



COLORADO
Department of
Transportation

DATE: January 4th, 2021

TO: Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee

FROM: Rebecca White, Director, Division of Transportation Development
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SUBJECT: COVID-19 Emergency Relief Package

Purpose

Provide a briefing on the recent federal legislation that includes both a COVID relief bill and FY2021 omnibus appropriations package.

Action

Approve the comprehensive package of project and program investments based on the regional allocations of stimulus funds, plus the additional FY 21 supplemental STBG and bridge funds.

Background

A \$900 billion COVID-19 relief package and a \$1.4 trillion FY 2021 omnibus appropriations package was passed by Congress and signed by the President of the United States on December 27, 2020. Together, these funding sources would provide approximately \$150 M for transportation in Colorado. CDOT would like to achieve the following objectives in terms of putting these dollars to work:

- **Move quickly** - By allocating dollars quickly, CDOT can ensure maximum benefit to Colorado's economy. CDOT has focused on projects ready to go to advertisement as soon as possible (preferably February-April).
- **Retrain focus on 10-year plan** - Projects come from the 10-yr plan (specifically Years 3 and 4 of the SB267 list) and reflect stated priorities from the plan (e.g. improving asset condition).
- **Distribute dollars equitably** - Because these dollars are intended to help the economy, staff proposes distributing them equitably across the state using the same formula as was used for the SB267 funding.
- **Support public health and sustainability goals** - This includes continued funding for Revitalizing Main Streets and modernizing our approach to NEPA so that project investments continue to support air quality goals.

Details

Funding will be allocated based on the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program formula that is based on population (larger urban, small urban, flexible) with portions sub-allocated to the large urban Transportation Management Areas (TMAs). In addition to eligible uses under the STBG Program, stimulus funds may be used for costs related to preventive maintenance, routine maintenance, operations, personnel, including salaries of employees (including those employees who have been placed on administrative leave) or contractors, debt service payments, availability payments, and coverage for other revenue losses.

Funding is available through September 30, 2024 with the expectation that most projects will go to advertisement by summer 2020.

Project Proposals

- **Region 1 Target \$45.9 M**
 - **DRCOG TMA sub-allocation \$36.2 M**
 - CDOT will issue suballocation guidance to DRCOG requesting quick action on allocating dollars in order to maximize near-term economic benefits.
 - **Region 1 flexible \$9.7 million**
 - Proposed use of region-wide dollars is for Noise Wall Maintenance. This project is identified in years 5-10 of the 10-year plan.
- **Region 2 Target \$25.5 M**
 - The proposal for all of R2's target amount of \$25.5 M is to go to the SH 21 and Research Parkway Interchange project identified in the 10-Year Plan. This includes both the PPACG TMA sub-allocation of \$8.5 M and the remaining R2 flexible dollars.
 - A loan from the TC Program Reserve to be paid back (assumes Year 3 COPs) will fund the remaining balance for the project.
- **Region 3 Target \$20.3 M**
 - US 50 Grand Junction to Delta Repairs (from 10-Year Plan): \$15 M
 - US 6 Fruita to Palisade Safety Improvements (from 10-Year Plan): \$5.6 M
- **Region 4 Target \$32.1 M**
 - **NFRMPO TMA sub-allocation ~\$4 M**

Proposed Local Agency Projects:

 - North LCR 17 Expansion: \$760,000
 - Intersection Improvements SH 257 & Eastman Park Drive: \$1 M
 - Timberline Rd Corridor Improvements: \$2.69 M
 - **Region 4 flexible ~\$28 M**
 - Berthoud Mobility Hub at SH 56 / I-25 (from 10-Year Plan): \$6.5M
 - I-76 West of CO144 Westbound Rural Paving (from 10-Year Plan): \$8.05M
 - SH385 Phillips/Yuma County Line South Rural Paving (from 10-Year Plan): \$7.1M
 - SH119 Adaptive Signal System (from 10-Year Plan): \$2.4 M
 - Two Bridge Maintenance Projects: \$550,000
 - Replacement of X-lite guardrail end treatments: \$1.6 M
 - DRCOG Local Agency project SH7 & 119th St in Lafayette: \$2.6 M
- **Region 5 Target \$10.6 M**
 - US 160 McCabe Creek Major Structure Replacement (from 10-Year Plan): \$7.5 M
 - CO 141 North of Naturita Resurfacing (from 10-Year Plan): \$3.1 M
- **Additional Investments**
 - Continued Support for Revitalizing Main Streets (\$2M)
 - Modernizing NEPA (\$75k)
 - Bridge Repairs (~\$6M)

Next Steps

- January 20-21 TC Meeting

- Budget Amendment/Supplement to formally add stimulus and FY21 supplemental funds to budget and approve Program Reserve loan to Powers/Research Project
- March TC Meeting
 - Review Year 1-4 SB 267 list in anticipation of SB 267 COP issuance
- April
 - Anticipated issuance of Year 3 COPs
 - TC approval of Year 3 list

Attachments

COVID-19 Emergency Relief Package PowerPoint Presentation



COVID-19 Emergency Relief Package



Today's Briefing

- Recent federal legislation included both a COVID relief bill and FY2021 omnibus appropriations package.
- Together, these funding sources would provide approximately \$150M for transportation in Colorado.
- This briefing includes a proposal for putting these dollars to work immediately; building on the series of “add-back scenarios” developed through the spring and summer.
- CDOT’s focus in preparing this proposal was to achieve the following objectives
 - Move quickly
 - Retain focus on 10-yr plan
 - Distribute dollars equitably
 - Support health and sustainability goals



Established a **\$900 billion** COVID relief package including:

- **\$10 billion** for surface transportation
 - **\$9,840,057,332** for Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) - more on this in next slide
 - Remaining funds for Tribal Transportation Program, Puerto Rico Highway Program, and Territorial Highway Program
 - About 14 percent of highway funds are sub-allocated to localities over 200,000 in population
- **\$2 Billion** for airports and airport concessionaires
- **\$15 Billion** for mass transit that will be distributed via FTA formula programs



- Funds will flow to the states based on each state's share of FY 21 apportionments, and are allocated within each State according to the STBG formula.
- The STBG formula distributes 57% of the funds to areas on the basis of population.
- Distributions to urbanized areas (UZAs) over 200,000 are allocated to the three large MPOs.
- Funding includes special provisions, including no state/local match requirement and special eligibilities for maintenance, salaries and operations.



Anticipated Colorado Allocation - Relief Funds

	Assumptions	Result
National Total	\$ 9,840,057,332	
Colorado Share	1.37%	\$ 134,336,463
Large Urban Share >200k	36.4%	\$ 48,870,605
Small Urban Share >5k, <200K	12.3%	\$ 16,489,093
Rural Share <5K	8.6%	\$ 11,492,689
Flexible Any Area	42.8%	\$ 57,484,076

DRCOG	PPACG	NFR	Total
74.24%	17.49%	8.27%	
\$ 36,280,780	\$ 8,548,463	\$ 4,041,362	\$48,870,605



Anticipated Colorado Allocation - Relief Funds

- Region distributions reflect the Current and Historic RPP Midpoint-- the same target established by staff to ensure statewide equity for the SB 267 funding.

	Assumptions	Result				
Colorado Share	1.37% (of \$9,840,057,332 national total)	\$ 134,336,463				
	Assumptions	Result				
Region Share		TOTAL	DRCOG TMA	PPACG TMA	NFR TMA	Any Area
Region 1	34.2%	\$ 45,943,070	\$ 36,280,780			\$ 9,662,290
Region 2	19.0%	\$ 25,523,928		\$ 8,548,463		\$ 16,975,464
Region 3	15.1%	\$ 20,284,806				\$ 20,284,806
Region 4	23.9%	\$ 32,106,415			\$ 4,041,362	\$ 28,065,053
Region 5	7.9%	\$ 10,612,581				\$ 10,612,581
Total	100%	\$ 134,470,799.16				



FY21 Federal Appropriations

\$1.4 trillion FY 2021 omnibus appropriations package (including the FY 2021 Transportation and Housing and Urban Development—or THUD—bill)

In addition to anticipated federal funds, the FY21 Appropriations contained Highway Bridge and STBGP Supplemental Funds

- Colorado will receive a supplemental FY 21 appropriation distributed via the STBG formula totaling \$8.75 M.
- Colorado will receive approximately \$6M in additional Bridge funds and could receive more based on a formula of Colorado's poor bridge deck area as it relates to the national total poor deck area.
- These funds will require the normal state/local match.
- Scenic Byway and Competitive grant funding. \$16M and \$50M nationally, but no distribution methodology provided. Anticipate competitive applications will be required.



Allocation Considerations

The following slides present a comprehensive package of project and program investments based on the regional allocations of stimulus funds, plus the additional FY 21 supplemental STBG and Bridge funds. This proposal seeks to meet the following objectives:

Move quickly

- By allocating dollars quickly, CDOT can ensure maximum benefit to Colorado's economy.
- CDOT has focused on projects ready to go to advertisement as soon as possible (preferably Feb-April).

Retain Focus on 10-yr Plan

- Projects come from the 10-yr plan (specifically Years 3 and 4 of the SB267 list) and reflect stated priorities from the plan (e.g. improving asset condition).

Distribute Dollars Equitably

- Because these dollars are intended to help the economy, staff proposes distributing them equitably across the state using the same formula as was used for the SB267 funding.

Advance Public Health and Sustainability Goals

- Continued funding for Revitalizing Main Streets--supporting communities with critical COVID-focused infrastructure improvements through the winter months.
- Help modernize our approach to NEPA so that project investments continue to support GHG goals.



Project Proposals - Region 1

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
REGION 1 TARGET \$45.9 M (DRCOG TMA suballocation \$36.2 M; Region 1 flexible \$9.7 M)						
1	Capital	Noise Wall Maintenance	TBD	\$ 9,700,000	✓	Years 5 - 10
Remaining SB Projects:						
1	Capital	I-70 West: Floyd Hill	1/15/2022	\$ 96,000,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
1	Capital	I-270: Widening from I-76 to I-70	11/3/2023	\$ 200,000,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
1	Capital	I-70 Corridor - West Metro Bridges	TBD	\$ 33,391,935	✓	

- Region 1 target includes both DRCOG TMA suballocation (\$36.2M) and region-wide flexible funding (\$9.7M).
- CDOT will issue suballocation guidance to DRCOG requesting quick action on allocating dollars in order to maximize near-term economic benefits.
- Proposed use of region-wide dollars is for Noise Wall Maintenance.
- The three R1 projects planned for SB Year 3 / 4 (shown below the grey line) are not being proposed for stimulus funding. This is due to the large amount of funding needed to advance the projects and lack of readiness.



Many noise walls, primarily the timber noise walls in the Region, are damaged and in need of repair. Properly maintaining noise walls minimizes noise pollution. Another benefit of this project is that there would be little to no impact to the traveling public during the replacement of these noise walls since they are outside the travel lanes. This has become a safety issue as well, as CDOT has received reports of youth walking over fallen fences and onto the highway.



Project Proposals - Region 2

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
REGION 2 TARGET \$25.5 M						
2	Capital	SH 21 and Research Parkway Interchange	Immediately	\$ 43,570,000	✓	SB Year 2/3
TOTAL				\$ 43,570,000		

- All of R2's target amount of \$25.5 M will go to the SH 21 and Research Parkway Interchange project. This includes both the PPACG share of \$8.5 M and the remaining R2 flexible dollars.
- A loan from the TC Program Reserve (about \$18 million) to be paid back (assumes Year 3 COPs) will fund the remaining balance for the project.



The SH 21 and Research Parkway Interchange project constructs a grade-separated interchange to improve safety and mobility on SH 21 (Powers Blvd) including 3 miles of paving. Adds sidewalks and bike lanes to improve access from an elementary school on the east and middle and high schools on the west.



Project Proposals - Region 2

Region 2 Remaining SB Project List:

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
Remaining SB Projects:						
2	Capital	SH 115 – Safety and Paving improvements from MM 20-39	11/4/2021	\$ 39,500,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
2	Capital	I-25 Through Pueblo New Freeway	11/11/2021	\$ 57,500,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
2	Capital	I-25 Paving and Mobility– Fillmore to Garden of the Gods Colorado Springs	11/18/2021	\$ 40,000,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
2	CY22 Rural Paving	SH 96 near Eads to Sheridan Lake	12/16/2021	\$ 21,262,500	✓	SB Year 3/4
2	CY22 Rural Paving	SH 67 from SH 96 to Florence	1/13/2022	\$ 5,625,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
2	CY22 Rural Paving	SH 194A Surface Treatment and Drainage Improvements	1/13/2022	\$ 5,882,225	✓	SB Year 3/4
2	CY21 Rural Paving	Region 2 Miscellaneous Rural Paving Project	TBD	\$ 9,902,126	✓	SB Year 3/4
2	Capital	US 287 (Park Street South) - Lamar Downtown PCCP (Phase 2)	TBD	\$ 13,000,000	✓	SB Year 2/3



Project Proposals - Region 3

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
REGION 3 TARGET \$20.3 M						
3	Capital	US 50 Grand Junction to Delta Repairs	2/11/2021	\$ 15,000,000	✓	SB Year 2/3
3	Capital	US 6 Fruita to Palisade Safety Improvements - Clifton Roundabout	TBD	\$ 5,600,000	✓	SB Year 2/3
TOTAL				\$ 20,600,000		



US 50 Grand Junction to Delta Repairs - This section of roadway between Grand Junction and Delta receives numerous complaints regarding drivability. The project will repair deficiencies in the roadway, like dips and bumps, and provide a new asphalt surface along with guardrail and striping improvements. Vehicles will be able to travel more safely with smoother travel, lowered risk of weaving and leaving lane, as well as load shift as a result of this project.



US 6 Fruita to Palisade Safety Improvements - Project improvements include reconstruction of the surface and safety upgrades to intersections and signals throughout these locations. The Clifton project will install two new roundabouts and the North Ave. project will improve the center median.



Project Proposals - Region 3

Region 3 Remaining SB Project List:

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
Remaining SB Projects:						
3	Capital	SH 13 GarCo RioBlanco Hill	10/22/2020	\$ 14,000,000	✓	SB Year 2/3
3	CY21 Rural Paving	SH 139 Douglas Pass North	11/19/2020	\$ 8,305,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	Capital	US 50 Passing Lanes Blue Mesa	2/11/2021	\$ 5,220,000	✓	SB Year 2/3
3	Capital	I-70B East of 1st to 15th Street	2/11/2021	\$ 8,656,736	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	Capital	SH 92 Rogers Mesa to Hotchkiss	10/30/2021	\$ 7,000,000	✓	SB Year 2/3
3	CY22 Rural Paving	SH 318 Browns Park East	11/4/2021	\$ 9,400,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	CY22 Rural Paving	SH 92 Hotchkiss to Crawford	11/4/2021	\$ 3,250,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	CY22 Rural Paving	SH 114 Parlin West & CO 114 Resurfacing and Shoulders	11/18/2021	\$ 4,200,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	Capital	US 550 Montrose to Ouray County Line Safety Improvements	11/18/2021	\$ 5,250,000	✓	SB Year 2/3
3	CY22 Rural Paving	SH 139 Dinosaur Diamond	12/2/2021	\$ 2,115,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	Capital	I-70 Auxiliary Lane East Frisco to Silverthorne	1/13/2022	\$ 21,000,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	CY22 Rural Paving	SH14 Walden South and SH125 Walden North	2/10/2022	\$ 7,770,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	Capital	Intersection Improvements at SH 50/550	4/22/2023	\$ 2,925,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
3	Capital	US 6 Fruita to Palisade Safety Improvements - 20 Road Intersection	TBD	\$ 5,350,000	✓	
3	CY21 Rural Paving	CO 149 Resurfacing and Shoulders North of Creede & SH149 Lake City North	TBD	\$ 12,100,000	✓	



Project Proposals - Region 4

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
REGION 4 TARGET \$32.1 M						
Region 4 Flexible Allocation						
4	Capital	Berthoud Mobility Hub at SH 56 / I-25 (NFRMPO)	Immediately	\$ 6,500,000	✓	10-Year Plan
4	CY21 Rural Paving	I-76 West of CO 144 Westbound (UFR & ETPR)	12/16/2020	\$ 8,048,375	✓	SB Year 3
4	CY21 Rural Paving	SH 385 Phillips/Yuma County Line South (ETPR)	<90 Days	\$ 7,100,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
4	Capital	SH119 Adaptive Signal System (DRCOG)	9/1/2021	\$ 2,400,000	✓	SB Year 4
4	Asset Management	Bridge Maintenance Project: D-18-B (SH 52 near Hudson, CO) (UFR)	7/1/2021	\$ 250,000		Asset List
4	Asset Management	Bridge Maintenance Project: B-26-F (SH 59 near Haxtun, CO) (ETPR)	7/1/2021	\$ 300,000		Asset List
4	Asset Management	Replacement of X-lite guardrail end treatments (Region wide)	6/1/2021	\$ 1,600,000		Asset List
4	DRCOG Local Agency Project	SH7 & 119th St in Lafayette	9/1/2021	\$ 2,605,000		Local Agency Project
R4 Flexible TOTAL				\$ 28,803,375		
NFRMPO TMA Suballocation (TARGET \$4.04 M)						
4	NFR Local Agency Project	North LCR 17 Expansion	9/1/2021	\$ 760,000		Local Agency Project
4	NFR Local Agency Project	Intersection Improvements SH 257 & Eastman Park Dr.	6/30/2021	\$ 1,000,000		Local Agency Project
4	NFR Local Agency Project	Timberline Rd Corridor Improvements	6/1/2021	\$ 2,695,000		Local Agency Project
NFRMPO TMA Suballocation TOTAL				\$ 4,455,000		
Region 4 Flexible + NFRMPO TMA Suballocation TOTAL				\$ 33,258,375		

Project Highlights:

- Berthoud Mobility Hub: Design and interim construction for eventual center-loading express Bustang station constructed as part of North I-25 Segment 6. The Berthoud mobility hub will support Bustang service from Fort Collins and Denver.
- Project list addresses critical rural paving and asset management needs.
- Includes priority local agency projects from NFRMPO and DRCOG.



Project Proposals - Region 4

Region 4 Remaining SB Project List:

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
Remaining SB Projects:						
4	CY21 Rural Paving	Region 4 Miscellaneous Rural Paving Project	11/19/2020	\$ 3,705,253	✓	SB Year 3/4
4	CY22 Rural Paving	I-76 East of Sterling	10/15/2021	\$ 8,046,507	✓	SB Year 3/4
4	CY22 Rural Paving	US 385 North of Cheyenne Wells	10/21/2021	\$ 14,539,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
4	CY21 Rural Paving	CO 138 Sterling North (Part 2)	11/18/2021	\$ 1,750,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
4	CY22 Rural Paving	CO 52 Resurfacing Prospect Valley (Phase 2)	11/19/2022	\$ 4,652,657	✓	SB Year 3/4
4	Capital	SH 119 Safety / Mobility Improvements	1/1/2023	\$ 27,017,225	✓	SB Year 3/4



Project Proposals - Region 5

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
REGION 5 TARGET \$10.6 M						
5	Capital	US 160 McCabe Creek Major Structure Replacement	5/21/2021	\$ 7,500,000	✓	SB Year 2/3
5	CY22 Rural Paving	CO 141 North of Naturita Resurfacing	12/3/2020	\$ 3,112,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
TOTAL				\$ 10,612,000		



US 160 McCabe Creek Major Structure Replacement - This project replaces a failing culvert crossing US 160 in Pagosa Springs with a concrete box culvert, as well as widens the roadway for bicycle and pedestrian facilities. The culvert has a risk of severe flooding and US 160 is at risk of potential washout.

CO 141 North of Naturita Resurfacing is part of CDOT's commitment to addressing critical rural paving priorities.

Photo: US 160 McCabe Creek Project



Project Proposals - Region 5

Region 5 Remaining SB Project List:

Region	Project Type	Project Description	Scheduled Ad Date	Funding Need	10-Year Plan	Current 10-Year Plan Status
Remaining SB Projects:						
5	CY21 Rural Paving	CO 149 Resurfacing and Shoulders North of Creede & SH149 Lake City North	11/5/2020	\$ 16,016,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
5	Capital	US 550 Pacochupuk South Roadway Mobility and Safety Improvements	10/7/2021	\$ 1,700,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
5	CY22 Rural Paving	US 160 MP 0-8 Aztec Creek Resurfacing	10/20/2021	\$ 10,650,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
5	CY22 Rural Paving	CO370 Resurfacing	11/4/2021	\$ 1,450,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
5	CY22 Rural Paving	US 550 Billy Creek Re surfacing	11/5/2021	\$ 6,500,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
5	CY22 Rural Paving	US 50 North of 285 Resurfacing	11/5/2021	\$ 3,500,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
5	Capital	US 50/285 Interse ction Re construction (Round-a-bout)	2/24/2022	\$ 3,400,000	✓	SB Year 3/4
5	CY21 Rural Paving	CO 114 Resurfacing and Shoulders	TBD	\$ 12,000,000	✓	



Continued Support for Revitalizing Main Streets (\$2M)

- Initial \$5M has been allocated. Adding an additional \$2M.
- Fund source: DTR fund swap using FASTER Transit to fund Revitalizing Main Streets and using SB 267 to backfill FASTER Transit agreements.

Modernizing NEPA (\$75k)

- Funds would allow DTD to advance capabilities to run GHG and travel models
- Fund source: Supplemental STBG

Bridge Repairs (~\$6M)

- Critical timber bridge retrofits around the state
- Critical deck debris fall mitigation around the metro area
- Fund Source: Supplemental bridge dollars



January 20-21 TC Meeting

- Budget Amendment/Supplement to formally add stimulus and FY21 supplemental funds to budget and approve Program Reserve loan to Powers/Research Project

March TC Meeting

- Review Year 1-4 SB 267 list in anticipation of SB 267 COP issuance

April

- Anticipated issuance of Year 3 COPs
- TC approval of Year 3 list

Resolution # TC

Resolution Related to Federal COVID-19 Relief Package

Approved by the Transportation Commission on

WHEREAS, a \$900 billion COVID-19 relief package and a \$1.4 trillion FY 2021 omnibus appropriations package was passed by Congress and signed by the President of the United States on December 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the funding package includes \$9.8 billion for surface transportation for State Departments of Transportation, and Colorado's share of this would be 1.37% or \$134.3 million; and

WHEREAS, taken together, COVID Relief and FY 21 Supplemental funding is expected to provide Colorado approximately \$150 million; and

WHEREAS, the legislation dictates that funding will be allocated based on the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program formula that is based on population (larger urban, small urban, rural, flexible) with portions sub-allocated to the large urban Transportation Management Areas; and

WHEREAS, in addition to eligible uses under the STBG Program, stimulus funds may be used for costs related to preventive maintenance, routine maintenance, operations, personnel, including salaries of employees (including those employees who have been placed on administrative leave) or contractors, debt service payments, availability payments, and coverage for other revenue losses; and

WHEREAS, funding is available through September 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission (Commission) supports the following goals for these additional funds:

Move Quickly

- By allocating dollars quickly, CDOT can ensure maximum benefit to Colorado's economy.
- CDOT has focused on projects ready to go to advertisement as soon as possible (preferably February-April).
- CDOT staff will provide formal guidance to sub-recipients within 30 days on the timely use of funds.

Retain Focus on 10-yr Plan

- Projects come from the 10-yr plan (specifically Years 3 and 4 of the SB267 list) and reflect stated priorities from the plan (e.g. improving assets).

Distribute Dollars Equitably

- Because these dollars are intended to help the economy, staff proposes distributing them equitably across the state using the same formula as was used for the SB267 funding.

Advance Health and Sustainability Goals

- Continue critical COVID infrastructure support--Revitalizing Main Streets--supporting communities through the winter months.
- Help modernize our approach to NEPA so that project investments continue to support GHG goals.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Commission approves the attached list of projects to be implemented with funds received from the COVID-19 relief and government funding package contingent upon their inclusion in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in order to show how quickly Colorado can make use of transportation funds, the Commission anticipates sub-recipients to approve projects by April, 2020, and expects most projects to go to advertisement by summer, 2020; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commission supports staff developing expenditure curves for all projects, including those chosen by sub-recipients, to ensure all stimulus funds are expended by the September 30, 2024 deadline, and if a project is unable to meet that deadline, a new project shall be chosen.

Herman Stockinger, Secretary
Transportation Commission of Colorado

Date