Resolution #TC-2022-02-05

Approving state Multimodal Transportation & Mitigation Options Fund funding for MPO Modeling Support.

Approved by the Transportation Commission on February 17, 2022.

WHEREAS, the Multimodal Transportation & Mitigation Options Fund (MMOF), created under Colorado Senate Bill 2018-001, amended under Colorado Senate Bill 2021-260 provides flexible funding for multimodal transportation projects, with 15% of the funding to be programmed by CDOT for statewide and regional multimodal investments; and

WHEREAS, travel modeling helps estimate the relationship between transportation projects and their effects on air quality, which is essential for mitigating the air quality impacts of transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the Rules Governing Statewide Transportation Planning Process and Transportation Planning Regions ("the Planning Rules"), 2 CCR 601-22, include the establishment of a GHG pollution-reduction standard; and

WHEREAS, MPOs need to expand their travel model capabilities in order to meet the requirements of the GHG pollution-reduction standard; and

WHEREAS, CDOT has conducted discussions with each of the state's MPOs to identify modeling enhancement needs and the funding required to support those needs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Commission authorizes \$1 million in state MMOF funding to support the MPOs to upgrade their travel models and expand their staffing capabilities.

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