

# COLORADO TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE COUNCIL

## PARTICIPATION COMMITMENT 2013

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1. **Whereas**, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are interested in promoting collaborative working relationships and open communications among government agencies in Colorado whose responsibilities and interests intersect with the state transportation system;
2. **Whereas**, the Colorado Transportation Commission adopts policies guiding CDOT in its mission and activities as they relate to the environment;
3. **Whereas**, the signatories to this Participation Commitment (the Commitment) all have missions that include the effect of transportation on the environment;
4. **Whereas**, CDOT and FHWA wish to host a forum to foster regular interactions among CDOT, FHWA and other government agencies in Colorado concerning transportation-related environmental policies, issues, programs, opportunities, and concerns; and to use this forum to identify and anticipate transportation-related environmental issues in a timely, appropriate and beneficial manner with the government agency representatives; and to inform and educate attendees of key issues unique to each agency;
5. **Therefore**, The Colorado Transportation Environmental Resource Council (TERC) is hereby reaffirmed as an effective forum for communications, cooperation and collaboration on matters of mutual interest to its members that address issues of transportation and environment;
6. **Further**, it is the purpose of the TERC to facilitate communications among TERC representatives on: (1) transportation planning and environmental programs by CDOT and FHWA; (2) plans, regulations, and procedures as they affect the transportation system; (3) key social, economic, and environmental issues, opportunities, and concerns; and (4) identifying statutory changes and anticipating policy issues in a timely, appropriate and mutually beneficial manner;
7. **Further**, the TERC representatives agree to fully and openly discuss all concerns related to the purpose of the TERC;
8. **Further**, the TERC representatives agree to cooperatively seek the most effective and innovative procedures for accomplishing the missions of each of our agencies;

- 9. Further,** the TERC shall be chaired by the Colorado Division Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration or designee and the Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Transportation or designee;
- 10. Further,** the TERC will be composed of representatives appointed by the appropriate agency executives from governmental agencies and metropolitan planning organizations, including but not limited to the following:
- US Federal Highway Administration – Colorado Division
  - Colorado Department of Transportation
  - Colorado Department of Local Affairs
  - Colorado Department of Natural Resources
  - Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
  - Colorado Energy Office
  - Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG)
  - Denver Regional Transportation District (RTD)
  - Grand Valley MPO (GVMPO)
  - History Colorado
  - North Front Range MPO (NFRMPO)
  - Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments (PPACG)
  - Pueblo Area Council of Governments (PACOG)
  - Regional Air Quality Council (RAQC)
  - Southern Ute Indian Tribe
  - US Army Corps of Engineers Albuquerque District
  - US Bureau of Land Management
  - US Department of Housing and Urban Development
  - US Environmental Protection Agency
  - US Federal Highway Administration – Central Federal Lands Division
  - US Federal Transit Administration – Region 8
  - US Fish and Wildlife Service
  - US Forest Service
  - Ute Mountain Ute Tribe
- 11. Further,** non-signatory government agencies and non-government entities that are not signatories to this Commitment may participate in the Council.

# SIGNATURES

Chairs



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John M. Cater  
Division Administrator  
US Federal Highway Administration - Colorado Division

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Jan. 31, 2013

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Donald E. Hunt  
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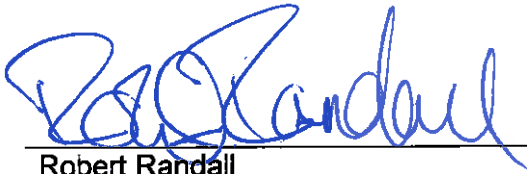


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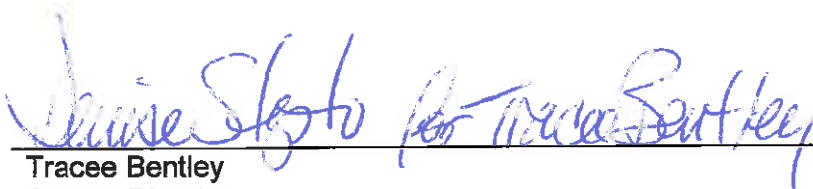


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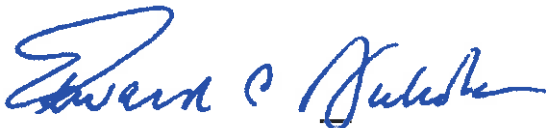


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Additional Signatories



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Phil Washington  
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Steven D. Rudy  
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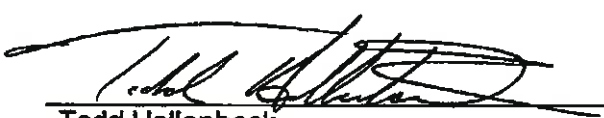
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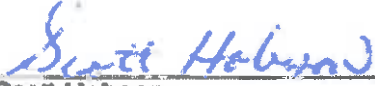


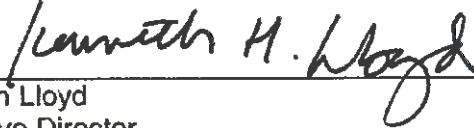
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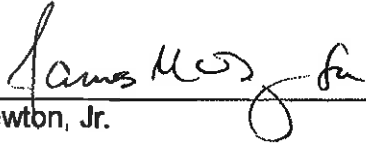
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