

Keeping Up With COMPASS

July 2021

A newsletter for COMPASS members to keep abreast of COMPASS Board, committee, and workgroup actions.

Board of Directors – June 21, 2021

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Next meeting date: August 16, 2021

June Action Items:

- Executive Director Annual Review. Following a discussion in Executive Session, voted to retain the COMPASS Executive Director and delay any decision regarding a salary increase until after discussion of the FY2022 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget.
- FY2021-2027 TIP. Approved an [amendment and Board administrative modification](#) to the FY2021-2027 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change the scope of a culvert replacement project, increase the cost of a public transportation vehicle replacement project, fund projects with new Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) funding, and balance other project funding.
- High-Capacity Transit. Approved a “locally favored” high-capacity transit option of regional rail on the Boise Cutoff alignment. This option will be reflected in *Communities in Motion 2050* (CIM 2050), including the CIM 2050 Vision for growth and transportation and the overall 2050 public transportation system.
- Fiscal Impact Analysis Policy. Reviewed the newly developed Fiscal Impact Analysis tool and approved a [policy](#) to guide how and when COMPASS staff will use the tool as a member service.

June Information/Discussion Items:

- Legislative Issues. Received a status report on state and federal legislative issues.
- Travel Survey. Received an overview of the 2021 travel survey data study.
- CIM 2050 Vision. Reviewed the process for developing the CIM 2050 Vision (preferred growth and transportation scenario), which will provide the demographic basis for CIM 2050. The draft CIM 2050 Vision will be brought to the Board of Directors for action in the August 16, 2021, Board meeting.

Finance Committee – June 17, 2021 – Cancelled Due to Lack of Quorum

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Next meeting date: July 15, 2021

Regional Transportation Advisory Committee – June 23, 2021

More information: www.compassidaho.org/people/rtacmeetings.htm

Next meeting date: July 28, 2021

June Action Item:

- TMA Balancing. Approved actions to balance the Surface Transportation Block Grant program in the Transportation Management Area (TMA).

June Information/Discussion Items:

- Design Effects on Speed. Received an overview how road building and design affects vehicle speeds.
- VRT Planning. Received an update on Valley Regional Transit's (VRT's) regional planning and prioritization processes and timing.
- CIM 2050 Funding Policy. Reviewed the draft funding policy for *Communities in Motion 2050* (CIM 2050). The committee will receive the policy with a request for Board of Director's recommendation in the July 28, 2021, RTAC meeting.
- Travel Survey. Received an overview of the 2021 travel survey data study.

Workgroups

Freight Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: June 3, 2021

Highlights:

- Provided feedback on the congestion management process toolkit.
- Received an update on the I-84/I-184 corridor operations plan.
- Reviewed the draft workgroup charter for FY2022.

Next meeting date: Summer 2021

Active Transportation Workgroup

Meeting date: June 14, 2021

Highlights:

- Reviewed the COMPASS Participation Plan.
- Reviewed and provided feedback on the COMPASS Congestion Management Process toolkit.
- Discussed the 2050 Regional Pathways and Bikeways Plan in light of Ada County Highway District's new policy regarding bicycle and pedestrian facilities along roadways.

Next meeting date: Late July 2021

Rails with Trails Workgroup

Meeting date: June 30, 2021

Highlights:

- Reviewed work completed to date on rails with trails.
- Discussed the upcoming merger of the Rails with Trails Workgroup with the Active Transportation Workgroup.
- Reviewed the draft FY2022 Active Transportation Workgroup charter.

Next meeting date: None; last meeting for this workgroup. Member are invited to attend the next Active Transportation Workgroup meeting in late July; the merger of the workgroups will officially occur on October 1, 2021.

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