

# Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

**RTPO Technical/Policy Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday, September 11, 2019**  
**10AM – 2PM**  
**Acoma Tribal Auditorium**  
**33 Pinsbaari Drive**  
**Pueblo of Acoma, NM**

## AGENDA

- I. **Call to Order and Introductions**.....Jeff Irving, *NWRTPO Chair*, or *Dave Deutsawe, Vice Chair*
- II. **Agenda – Review & Approval**.....Jeff Irving / Dave Deutsawe
- III. **Minutes of 8/14/19 – Review & Approval**.....Jeff Irving / Dave Deutsawe

**ACTION ITEMS:** none this meeting

### **DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION ITEMS:**

- IV. **Annual Member Survey**.....Robert Kuipers  
Staff also sent the survey out via “Survey Monkey”
- V. **LGTPF Funding Awards Process & Schedule?**.....Robert Kuipers, NMDOT Staff  
Discussion with DOT staff on when funding will become available, the process (up front / reimbursement?) and when construction / planning can begin.
- VI. **Reports, Updates & Announcements:**
  - **RTPO Report: Regional News & Updates**.....Robert Kuipers
    - NWRTPO Regional Work Program Status Report
    - Annual Member Survey time again – please take this seriously (and staff will as well going forward – especially on taking action around training interests and other recommendations).
    - Title VI Training is available to MPO’s and RTPO’s from Lisa Neie – Civil Rights Manager for FHWA New Mexico. These trainings can be customized to address member concerns and issues for their regions, if provided to her in advance. Based on training length, we could provide it at one of our meetings.
    - FHWA Value Capture Webinar Series – commenced in June, completed in November – staff will distribute hard copies
    - UNM-LTAP Training Opportunities
  - **Local Member Issues, Reports & Updates**.....NWRTPO Members
  - **State DOT Reports**
    1. Planning/Government-to-Government Unit (Neala Krueger)
    2. Tribal Liaison (Ron Shutiva)
    3. District 5 (District 5 Staff – Stephen Lopez)
    4. District 6 (District 6 Staff – JoAnn Garcia)
    5. Santa Fe Administration /Central Regional Division
- VII. **New Business/Open Floor – Members & Guests**
  - No new business requested in advance of this meeting.

## VIII. Review Calendar & Announcements / Training & Funding Opportunities:

- FHWA Office of Planning, Environment & Realty / Human Environment Digest: Weeks of 8/11/19 and 8/25/19 – emailed to members as they came out
- Govt. to Govt. Updates: Week of 8/20/19 – emailed to members as they came out.
- AASHTO Publications Updates: Weeks of 8/15/19, 8/19/19, 8/23/19 and 8/30/19 – emailed as they came out.
- NWRTPO / FMPO Coordinated Public Transit Plan: emailed to members 8/2/19; public comment period ended August 30 for the NWRTPO and FMPO region.
- NMDOT / UNM-LTAP: Provides a very robust collection of training opportunities – staff forward news to members as it comes out from this source – reference at [ltap.unm.edu](http://ltap.unm.edu)
- Tribal Safety Summit: November 21-22, 2019; Institute of American Indian Arts – 83 Avon Nu Po Rd., Santa Fe.
- Innovation Exchange Webinar – Value Capture for Local Agencies: covering how transportation development can leverage the value of local property thus creating more infrastructure investment appeal to funding agencies – offered August 8; emailed to members 7/31/19
- LGTPF Awards Public Notice: RTPO staff provided a public notice template sent to members on August 20, with another reminder on August 27 – to thank our Governor and State Legislators via newspaper or radio. **The only members who sent a copy of public notice to this effect was Mr. Siow of the Pueblo of Laguna and Mr. Jaramillo of the City of Grants (!) The total award from the state to our region was over \$12 million dollars (!!!!) – that’s almost three times what our region receives from the federal government on a biennial basis! (Shame) on all of us for not expressing our appreciation and LET’S HOPE the State continues this funding opportunity in the future.** It’s not too late at this point for any of us to still get a public notice appreciating our state leaders, for providing this funding opportunity! Staff also understand that some of you may indeed have gotten out a public notice, but please send staff a copy (via email), so we can have a record of our appreciation for the northwest part of the state in which we all reside!
- Annual RTPO Member Survey: As of September 2, only seven RTPO members have responded to the survey – at least on Survey Monkey; staff are aware of several other members who responded directly via email to the hard copy survey emailed out. Please respond to the survey – even if you’re an alternate member who attends meetings once in a while.
- FHWA Change Order Training: Scheduled for September 18 at NMDOT Headquarters – 1120 Cerrillos Road in Santa Fe; correct registration form emailed to members on 8/27/19 with appreciation to Steve Lopez.
- US DOT Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Transportation Technology (T3) Webinar: scheduled for Sept. 5, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm our time (1pm – 2:30 pm Eastern Time) – emailed to members 8/20/19.
- US DOT announces \$321.4 million in “Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects”: (NSFLTP) this funding will support maintenance repair or new construction for roads and bridges serving tribal or federal lands. <https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/fhwa1519>
- National Transportation in Indian Country Conference: forwarded from Royce Gchachu on June 12 – emailed to members (with apologies!) from Bob K. on July 2; conference takes place in Big Sky, Montana Sept. 16 – 19.
- Intelligent Transportation Systems Professional Capacity Building Update: emailed to members 8/20/19
- NM Economic Development “Fund It” Announcement: emailed to members 8/20/19 – applications due Sept. 13 – include transportation infrastructure; a potential matching fund from our State, for federal funded projects?
- National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Impact Award: The NWNMCOG will receive an “Impact Award” from NADO at the 2019 NADO Annual Training Conference, for the ongoing development of recreational trails in the Zuni Mountains of McKinley and Cibola Counties; this is the only award to New Mexico.

## IX. Next Meetings:

- October 9: Shiprock Chapter, NM Hwy 64, milepost 23 – Bldg. 5548, Shiprock, N.M.
- November 13: Milan Parks & Recreation Office, 409 Airport Road, Milan, N.M.
- December 11: Ramah Navajo Chapter, 434 BIA Rt. 125 – 4 miles south of NM53 intersection, Pine Hill, NM

## X. Adjournment:

Motion:

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