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## **Three Cities River Crossing: COMPASS Board Recommends “No Build” Option**

*Meridian, ID* – The Board of Directors of the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) weighed in on Monday on the future of the proposed Three Cities River Crossing road project. The Board voted to recommend a “no build” option at its July 19, 2010, meeting.

The Three Cities River Crossing project evaluates constructing an additional bridge across the Boise River somewhere between Glenwood Street and Eagle Road. An Environmental Impact Study on the project is nearly complete and now must be finalized. Part of that process is for a “build” or “no build” decision to be made.

The Ada County Highway District (ACHD) is the project sponsor and will make a “build” or “no build” recommendation to the Federal Highway Administration. The ACHD Commissioners will vote on their recommendation to the Federal Highway Administration on July 21, 2010. Visit the ACHD web page for additional information on the Commission meeting: [www.achdidaho.org/MeetingsAgendas/CommissionMeeting.aspx](http://www.achdidaho.org/MeetingsAgendas/CommissionMeeting.aspx).

The ACHD Commissioners requested input from the COMPASS Board before making their decision. Following presentations to the Board by ACHD staff in both June and July, the Board recommended the “no build” option, citing lack of financial resources to pay for the project as the primary reason for the recommendation.

A “no build” decision by ACHD and ultimately the Federal Highway Administration would essentially mean the project would stop at the completion of the Environmental Impact Statement and no additional work would be done at this time. It does not preclude ACHD from revisiting the project in the future.

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