

**Get to Know
Clear Creek
County Commissioner
Tim Mauck**



Tim is originally from Denver, Colorado and graduated from Manual High School. He attended Catholic University of America in Washington DC. While in D.C. Tim worked as a staffer for then U.S. Congressman Mark Udall. After returning to Colorado he joined the staff of Clear Creek County in 2001.

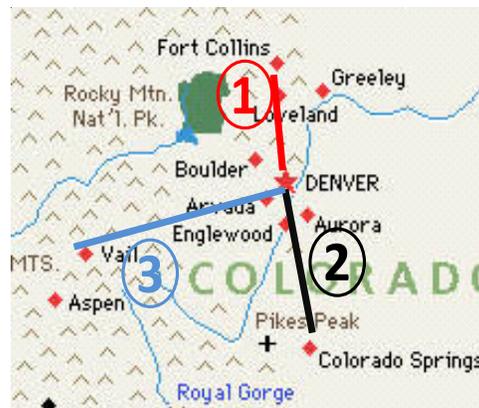
In 2010 Tim was elected to the Clear Creek Board of County Commissioners. As Commissioner, he has focussed on economic development, enhancing Clear Creek’s recreational and tourism industries, as well as development strategies to improve transportation along Interstate 70. Tim sits on the I-70 Coalition Board and is their representative to the Transit and Rail Advisory Committee. He is also involved in various Project Leadership Teams for transportation related projects, including the widening of the Twin Tunnels.

An avid backpacker and sportsman, Tim worked with a business partner to start a new non-profit organization, The Bull Moose Sportsmen’s Alliance, dedicated to promoting wildlife conservation and hunting and fishing opportunities nationwide.

Interregional Express

In January the Transportation Commission approved the Interregional Express (IX) Bus plan and implementation. With this historic passage, CDOT will become a transit/bus provider by contracting with a private bus operator to offer express bus service on the following corridors:

- 1 I-25 Corridor, connecting Fort Collins, Larimer and Weld Counties to Denver Union Station (DUS).
- 2 I-25 Corridor, connecting Colorado Springs and El Paso County to DUS.
- 3 I-70 Corridor, connecting Glenwood Springs, Eagle County, Vail and Summit County to the Denver Federal Center and DUS.



CDOT has a multi-modal mission, and the creation of the Division of Transit & Rail (DTR) in 2009 gave CDOT the authority to operate transit service. The FASTER Transit program provides the sustainable funding stream to allow the service to continue year after year. During 2014, buses will be procured and a private operator selected. The bus manufacture is the long lead item, and once the buses are delivered and tested, service will begin in late 2014 or early 2015.

Our highway system provides connectivity throughout the state. There are over 50 local transit systems, but the transit connection between these communities is lacking. CDOT’s IX is a start at giving travelers a mode choice as they plan their travel between population and employment centers; the IX connects six of the state’s largest local transit systems and the communities they serve.

DTR is also developing the first Statewide Transit Plan, as part of the Statewide Transportation Plan. This effort will be complete this summer, and will identify the vision for a statewide transit system. So, stay tuned for more on CDOT’s transit future!

Interchange Milestone

This issue marks the 100th edition of the Interchange Newsletter. The Colorado Department Of Transportation (CDOT) Office of Policy & Government Relations developed the Interchange Newsletter in 2006 in order to provide an in-depth understanding of transportation issues and background information for elected officials at the local, state and federal levels of government. Interchange is a monthly publication that is sent via email to a list of over 200 readers. Each month Interchange explores policy level issues related to topics like federal funding, state legislative proposals, public information enhancements, CDOT management changes and major project updates.

One feature that is unique to Interchange is the Person of the Month where an elected official or transportation policy maker is featured. Over the years Interchange has featured Members of Congress, Mayors, FHWA Administrators, Secretaries of Transportation and County Commissioners, helping readers to get to know a bit more about key leaders in the transportation realm.

For more information or to be added to the monthly distribution list please contact Thomas Lorz, Interchange Editor, Thomas.lorz@state.co.us.

Legislative Update

The first month of the legislative session has passed and as of mid-February 452 bills and resolutions have been introduced. Currently, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is monitoring 58 bills with impacts to transportation law, the department, and its employees. Early in the Session Governor Hickenlooper mentioned CDOT in his State address before a joint session of the House and Senate. In his remarks, the Governor called attention to the Colorado Department of Transportation's (CDOT) work on the Twin Tunnels, Responsible Acceleration of Maintenance and Partnerships (RAMP) program, flood-related highway and bridge repair efforts, and a "lean" effort that improved CDOT contracting timelines.

Most recently on February 13th, the Joint Transportation Committee held a hearing on U.S. 36 and the concessionaire agreement. Both CDOT and HPTE discussed the agreement's terms and the negotiating process.

Local partners, including mayors, county commissioners, and business leaders also attended and expressed support for the project and discussed the necessity to find innovative approaches in funding key transportation priorities.

For more information on legislative issues please contact CDOT Legislative Liaison Kurt Morrison (303) 757-9703 and for the latest weekly legislative memo and a link to CDOT's bill tracking chart, visit: <http://www.coloradodot.info/about/governmentrelations/state-government-liason>.



Renovations to the Capitol dome are coming to an end (late January 2014)

Upcoming Events

Colorado Transportation Commission Workshops/Meeting

February 19-20, 2014

CDOT Headquarters in Denver, CO

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CML: Effective Governance for Elected Officials

February 24, 2014

CO Municipal League in Denver, CO

Website: www.cml.org

Progressive 15 Legislative Day

March 5, 2014

State Capitol in Denver, CO

Website: www.progressive15.org

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