

June 16, 2025

## **Commuting Solutions Letter of Support for the Joint Service Plan IGA Approval**

Dear CTIO Board of Directors:

Commuting Solutions is the nonprofit Transportation Management Organization (TMO) for the northwest metro region who has been an advocate for multimodal transportation improvements for our region since 1998. Our mission is *to connect people to places in the northwest metro region today for the future.*

We have a long history of working in partnership with CTIO and other regional and state transit partners to advance regional multimodal transportation for the northwest metro region.

This work has included the Commuting Solutions' support for:

- Full funding, construction and operation of the Northwest Rail line between Denver Union Station and Longmont, inclusive of stations in Boulder, Louisville, Broomfield and Westminster.
- Creative and alternative rail implementation strategies (including level of service phasing) as circumstances evolve.
- The funding, construction and operation of the Front Range Passenger Rail service (FRPR) along the BNSF/Northwest Rail alignment.
- All efforts necessary for RTD to successfully complete the B Line.

We are aware of the recently completed Joint Service Plan report that was prepared per the requirements of SB24-184 and wanted to convey our thoughts and express our support of the next step for an Intergovernmental Agreement to continue collaboration among the five governing boards.

We believe this approach provides an unprecedented opportunity to stack available dollars, including new state funds, to operate a first phase of Front Range Passenger Rail and provide rail service to the communities of Westminster, Broomfield, Louisville, Boulder and Longmont.

We hope this unique opportunity will advance rail for the Northwest Rail communities that were promised rail service in RTD FasTracks and to put into place some of the infrastructure needed to grow the system over time. Commuting Solutions supports the signing of the Intergovernmental Agreement to enable negotiations to proceed with the BNSF for a one-rail solution.

We look forward to the partnership to advance rail, specifically rail for the entire northwest metro region, as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



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cc: RTD Board of Directors  
CTE Board of Directors  
FRPR District Board  
CDOT Transportation Commission