



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
**FROM:** REBECCA WHITE, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT  
JAMIE COLLINS, STIP MANAGER, DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT  
**DATE:** MAY 11, 2020  
**SUBJECT:** PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FY2021 - FY2024 STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT

The FY2021 – FY2024 STIP was opened to public comment on Wednesday, May 6, 2020. The comment period will close on Friday June 5. As part of the public process, the Transportation Commission will hold a public hearing at its regular meeting on May 21.

This new STIP not only accomplishes the established goal of providing four full years of STIP projects for funding, it is the first STIP to coincide with the 10-year Strategic Pipeline of Projects, which effectively sets goals through 2030.

Projects for the STIP and the Strategic Pipeline have been selected through extensive public outreach and coordination with planning partners across the state. This outreach has been ongoing since June 2019 and includes the larger planning component of the long-range Statewide Transportation Plan.

At this time, the STIP is fiscally constrained per federal regulations. Please note that any substantial changes in funding may trigger STIP amendments and further outreach with CDOT’s planning partners to re-set priorities for the state. Staff recognizes that there will be financial impacts due to the COVID-19 pandemic. If an amendment becomes necessary, staff will work with planning partners and present a STIP Amendment with a revised project list to the Commission for consideration and adoption after July 1.

Staff recommends moving forward with this public hearing and adoption of the FY2021 – FY2024 STIP as scheduled as CDOT must have an adopted STIP by July 1, 2020. This is necessary in order to align with the planning process overall and with current TIPs from our MPO partners.

To date, comments received for the STIP are from planning partners and internal staff and are technical in nature. Staff will address all comments received and incorporate changes where necessary for the final draft which will be presented to the Commission at its June meeting for adoption.

At this time, staff respectfully asks the TC to open the public hearing at it’s May 21 meeting. Any questions may be directed to Jamie Collins at [jamie.collins@state.co.us](mailto:jamie.collins@state.co.us).

*STIP Development Schedule:*

- May 21 – Public Hearing with Transportation Commission
- June 5 – Public Comment period closes
- June 18 – Adoption of the FY2021 – FY2024 STIP by Transportation Commission
- June 30 – Final approval of the FY2021 – FY2024 STIP by FHWA and FTA

