



**DATE:** March 19, 2015  
**TO:** Transportation Commission  
**FROM:** Debra Perkins-Smith, Director, Division of Transportation Development  
**SUBJECT:** Adoption of 2040 Statewide Transportation Plan

Purpose

This memo highlights the development of the 2040 Statewide Transportation Plan (SWP) and key components.

Action

Transportation Commission adoption of the 2040 SWP.

Background

The SWP has been developed in close coordination with the Statewide Planning Committee of the Transportation Commission and with the Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC).

Significant milestones in SWP development include:

<i>Milestones</i>	<i>Date</i>
Transportation Commission (TC) adoption of revised Statewide Planning Rules (2 CCR 601-21) to guide transportation planning process based on federal and state requirements.	October 2012
TC adoption of revenue projections for 2016-2040 used in the development of the SWP, Regional Transportation Plans, and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).	March 2013
Coordination with the five Metropolitan Planning Regions (MPOs) in the development of Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs).	May 2013 - December 2014
Development of 10 RTPs for Rural Transportation Planning Regions (TPRs).	May 2013-December 2014
Launch of SWP website- <a href="http://www.coloradotransportationmatters.com">www.coloradotransportationmatters.com</a> . Used as a mechanism for public outreach and engagement and to roll out elements of the SWP as developed including key data findings, other CDOT modal and topical Plans, RTPs, and other information.	October 2013 - ongoing
Public outreach through Telephone Town Halls conducted in each TPR to obtain public input on key transportation issues to help shape the SWP and RTPs.	April - June 2014
MPO, RTP, Other Modal and Topic Plans Integrated into SWP	January 2013 - October 2014
SWP Committee and STAC review of draft SWP Executive Summary	November 2014
SWP and RTPs released for 30-day public review and comment period	Dec. 5, 2014 - January 4, 2015
Refinements and enhancements made to SWP Executive Summary and SWP Web-based Plan components as a result of SWP Committee, STAC, FHWA, and local planning partners comments.	January - February 2015
TC adoption of revised Policy Directive 14	February 2015
TC SWP Committee recommends adoption by full TC in March contingent upon no significant changes as a result of Feb. 20 STAC review	February 2015
STAC recommends staff take SWP to TC for adoption in March	February 2015

Details

The Web-based 2040 SWP and the Executive Summary document is located on the [www.coloradotransportationmatters.com](http://www.coloradotransportationmatters.com) website.

A SWP Executive Summary video will be presented at the March TC meeting. Key highlights of the Executive Summary video include:

- *SWP Multimodal Goals and Objectives*
- *Transportation Planning Regions and RTPs*



- *Integration of other CDOT Modal and Topic Plans*
- *Public Outreach*
- *Colorado's Transportation Needs, Available Revenue and Funding Gap*
- *Investment Strategies*
- *Strategic Actions*
- *Plan Implementation and Tracking Progress*

#### Key Benefits

The 2040 Statewide Transportation Plan:

- Is CDOT's roadmap for the next 10 and 25 years;
- Contains goals and objectives that will guide future investment decisions, project selection, and programming;
- Is a resource for communicating with the public on important transportation needs, priorities, and the lack of revenue; and
- Includes strategies for implementing the SWP and a commitment to stakeholders to report on progress made.

#### Next Steps

- Adopt the 2040 SWP and move forward with plan implementation and reporting activities.
- The Statewide Plan will be amended via resolution as the MPO Plans are adopted. To date, the DRCOG and Grand Valley RTPs have been adopted by their respective boards. This is a formality. Integration of all MPO plans has been included in the SWP as they were being developed.

#### Attachments

Attachment A: Resolution



**Resolution Number TC-XXXX**

Resolution for Adoption of 2040 Statewide Transportation

**WHEREAS**, the Colorado Transportation Commission (the Commission) has statutory authority pursuant to §43-1-106 Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.) to approve, accept, and amend various planning documents resulting from 23 United States Code (U.S.C.) 135 and §43-1-1101 through 1105 C.R.S.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), and the Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee have developed a web-based 2040 Statewide Transportation Plan (Plan) and Executive Summary document that serves as a roadmap for the next 10 and 25 years in identifying future needs, as well as strategic actions and investment strategies to achieve plan goals and performance measures; and

**WHEREAS**, the goals and objectives of the Plan are based on Policy Directive 14: Policy Guiding Statewide Plan Development, that establishes goals, measures and objectives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan contains statewide major corridors and regional priority investment corridors that are used to identify transportation needs, develop priorities, and focus input from the public and from public agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan integrates key elements of the five Metropolitan Regional Transportation Plans, and the 10 Rural Regional Transportation Plans; and

**WHEREAS**, the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG), and Grand Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (GVMPO) Regional Transportation Plans have been adopted by their respective Boards, the Plan will be amended by Transportation Commission resolution as other MPO Regional Transportation Plans are adopted; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan integrates the CDOT modal plans including the Statewide Transit Plan, Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, Colorado State Freight and Passenger Rail Plan, Colorado Aviation System Plan, and Colorado Freight Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan integrates other CDOT plans, including the Strategic Highway Safety Plan, Statewide Transportation System Management & Operations Plan, and Risk-Based Asset Management Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan will guide future investment decisions, project selection, and programming, and support achievement of plan goals and performance objectives; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Commission adopts the 2040 Statewide Transportation Plan.

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Herman Stockinger, Secretary  
Transportation Commission of Colorado

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Date