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**Notice of Proposed Rulemaking**  
**Transportation Commission of Colorado**  
**Rules Governing Statewide Transportation Planning Process and Transportation Planning Regions**  
**2 CCR 601-22**

**I. Notice**

As required by the Colorado Administrative Procedure Act found at section 24-4-103, C.R.S., the Transportation Commission of Colorado (Commission) gives notice of proposed rulemaking.

**II. Subject**

The Commission is considering revisions to the rules governing the statewide transportation planning process and transportation planning regions, 2 CCR 601-22. Pursuant to § 43-1-131, C.R.S. CDOT completed a study of Colorado’s Transportation Planning Regions (TPRs), including the transparency and consistency of their processes and their boundaries. The Commission is required, with consideration of the findings of the study, to initiate updates to these rules.

The specific purpose of this rulemaking is to consider changes to Section 2 (Transportation Planning Regions) and Section 3 (Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee) of the Rules as recommended by CDOT staff and published in the [“HB 23-1101: Transportation Planning Region Study \(TPR Study\).”](#) The proposed changes include the addition of minimum requirements in a TPR’s governing documents, changes to the boundaries of several TPRs, and requirements related to the process for how the Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC) selects its officers.

The Commission is also considering changes to Rule 1.11, the definition of Disproportionately Impacted Communities to conform the Rule’s definition to recent changes in state statute.

**III. Rulemaking Hearings**

The Commission plans to hold two hearings as listed in the below table to hear testimony and receive comments on the proposed rule revisions. The public hearings will be conducted in a virtual format. All interested and affected parties may choose to attend either or both scheduled hearings.

Please note that the Commission may hold additional hearings, which will be posted on CDOT’s website: <https://www.codot.gov/business/rules/proposed-rules.html>

Date	Time	Virtual Hearing Registration Links
3/6/2024	2:00 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Register for March 6 Hearing Here</a>
3/11/2024	6:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Register for March 11 Hearing Here</a>



#### How to Register to Attend Hearings Virtually

If you plan to attend either of the scheduled hearings, you must click on the registration link in the above table for each hearing that you wish to attend virtually. The registration links for each hearing are also available on the CDOT's website at <https://www.codot.gov/business/rules/proposed-rules>.

When you register, you must provide your full name and email address. Also, please indicate whether you plan to testify during the hearing. You will receive instructions the day before the scheduled hearing on how to join, listen, and provide testimony if you wish.

#### **IV. Statutory Authority**

The specific authority under which the Commission shall establish these proposed rule revisions is set forth in §§ 43-1-106(8)(k), 43-1-1101, 43-1-1103(5), and 43-1-131 (3) C.R.S.

#### **V. Copies of the Notice, Proposed Rule Revisions, and the Statement of Basis, Purpose & Authority**

The notice of hearing, the proposed rule revisions, and the proposed statement of basis, purpose and authority are available for review at CDOT's website at <https://www.codot.gov/business/rules/proposed-rules>.

If there are changes made to the proposed rule revisions before the first scheduled hearing on March 6, 2024, the updated proposed rule revisions will be available to the public and posted on CDOT's website by February 28, 2024 (a week before the first hearing).

Please note that the proposed rule revisions being considered are subject to further changes and modifications after the public hearings and the deadline for the submission of written comments.

#### **VI. Opportunity to testify and submit written comments**

The Commission and CDOT strive to make the rulemaking process inclusive to all. Everyone will have the opportunity to testify and provide written comments concerning the proposed rule revisions. Interested and affected parties are welcome to testify and submit written comments.

Each hearing will have an identical format. The Hearing Officer opens the hearing and provides a brief introduction of the hearing procedures. CDOT will review exhibits to establish that CDOT on behalf of the Commission met all the procedural requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act. A summary of the proposed rule revisions will be presented by CDOT staff. Interested and affected parties will then have the opportunity to give testimony.

#### Testimony

The testimony phase of each hearing will proceed as follows:

- The Hearing Officer will identify the participants who indicated that they plan to testify during the hearing based on the registration records.
- When the Hearing Officer exhausts the list, they will ask whether any additional participants wish to testify.



To ensure that the hearing is prompt and efficient, oral testimony may be time-limited.

### Written Comments

You may submit written comments to [dot\\_rules@state.co.us](mailto:dot_rules@state.co.us) during the comment period between February 1, 2024, and March 15, 2024. **All written comments must be received on or before Friday, March 15, at 5 pm.**

We will post all written comments to CDOT's website at <https://www.codot.gov/business/rules/proposed-rules>. All written comments will be added to the official rulemaking record. Additionally, CDOT received many comments during the TPR study process in 2023. Those comments will automatically be included in the rulemaking record.

### **VII. Recording of the Hearings**

Each hearing will be recorded. After each hearing concludes, the recording will be available on CDOT's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0WFfiQ-SE4kV07saKZdueA/videos>.

### **VIII. Special Accommodations**

If you need special accommodations, please contact Jamie Grim at [Jamie.Grim@state.co.us](mailto:Jamie.Grim@state.co.us) or [dot\\_rules@state.co.us](mailto:dot_rules@state.co.us) at least one (1) week prior to the scheduled hearing date.

### **IX. Contact Information**

Please contact CDOT at 720.810.6934 or [dot\\_rules@state.co.us](mailto:dot_rules@state.co.us) if you have any questions.

