MERIDIAN, Idaho — The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) is looking for public comment on a draft seven-year budget of transportation projects in Ada and Canyon Counties. COMPASS is also wanting
comment on a proposed amendment to Communities in Motion 2040 2.0, the long-range transportation plan.

“The budget, called the Regional Transportation Improvement Program, or ‘TIP,’ outlines how federal, state, and, in some cases, local transportation funding will be spent over the next seven years in Ada and Canyon Counties,” said COMPASS Principal Planner Toni Tisdale. “The funding supports a range of projects from widening the interstate, to buying buses and commuter vans, to building pathways. In addition, much of the funding is budgeted specifically to maintain the existing transportation system.”

Each project has a description, costs and funding and information on how it relates to regional goals and performance targets. It is updated each year with projects normally added several years before they are expected to be built. This allows time for planning, design and other preparation.

Some of the projects in the Fiscal Year 2021-2027 TIP include:

- Widening portions of US 20/26 (Chinden Boulevard) in Ada and Canyon Counties, Cole Road in the City of Boise, and Eagle Road in the City of Meridian.
- Replacing public transportation vehicles (buses and vans) in Ada and Canyon Counties.
- Constructing a multi-use pathway in the City of Meridian and a bicycle and pedestrian bridge over the north channel of the Boise River in the City of Eagle.

Several changes to the list of "funded" projects in Communities in Motion 2040 2.0 are proposed as amendments to the plan. You can review the proposed projects here and give your feedback.

COMPASS is accepting comments on an air quality conformity demonstration. The demonstration must show the projects will not cause the area to exceed established air population "budgets."