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TO: Colorado Transportation Commission
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SUBJECT: Transportation Commission Approval of the Revised Interchange Approval Policy Directive 1601

Purpose

Staff is seeking Transportation Commission approval of the revised interchange approval policy 1601. Staff will submit the interchange approval procedural directive to the CDOT Executive Director for approval later this month.

Action

Staff is requesting Transportation Commission approval of the revised 1601 policy directive.

Background

As a result of the discussion that took place at the Transportation Commission's March workshop, the policy has been updated in the following ways:

- The staff has made a slight modification to the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) definition as found in the draft policy, so the language now reads: "TDM helps the traveling public by offering access to multiple transportation modes through strategies like promoting increased transit, integrating with mobility hubs, ridesharing, walking, biking, and teleworking in order to reduce reliance on travel in a single-occupant vehicle." This language provides the reader with a clear definition of TDM and the type of modes and infrastructure that fall within the TDM definition.
- The staff has also updated the mobility hub TDM strategy language in the procedural directive, making sure that applicants do not have an expectation of Bustang service or CDOT financial participation if they select a mobility hub strategy as a part of a proposed interchange project. Additionally, the updated mobility hub TDM strategy language also states that mobility hubs should be consistent with the most recent Statewide Transportation Plan and Statewide Transit Plan, and the CDOT Mobility Hub Guidebook. Hyperlinks to all documents will be included in the final version of the procedural directive.

Because the policy and procedural directive are so intrinsically linked, staff has included the draft procedural directive for informational purposes only so the Transportation Commission can see the entire TDM section in context. Please note that the procedural directive is in draft form and is subject to change based on Executive Director and Executive Management Team feedback.

In addition to the aforementioned edits, the revised policy directive also includes administrative and clarifying changes as seen in the 'markup' version.

Next Steps

Upon approval of policy directive 1601, staff will submit the final version of the procedural directive to the Executive Director for final review and approval. Staff will conduct training sessions for each CDOT

region later this year. Regional staff will be encouraged to share 1601 training materials with local planning partners as appropriate.

Attachment

Revised 1601 Policy Directive (Both Clean and Redline Versions)

Revised Draft 1601.1 Procedural Directive (For Informational Purposes Including both Clean and Redline Versions)

1601 Policy Directive Overview Presentation