

Division of Transit & Rail Advisory Committee (TRAC)

Kick-Off Meeting
January 31, 2011

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AGENDA

- Opening Remarks 10 minutes
- Introductions 20 minutes
- Overview of DTR 30 minutes
- Charter Development
 - Purpose & Scope
 - Agreements
- Brainstorming

Division of Transit & Rail (DTR)

Senate Bill 09-094

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DTR Overview

Interfaces

- Integration with the Statewide transportation processes
 - STAC
- Integration with other CDOT Divisions and Regions
- Staff to Transportation Commission's Transit & Intermodal Committee
- Division representation on the CDOT Executive Management Team
- Partnership with CASTA/Board
- Liaison with Railroads
- Member of DUSPA Board
- Lead agency for the State Coordination Council

DTR Overview

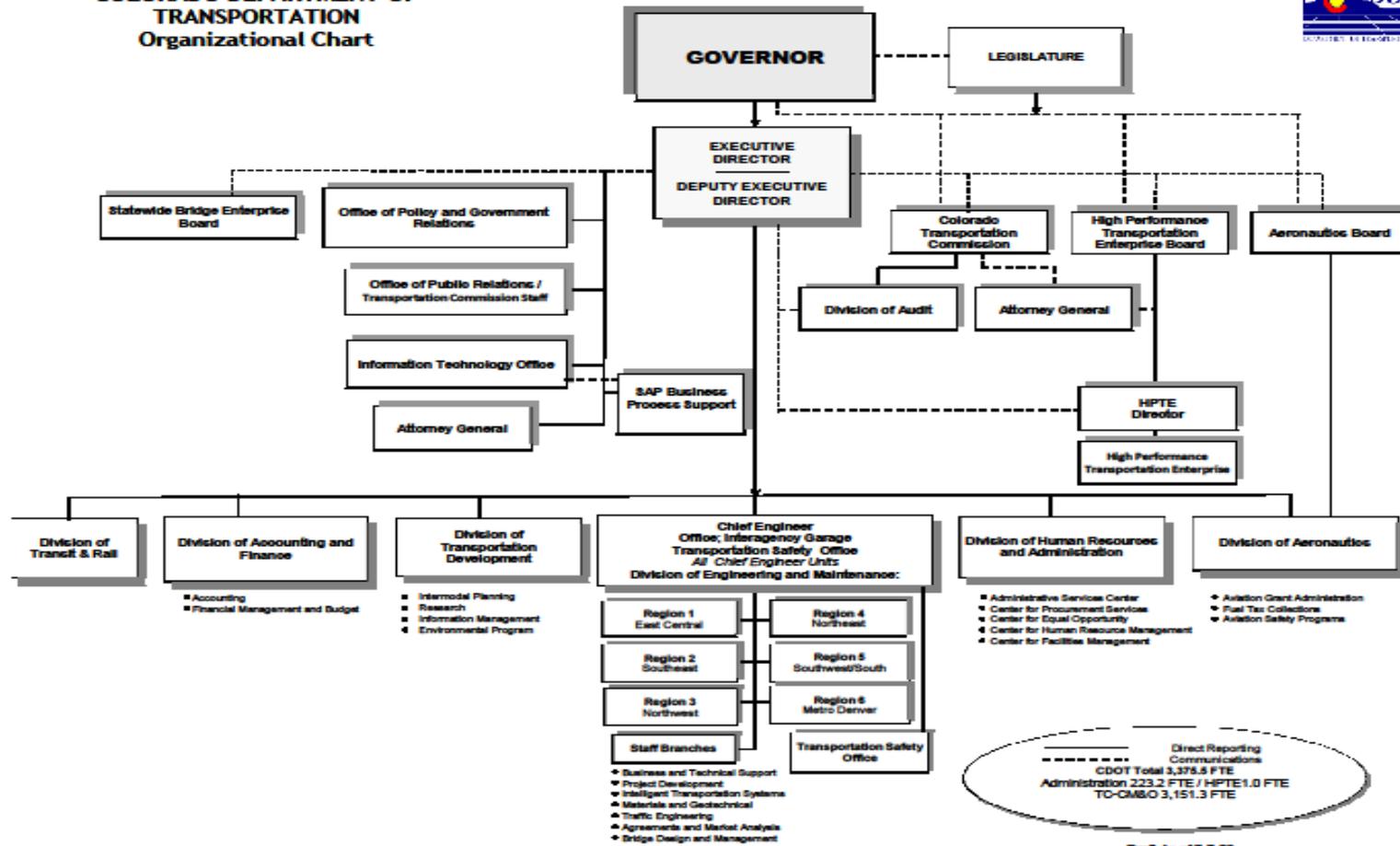
Division of Responsibilities

- Transit Section (Tom Mauser)
 - Transit Grants Unit
 - Administer FTA Grants to rural and small urban transit entities
 - Administer FASTER Transit Grants
 - Planning & Infrastructure Unit
 - Statewide Transit Data Base
 - Transit Asset Management
 - Transit Planning
 - Intercity Bus
- Rail and Special Projects (Wendy Wallach)
 - Planning Studies/Environmental clearance
 - Financing and implementation strategies
 - Railroad coordination

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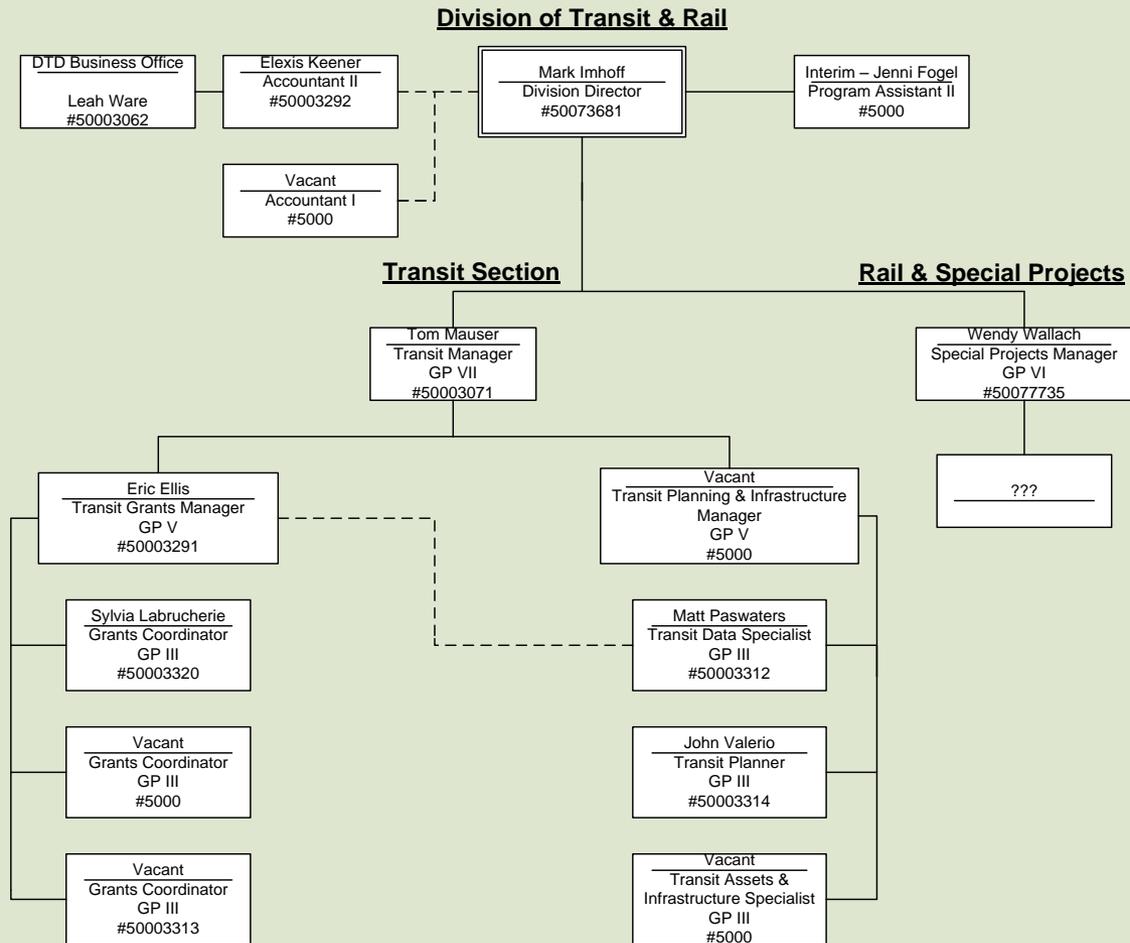
CDOT Organization Chart

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Organizational Chart



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Current Initiatives

- Re-engineer Transit Grants approach and processes
- Establish/define Statewide Transit Data Base
- FASTER Transit Projects implementation plan
- Statewide Passenger & Freight Rail Plan
- Interregional Rail Connectivity Study
- I-70 Mountain Corridor Advanced Guideway System Feasibility Study
- Railroad Regulations White Paper

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Upcoming Initiatives

- Economic Benefits Study
- Statewide Transit Plan
- Transit Asset Management System

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2010-2012 FASTER Transit Grants

- Senate Bill 09-108: Funding Advancement for Surface Transportation and Economic Recovery (FASTER)
 - FASTER Safety (\$95M annually)
 - FASTER Bridge Enterprise (\$92M annually)
 - FASTER Transit (\$15M annually)
- First round: \$30M (\$10M/Yr) Statewide Transit Projects
 - Includes DTR administration/FRA Planning Studies matching funds
- First round: \$15M (\$5/yr) Local Transit Projects
- Awarded 86 projects to 45 entities
- Formal process
 - Call for projects/applications
 - Review/score/rank/recommendations
 - Transportation Commission approval in Dec and Jan

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“Powers and Duties”

- To develop a Statewide Transit and Rail Plan
 - Integrated in Statewide Transportation Plan
 - Identify local, interregional, and statewide transit and passenger rail **needs and priorities.**
- Promote, plan, design, build, **finance**, operate, maintain, and contract for transit services...
- Establish and modify fares and schedules...
- Administer and expend state and federal funds...

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“Powers and Duties” (cont.)

- Coordinate and negotiate with railroads regarding the siting of passenger rail tracks...and the coordination of transit services.
- Represent the state with respect to the development of intercity rail facilities...high-speed rail projects...
 - Pursue federal funding
 - Coordinate with other states
- Coordinate and cooperate with Regional Transportation Authorities...

Purpose of TRAC

To partner with the Division of Transit and Rail by advising and promoting the Division's vision, policies and priorities.