

STATE OF COLORADO

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

4201 East Arkansas Avenue
Shumate Building
Denver, CO 80222
Phone: 303-757-9982
Fax: 303-757-9727



MEMO TO: Transit and Intermodal Committee

FROM: Debra Perkins-Smith
Division of Transportation Development (DTD)

SUBJECT: Update on Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

DATE: June 8, 2012

BACKGROUND:

Since last June, the DTD Bicycle and Pedestrian Unit, with the assistance of consulting teams Sprinkle Consulting and Felsburg Holt and Ullevig, along with various internal and external advisory teams, has been working on the development of a statewide bicycle and pedestrian plan. The main goal of this plan is to develop criteria that will help us decide how best to use our limited resources. This plan will not be a wish list of specific projects, but rather a framework for choosing projects that provide the greatest benefit. In addition, it will also provide a method of evaluating the Bike/Ped Plan and its implementation.

Since our last update in January, eight specific goals and investment decision criteria have been vetted by the advisory teams and the public. The final goals are to:

- Enhance Safety
- Increase Bicycle and Walking Activity
- Expand Recreational Opportunities and Enhance Quality of Life
- Improve Public Health
- Improve Environment, Air Quality, and Fossil Fuel Independence
- Expand Social and Educational Opportunities
- Maximize (other) Transportation Investments
- Improve State/Regional Economy

We are currently developing specific performance measures for each goal and a recommended methodology for using the goals to select projects. We are also developing the process for integrating the Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan into the Statewide Transportation Plan .

The text of the plan is being developed and will be posted to the advisory teams and the public by the end of June. We will use July and August to make final adjustments and complete Phase I of the plan.

Phase II of the plan will begin in FY2013 and focus on implementation.

Our next Team meetings will be held in late June.