding for KN 24305 and KN 24306, I-90, SH-41 to U.S. 95
 Decision to re-align funding for two projects in FY 2025 in advance of project bidding. Both projects are currently within the approved 2025-2031 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), KN 24305 and KN 24306 I-90, SH-41 to U.S. 95 Interchange.
- iii. Amendment #5: Modification to KN 12310 Ramsey Road Extension Wyoming to Lancaster increasing local participation on the project after bid award.
 Request to add \$746,541.00 in local participation to KN 12310 Ramsey Road Extension Wyoming to Lancaster. This will increase the lifetime costs of the project to \$14,986,517 to match the bid awarded project costs.
- iv. Amendment #6: Modification to KN 23349 ALT ROUTE HUETTER BYPASS, NEPA STUDY, KOOTENAI CO. A request to modify KN 23349 Alt Route Huetter Bypass, NEPA Study, revising the name and the scope of work. The project name and scope are being revised to reflect conducting a Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Study prior to entering into NEPA process. The revised name is RATHDRUM PRAIRIE PEL STUDY, KOOTENAI CO, with no beginning or ending milepost as it covers multiple roads in the study area.

7. Other Business

a. STBG Scoring Results- Action Item

Ms. Marienau presented the board with the Service Transportation Block Grant (STBG) application results. Two applications were submitted to KMPO by the December 13th deadline. One from the City of Coeur d'Alene and one from the City of Post Falls. KMPO created a scoring packet with the applications that was sent out to KCATT for review. Five agencies returned scores. KMPO then tallied the scores and adjusted to the scoring, to ensure scores did not exceed maximum points for each category. Scores outside one standard deviation from the average were eliminated, in order to remove any outliers that may skew the results. The City of Coeur d'Alene project- 15th Street (Harrison Ave. to Best Ave.) received a score of 102. The City of Post Falls-5 Lanes from Cecil Ave to Greensferry Road scored 87.3. These scores were reviewed at the January KCATT meeting and a recommendation was given to present the KMPO board with the results; the City of Coeur d'Alene project should have priority if additional funds become available, with the City of Post Falls project in second place for funds.

Mr. Randy Westlund motioned to accept the STBG Scoring Results as presented and give priority to the City of Coeur d'Alene 15th Street Project (Harrison Ave. to Best Ave.). Mr. Steve Adams seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

b. 2025 Safety Performance Targets & Review-Informational

Ms. Marienau, KMPO, presented an update for the KMPO board on the Safety Performance Metrics for Kootenai County (visuals of graphs presented were included in the meeting packet). Ms. Marienau presents an update to the board twice a year, this being the first presentation for 2025. ITD has updated their safety targets for 2025, with no significant changes from prior years targets. She reported that Kootenai County is meeting ITD safety targets for the five performance measures that are tracked. KMPO has specifically been looking at fatalities and contributing factors; in 2024, Kootenai County had 11 fatal crashes with the main contributing factors being failure to maintain lane, alcohol impaired, inattention, speeds too fast for conditions and driving left of center. She made a note that 'failure to obey signal' is a factor that is continuing to appear more over the last four years, now appearing in the top 10 contributing factors. Kootenai County's most harmful events category did not report any fatal crashes that involved a pedestrian or a bicyclist in 2024. On SH-58, there were two fatal crashes within the three miles between the Washington state line and the Coeur d'Alene Casino, creating a high crash-to-VMT ratio there.

There was some discussion over various roads in the county and circumstances around the fatal crashes and if these are happening due to road design flaws or operator errors. Ms. Marienau stated she could look deeper into the data on the two crashes that occurred on SH 58.

8. Public Transportation (Informational Items Provided to KMPO)

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

Mr. Chad Ingle reported on behalf of Kootenai County. The fixed routes saw a 28% increase for the month compared to this month last year. The month of February saw a 21% increase for the fiscal year. Paratransit services saw a 17% decrease, compared to last year, and a 15% decrease for the fiscal year. They have finalized their reporting for Federal Transit, and completed the required updates for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program. He reported the county has updated their agreement with Kootenai Truck and Auto Repair for providing maintenance and repair on the transit vehicles, with a term of three years. They are currently preparing the annual report for FTA's Drug and Alcohol Management Information System, or DAMIS, which is due by March

15. He reported they will have a site visit from ITD on July 23rd, with all required documentation due to ITD by May 23rd. Mr. Ingle reported transit is in the process of developing the program of projects for the fiscal year 2026 through 2030. Once finalized, it will be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for approval, along with a request to publish the public hearing notice in the newspaper. Once approved, it will be incorporated into the Transportation Improvement Plan, and then subsequently into the State Transportation Improvement Plan.

b. Coeur d'Alene Tribe Rural Transit Report

Mr. Ingle reported on behalf of Mr. Alan Erlis. Rural transit is working through a driver shortage and is currently focused on winter conditions.

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

Mr. Miles provided his director's report. The Urban Balancing Committee met the previous week in Boise, and discussed moving projects around to get some additional funds for the Prairie Trail Pedestrian Underpass project. Urban Balancing Committee will be meeting this week with upper management to discuss if any additional carbon funds are available to expend. The City of Post Falls has made a commitment to an elementary school that will be impacted by the Chase Railroad Crossing project to hold off on work during the school year. KMPO is working to swap this project with another metropolitan area so that the other MPO project can move forward this year and the Chase Railway Crossing project will be postponed until next year with construction in June 2026 rather than while school is in session. KMPO should know more by April. Mr. Miles reported he had received some information regarding the Executive Orders on funding the formula funds. As of late last week, the formula funds will not be part of the freeze in terms of project funding, so projects that are currently under grant contract, will be able to move forward. The federal government did pull the Notice of Funding Opportunities for a range of federally competitive grants and are redoing the criteria for the selection of projects. The Notice of Funding Opportunities will be reposted when those revised criteria get published.

10. Board Member Comments

Mr. Jeff Tyler, Post Falls Highway District, commented that the district has just implemented a new program that would allow employees to opt out of district supplied health care benefits, and in return receive 50% of the saved funds as cash. The other 50% is retained as savings by the district. According to Mr. Tyler this might be an option for any taxing district to save on health care costs. If anyone is interested in learning more about the program they have implemented, please reach out to Post Falls Highway District.

11. Next Meeting – March 13th, 2025

Mr. Christensen motioned to adjourn the regular meeting of the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board on February 13th, 2025, and with no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Recording Secretary

KMPO Board Packet Agenda Item





KOOTENAI METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

EXPENSES

February, 2025

As of this date **March 13, 2025** the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization Board approves reimbursements and payments made for expenses in **February, 2025** included in the following list, in the amount of **\$39,220.41**

Chair: _____

			Kooten	ai Metropolitan Planning	Organization	3:24 PM	
	Monthly Expense Report						
February 2025							
	Check	Debit Card	02/03/2025	Rackspace Inc	Rackspace February 2025 Email & Archive Hosting	61.86	
	Check	ACH	02/03/2025	Unum	Unum February Premium	226.18	
	Liability Check	ACH	02/05/2025	Regence Blue Shield of Idaho	Regence February 2025 Premium	5,196.48	
	Check	Debit Card	02/06/2025	Adobe Store North America	Adobe Monthly Subscription 3 seats	71.97	
	Check	ACH	02/06/2025	Vision Service Plan	VSP February 2025 Premium	34.73	
	Liability Check	ACH	02/07/2025	Delta Dental	February Premium	654.18	
	Liability Check	ACH	02/10/2025	Idaho State Tax Commission	ldaho Tax Withholding Jan 2025	577.00	
Liability Check E-pay 02/11/2025 Liability Check E-pay 02/11/2025 Check 3720 02/11/2025		United States Treasury	Federal Withholding 1-25-25 to 2-07-25	2,754.74			
		United States Treasury	Federal Withholding 2-8-2025 to 2-21-25	2,732.54			
		AVISTA	AVISTA February Utilities	96.51			
	Check	3721	02/11/2025	Post Falls Chamber of Commerce	Post Falls Chamber of Commerce 2025 Membership	300.00	
	Check	3722	02/11/2025	Glenn F. Miles	GFM CAGTC D.C. Alaska Ticket ABFOPF	1,187.33	
Liability Check		ACH	02/12/2025	2/2025 PERSI Choice Plan PERSI Choice 401K Employee Contibution NEXEN Transfe		1,550.00	
	Check	3723	02/12/2025	Glenn F. Miles	GFM Urban Balancing Meeting 2/5-6/2025 Meridian ID	1,092.63	
	Check	Debit Card	02/12/2025	Allianz Travel Insurance	AMM Trip to D.C. May 13-15-2025 Travel Insurance	66.29	
	Check	ACH	02/12/2025	TDS Telecom	TDS Phone and ISP February 2025	135.42	
	Liability Check	ACH	02/13/2025	PERSI	Contributions 1-25-25 to 2-07-25	2,160.12	
	Check	Debit Card	02/13/2025	Saw mill Grille	Pre-Board Lunch Meeting	54.48	
	Check	Debit Card	02/13/2025	Alaska Airlines	A, Marienau CAGTC Flight May 13-15 DCA	1,205.35	
	Check	Debit Card	02/19/2025	Intuit	Intuit February 2025 Usage Fee and Compliance Poster	114.27	
	Check	Debit Card	02/19/2025	Zoom Video Communications	February Web Meeting Hosting	15.99	
	Liability Check	E-pay	02/27/2025	United States Treasury	Federal Withholding	2,741.96	
	Liability Check	ACH	02/28/2025	PERSI	Persi Contributions NEXEN Transfer	2,150.41	
	Liability Check	ACH	02/28/2025	PERSI Choice Plan	Choice 401K Contributions NEXEN Transfer	1,550.00	
	Check	3727	02/28/2025	Alexandria M Marienau	AMM ITD Planner Summit 2025 Boise ID 2-24 to 2-25-25	654.07	
	Liability Check	ACH	02/28/2025	Idaho State Tax Commission	Idaho February 2025 Employment Withholding	583.00	
					Subtotal February Operating Expenses	27,967.51	
					Subtotal February Salaries and Wages	11,252.90	
L					Total February Expenses	\$39,220.41	



Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization

February 28, 2025

Monthly Financial Snapshot

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		Payroll Liabilities	8,444.87
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20	Payroll Expenses		
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March 5, 2025

TO:	KMPO Board Members
FROM:	Glenn F. Miles, Executive Director
SUBJECT:	KMPO Office Space Lease

Status of KMPO Office Space:

A family trust, which own the KMPO office space, have indicated their intention to place the office unit up for sale later this spring. They also indicated other units in the building that were under their ownership, have been sold over the past year and current lease holders did not have their leases renewed by the new owners. They further indicated that when KMPO's lease is up for renewal the end of September, we should not expect the lease to be renewed. The office spaces in the building are currently at 100 % occupancy, with mostly now owner-occupied tenants.

Background:

KMPO has been leasing the current office space since July, 2011 when the KMPO Board decided to open an office in Coeur d' Alene and retain staff. Since that time, the office space has had three different owners, with the property currently being held in a family trust account. They have decided to sell KMPO's office unit later this spring, and wanted to let us know so KMPO would have time to either consider buying the unit or making arrangements to look at other office space locations prior to the end of our multi-year lease that expires in September.

With this advance notice, KMPO has a few options that I believe should be considered.

- 1. Assess the viability of acquiring the office space at the time it is placed on the market
- 2. Begin the search of alternative office space to evaluate price, location and availability
- 3. Waiting until there is a new owner to see if a new lease can be secured; and at a reasonable price

KMPO has Board authority within the Joint Powers Agreement to acquire and hold property and/or enter into a long-term lease. At this time, I would recommend initiating the evaluation of Options 1 and 2 now, so in the event the office unit is placed on the market earlier than anticipated, the Board will be in a position to take action, providing direction on what to pursue.



February 25, 2025

TO: Noah Ipaye, Senior Research Analyst

FROM: Glenn F. Miles, Executive Director

SUBJECT: 2025-2031 KMPO TIP Amendment # 7 Modification to KN 12310 Ramsey Road Extension – Wyoming to Lancaster increasing STBG-Large Urban funding for Land Purchase

A City of Hayden request for an additional \$600,000.00 in STBG-LU funding to KN 12310 Ramsey Road Extension – Wyoming to Lancaster for Land Purchase (LP) was approved by the ITD Large Urban Balancing Committee. This maintains the lifetime costs of the project to \$14,986,517 to match the bid awarded project costs.

								FY 2025		
District	Key No	Location	MPO Program		Funding Source Work		Phases	Action	Costs	Lifetime Costs
1	12310	SMA-7905, RAMSEY RD; WYOMING AVE TO LANCASTER RD	КМРО	STBG- Large Urban	STBG- LU	NEW RTE	LP	Increase	600,000	14,986,517

KMPO Amendment #7 FY 2025-2031 provides for the modification of the FY 2025 program year for a carry-over project awarded in FY 2024 to increase the STBG-LU funds previously approved to offset local participation amount after the construction bid award. This project is currently within the funded program and the modification does not material change the project. This project has been through the required and concluded public involvement processes as part of the original programming to support the modifications. Based on representations by the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC), the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization incorporates **Amendment #7** effective February 25, 2025.



March 5, 2025

TO:	KMPO Board Members
FROM:	Glenn F. Miles, Executive Director
SUBJECT:	KMPO FTA Section 5339 and Section
	5310 Call for Projects

Background:

Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization (KMPO), in coordination with ITD Public Transportation Office is responsible for the priority and selection of Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Capital Grant and Section 5310 Elderly and Handicapped Operations and Capital program grants for the Coeur d' Alene Urbanized Area. A call for projects is typically conducted every three to five years to develop a program of projects, which in this call will be for 2026-203.

Section 5339 Capital program: applications are typically for capital facilities, such as bus shelters, transit centers, maintenance facilities or vehicle (rolling stock) procurements for regular fixed route or complimentary paratransit service. Depending on the project, the local match can range between 20% to 50% of the total project cost. Once prioritized and selected by the KMPO Board, these projects are awarded to the successful applicant as a subrecipient by the Idaho Transportation Department.

Section 5310 Grant Program: Applications for these grant funds are typically for either facilities or services. The funds have a primary focus on elderly and handicapped transportation, which goes beyond the ADA required complimentary paratransit service for traditional fixed route service and are routinely used to support door to door service for a wide variety of trip purposes. These funds can also be used to acquire paratransit vehicles, as well as constructing sidewalks where they do not currently exist and are located in areas with gaps that prevent elderly and handicapped access to existing public transportation services.

Each application is reviewed for projects ability to improve elderly and handicapped accessibility to transportation services and facilities such as hospitals, clinics, doctors' offices, dialysis, retail stores etc.

There is a wide range of eligible recipients that can apply for Section 5310 funding, such as cities, non-profit organizations, as well as senior or community centers providing service to the elderly or handicapped. Interested applicants are encouraged to contact either KMPO or the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD Public Transportation Office for eligibility and guidance questions.

The tentative schedule would be to have the prioritized list of projects selected by the June KMPO Board meeting.

Item 7a.

KMPO Board Packet Agenda Item



DATE:March 4, 2025TO:KMPO Board MembersFROM:Glenn F. Miles, Executive DirectorSUBJECT:Director's Report

Here is a recap of KMPO's activities through March 4, 2025

WE WILL MEET AT THE CITY OF POST FALLS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Planning Activities:

KMPO Update of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan:

The Rathdrum Prairie PEL Study presented in December is has essentially completed the criteria metrics for narrowing down the Phase 2 alternative and the analysis of the public comments received during the public comment period. KMPO, ITD and HDR Inc. have completed the travel demand model runs necessary to apply the criteria to the alternatives. That activity is currently underway by the HDR Inc team. It is expected the next public outreach will provide the results of the analysis will occur in the latter part of March or early April.

Fiscal Year 2025 Projects and Program Update:

For Fiscal Year 2025, which began on October 1st, there are several major projects that currently underway or are expected to be under construction. These are some of the major projects.

- Ramsey Road Extension from Wyoming to Lancaster is under construction and is expected to be completed by this fall. SH-41, I-90 Single Point Urban Interchange. This project continues through 2025. Significant delays should be expected with the westbound off ramp closure and as the Interstate mainline will have several temporary moves as the permanent alignment is constructed and the interchange is offset to the north of its previous location.
- Pleasant View Interchange at SH-53 and the BNSF rail crossing in currently under construction. Expect construction related delays throughout 2025 and into 2026, as the new interchange is constructed along with the BNSF rail overpass.
- I-90 Widening from SH-41 to U.S. 95 is expected to go to bid in March and construction starting in late April or May. This will be a multi-year project, constructing new bridges at the Prairie Trail, Atlas Road and Huetter Road, as well as widening I-90 to four lanes in each direction. Expect delays as lanes are shifted to accommodate construction activities.
- Prairie Trail Underpass is currently finishing final design and anticipated to be ready for bid. There is currently a funding short-fall of approximately \$1,000,000 on the project and additional Carbon Reductions funds are currently being sought from ITD Headquarter. Unless additional funds are found, the project may be delayed to FY 2027 and incorporated into the final construction of Prairie Avenue from Meyer Road to SH-41.

Fiscal Year 2025 Call for STBG Large Urban Projects Update: Last month, the KMPO Board approved the Coeur d' Alene 15th Street Project and City of Post Falls Prairie Avenue Widening project for inclusion into the STBG Large Urban program as funds for programming become available. The Urban Balancing Committee will be meeting in early April to begin the 2026-2032 Federal Program Update. The 15th Street Project will be considered this year for inclusion into the six year program.

Upcoming Activities:

KMPO and the KCATT committee will be hosting meeting at the Coeur d' Alene Inn on March 11th inviting local agencies and utilities of all types to participate in conversation on upcoming projects in Kootenai County that may impact either or both groups. The outcome of the meeting will be used to update the KMPO Construction map that is used by various groups to identify and coordinate with each other on their projects to ensure more efficient and timely construction activities and if necessary, relocation of utilities.

In addition, KCATT will be have a presentation during their March 25th on the potential to develop a unified pavement cut policy within Kootenai County. This would be developed to ensure consistent requirements when cuts are necessary into public roadways across the county.

KMPO will also be releasing the FTA Section 5339 and Section 5310 grant application cycle in March. KMPO staff has been working with ITD's Public Transportation Office to update the application that will be used to identify, prioritize and select projects for funding that will be available from 2026-2031 for use on eligible public transportation services and capital improvements.

As always, should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office. If your agency would like a presentation on what KMPO does, we would be more than happy to schedule a time for a workshop.