

Public Involvement

Statewide Transportation Improvement Program

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Public Involvement for the development of the FY2026 – FY2029 STIP is carried out in accordance with 23 CFR 450.210. Public involvement plays an important part in STIP development. CDOT’s Project Priority Programming Process, or 4P, has been established to meet and support federal requirements regarding the development of the STIP. Further, CDOT utilizes [A Guide to the Transportation Planning and Programming Public Involvement Process](#) as its guidebook for implementing public involvement for the entire planning process, including the development of the STIP.

Public Involvement for the FY2026 – FY2030 STIP opened on April 27, 2026 and closed on May 29, 2026. Comments received during this time are detailed below. Finally, a list of public meetings pertaining to the STIP, and transportation planning in general, is included after the comment summary.

STIP Public Hearing

A Public Hearing was held with the Transportation Commission on May 21, 2026, during the Commission’s regular meeting.

One comment was made by Cheyenne County Commissioner Rick Pelton pertaining to the STIP, the 10 Year Plan and the planning process in general. The comment was made that the bulk of transportation projects in Colorado appear to be Front Range centric, thereby neglecting the more rural highways in other parts of the state. Mr. Pelton also submitted a written comment and the response is below.

Comments Received

Rick Pelton, Cheyenne County Commissioner – On May 22, 2026, Mr. Pelton submitted an email comment regarding the STIP, which echoed the concerns he stated during the Transportation Commission meeting on May 21. He is concerned that priorities for CDOT tend to be Front Range centric and that the transportation needs and priorities for rural communities tend to receive less attention than the larger projects, such as Floyd Hill.

CDOT’s Director or the Division of Transportation Development responded to Mr. Pelton on June 5 and explained that difficult decisions must be made to prioritize projects that address the highest needs and provide the greatest benefit and impact, both within specific regions/communities and statewide across Colorado.

Martin Schmidt, Gunnison County – Mr. Schmidt submitted an email comment on May 28 requesting the status of three projects that he was unable to find in the project list for the Draft STIP.

The funding for two projects has been updated in the STIP. One of the projects is also part of the newly adopted 10 Year Plan and was not fully included in the Draft STIP because staff needed to wait for the Transportation Commission to finalize adoption of the 10 Year Plan. That project will be updated in the STIP once funding is finalized and the project is ready to proceed.

The third project is a transit project that All Points Transit has started work on. This is for a connecting transit route between Montrose and Gunnison. All Points Transit has been awarded a Clean Transit Enterprise grant to seed the project. This project remains in the early planning stages.

Sonja Macys, Routt County Commissioner – Ms. Macys inquired about Mountain Rail and wildlife crossing projects in the STIP.

The Mountain Rail project is currently not included in the STIP because CDOT is waiting to receive funding from the Federal Rail Administration. For the Wildlife Crossing project in Moffat and Routt counties, funding for design was awarded in FY2025. The project should be ready to proceed by the end of calendar year 2027, however funding for construction may not be available until after 2030. CDOT and Region 3 will apply for potential grant funding in hopes to initiate construction before then.

CDOT Public Meetings

CDOT regularly conducts public meetings with its planning partners to discuss upcoming plans and projects. A list of meetings held across the state during the past year follows below.

Public Meeting Schedule for FY2027 – FY2030 STIP Development

CDOT Region	Transportation Planning Region	Meeting Date	Location	Attendance
1	DRCOG	1/26/26	DRCOG/Virtual	71
1	DRCOG	2/23/26	DRCOG/Virtual	60
1	DRCOG	3/23/26	DRCOG/Virtual	58
1	DRCOG	4/20/26	DRCOG/Virtual	TBD
2	PACOG TAC	5/13/2025	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	34
2	PPACG BoD	5/14/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	31
2	PPACG TAC	5/15/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	27
2	PACOG BoD	5/22/2025	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	39
2	PPACG CAC	5/28/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	27
2	PACOG TAC	6/10/2025	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	34
2	PPACG BoD	6/11/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	43
2	PPACG TAC	6/18/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	23
2	PPACG CAC	6/25/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	14
2	PACOG BoD	6/26/2025	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	32
2	PACOG TAC	7/8/2025	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	28
2	PPACG BoD	7/09/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	52

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2	CFR TPR	7/14/25	Royal Gorge Regional Museum & History Center 612 Royal Gorge Blvd Cañon City, CO 81212	39
2	PPACG TAC	7/17/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	27
2	SE TPR	7/23/25	Southeast Co Enterprise Development 112 W Elm St, Lamar, CO 81052, USA	39
2	SC TPR	7/24/25	Trinidad Community Center 1309 Beshoar Ave, Trinidad, CO 81082	33
2	PACOG BoD	7/24/2025	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	23
2	PPACG CAC	7/30/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	11
2	PACOG TAC	8/12/25	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	35
2	PPACG BoD	8/12/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	25
2	PPACG TAC	8/21/20/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	29
2	PACOG BOD	8/28/25	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	36
2	PACOG TAC	9/9/25	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	38
2	PPACG TAC	9/18/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	35
2	PPACG CAC	9/24/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	16
2	PPACG BoD	10/08/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	21
2	PACOG TAC	10/14/2025	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	27
2	PPACG TAC	10/16/2025	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	24
2	CFR TPR	10/20/25	UAACOG 3224 Independence Rd, Cañon City, CO 81212	33
2	SE TPR	10/22/25	SECED 112 W Elm St, Lamar, CO 81052	35
2	SC TPR	10/23/25	SCCOG 625 N Polk Ave, Walsenburg, CO 81089	35
2	PACOG BoD	10/23/25	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	28
2	PPACG CAC	10/29/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	15
2	PPACG BoD	11/12/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	28
2	PACOG TAC	11/18/25	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	27

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2	PPACG TAC	11/20/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	34
2	PACOG TAC	12/9/25	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	28
2	PPACG BoD	12/10/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	37
2	PACOG BoD	12/11/25	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	26
2	PPACG TAC	12/18/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	33
2	PPACG CAC	12/31/25	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	11
2	CFR TPR	1/12/26	Brookside Community Center 1720 Brookside Ave, Brookside, CO 81212	40
2	PACOG TAC	1/13/26	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	26
2	PPACG BoD	1/14/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	38
2	PPACG TAC	1/15/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	30
2	PPACG CAC	1/28/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	15
2	SE TPR	1/28/26	SECED 112 W Elm St, Lamar, CO 81052	44
2	SC TPR	1/29/26	SCCOG 625 N Polk Ave, Walsenburg, CO 81089	39
2	PACOG TAC	2/10/26	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	34
2	PPACG BoD	2/11/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	45
2	PPACG TAC	2/19/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	39
2	PPACG CAC	2/25/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	17
2	PACOG BoD	2/26/26	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	33
2	PACOG TAC	3/10/26	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	31
2	PPACG BoD	3/11/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	42
2	PPACG TAC	3/19/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	37
2	PACOG BoD	3/26/26	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	21
2	PPACG BoD	4/8/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	24
2	CFR TPR	4/13/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	42
2	PACOG TAC	4/14/26	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	24



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2	PPACG TAC	4/16/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	38
2	SE TPR	4/22/26	SECED 112 W Elm St, Lamar, CO 81052	40
2	SC TPR	4/23/26	1309 Beshoar Ave, Trinidad, Colorado 81082, United States	31
2	PACOG BoD	4/23/26	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	27
2	PACOG TAC	5/12/26	5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008	33
2	PPACG BoD	5/13/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	35
2	PPACG TAC	5/21/26	PPACG Main Conference Room, 14 S. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905	32
2	PACOG BoD	5/28/26	Pueblo County Emergency Service Center, 101 W 10th St, Pueblo, CO 81003	23
3	NW	07/10/25	Virtual	15
3	IM	07/18/25	Summit	25
3	GV	8/14/25	Montrose (virtual)	7 (10)
3	GJ	08/25/25	Grand Junction	7
3	NW	10/16/25	Fraser	15
3	NW	01/15/26	Virtual	15
3	GJ	01/26/26	Grand Junction	10
3	NW	04/09/26	Virtual	15
3	IM	04/03/26	Eagle (virtual)	20 (10)
3	GJ	04/30/26	Grand Junction	12
3	GV	07/30/26	Montrose (virtual)	TBD
4	NFR	1.8.2026	NFRMPO Council - Virtual Meeting	44
4	NFR	1.21.2026	NFRMPO TAC Larimer County Loveland Campus 200 Peridot Avenue Loveland, Colorado	35
4	NFR	2.5.2026	NFRMPO Council 200 N. 11th St, Windsor, Colorado	35
4	NFR	2.18.2026	NFRMPO TAC Larimer County Loveland Campus 200 Peridot Avenue Loveland, Colorado	38
4	UFR	3.5.2026	UFR Quarterly Meeting Larimer County Admin Bldg, 200 W. Oak Street, Ft Collins, CO	33
4	NFR	3.5.2026	NFRMPO Council Larimer County Offices Building, First Floor Hearing Room, 200 W. Oak St, Fort Collins, CO 80521	42



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4	ETPR	3.9.2026	ETPR Quarterly Meeting 552 W. 2nd Street, Akron, CO	25
4	DRCOG	3.9.2026	Virtual: DRCOG Boulder County Subregional Forum	28
4	DRCOG	3.12.2026	CDOT R4/DRCOG SW Weld County Forum Meeting SW Service Complex, 4209 County Road 24 1/2, Firestone, CO	31
4	NFR	3.16.2026	NFRMPO TAC Larimer County Loveland Campus, 200 Peridot Ave, Loveland, CO	36
4	NFR	4.2.2026	NFRMPO Council	40
4	NFR	4.15.2026	NFRMPO TAC Larimer County Loveland Campus, 200 Peridot Ave, Loveland, CO	35
4	CDOT	4.23.2026	Region 4 TPR/STAC/TC Commissioners Quarterly Meeting 10601 10th Street, Greeley, CO	60
4	NFR	5.7.2026	NFRMPO Council	35
4	NFR	5.18.2026	NFRMPO TAC Larimer County Loveland Campus, 200 Peridot Ave, Loveland, CO	35
4	ETPR	6.8.2026	ETPR Quarterly Meeting 552 W. 2nd Street, Akron, CO	28
4	UFR	6.16.2026	UFR Quarterly Meeting Larimer County Admin Bldg, 200 W. Oak Street, Ft Collins, CO	43
5	Dolores	8/4/25	Virtual	11
5	San Juan	8/13/25	Virtual	9
5	Saguache	8/19/25	Virtual	12
5	Costilla	8/19/25	Virtual	12
5	Chaffee	8/19/26	Virtual	8
5	Alamosa	8/27/25	Virtual	12
5	San Miguel	9/3/25	Virtual	12
5	Rio Grande	9/17/25	Virtual	9
5	Ouray	9/24/25	Virtual	8
5	Mineral	10/1/25	Virtual	6
5	Montezuma	10/27/25	Virtual	9
5	Archuleta	11/5/25	Virtual	7
5	La Plata	11/12/25	Virtual	10
5	GV TPR	8/14/25	Hybrid (virtual)	18
5	SW TPR	08/20/2025	Hybrid	21
5	SLV TPR	8/21/2025	Hybrid	20
5	SLV TPR	11/13/2025	Hybrid	16



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5	GV TPR	11/13/2025	Hybrid	25
5	SW TPR	10/09/2025	Hybrid	19
5	SW TPR	12/11/2025	Hybrid	15
5	SLV TPR	2/26/2026	Hybrid	29
5	SW TPR	2/12/2026	Hybrid	28
5	GV TPR	4/30/2026	Hybrid	18
5	SW TPR	5/14/2026	Hybrid	12
ST	MPOs	2/12/2026	Statewide MPO Meeting - Virtual	30
ST	TPRs and MPOs	3/5/2026	Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee - Virtual	60
ST	MPOs	4/9/2026	Statewide MPO Meeting - Virtual	35
ST	MPOs	5/14/2026	Statewide MPO Meeting - Virtual	38
ST	MPOs	2/12/2026	Statewide MPO Meeting - Virtual	31
ST	TPRs and MPOs	6/4/2026	Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee - Virtual	60

