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Work Group: Freight Advisory Workgroup (FAWG)
Staff Liaison: Liisa Itkonen

Purpose:

The purpose of the Freight Advisory Workgroup is to advise and provide input on freight-related issues and needs, and help integrate freight into *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* (CIM 2040 2.0). The workgroup will facilitate information sharing and coordination among organizations, and advocate for freight considerations in transportation project prioritization and implementation.

Tasks:

1. Identify freight needs and deficiencies.
2. Advise on the development and products of the FY2017 freight study scope and work plan as well as corresponding consultant support.
3. Advise on integration of freight considerations into CIM 2040 2.0.
4. Provide input into freight improvement priorities and projects, and implementation.
5. Share information about regional freight and the long-range transportation plan with constituents; provide feedback to COMPASS.
6. Make recommendations to the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC). Staff liaison will coordinate communication between the COMPASS Freight Advisory Workgroup and RTAC.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Provide input on freight transfer centers and generators project/scope by November 2016.
2. Freight component needs of the regional transportation system for CIM 2040 2.0 system by February 2017.
3. Provide input on industrial lands inventory project/scope by April 2017.
4. Provide input on freight providers selected for the supply chain evaluation by April 2017.
5. Provide input on freight stakeholder interviews by July 2017.
6. Host Freight and Land Use Workshop by September 2017.

The Freight Advisory Workgroup is anticipated to meet four times in FY2017.

Membership:

Membership in the FAWG will be drawn from: local/regional producers and processors, trucking companies and major shippers, rail companies, chambers of commerce, highway districts, and other agencies as appropriate.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee: July 12, 2016

Charter approved by COMPASS Board: August 15, 2016

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2017

All decisions and recommendations of COMPASS workgroups are reached through consensus and there are no quorum requirements for workgroups. All workgroup meetings are open to anyone interested in attending. Individuals interested in attending should contact the staff liaison to obtain the scheduled meeting dates and planned agendas.