



Transportation Update

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Northglenn City Council
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Transportation Update

- GOAL OF PRESENTATION
 - PROVIDE “SNAP SHOT” OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION ISSUES
 - IDENTIFY NORTHGLENN’S ROLE/POSITION & IMPACTS





Transportation Update

- KEY AGENCY/GROUPS
 - CDOT (Region 6)
 - RTD
 - DRCOG
 - NATA
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CDOT

- NORTH I-25 EIS / ROD
 - Environmental Impact Statement
 - Record of Decision Issued
 - I-25 PEL
 - Programmatic Environmental Linkage
 - Precursor effort to NEPA process
 - TIGER III GRANT – I -25 HOV LANES
 - Federal Grant Program
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CDOT

- NORTH 1-25 EIS / ROD
 - CDOT REGION 4 PROJECT
 - Primary Need and Purpose
 - “To identify and evaluate multi-modal transportation improvements along approximately 61 miles of the I-25 corridor from the Fort Collins-Wellington area to Denver”
 - Substantial concerns about mitigation of impacts raised by municipalities in the southern half of corridor
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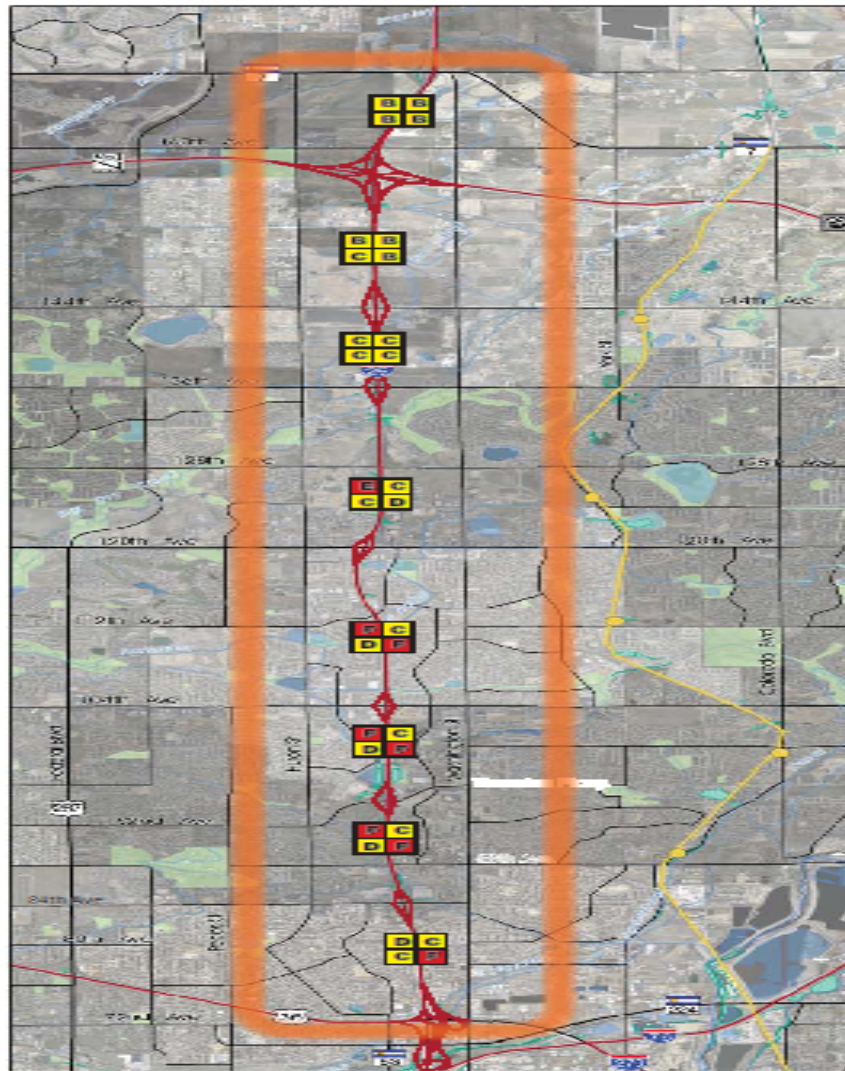


CDOT

- I-25 PEL
 - Region 6 project
 - Precursor effort to identify environmental issues related to Federal NEPA Process
 - Primary Goals of PEL
 - Investigate issues and concerns not addressed in NORTH I-25 EIS
 - Identify project scope(s) that would be eligible for “Categorical Exclusion” – NEPA Exempt projects
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North I-25 PEL Study Area



Existing Level of Service (LOS)

A	B	C	D	E	F
LOS A, B	LOS C, D	LOS E, F	LOS G, H	LOS I, J	LOS K, L

Existing peak period volume exceeds capacity. Volume expected to exceed capacity along entire corridor by 2035

LEGEND

- Commuter Rail Station
- North Metro Commuter Rail Line
- Wetlands
- Parks & Open Space
- Floodways / Tollways
- Arterials
- Streets & Driveways
- Lakes & Reservoirs

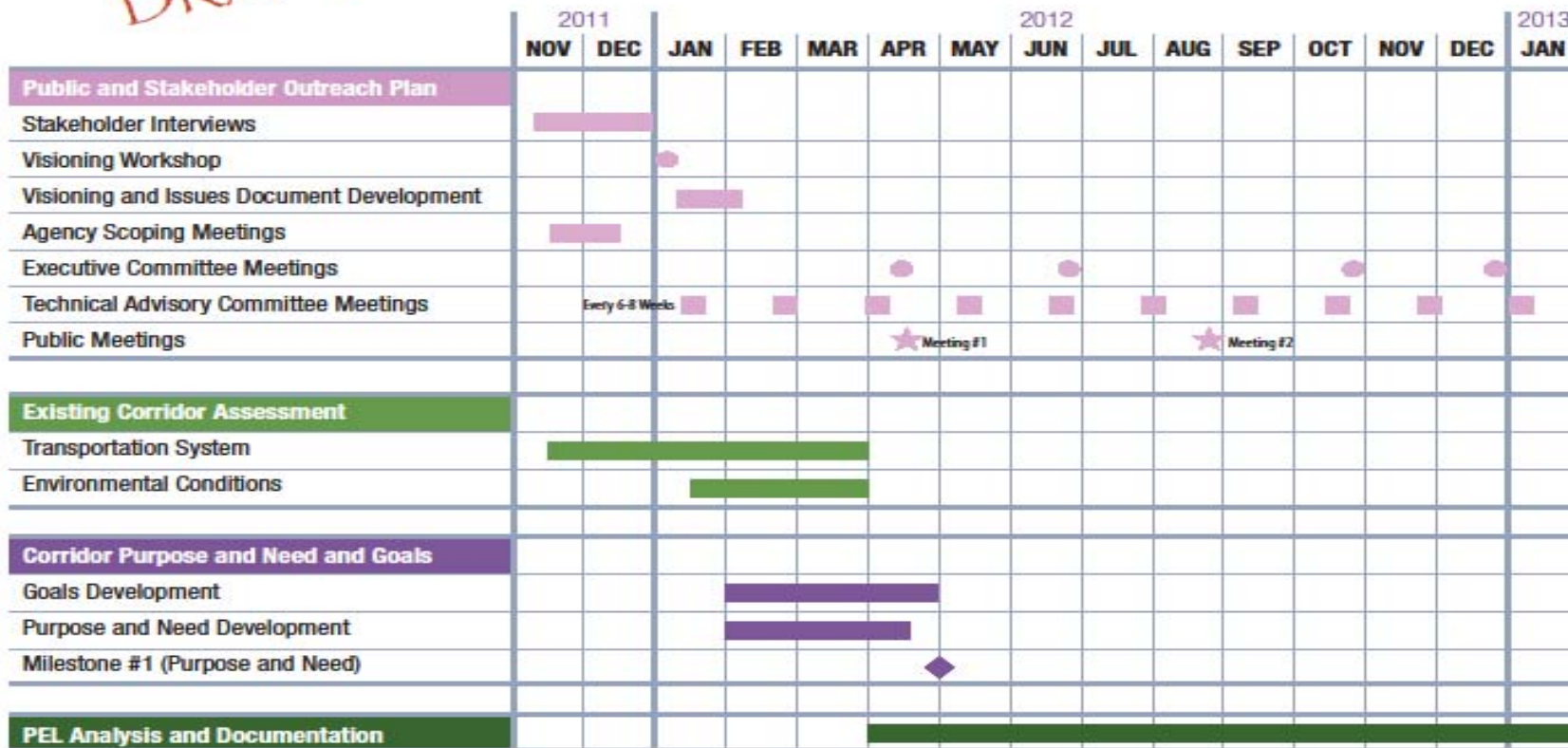


CDOT

NORTH
I-25 PEL

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Schedule





CDOT TIGER III Grant

- \$40M grant application to US DOT for High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) travel lanes on inside shoulder of I-25.
 - Joint submittal from CDOT, RTD, DRCOG, and NATA communities
 - Grant was not selected for funding (Dec. 2011)
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CDOT TIGER III Grant

- Overall, a well-received application.
 - Well-aligned with the criteria.
 - Was forwarded out of staff review to senior level review team (including the Secretary and Modal Administrators), which ultimately makes the decisions.
 - Primary reason not funded was not enough money nationally with 848 applications, only 46 were chosen.
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CDOT TIGER III Grant

- What they thought could be stronger:
 - Safety benefits of the project were low or undefined
 - Further clarification of the partners financial stake in the project (Local \$ met only minimal amounts)
 - Project readiness – was not 100%
 - Required I-25 North ROD, and design variances still needed from FHWA Denver office
 - Long term job creation and innovation sections could have been stronger
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CDOT TIGER III Grant

- What they liked:
 - Very strong on economic competitiveness, I-25 is a national freight movement corridor that carries lots of traffic;
 - Liked multimodal component with connections to major transit facilities
 - Congestion reduction, emissions reductions and travel time savings were significant
 - Cost Benefit Analysis was seen as "useful" (out of a range of not useful, somewhat useful, and useful).
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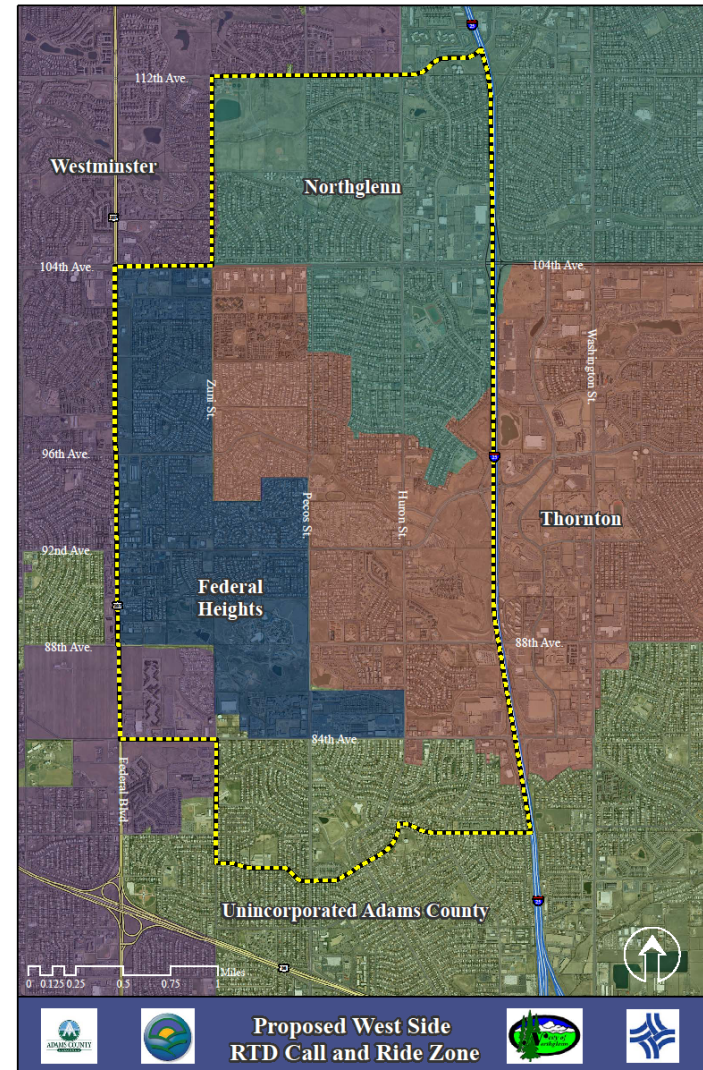
RTD

- Board of Director District K Appointment
 - Kathi Williams
 - Replaces vacancy created by resignation of Kenneth Riley
 - Appointed by Adams County Commissioners
 - Former Legislator and Director of the Colorado Division of Housing
 - Mayor and Staff met with Kathi to discuss Northglenn issues and concerns
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RTD

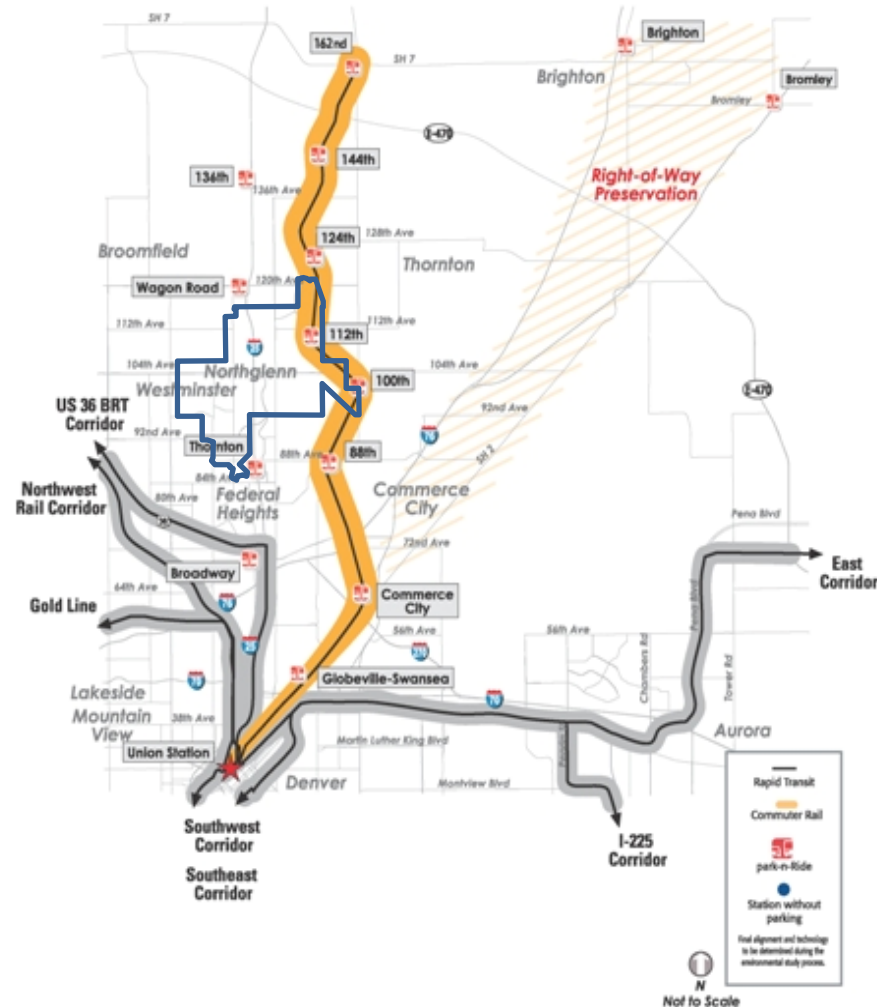
- New Federal Heights Call-n-Ride
 - Third RTD Call-n-Ride operating in the City
 - West of I-25, south of 112th Avenue (Northglenn)
 - Ribbon cutting January 27th, 10 a.m. – Fed. Heights City Hall





FasTracks North Metro Line

North Metro Corridor





FasTracks North Metro Line

- Major Changes (2011 – 2012):
 - Available funding has allowed RTD to proceed with procurement for a design/build contract for Segment 1 from Denver Union Station to National Western Stock Show Station
 - Revised track materials to match Eagle to improve consistency of the Commuter Rail Network
 - Further defined Civil Elements for overall corridor design
 - Advanced engineering to produce ROW plans for Segment 1 – better defined ROW throughout
 - Advanced engineering for systems design – matching Eagle for Commuter Rail Network consistency
 - Performed detailed hazardous materials estimate for entire corridor
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FasTracks North Metro Line

- \$972,900,000 Estimated Project Cost (2011)
 - \$238,000,000 Financial Commitment to Date
 - \$119M Union Pacific's right-of-way
 - \$9.5M Northeast Area Transit Evaluation
 - \$20M EIS (ROD) and Preliminary Engineering
 - \$90M Design/Build contract for Segment 1
 - Denver Union Station to National Western Stock Show
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FasTracks North Metro Line

- RTD Revenue Collected vs Committed to North Metro Line
 - \$1118.4 M Sales & Use Tax Revenue Collected from 2005-2011
 - \$238,000,000 Committed to NM Line
 - 21.3% of revenues collected have been spent on North Metro Line
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FasTracks North Metro Line

- Funding Plan

- Short term: Moving forward with Segment 1 to begin construction of the North Metro Corridor
 - Longer term: Currently adopted financial plan assumes successful vote in 2012, with the full North Metro corridor complete by 2020
 - If there is not a successful election – New Starts would be considered as Plan B
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FasTracks North Metro Line

- Northglenn 2 ½ % Local Match
 - Northglenn share \$2.525 Million
 - Local match achieved through following:
 - \$100k – Staff Time
 - \$750k – Use Tax
 - \$1.67 M Capital Projects
 - 112th St/Grange Hall Creek
 - Roadway Intersection Improvements
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FasTracks North Metro Line

- Northglenn 2 ½ % Local Match
 - MOU between Corridor Local Governments – To be presented to Council @ 2/2/12 Worksession
 - MOU establishes 2 ½% match for each local government with RTD – agree to agree document
 - Pursuing DRCOG (TIP) funds - \$7.4 M for North Metro Line
 - DRCOG/TIP funds would augment 2 ½ % match for each jurisdiction - \$850K for Northglenn
 - \$2.252M reduced to \$1.4M
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DRCOG

(Denver Regional Council of Governments)

- Fast Tracks North Metro Line
 - \$7.4M Federal (TIP) funds - request for North Metro Line.
 - *“used to pay for improvements that were part of the base project plus improvements that would benefit, and/or be required by local requirements of the community associated with the project”*
 - Northglenn’s share \$850K.
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DRCOG

- Signal Timing Coordination / Update
 - DRCOG periodically updates signal timing throughout the region
 - Washington St & 104th St Corridors were updated
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NATA

(North Area Transportation Alliance)

- NATA Goals
 - FasTracks
 - I-25 Widening HOV/HOT/General Purpose Lanes
 - TMO – Transit Management Organization
 - Awarded Federal Grant via DRCOG for TMO
 - Non-profit organization representing NATA communities on Transportation Demand Management issues
 - TMO Exe Director Selection / Appointment
 - NATA has appointed Karen Stewart, as new TMO Director
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Upcoming Issues

- RTD MOU/IGA/Local Match
 - RTD Ballot Initiative -FastTracks Funding
 - Reauthorization of Fed. Trans. Bill
 - Fed funding (DRCOG) opportunities
 - E. 112th Ave Design
 - Station Area Planning
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