

Freight Advisory Council (FAC) Meeting Notes
July 24, 2018

Location: Colorado Department of Transportation Head Quarters, 2829 W. Howard Place, Denver, CO 80204, East Auditorium

Date/Time: July 24, 2018, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

FAC Vice Chair: Mike Ogborn

Attendees: See Attached

Agenda Items Presenters/Affiliations	Discussion Highlights	Actions
Welcome and Introductions (Mike Ogborn, FAC Vice Chair)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Ogborn, FAC Chair welcomed attendees and thanked people for coming to the meeting. Attendees then introduced themselves. 	N/A
Administration (Mike Ogborn FAC Vice Chair) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of April 2018 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 2018 FAC meeting minutes were approved by FAC members. 	N/A
Planning Updates (Michelle Scheuerman, CDOT, and Evan Enarson-Hering, CS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado Freight Plan • Colorado Delivers • Transportation Summit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Colorado Freight Plan (CFP) is close to being finalized. • Thank you to all the good comments on the plan. • A companion piece to the plan is a CFP brochure, it is not a shorter regurgitation of the CFP but contains key messaging and factoids for FAC members and other planning partners to have conversations with their constituents. • The CFP brochure will go to the FAC Steering Committee next month for their review. • The Joint Plan Advisory Committee of the CFP and the State Freight and Passenger Rail Plan identified a need for communicating the positive aspects of freight and its importance to the economy. In response to this need the Colorado Delivers Initiative was created. • Evan Enarson-Hering provided an overview of the Colorado Delivers website - A website explaining and promoting freight in Colorado and soliciting freight providers to partner. This website is in an early launching phase. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CFP Brochure to be discussed at the next FAC Steering Committee meeting. • Send formal invitation to FAC members to the 2018 Transportation Summit.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado Delivers to freight is similar to the Colorado Proud for produce. • Tom Lorz of the CDOT Office of Policy and Government Relations provided an overview of the agenda of the September 28, 2018 Colorado Transportation Summit at the Hyatt Regency-Denver Convention Center. The largest event of its kind. It is anticipated that Governor Hickenlooper will attend. Don Butler, Executive Director, Connected Vehicle Program and Product, Ford Mobility is the key note speaker. • A one-pager providing information on the summit was distributed. • The key theme of the summit is the power of partnerships. 	
<p>National Highway Freight Program (Jason Wallis)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Updates • FY 18 Project Selection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Request: Letter of Support • FY 19-20 Project Selection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of the project list for National Freight Highway Program Projects for FY 18 was described and a hard copy of the color coded project list was distributed to FAC members. • FY 19-20 will also undergo a MODA tool process and evaluation to begin this fall. CDOT Regions are being requested to submit their proposed projects – hope to get projects listed early. • FY 18 projects underwent a MODA evaluation process with the help of CDOT Region Planners. This was the first time the Multiple Objective Decision Analysis (MODA) tool was used at CDOT and the process was not perfect; however, with each use the process and tool will evolve and improve as more lessons learned and experience are gained. • Projects were considered for their readiness to go to construction. • The MODA tool uses both quantifiable and qualitative criteria to rate and rank projects. • The project list highlighted the projects as green, yellow and red to show their relative level of value with green for high, yellow for medium, and red for low. Red projects noted no clear connection to freight. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FAC approved the project list for NHFP projects for FY 18 and submitting a FAC letter of support of the project list to FHWA.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The MODA tool and process does not select projects, but assigns a project ranking that decision-makers can use to select and prioritize projects. It informs decision making. • Today the FAC is being requested to approve submitting this project list to FHWA with a FAC letter of support. 	
<p>Project List of Ballot Initiatives (Debra Perkins-Smith)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debra explained why CDOT funding is needed. CDOT’s budget is \$1.4 billion annually; 60% of the budget is spent on maintenance activities; Last gas tax, the main source of CDOT funding, passed in 1991 – in 1991 Deb drove a suburban and now drives a hybrid—and pays significantly less gas tax (providing significantly less revenue to CDOT), although prices for the transportation system components have gone up. In addition, Colorado’s demand for transportation has increased with a growing population and a growing vehicle miles traveled. CDOT’s estimated annual funding gap is \$1 billion. SB 18-001 over two years will provide CDOT with \$451.5 million of General Fund transfers to fund transportation. • Mike Lewis explained the process used to compile the project list, working with planning partners and CDOT Regions to identify projects for the ballot list. • Two ballot initiatives for 2018 – Ballot Initiative #153 is a 20-year sales tax increase of 0.62%. Ballot initiative #167 is Bonding repaid by General Fund. If the ballot #153 for the sales tax passes statewide programs for pavement improvements of \$1.5 billion and \$0.46 billion for other statewide programs will become available. Matt Helfant of DRCOG asked what would happen if both ballot initiatives for 2018 pass. • It would be very unlikely, but 153 could be a resource to borrow money against. • Mike Lewis noted that we need to get folks to understand what happens with this complicated ballot situation. If ballot(s) fail, challenges facing CDOT do not go away. stressed that this is an 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FAC Members being requested to visit the CDOT Together We Go website at: https://www.codot.gov/programs/colorado-transportation-matters/together-we-go to get more information on the ballot initiative projects of interest to them.

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	<p>opportunity for all modes of transportation and all jurisdictions across the state for the next 20 years. This is a huge task to message. Ninety percent of the projects on the list are identified freight corridors. Ballots provide enormous flexibility to CDOT in terms of addressing issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debra provided a demonstration of information available on projects, CDOT Challenges, video and areas of focus on CDOT’s website under Together We Go. Each project will have a map and fact sheet describing its scope and benefits. All is coming soon. 	
<p>Miscellaneous Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colorado Mobility Project Update (Jason Wallis) State Freight Passenger Rail Plan (Sharon Terranova) Rail Committee (Sharon Terranova and Jason Wallis) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In August the FAC Steering Committee will review a Fact Sheet on Phase 1 of the Colorado Mobility Study – a study that CDOT and Texas Transportation Institute are doing in partnership to identify Colorado’s congested corridors and the associated cost of delay related to levels of congestion. This phase is anticipated to finish in August 2018. The study will cover both private passenger and commercial vehicles. Phase 2 of this study will analyze freight fluidity on the network and will begin in September 2018. Jason thanked Greg Fulton and Tracy Sakaguchi of Colorado Motor Carriers Association (CMCA) for their work on coordinating the Engineers Behind the Wheel Program – that gives CDOT roadway design engineers an opportunity to experience what it is like to be behind the wheel of a semi-truck negotiating Colorado state highways. This event is happening tomorrow, and a discussion will occur between CDOT and CMCA after the drive. Sharon provided an update on the status of the Colorado State Freight and Passenger Rail Plan (SFPRP). Plan needs the Transportation Commission to adopt the plan before it is submitted to the Federal Railroad Administration for final approval. The Transportation Commission is scheduled to approve the SFPRP in August. CDOT is in the process of setting up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CDOT to invite FAC members to serve on the Rail Committee

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	<p>contracting for the implementation of the SFPRP. The SFPRP will have a brochure similar of the CFP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A subcommittee of the FAC will form the Rail Committee – a committee to provide guidance on the implementation of the SFPRP. The Rail Committee will meet in the morning’s the same day the full FAC meets. 	
<p>Truck Parking Assessment (Lyle Dvries, FHU)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of the CDOT Truck Parking Assessment was presented. • Project schedule – initiated in October 2017 and due to wrap up in August 2018. • A select number of corridors and segments of corridor are included in this assessment – I-25, I-70, I-76, US 40, US 50, US 160, US 287, and SH 71. • Project includes 9 tasks – (1)stakeholder involvement,(2) corridor truck parking inventory, (3) corridor truck parking demand, (4) corridor closure truck parking demand, (5) detention and staging parking, (6) truck parking solutions, (7) policy framework and implementation plan, (8) data management and dissemination, and (9) truck parking assessment document. • Stakeholder engagement – Included a truck parking survey. 80% of survey results indicated that it is not easy to find truck parking in Colorado compared to other surrounding states. Often takes at least 30 minutes to find truck parking. I-70 ranked the most difficult corridor to find parking. City parking is also difficult. • Corridor truck parking inventory – Pulled information from other ongoing studies and existing materials, conducted spot checks of parking areas for space count accuracy, (emergency parking areas not included in official count of supply), categories for inventory included – just parking, parking plus restrooms, and parking plus other amenities. • Corridor truck parking demand – Used GPS data to extract truck dwell times and quantities, gathered information from multiple 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Truck Parking Discussion below.

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	<p>time periods, identified locations where needs are not met now and are anticipated to not be met in the future. Considered a stop longer than 30 minutes using GPS data a true stop. Maps of corridor flows for 24, 48, 72 hours and 4, 6 and 7 days were displayed. Truck Trips originating in Colorado and terminating in Colorado were mapped for a July 10-23, 2017 timeframe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The percentage of truck parking facilities exceeding capacity along interstates are estimated to be: 50% along I-25, 25% along I-70, and 35% along I-76. • Corridor Closure Truck Parking Demand – Closures related to two types of events– s bridge strike and a blizzard were summarized related to the truck parking demand they created. • Detention and Staging Parking – includes summarizing issues and developing potential strategies to address this problem. • Truck Parking Solutions – include considering Jason’s Law solutions and other ideas, updating standards and corridor-specific strategies. • Policy Framework and Implementation Plan – identifying next steps to implement plan after is completion – considering policy actions and potential partnerships. • Data Management and Dissemination – use Arc GIS Online warehouse of data, Cotrip.org actions and a concise truck parking brochure are a few examples. • Truck Parking Assessment Document – all data and analysis and key findings to be documented. 	
<p>Truck Parking Discussion (Jason Wallis)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greg Fulton explained that drivers taking an hour or longer to find parking is a problem. Trucking agencies or drivers wind up paying for penalties associated with longer driving times resulting from lack of parking. • Mike Lewis asked if money was not an issue, what the solution to this problem would be. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate FAC sub-committee on truck parking this fall

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volker responded the answer is to have more rest areas. • The biggest problem is when drivers are returning home to Colorado it is hard to find parking in Colorado. • A question of whether or not the truck parking assessment is looking at electronic GPS data to determine where trucks are stopping in lieu of finding appropriate parking. • Right now the study evaluates truck parking by facility and not GPS data. • GPS data is available and a stop over 30 minutes is deemed a stop. • With time restraints on continuous hours of driving, it would be nice to be able to plan to avoid waisting time looking for parking. • Greg Fulton suggested using Mile High Stadium as a truck parking facility when it is empty. • There are large shippers in the state. • Jason noted these are good ideas for prompting conversations among shippers and municipalities. We could determine where locals could offer space for truck parking. FAC could partner with these types of entities and CDOT could help coordinate these meetings/conversations. • Gary Beedy asked why do shippers block out trucks? Need to address through legislation. • Axel Marrocco explained that this issue is a national problem; and suggested an Air B&B approach to identifying where truck parking spaces are available. • Volker Schurr noted that liability insurance is needed for truck parking facilities – either for the trucker, or for the facility. • Greg Fulton mentioned the Truck Parking Information Management Systems; Axel Morracco asked about how many organizations are working on this. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States are looking at rest stops with a public private partnership (P3) approach. • Evan Kirby noted that Utah has P3 arrangements in place. • Debra Perkins-Smith explained that rest areas are an issue and that CDOT is coordinating with the Colorado Tourism Office on this. We are evaluating maintaining a level of service, although there is an issue with lack of funding, we are considering treating rest areas as assets as part of the maintenance program, and exploring other monetary options, reviewing lessons learned across the country. • A suggestion to look into having food trucks at rest areas was raised. • Debra noted that rest areas are not intended to compete with private businesses, when they are funded with federal dollars. • Legislature loosening up the competition rules in this regard would help with this. • Jason requested FAC members and interested parties to submit their ideas for truck parking. • A truck parking inventory is a tool to use to help with decisions related to future investments. • The American Transportation Research Institute (ATRI) dataset could help identify where to build extra truck parking spaces here and there. 50 new spaces are underway. • Potential next steps for truck parking would be to consider establishing a FAC sub-committee sometime this fall to focus on truck parking issues and identify solutions. • Gary Beedy asked what was the primary reason for unauthorized parking practices. The response was the electronic logging device (ELD) hours of service compliance restrictions were a primary reason and a key finding of the truck parking assessment. 	

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	Curfews and hazmat trips are other reasons for unauthorized truck parking.	
Next Meeting (Mike Ogborn)	Mike Ogborn adjourned the meeting and noted that the next FAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at CDOT HQ East Auditorium.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CDOT to send out agenda, materials and invitation to next FAC.

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Attendance Check List
7-24-2018**

Check (if in Attendance)	Last Name	First Name
Current FAC Members		
X	Beedy	Gary
X	Brittin	Doug
X	Brown	Laurie
	Dhuru	Sarod
X	Fiser	Kristal
X	Fulton	Greg
	Goetz	Andy
	Grambusch	Don
	Houg	Jenyce
	Kiely	Joe
X	Lewis	Mike
	Martin	Brian
	Morgan	Jason
X	Ogborn	Mike
	Reed	Tom
	Rich	Tim
	Rickershauser	Pete
X	Spaulding	Carl
	Steen	Norm
	Thompson Cassidy	Sara
	Wagner	Howard
X	Wallis	Jason
X	Schurr	Volker
X	Stevens	Jessica
	Van Schaick	Jeff
	Killgore	Jake
	Weart	Wally

Other Attendees 07-24-2018 FAC Meeting			
Check (if in Attendance)	Last Name	First Name	Organization
X	Wallis	Jason	CDOT, FAC Secretary
X	Perkins-Smith	Debra	CDOT DTD Director
X	Bressler	Dean	Grand Valley MPO
X	Sakaguchi	Tracy	CMCA
X	Scheuerman	Michelle	CDOT
X	Collins	Kathleen	CDOT
X	Wilson	Bob	CDOT
X	Streisfeld	Lisa	CDOT
X	Sherman	Steve	CDOT
X	Willis	Aaron	CDOT

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X	Terranova	Sharon	CDOT
X	Helfant	Matthew	DRCOG
X	Lorz	Tom	CDOT
X	Jacobsen	Betsy	CDOT
X	Enarson-Hering	Evan	CS
X	Byers	Jeff	Colorado Port of Entry
X	Morracco	Axel	Metal Craft
X	Kristick	Dave	E-470
X	Grauberger	Randy	WSP
X	Karasko	Becky	NFR MPO