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MERIDIAN TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM V-E

DATE: August 2, 2021

Topic: Draft FY2022-2028 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project List

Request/Recommendation:

For information only.

Background/Summary:

The TIP is a short-term (five-to-seven year) budget of federally funded and regionally significant transportation projects in Ada and Canyon Counties. It is updated annually, with a public involvement period in the summer and approval by the COMPASS Board of Directors in the fall.

The draft FY2022-2028 TIP and the associated air quality conformity document is available for public review and comment from August 2 through 31, 2021. Some of the changes also affect the funded list of projects in *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* (CIM 2040 2.0). Therefore, we are requesting public comment on a proposed amendment to CIM 2040 2.0 to address those changes in tandem with the TIP public comment period.

The draft TIP project list is available for your review in three formats, as summarized below. The first two include all projects (new, existing, and changed), while the third lists only major changes (as compared to the FY2021-2027 TIP). All of the reports, summarized below, as well as fact sheets to assist in understanding TIP language and funding sources are available on the COMPASS website: <https://www.compassidaho.org/prodserv/transimprovement.htm>.

- Draft FY2022-2028 TIP Detailed Project List - provides funding details and a description of each project. (78 pages).
- Draft FY2022-2028 TIP Basic Project List - provides a summarized version of each project.
- Major Changes List - provides a summary of new or removed projects, projects with advanced or delayed construction, and projects with major changes in scope, as compared to the FY2021-2027 TIP.

Additional changes may still occur as a result of public comment and additional reviews.

Notes:

- Key numbers for new projects are temporary and start with the letters "ORN" (for Office of Transportation Investment reference number). Some ORN numbers are not yet available, and the key number may simply be reported as "new" until an official number is assigned.
- Some projects use local agency key numbers, as they are locally funded and not included in the Idaho Transportation Department's tracking system. These key numbers typically start with an alphabetical reference (e.g., RD2016-05).

- When construction for a project is beyond the first five years of the TIP, the year of construction is not always known. In those cases, you will see “PD” (for “preliminary development”) instead of a specific project year. This serves as a placeholder until a project year is known.

Next Steps:

- August 2 through 31, 2021 – Public comment period
- August 12, 2021 – Open houses
 - 10:00 a.m. – Virtual open house at www.facebook.com/COMPASSIdaho/
 - 3:00-6:00 p.m. – In-person open house in the COMPASS Board Room (1st Floor) located at 700 NE 2nd Street, Meridian, Idaho
- September 22, 2021 – RTAC recommendation of Board of Directors’ adoption requested on FY2022-FY2028 TIP
- September 2021 – Adoption of the FY2022-2028 Idaho Transportation Investment Program requested from Idaho Transportation Board
- October 18, 2021 – COMPASS Board action requested on FY2022-2028 TIP

The FY2022-2028 TIP will not be official until adopted by the COMPASS and Idaho Transportation Boards and approved by Federal Highway and Federal Transit Administrations. The current FY2021-2027 TIP will remain in effect until final approval of the FY2022-2028 TIP, which is expected by December 31, 2021.

Agencies with new projects or major changes to current projects in the FY2022-2028 TIP cannot act on those changes until federal approval of the FY2022-2028 TIP is obtained. However, an amendment to the FY2021-2027 TIP may be processed for actions that need to occur prior to federal approval.

More Information:

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