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## **Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)**

# **AGENDA PACKET**

### **RTPO Technical/Policy Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, October 11, 2017**

**10:00AM – 2:00PM**

**Northern Navajo – Shiprock Chapter**

**US Hwy 64 – mp23, Bldg. 5548, Shiprock, NM**



**Special Thanks to Navajo DOT**

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**Northern Navajo**

**Shiprock Chapter House**

**US Hwy 64 – mp 23, Bldg. 5548, Shiprock, NM**

## **AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order and Introductions.....Jeff Irving, NWRTPO Chair**
- II. Agenda – Review & Approval.....Jeff Irving**
- III. Minutes of 09/13/17 – Review & Approval.....Jeff Irving**

**ACTION ITEMS:** no action items for this meeting

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

- IV. US 64 Shiprock School Zone Presentation.....Larry Joe, Northern Navajo, Shiprock High School staff/students**
- V. NMDOT Statewide Prioritized Bicycle Network Plan Presentation.....Wade Patterson, NMDOT Liaison  
(Active Trans. Prgms Supervisor / BPE Coordinator)**
- VI. NWRTPO Regional Work Program Status Report.....Robert Kuipers**
- VII. Reports, Updates & Announcements:**
  - A. RTPO Report: Regional News & Updates.....Robert Kuipers**
    - Need members to help identify their airport condition for: Shiprock (Larry Joe), Gallup (Stan H.), Zuni (Blackrock) (Royce G.), Crown Point (Rosilyn Smith), and Grants / Milan (Don J. / Jack M.). Jane Lucero – NMDOT Aviation will present at our November meeting in Milan. Is your airport in excellent, good, or poor condition?
    - Need member feedback on interest in Liberty Mobility services for our region.
  - B. Local Member Issues, Reports & Updates.....NWRTPO Members**
  - C. State DOT Reports**
    - 1. Planning/Government-to-Government Unit (Wade Patterson)
    - 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



### VIII. New Business/Open Floor – Members & Guests

- **Orientations:** All RTPO Orientations complete except Pueblo of Zuni
- **Membership Updates:** need member appointment updates for:
  - A) Cibola - Anna, Navajo – Larry and Rosilyn, Laguna – Ray, Zuni – Royce, Gallup – Stan and Alicia: in the case of all these, I know we have past records with member appointment forms, but I can't locate them, so asking to get fresh signatures just to update. Understanding were waiting on alternative member for Laguna; for Zuni I have Roxanne, but need a new one for Royce.
  - B) McKinley – once new Alt. elected
- **Meeting Schedule:** RTPO member govt. representatives – please confirm reservation of your location for the date specified in our public notice for NWRTPO meetings – May, 2017 – April, 2018; as the public notice has gone out!

### IX. Review Calendar & Announcements / Training & Funding Opportunities

- **FHWA Office of Planning, Environment & Realty / Human Environment Digest:** emailed to members 9/18, 9/22, 10/2 (x2: 9/24 & 10/1)
- **Govt. to Govt. Updates:** Weeks of 9/26 – emailed to members as they came out
- **Airport questions – location and condition:** emailed to members on 7/14 (response from Acoma, Laguna and Cibola)
- **Rail Plan Update reminder:** emailed to members 7/24 – reminders at subsequent meetings
- **Liberty Mobility Program dropbox link:** emailed to members on 7/17; reminder email on 7/25, brought up at subsequent meetings
- **INFRA Grant Opportunity:** with guidance documentation emailed to members on 7/25 and shared at meetings thereafter. **Applications due Nov. 2**
- **TIGER Grant Opportunity:** emailed to members and brought up at meetings. **Applications due Oct. 16**

### X. Next Meetings

- **November 8** – Milan Parks & Rec. Dept., 409 Airport Road, Milan, NM
- **December 13:** Ramah Navajo Chapter, 434 BIA Rt. 125, Ramah, NM
- **January 10:** Cibola Convention Center, 515 High Street, Grants, NM

### XI. Adjournment



## **NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization**

### **Joint Policy & Technical Committee NWRTPO Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday September 13, 2017

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Acoma Tribal Auditorium

33 Pinsbaari Drive, Pueblo of Acoma, NM

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#### **ATTENDANCE:**

##### **Local & Tribal Governments:**

Pueblo of Acoma	Dave Deutsawe – Vice Chair, Monica Felipe
Pueblo of Laguna	Ray Lucero
Pueblo of Zuni	Royce Gchachu, Roxanne Hughte - absent
Navajo Nation	Eastern Navajo: Rosilyn Smith - absent Northern Navajo: Larry Joe - absent
Ramah Navajo	Joe Sanchez, Shane Lewis
Farmington MPO	Vacant at this time
City of Grants	Don Jaramillo, Les Gaines
City of Gallup	Stan Henderson, Alicia Santiago – absent
Village of Milan	Jack Molerres - absent
Cibola County	Anna Larson
McKinley County	Jeff Irving - Chair
San Juan County	Nick Porell <i>[excused]</i>

##### **Technical Agencies:**

New Mexico Department of Transportation:	G-2-G Unit: Wade Patterson – absent / excused DOT District 5: Stephen Lopez – absent / excused DOT District 6: JoAnn Garcia, Bill Santiago, Arif Kazmi DOT Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva – absent / excused DOT – LTAP: DOT Admin:
Bureau of Indian Affairs	TTP:

##### **NWRTPO Administration:**

Northwest Regional Planning Organization	Robert Kuipers
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<b><u>Guests:</u></b>	Raymond Concho – 1 <sup>st</sup> Lt. Governor, Pueblo of Acoma, David Silversmith – Navajo DOT
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<b><u>TOTAL ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	6 Members, 3 alternate members, 3 NMDOT, 1 RTPO Staff, 2 guests, TOTAL: 15
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- I. **Call to Order and Introductions:**.....Jeff Irving, NWRTPO Chair
- Jeff Irving called the meeting to order at 10:15AM, welcomed those in attendance, and proceeded with introductions and approval of agenda and minutes. The meeting was hosted by the Pueblo of Acoma with special thanks for coffee, snacks and lunch provided.
- II. **Review & Approval of Agenda:**.....Jeff Irving
- No discussion or changes to the agenda were made.
  - Motion to approve agenda made by Don Jaramillo - Grants seconded by Anna Larson - Cibola, all in favor, none opposed.
- III. **Approval and Review of Minutes for April 12, 2017 Meeting:**.....Jeff Irving
- There were no changes recommended by RTPO members.
  - Motion to accept meeting minutes made by Ray Lucero - Laguna, seconded by Anna Larson - Cibola, all in favor, none opposed.

**ACTION ITEMS:** *No action required for this meeting*

**DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION ITEMS:**

- IV. **CMGC Const. Mgmt / Gen. Contractor Process**.....Dave Deutsawe, Monica Felipe – Pueblo of Acoma

BACKGROUND
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Why?</b> The Pueblo of Acoma, through the exemplary efforts of Mr. Dave Deutsawe and his transportation team, engaged the CMGC process and were able to complete 12 projects in a year and a half. Most of our rural governments are lucky to fund and complete one or two projects in a two year period, given the limited funding available to rural America, along with navigating the regulation. On top of this, they had just under \$ 1 million in savings which they applied to additional projects! Many of our members are interested to investigate the CMGC opportunity.</li><li>• <b>Purpose.</b> Mr. Deutsawe will provide a presentation on how the CMGC process worked for the Pueblo; what went well, what to be aware of, and any other pertinent information for those within the NWRTPO who might be interested in undertaking the CMGC opportunity.</li><li>• <b>Discussion/Finalization.</b> This presentation will help NWRTPO members who have an interest in the CMGC process to better understand the demands on staff and contractors and the benefits in advance of pursuing this opportunity for expedited project development.</li></ul>
WORK TO DATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Pueblo of Acoma has successfully engaged the CMGC expedited construction process in an exemplary fashion, and have documented the benefits and demands involved.</li></ul>
ANTICIPATED WORK
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NWRTPO members may have an interest in pursuing the CMGC opportunity for their respective governments</li></ul>
ATTACHMENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CMGC presentation (power point)</li></ul>
BUDGET IMPACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None</li></ul>
ACTION ITEM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No action required by the NWRTPO</li></ul>

Discussion / Report:

- The “Construction Management / General Contractor” (CMGC) program is an FHWA Accelerated Project Deployment strategy that consolidates design and construction creating a shorter time period for project execution – usually resulting in cost and time savings. Contractors are able to build as each project segment is designed.
- Used ICE – Independent Cost Estimator, to get competitive prices
- Program provides more local control over project development
- Process creates a team approach that impacts time and cost efficiency
- Negotiated a “Guaranteed Maximum Price” – if the contractor over-spends, it is at the contractor’s expense
- Built in allowance contingencies for unanticipated expenses (ie. weather problems)
- Pueblo started with nine (9) projects, including some FEMA projects
- Applied for and obtained categorical exclusions from David Cremer – FHWA Denver Regional Office, for all nine projects, because they had all recently completed environmental review
  - Resolved environmental regulations upfront, with all related agencies (incl. EPA) conceding to give FHWA the lead
- Hired local labor from within Cibola County
- Saved just under \$1 million which was applied to other projects
- Delivered projects that would normally take 7 – 10 years, in just 18 months !!
- Used Sharepoint for IT management
- Advice from project experience:
  - Must have a project leader from the get go
  - Keep elected leaders and public informed and involved
  - Be careful / inquisitive in the hiring process
  - Clearly outline minimum needs in the RFP to contractors
  - Discuss cost-modeling at pre-bid and kick-off meetings

**V. NWRTPO Regional Work Program Status Report:.....Robert Kuipers, NWRTPO Staff**

BACKGROUND
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Why?</b> Due to a NMDOT Office of Inspector General (OIG) Audit and subsequent findings NWRTPO and COG staff met with NMDOT Planning Bureau staff to develop a corrective action plan (CAP).</li> <li>• <b>Purpose.</b> As part of our CAP RTPO staff will provide monthly reports showing line item budget expenditures and staff hours in comparison with the approved Regional Work Program (RWP) Budget.</li> <li>• <b>Discussion/Finalization.</b> Based on this monthly analysis and report, staff will better manage time and funding investment, and assess where and when to seek a RWP amendment if needed.</li> </ul>
CURRENT WORK
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RTPO staff met with NMDOT staff on 12/7/16 to review a draft corrective action plan, detailing specific actions and controls in a number of areas to assure stronger compliance to the RWP budgeted time and financial allocations.</li> <li>• The Corrective Action Plan has been finalized and is now being executed.</li> <li>• RTPO Staff have provided reports at monthly meetings: January – March 2017</li> <li>• In quarter 2, RTPO staff submitted Amendment #1 to modify our hours per function and annual RTPO FFY17 budget, as approved by the RTPO Committee (February 2017).</li> </ul>
ANTICIPATED WORK
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing reports to the NWRTPO members at monthly meetings.</li> <li>• RWP amendment requests may be anticipated, as time and budget demands may vary as the fiscal year progresses.</li> <li>• Our annual Quality Assurance Review (QAR) occurred on April 12, which provided a good check-up on how the RTPO is performing.</li> </ul>
ATTACHMENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RWP &amp; Budget Monthly Report.</li> </ul>



BUDGET IMPACT	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None.</li> </ul>	

RTPO Regional Work Program	Staff hours (current vs. amendment #1)	FY17 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Hours Used	FY17 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Hours Used	FY17 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Hours Used	July	Aug.	Sept.	FY17 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Hours Used	Hours Remaining
Function 1 – 12% (Long Range Planning & Implementation)	300 / 250.0	82.75	59.5	72	21.5	13		34.5	1.25
Function 2 – 10% (Technical Support & Data Management)	100 / 200.0	64.5	8.25	14.5	22.75	43		65.75	47
Function 3 – 19% (Project Development & Monitoring) (uses more hours in the first 2 quarters – related to new RTIPR development)	400.0	209.75	30.25	24.75	26.25	103		129.5	5
Function 4 – 12% (Other Activities & Projects)	400 / 250.0	64.25	71	100.25	34.5	13.5		48	-37.75 (threshold: -50)
Function 5 – 33% (General RTPO Support)	400 / 600.0	196	221.5	194.5	42.75	40.5		83.25	-95.25 (threshold: -120)
Function 6 – 14% (RTPO Administration)	400 / 300.0	80.5	46	45	67	47.5		114.5	10.75
<b>PROGRAM TOTAL</b>	<b>2000.0</b>	<b>697.75</b>	<b>436.5</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>214.75</b>	<b>260.5</b>		<b>475.25</b>	<b>64</b>

Discussion: Bob provided report – no discussion

#### VIII. ROUTINE ITEMS:

BACKGROUND
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Why?</b> Update RTPO members on news, training, funding, and other items of special interest</li> <li><b>Purpose.</b> Keep RTPO members up to date on critical information from NWRTPO and NMDOT sources</li> </ul>

Informational Items
<b>Regional News &amp; Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RTPO Report</li> <li>Member Reports</li> </ul>
<b>Member Special Reports:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None submitted prior to the meeting</li> </ul>
<b>NMDOT Reports:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>G to G Liaison: Wade Patterson</li> <li>Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva</li> <li>District 6: JoAnn Garcia &amp; staff; District 5: Steve Lopez</li> <li>DOT Planning Unit – Govt. to Govt. Weekly Updates</li> </ul>
<b>Training &amp; Funding Opportunities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20<sup>th</sup> Annual National Tribal Transportation Conference: Sept. 25 – 29, Tucson, AZ</li> <li>INFRA (<i>Infrastructure For Rebuilding America</i>) grant opportunity: 8/1/17 – 11/2/17 at Grants.gov</li> <li>TIGER Grant Opportunity: applications due by Oct. 16, 2017</li> </ul>

**New Business / Open Floor:**

- No formal requests submitted
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- Need member feedback on interest in Liberty Mobility services for our region
  - Staff will follow up with Pueblos of Acoma, Laguna and Zuni for tribal road maps, to add tribal roads to our regional transportation data and mapping
  - Reminding members of the 2018 NM Rail Plan Update – opportunities for project ready local rail inclusion along the BNSF east-west main rail line
  - Reminding members of a) **INFRA grant opportunity** – applications due by Nov. 2, and b) **TIGER grant opportunity** – applications due by Oct. 16
  - Reports provided to members from the 8/11 statewide RTPPO Roundtable, and the 8/22-24 FHWA Tribal Transportation Workshop at Navajo DOT in Tse Bonito



## **VIII. Reports, Updates & Announcements:**

### **A) RTPO Report – August 2017**

Report covered the following items:

- NWTPO Regional Work Program & Budget update
- 4 Corners Counties Collaborative meetings (seeking cost and time efficiencies in navigating multi-jurisdictional transportation projects on the Navajo Nation)
- FHWA Tribal Transportation Workshop – 8/22-24/17, NDOT in Tse Bonito
- RTPO Statewide Quarterly meeting – 8/11/17 in Socorro
- Adding our three Pueblos transportation systems to our regional GIS data and mapping
- 2018 NMDOT Rail Plan update
- INFRA and TIGER Grant opportunities

### **B) Local Member Reports & Updates:**

#### **1. Cibola County:**

- County received \$74,215 in RAC (Title II) funding to gravel CR49/50 – Zuni Canyon Road, CR19B – La Mosca Tank Road, and CR62 – Paxton Springs Road
- Ongoing blading maintenance for 8 County roads
- Maintenance in the form of tree cutting, mowing, sweeping, cleaning / installing culverts, cleaning cattle guards, shoulder work, base course and signage for 20 County roads
- Co-op projects (base course, signage) for 11 County roads

#### **2. McKinley County:**

- Finalizing Forest Service contracts for RTP trails
- Johnson Road starting construction
- LGRF projects close to completion
- ROW Projects X5 are in BIA and NDOT process

#### **3. San Juan County:**

- No report this meeting

#### **4. City of Gallup:**

- No report this meeting

#### **5. City of Grants:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Street: Harrison to Roosevelt is at 90% design
- George Hanosh Bridge & Road project ongoing
- Legacy Trail – finally resolved ROW with private citizen, so project can move forward
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Phase 4: Washington to Roosevelt in design

#### **6. Village of Milan:**

- No report this meeting

#### **7. Northern / Eastern Navajo:**

- No report this meeting

#### **8. Pueblo of Acoma:**

- Phase 3 commencing for Pinsbaari Drive
- FEMA Project – Stock Yard Bridge project RFP has been issued
- Closing out four other FEMA projects
- Working with Utility Authority for natural gas lines – in NEPA process now
- BIA Legacy projects in close out
- Pursuing INFRA grant for Mesa Hill Bridge project
- Pursuing TIGER funding for Haaku Road
- Dave D. will participate in TTP software presentation at Nat. Tribal Trans. Conf. in Tucson

**9. Pueblo of Laguna:**

- L22 Casa Blanca Road- is in construction, progress is at 70%
- L26 Rainfall Road & Trail design- 95% complete, pending is the right of way adjustments PS &E expected at the end of September 2017. ROW amendment approvals in October 2017.
- L24 Rainfall Road design is at 40%, the consultant is completing the PER with recommended options, that were presented to NMDOT District 6 and supported.
- L26 Deer Dancer Road & L243 Acorn Road designs are in progress.
- L47 Encinal Road Repair Project to start construction September 20, 2017.
- M137 San Jose River Bridge Replacement project notice to proceed expected in 3 weeks.
- M154 Paguete Wash Bridge PER request for Engineering Services to be published in September 2017.
- M108 San Jose River Bridge-Seama, PS&E complete, pending ROW amendments approval from the Tribal Council. To be presented in October 2017.
- L503 Veterans Memorial Road mill, overlay and striping project to be bid September 2017.

**NMDOT Road Projects, on the Pueblo of Laguna**

- TIF projects: NM124 & L22 Casa Blanca Rd Intersection PER, and Interstate 40-108 Interchange Corridor Study were published, proposal to be received September 15, 2017. Proposal award pending.
- NM State Road 6- CN 6100910 & 6100911, Modernization and Reconstruction, in is progress
- L200 Postal Road, in Paguete Village was funded by NMDOT LRGF and the Pueblo sought additional funding from the NM IAD TIF Board. Final award determination pending
- TAP- Trails, Bay Tree Rd to L22 Casa Blanca road, has been bid, proposals are being reviewed.
- Still working on the ownership status of Old NM ST Rd 6 with Cibola County Road Department

**10. Pueblo of Zuni:**

- No report this meeting

**11. Ramah Navajo:**

- RNDOT staff (Joe and Shane) attended the FHWA SW Tribal Transportation Workshop at NDOT in Tse Bonito (and presented on RNDOT subcontracting) Aug. 22-24
- Continuing design work for private and commercial access road turn out guidance
- Developed residential homesite lease conceptual layout for design standards
- Planning and Design proposals being prioritized from LRTP list in order to commence contract awards
- Work with Ramah N. Police Dept. continues to place crash data into new GIS based system
- Had coordination meeting with NDOT Deputy Director Arlando Teller
- Another equipment operator passed CDL test for Class A license
- Shane attended BOGS/GIS Training in Lakewood

**C) State DOT Reports:**

**1. Planning / Govt. to Govt. Unit – Wade Patterson:**

- No report this meeting

**2. Tribal Liaison – Ron Shutiva:**

- No report this meeting

**3. District 5 Staff – Steve Lopez:**

- No report this meeting

**4. District 6 Staff – JoAnn Garcia:**

- Closing out the Acoma Overlook project – extra funding applied to landscaping
- NM118 in final inspection and closeout
- Grants Legacy Trail project was extended (to deal with citizen ROW issues), and LGRF projects extended
- Extension granted for Reserve project
- Waiting on local resolutions for several projects



5. Central Regional Design / FHWA / Other:

- No report this meeting

**IX. New Business / Open Floor – Members & Guests:**

- Orientations – need to schedule orientations for San Juan and Cibola Counties and Pueblo of Zuni
- Annual meeting schedule – members need to confirm reservations for their respective meeting locations

**X. Review Calendar & Announcements / Training & Funding Opportunities:**

- FHWA Office of Planning, Environment & Realty – Human Environment Digest: emailed to members 8/7/17, 8/14/17 and 8/21/17
- Govt. to Govt. Updates: Weeks of 8/14/17, 8/21/17 and 9/4/17 – emailed to members as they came out
- FHWA Tribal Transportation Workshop: took place Aug. 22-24 at NDOT in Tse Bonito, reminders emailed to members on 6/19 and again in July. Report to be distributed at this meeting.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Annual National Tribal Transportation Conference: Sept. 25-29, Tucson, Arizona (another reminder to members in July and August)
- Liberty Mobility Program dropbox link: emailed to members on 7/17; reminder email on 7/25
- INFRA Grant Opportunity: with guidance documentation emailed to members on 7/25
- TIGER Grant Opportunity: emailed to members on 9/7/17
- Public Transportation Prioritization Meetings for FY19 Applications: emailed to our regional public transportation providers and members 8/3/17
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual NM Tribal Social Security Summit: Sept. 13 (today) in Santa Fe – emailed to members on 8/14 (thanks Ron Shutiva)

**XI. Next Meetings**

- October 11 – Northern Navajo – Shiprock Chapter, NM Hwy 64 – MP23 – Bldg. 5548, Shiprock, NM
- November 8 – Milan Parks & Recreation Dept., 409 Airport Road, Milan, NM
- December 13 – Ramah Navajo Chapter, 434 BIA Rt. 125 in Mountain View (south from NM53 intersection)

**XII. Adjournment:**

- At 12:15 PM: Joe Sanchez - Ramah motioned for meeting to adjourn, seconded by Don Jaramillo - Grants; passed by consensus, none opposed.

**MEETING ACTIONS:**

**RTPO Members:**

- Give consideration to the INFRA grant opportunity – applications due Nov. 2
- Give consideration to the TIGER grant opportunity – applications due Oct. 16
- Consider any projects you may wish to submit for inclusion in the 2018 Rail Plan update; must be relatively construction ready and approved by your leaders; submit to NMDOT Rail Division
- Inform RTPO staff (Bob K) on airports within your jurisdiction along with their current condition
- Consider Liberty Mobility Service for your jurisdiction – this service is especially for rural America for low income, elderly or disabled citizens who don't have access to Medicare or Medicaid services. 1225 L Street, Suite 600, Lincoln, NE 68508 / 1-888-785-4237 / [info@libertymobilitynow.com](mailto:info@libertymobilitynow.com)

**RTPO Staff:**

- Follow up with members on airports and condition, in advance of inviting Jane Lucero from NMDOT Aviation Dept. to present at 11/8/17 meeting in Milan.
- Follow up with members on Liberty Mobility opportunity.
- Continue to update the Reg. Trans. Plan tracker instrument, and pursue relevant information.
- Update appointment forms for members for whom we don't have current copies.
- Undertake RTPO orientation session with Pueblo of Zuni.
- Continue collaborating with Northern Pueblos RTPO for development of the RISTRA / Panoramic real-time / transparent project development status website.
- Follow through on amendment to Regional Work Program during FY18 Q1 to increase hours in General Work Function category

**NMDOT Staff:**

- Continue to press for LTAP "cradle to grave" comprehensive project development training.
- Assist in arranging a presentation on the new HSIP process from James Mexia.
- Continue to assist with information on the latest Transportation Bill, and the NMDOT Funding Formula.
- Technical assistance with locating data sets for RTP performance measures.





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**Agenda Item #IV: US64 Shiprock School Zone Safety**

**Subject: Student / Pedestrian and Multi-modal safety concerns**

**Prepared by: Robert Kuipers**

**Date: 10/3/17**

**BACKGROUND**

- **Why?** Concerns have been raised for the Shiprock School Zone on US64 in Shiprock
- **Purpose.** There is a growing need to improve and lengthen the school zone corridor in Shiprock along US64, due to the lack of safe pedestrian crossings as well as sidewalks and other needed improvements for a 1.5 – 2 mile stretch along this corridor serving 5 different schools as well as day care facilities.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** Presentation from Shiprock School staff (and students) will illustrate the issues that are growing concerns for student access to school, along with pedestrian and multimodal safety along this corridor. The NWRTPO will work with NDOT staff during the upcoming cycle to get this project on our next RTIPR.

**WORK TO DATE**

- Shiprock school staff and students have developed a presentation to showcase the safety and access issues and concerns along this corridor.

**ANTICIPATED WORK**

- RTPO staff will work with NDOT staff to get this project on our FY 18 – 19 RTIPR.
- Local School and Shiprock Chapter staff will need to collaborate with NDOT staff to get this project in as many other plans as possible: School District development plan, ICIP, Community Comprehensive Plan, Local or Regional Safety Plan, etc.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- No attachments – power point presentation is too many megabytes

**BUDGET IMPACT**

- No budget impact to the RTPO; RTPO staff will work with NDOT staff to get this project on our next (FY18 – 19) RTIPR, seeking major funding for significant improvement along this corridor.

**ACTION ITEM**

- No action at this time; future action anticipated for approval of this project for inclusion in the FY18-19 RTIPR.





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**Agenda Item V: NMDOT Statewide Prioritized Bicycle  
Network Plan**

**Subject:** NMDOT undertaking a statewide Bicycle Network Plan

**Prepared by:** Wade Patterson

**Date:** 10/5/17

**BACKGROUND**

- **Why?** The prioritized statewide Bicycle Network Plan (NM Bike Plan) considers how to best provide New Mexico residents and visitors with a safe and connected bicycle network at the statewide level.
- **Purpose.** The NM Bike Plan prioritizes corridors and creates design standards by corridor type. These tools will help guide roadway improvements and incorporate bicycle infrastructure on NMDOT roadways as they undergo regularly scheduled maintenance as well as major reconstruction.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** The NMDOT is beginning a public outreach and involvement process to assure adequate participation from the public and stakeholders, starting with the state's MPO and RTPO network.

**WORK TO DATE**

- The initial plan is in development as presented at today's meeting for the NWRTPO.

**ANTICIPATED WORK**

- MPO's and RTPO's will participate in public outreach to help assure that every region of our state has an opportunity to participate in the development of the final plan.
- As the plan is completed, the regional and local work begins with local governments and stakeholders collaborating with the NMDOT for development of a safe, prioritized, and reliable bicycle infrastructure network.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- NM Prioritized Statewide Bicycle Network Plan Flier ([www.NMBikePlan.bhinc.com](http://www.NMBikePlan.bhinc.com))

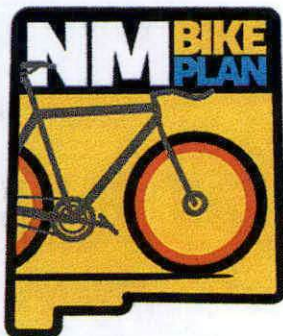
**BUDGET IMPACT**

- none

**ACTION ITEM**

- informational item only; MPO and RTPO participation anticipated in the near future





Prioritized Statewide  
**BICYCLE  
NETWORK PLAN**

[www.NMBikePlan.bhinc.com](http://www.NMBikePlan.bhinc.com)

**GET INVOLVED IN THE  
NM BIKE PLAN!**

The Prioritized Statewide Bicycle Network Plan (NM Bike Plan) considers how to best provide New Mexico residents and visitors with a safe and connected bicycle network at the statewide level.

The NM Bike Plan prioritizes corridors and creates design standards by corridor type. These tools will help guide roadway improvements and incorporate bicycle infrastructure on NMDOT roadways as they undergo regularly-scheduled maintenance as well as major reconstruction.

**VISIT THE  
PROJECT WEB  
PAGE!**

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## NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization

### Agenda Item #VI:

### NWRTPO Regional Work Program Status Report

Subject: RWP Monthly Report

Prepared by: Robert Kuipers

Date: 10/3/17

#### BACKGROUND

**Why?** Due to a NMDOT Office of Inspector General (OIG) Audit and subsequent findings, NWRTPO staff met with NMDOT Planning Bureau staff to develop a corrective action plan (CAP).

**Purpose.** As part of our CAP RTPO staff will provide monthly reports showing line item budget expenditures and staff hours in comparison with the approved Regional Work Program (RWP) Budget.

**Discussion/Finalization.** Based on this monthly analysis and report, staff will better manage time and funding investment, and assess where and when to seek a RWP amendment if needed.

#### WORK TO DATE

- RTPO staff met with NMDOT staff on 12/7/16 to review a draft corrective action plan, detailing specific actions and controls in a number of areas to assure stronger compliance to the RWP budgeted time and financial allocations.
- The Corrective Action Plan has been finalized and is now being executed.
- RTPO staff have provided reports at monthly meetings: January – June 2017
- In Quarter 2, RTPO staff submitted Amendment #1 to modify our hours per function and annual RTPO FFY17 budget, as approved by the RTPO Committee (February 2017). A copy of the FHWA/NMDOT approval of this amendment was attached.

#### ANTICIPATED WORK

- Ongoing reports to the NWRTPO members at monthly meetings.
- RWP amendment requests may be anticipated, as time and budget demands may vary as the fiscal year progresses.
- Our annual Quality Assurance Review (QAR) occurred on April 12<sup>th</sup>, which provided a good check-up on how the RTPO is performing.

#### ATTACHMENTS

- RWP & Budget Monthly Report

#### BUDGET IMPACT

- None.

#### ACTION ITEM

- This is a monthly report item only.

## RTPO APER Budgeted Staff Hours Summary

Staff Hours Summary FFY17													
Function	Budgeted Hours	Amendment #1	Change	Q1	Q2	Q3	July	Aug.	Sept.	Q4	Total Actual hours	Hours Remaining	Percentage budgeted differs from actuals*
1	300	250	-50	82.75	59.5	72	21.5	13	1.5	36	250.25	-0.25	0.10%
2	100	200	100	64.50	8.25	14.5	22.75	43	12.5	78.25	165.50	34.50	-17.25%
3	400	400	0	209.75	30.25	25.75	26.25	103	15.75	145	410.75	-10.75	2.69%
4	400	250	-150	64.25	71	104.5	34.5	13.5	0.5	48.5	288.25	-38.25	15.30%
5	400	600	200	196.00	221.5	194.5	42.75	40.5	19	102.25	714.25	-114.25	19.04%
6	400	300	-100	80.50	46	48.25	67	47.5	43	157.5	332.25	-32.25	10.75%
TOTAL	2000	2000	0	697.75	436.5	459.5	214.75	260.5	92.25	567.5	2161.15	-161.15	8.06%
*if budgeted hours differ from actual hours by more than 20% in any function, provide a narrative explanation below													

Explanation: #3 - project dev. & monitoring required more investment during RTIPR / DOT District RTIP period (1st - 2nd quarters); #5 - general support continues to capture the most monthly staff support activity.

Staff Hours Summary FFY18													
Function	Budgeted Hours			Q1	Q2				Q3	Q4	Total Actual hours		Percentage budgeted differs from actuals*
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## Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

### Agenda Item #VII: Routine Items Section – Reports, Updates & Announcements

**Subject:** Discussion / Presentation Items

**Prepared by:** Robert Kuipers, NWRTPO

**Date:** 10/3/17

#### BACKGROUND

- **Why?** Update RTPO members on news, training, funding, and other items of special interest
- **Purpose.** Keep RTPO members up to date on critical information from NWRTPO and NMDOT sources

#### Informational Items

##### Regional News & Updates

- RTPO Report
- Member Reports

##### Member Special Reports:

- None submitted prior to the meeting

##### NMDOT Reports:

- G to G Liaison: Wade Patterson
- Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva
- District 6: JoAnn Garcia & staff; District 5: Steve Lopez
- DOT Planning Unit – Govt. to Govt. Weekly Updates

##### Training & Funding Opportunities

- INFRA (*Infrastructure For Rebuilding America*) grant opportunity: due 11/2/17 at Grants.gov
- TIGER (*Transportation Infrastructure Generating Economic Recovery*) grant opportunity: due 10/16/17

##### New Business / Open Floor:

- No formal requests submitted





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## NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization

### Monthly Report – September 2017

- A. **NWRTPO Regional Work Program and Budget Update:** During our August meeting, RTPO staff presented updates to our FFY 18 Regional Work Program and budget, which primarily consist of changing time allocations to the various work function components, based on our experience this past year, and anticipated time investment needs for the upcoming year. RTPO members approved and authorized this second amendment to the NWRTPO RWP for FFY 18.
- B. **4 Corners Counties Collaborative Meetings:** RTPO staff continue to support meetings sponsored by McKinley County, that include all interested / participating counties within Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah, that are part of Navajo Nation lands, along with BIA and Navajo Nation representatives. This group continues to seek ways to find more cost and time efficient transportation development and maintenance through cross-jurisdictional agreements.
- C. **NM DOT District 5 RTIP / “Zipper” meeting:** The NMDOT District 5 zipper meeting took place on Sept. 6 at the District 5 Office in Santa Fe. Larry Joe and Rosilyn Smith attended, and Bob Kuipers participated via conference call. Larry Joe presented two projects from Northern Navajo for inclusion including the Beclabito Bike & Pedestrian trail TAP project, and the US491 north Shiprock Intersections (mp92.2 – 94.2) safety audit.
- D. **GIS Data Gathering, Mapping and Compiling Work:** RTPO staff will continue to reach out to our three Pueblos – Laguna, Acoma and Zuni regarding the opportunity to include their transportation mapping and data into our regional portfolio, based on what each Pueblo is willing to share. COG staff commenced GIS mapping for new development of 36 miles of recreational trails in the Zuni Mountains – McKinley County area during the course of September – continuing into October.
- E. **2018 NMDOT Rail Plan Update:** RTPO staff continue reaching out to our members to take advantage of a window of time this year to include our local govt. interests in the NMDOT Rail Plan update, by simply informing the DOT Rail staff of (near future) local rail opportunities that may have potential for plan inclusion.
- F. **INFRA Grant Opportunity:** RTPO staff informed members and provided guidance documentation for a new funding opportunity from US-DOT and FHWA called the “Infrastructure For Rebuilding America” grant program, which sets aside 25% of the funding for rural development. **Application deadline is Nov. 2, 2017.**
- G. **TIGER Grant Opportunity:** A new TIGER (*Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery*) grant opportunity was announced Sept. 6, with a **deadline for applications of October 16, 2017**. This cycle will include “special consideration to projects . . . for communities in rural areas”! Webinars for interested applicants took place Sept. 13 and Sept. 19. For more information, visit [www.transportation.gov/TIGER](http://www.transportation.gov/TIGER).
- H. **20th Annual National Tribal Transportation Conference:** The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual National Tribal Transportation Conference took place September 25 – 29 in Tucson, Arizona. Some of our members may have attended.



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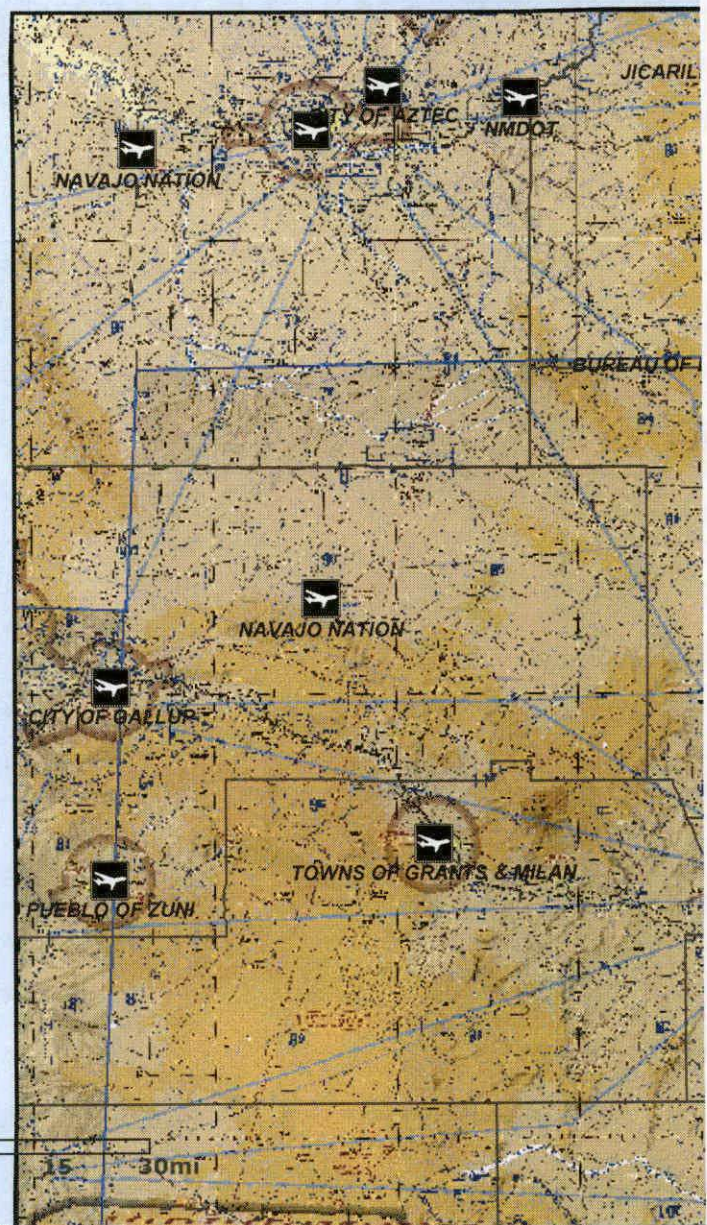
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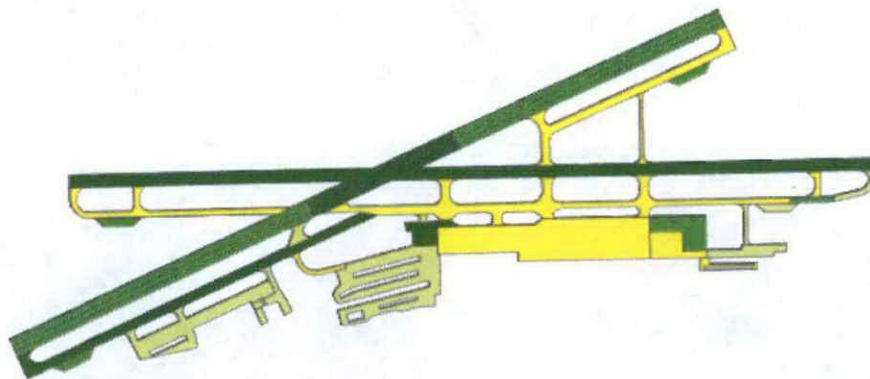
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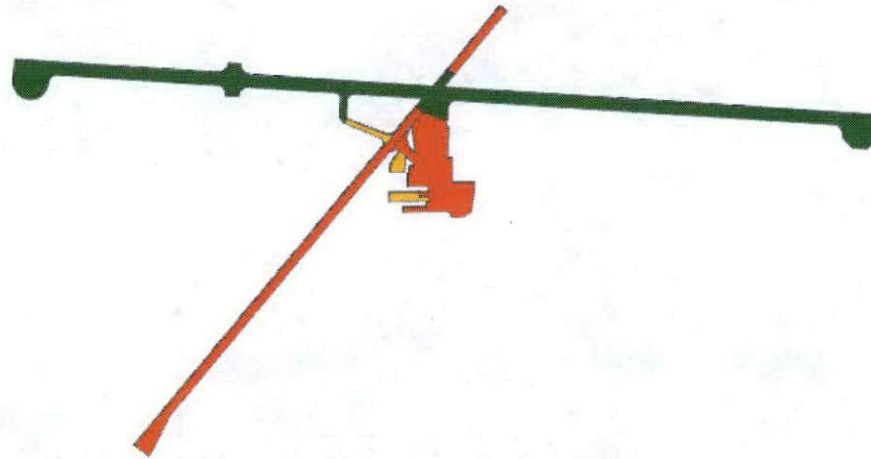
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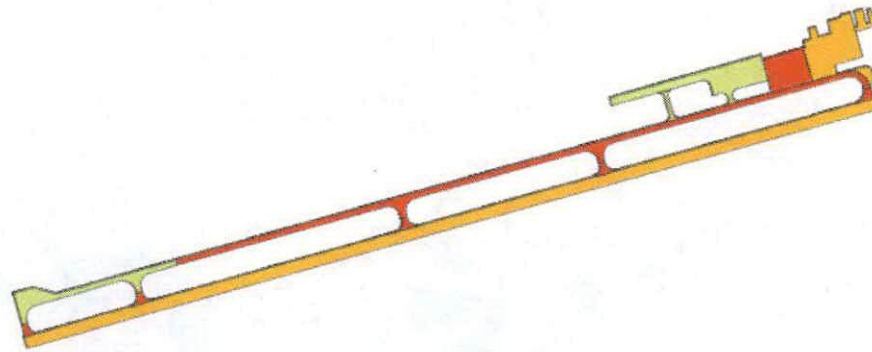
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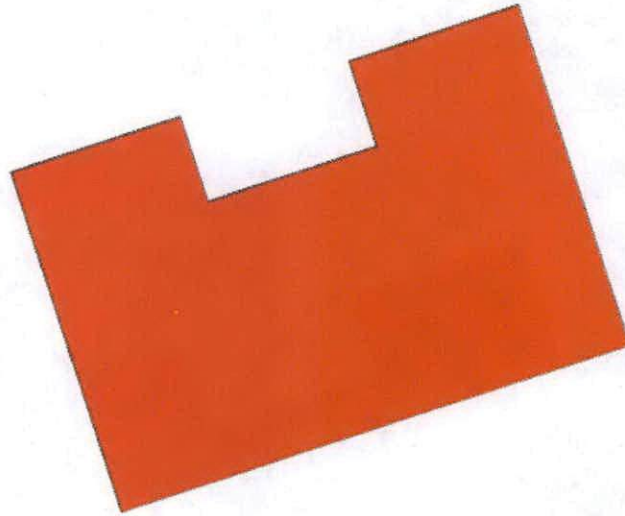
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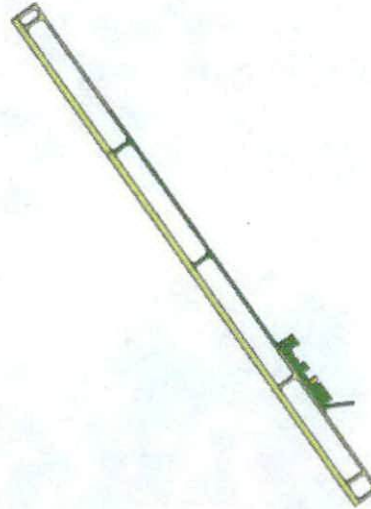
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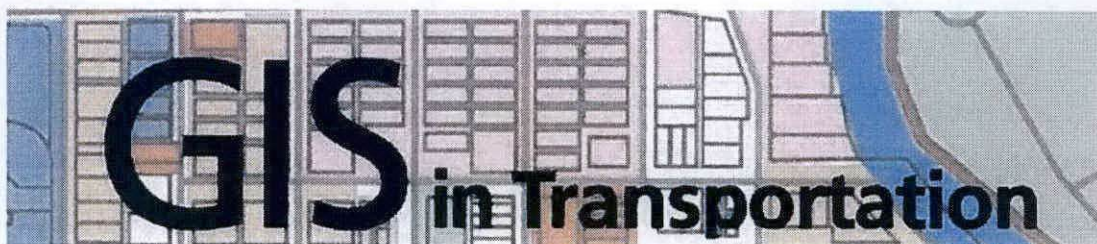
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Upcoming GIS in Transportation Webcast: WSDOT Vertical  
Clearance Trip Planner



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**Presented by:**

**Alan Smith, GIS & Roadway Data Branch Manager**

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**with an application demo by**

**Rich Harper, Senior GIS Software Systems Developer**

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### **WSDOT's Bridge Vertical Clearance Trip Planner**

In May 2013 a semi-truck with an over height load struck and damaged the Washington State's Skag River Bridge on Interstate 5 causing one span of the bridge to collapse into the water. While the strike was not related to erroneous data, or lack of signage, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recommended that WSDOT create a way for the public to have better access to vertical clearance data through GIS. In 2015 WSDOT released a map application that significantly improved the route planning process for loads 16'6" and under. Since the application's release in 2015 usage has doubled from 9 page views a month to 2,000. This year WSDOT is adding a new feature for viewing vertical clearance restriction information by lane. In this webinar WSDOT staff will outline the motivation for the application and demonstrate the soon to be released lane feature.



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## **Call for Abstracts: 16th National Tools of the Trade Conference on Transportation Planning for Small and Medium-Sized Communities**

09/15/2017

### **Call for Abstracts: 16th National Tools of the Trade Conference on Transportation Planning for Small and Medium-Sized Communities**

On behalf of Transportation Research Board Committee ADA30 on Transportation Planning for Small and Medium-Sized Communities, we are issuing a Call for Abstracts as part of our National Tools of the Trade Conference. The conference is scheduled for September 20-21, 2017 in Kansas City, MO and the abstracts are due by October 15, 2017. The attached Call for Abstracts contains additional information, a conference link, and a link for abstract submittal. At our conference in Charleston, SC, we had several sessions on travel demand modeling and collection on travel patterns focused on the needs of Small and Medium-Sized Communities. We hope to hear from you!

-Rob

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RTPO members and DOT colleagues:

The latest FHWA Office of Planning, Environment and Realty Human Environment Digest for your review below.

Note the opportunity for tribal TTP Safety Funds - deadline of 12/11/17; webinar on 10/17/17.

Larry Joe - this may be an opportunity for the US64 school zone in Shiprock?

Also by way of reminder:

INFRA grant opportunity - applications due Nov. 2

TIGER grant opportunity - applications due Oct. 16

Have a good weekend, and hope to see many of you at the Shiprock Chapter on Oct. 11.

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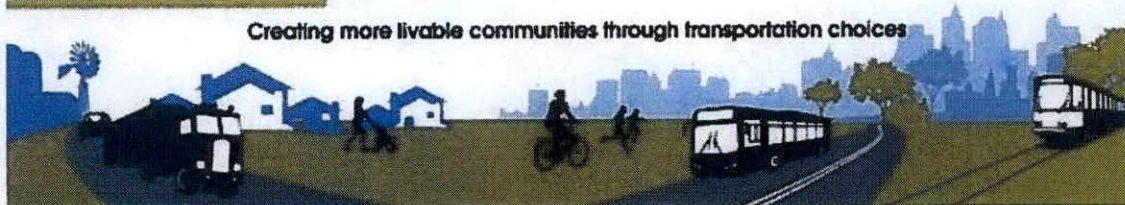
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- **January 23-25, 2018:**  
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## WEBINARS

- **September 21, 1:00 -  
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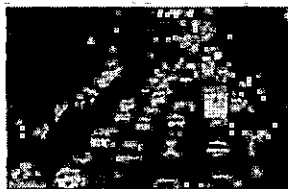
### Notice of Funding Opportunity for Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds

The *Federal Highway Administration* (FHWA) has released a [Notice of Funding Opportunity for Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds](#). A [webinar](#) about this opportunity will take place on October 17, 2017. Projects should demonstrate proposed outcomes that will address the prevention and reduction of death or serious injuries in transportation related incidents, such as motor vehicle crashes, on Tribal lands. The application deadline is December 11, 2017.

### Call for Abstracts for 16th National Tools of the Trade

The 16th National Tools of the Trade Conference on Transportation Planning for Small and Medium-Sized Communities will take place in fall 2018 in Kansas City, MO. Sponsored by the *Transportation Research Board* (TRB), the conference will focus on research and best practices in planning multimodal transportation systems for small- and medium-sized communities. The deadline to [submit abstracts](#) is October 15, 2017.

## Environmental Justice



### Call for Abstracts for 2018 National Environmental Justice Conference

The 2018 National Environmental Justice Conference and Training Program (NEJC) will take place on April 25-27, 2018, in Washington, DC. The overall theme of the NEJC is "Enhancing Communities Through Capacity Building and Technical Assistance." Attendees are invited to [submit abstracts](#) to be included in the conference. The deadline to submit abstracts is December 1, 2017.



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- September 27, 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET:  
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- December 6, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET:  
PeopleForBikes' eMTB Land Manager Handbook
- January 24, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET:  
PeopleForBikes' eMTBs: Current Issues and Partnership Opportunities

## **EJ Interagency Working Group Goods Movement Federal Reserve Compendium**

The Impacts from Commercial Transportation (Goods Movement) Committee of the *Federal Interagency Working Group (IWG) on Environmental Justice* recently created the "[EJ IWG Goods Movement Federal Resource Compendium](#)." The Compendium contains Federal memorandums, policies, and other guidance on goods movement-related programs and resources as they relate to environmental justice.

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## **Livability**



## **USDOT Announces Accessible Transportation Technologies Research Initiative Application Development Awards**

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) recently awarded six application development research contracts, totaling \$6.185 million, under its Accessible Transportation Technologies Research Initiative (ATTRI). The purpose of the grants is to improve mobility options for all travelers, particularly those with disabilities.

## **Smart Growth America Offers Technical Assistance to Six State DOTs**

Smart Growth America announced that six State DOTs will receive free technical assistance through its "[Practical Design for Transportation Systems](#)" program. The program is intended to help State DOTs develop flexible approaches to meet their users' needs with practical solutions that cost less to design, build, and maintain. The States that will receive assistance include Delaware, Iowa, Louisiana, New Hampshire, North Dakota, and Virginia.

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## Planning, Environment, & Realty

Resilience Webinar Series Thursdays, Sept. 28 - Nov. 16, 2017

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## **Resilience Webinar Series**

**(Thursdays, September 28 - November 16, 2017)**

FHWA is holding seven webinars on the results of four different resilience-focused projects conducted in cooperation with its State and local partners. FHWA has developed information, examples, and lessons learned on integrating resilience concerns into planning, project development and project engineering. **Information on each webinar and a registration link are listed below.**

Please keep in mind that *it can take 48 hours to register*; same-day registration is not possible unless you already have a DOT webinars login. Each webinar will be held once; recordings will be made available [here](#).

### **Synthesis of Approaches for Addressing Resilience in Project Development**

This [report](#) (and the first three webinars) focuses on developing lessons learned from recent FHWA studies and pilot projects to help transportation agencies address changing climate conditions and extreme weather events on transportation projects. It provides information to help State DOTs and local transportation agencies address resilience in project development. The report addresses resilience in two ways. It summarizes a range of climate sensitivities, potential adaptation strategies, and key lessons learned from adaptation case studies for each of the engineering disciplines. It also addresses overarching issues involved in addressing resilience on transportation projects and developing engineering informed adaptation studies.

- **Approaches for addressing Resilience in Project Development** (September 28, 2017, 1:00 – 3:00 Eastern). This first webinar will focus on three critical topics related to conducting engineering informed adaptation studies: integrating resilience into the project development process, understanding and applying climate science information, and using economic analysis to support decision-making. **[Register for the webinar.](#)**
- **Lessons Learned in Transportation Engineering Related to Coastal and Riverine Flooding** (October 5, 2017, 1:00 – 3:00 Eastern). This webinar will present lessons learned from case studies examining the effects of sea level rise, storm surge and wave impacts from extreme storms on coastal bridges and roadways. It will also look at effects of changing precipitation and wildfire on inland riverine watershed. Adaptive design and overcoming challenges with uncertainty and climate data resolution will also be discussed. **[Register for the webinar.](#)**
- **Lessons Learned in Transportation Engineering Related to Pavement/Soils and Mechanical/Electrical Vulnerabilities** (October 12, 2017, 1:00 – 3:00 Eastern). This webinar will provide an overview of the impacts of extreme weather events and climate on pavement and soil and rock slopes, transportation corridors, and potential adaptation strategies to increase resilience of the transportation system. Overview of methods to adapt mechanical and electrical systems to climate stressors from sea level rise, storm surge, and



increased precipitation, increasing temperatures and high winds will also presented. **Register for the webinar.**

**Post-Hurricane Sandy Transportation Resilience Study in NY, CT**  
***(October 26, 2017, 1-2:30pm Eastern)***

This webinar will provide an overview of this recently completed research study which sought to better understand the vulnerability of the transportation system in the NY, NJ, and CT metropolitan region to the impacts of extreme weather events and climate, and to identify potential adaptation strategies to increase the resilience of the transportation system. **Register for the webinar.**

**Green Infrastructure Pilots I**  
***(November 2, 2017, 1:00-2:30 Eastern)***

Coastal green infrastructure such as dunes, wetlands, living shorelines, reefs and beaches can protect highways from coastal flooding. FHWA sponsored five green infrastructure pilot projects to assess the potential for such techniques to protect specific locations along coastal roads and bridges. In this webinar, staff from departments of transportation (DOTs) for Oregon, Maine, and New Hampshire present the results of their assessments. Oregon DOT will discuss conceptual designs the agency developed for three locations along coastal highway US 1 vulnerable to storms and coastal bluff erosion. These designs include cobble beaches, artificial dunes, sand tubes, mechanically stabilized earth, riprap, and planted terraces. Maine and New Hampshire DOTs will present the results of a joint project, analyzing nature-based solutions to protect from sea level rise and storm surge at sites along Route 209 in Maine and Route 1B in New Hampshire. **Register for the webinar.**

**Green Infrastructure Pilots II**  
***(November 9, 2017, 1:00-2:30 Eastern)***

In this second webinar on FHWA-sponsored green infrastructure pilots, participants will hear the results from pilots in Delaware, Mississippi, and New Jersey. Delaware DOT will present its analysis of techniques including oyster reefs, tide flaps, and marsh restoration on the bay side of the barrier island to protect two locations along the state's main coastal road connecting beach towns key to the state's economy. Delaware DOT will also discuss how the project helped the agency develop design memoranda to better incorporate green infrastructure solutions in future projects. Mississippi DOT analyzed the potential for vegetated berms and other strategies to protect the reconstructed approach spans to the Hendershot Point Bridge, which were destroyed during Hurricane Katrina. Working with its partners in New Jersey, the US Army Corps of Engineers studied high water levels along Great Bay Boulevard along Barnegat Bay and marsh restoration strategies that could reduce flooding of the road. **Register for the webinar.**

**FHWA's Climate Change & Extreme Weather Vulnerability Assessment Framework**

**(November 16, 2017, 1:00-2:30 Eastern)**

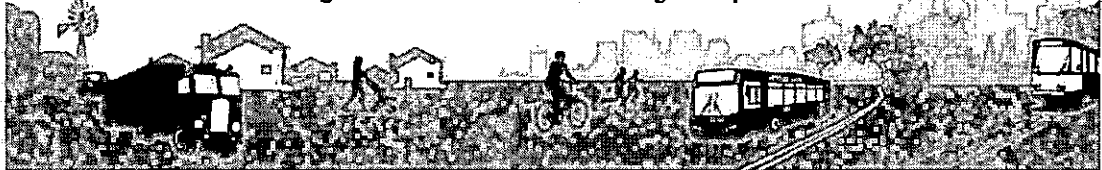
This webinar will present an updated and expanded version of FHWA's 2012 Framework. The guide provides an in-depth process for conducting a vulnerability assessment using examples from across the country over the past seven years. **Register for the webinar.**

## Human Environment Digest 9/21/17

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Creating more livable communities through transportation choices



September 21, 2017

# Human Environment Digest

Welcome to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Office of Human Environment biweekly email digest. This digest shares the latest information from a range of Federal and non-Federal sources, addressing transportation and its relationship to the human environment. Through this information exchange, FHWA hopes to foster dialogue at all levels and continue to further the state of the practice on these important topics.

For more information on any of these topics, see the FHWA Related Links on the sidebar.

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## WEBINARS

- September 21, 1:00 - 2:30 PM ET: FHWA's Freight and Passenger Rail Operations Coordination Issues and Needs
- September 21, 1:00 - 2:30 PM ET: American Trails' Connecting Communities: Integrating Transportation and Recreation Networks (There is a fee for some)
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- September 27, 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: FHWA/FTA's Value

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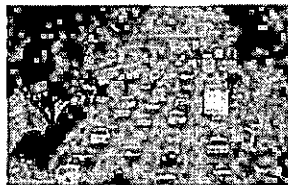
### Notice of Funding Opportunity for Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds

The *Federal Highway Administration* (FHWA) has released a [Notice Funding Opportunity for Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund](#). A [webinar](#) about this opportunity will take place on October 17, 2017. Projects should demonstrate proposed outcomes that will address the prevention and reduction of death or serious injuries in transportation related incidents, such as motor vehicle crashes, on Tribal lands. The application deadline is December 11, 2017.

### Call for Abstracts for 16th National Tools of the Trade

The 16th National Tools of the Trade Conference on Transportation Planning for Small and Medium-Sized Communities will take place in fall 2018 in Kansas City, MO. Sponsored by the *Transportation Research Board* (TRB), the conference will focus on research and best practices in planning multimodal transportation systems for small- and medium-sized communities. The deadline to [submit abstracts](#) is October 15, 2017.

## Environmental Justice



### Call for Abstracts for 2018 National Environmental Justice Conference

The 2018 National Environmental Justice Conference and Training Program (NEJC) will take place on April 25-27, 2018, in Washington DC. The overall theme of the NEJC is "Enhancing Communities Through Capacity Building and Technical Assistance." Attendees are invited to [submit abstracts](#) to be included in the conference. The deadline to submit abstracts is December 1, 2017.

### EJ Interagency Working Group Goods Movement Federal Reserve Compendium

The Impacts from Commercial Transportation (Goods Movement)

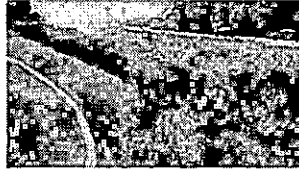
*Committee of the Federal Interagency Working Group (FIWG) on*



- Capture and Transportation Projects
- September 27, 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: TRB's Strategies for Integrating Goods and Services Movement in Smart Growth Environments (There is a fee for some)
- September 28, 1:00 - 3:00 PM ET: FHWA's Approaches for Addressing Resilience in Project Development
- October 11, 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: FHWA's Understanding Local and Regional Economic Development
- November 15, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET: PeopleForBikes' eMTB 101 - Who's Riding, Current Policies, and Resources
- December 6, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET: PeopleForBikes' eMTB Land Manager Handbook
- January 24, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET: PeopleForBikes' eMTBs: Current Issues and Partnership Opportunities

*Environmental Justice* recently created the "[EJ IWG Goods Movement Federal Resource Compendium](#)." The Compendium contains Federal memorandums, policies, and other guidance on goods movement-related programs and resources as they relate to environmental justice.

## Livability



## USDOT Announces Accessible Transportation Technologies Research Initiative Application Development Awards

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) recently awarded application development research contracts, totaling \$6.185 million, under its Accessible Transportation Technologies Research Initiative (ATTRI). The purpose of the grants is to improve mobility options for travelers, particularly those with disabilities.

## Smart Growth America Offers Technical Assistance to Six State DOTs

*Smart Growth America* announced that six State DOTs will receive free technical assistance through its "Practical Design for Transportation Systems" program. The program is intended to help State DOTs develop flexible approaches to meet their users' needs with practical solutions that cost less to design, build, and maintain. The States that will receive assistance include Delaware, Iowa, Louisiana, New Hampshire, North Dakota, and Virginia.

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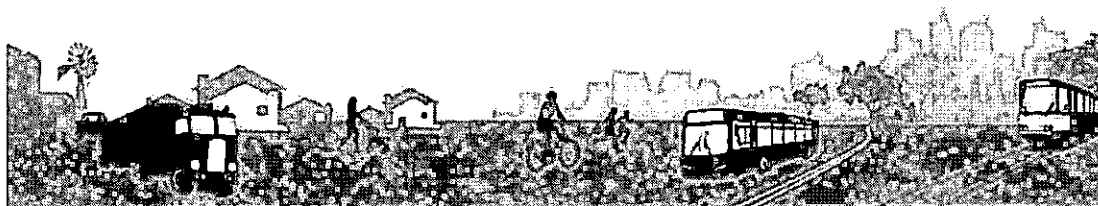
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## ITM2018 Call for Submissions: Deadline November 30, 2017

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The Transportation Research Board (TRB) Innovations in Travel Modeling (ITM) conference series has become the leading venue for researchers and practitioners to come together to discuss, debate, and share information about advances in travel analysis and modeling methods. The ITM conference series is intended to bridge the gap between research and practice and help accelerate the deployment of new methods, tools, technologies, and applications in freight and passenger travel forecasting model systems.

The conference series was launched in 2006 and is held every other year, with the next scheduled to take place in Atlanta, Georgia during June 24-27, 2018.

The conference organizing committee invites contributions on innovations in freight and passenger transport modeling, data collection, and analytics for possible presentation at the conference. The conference welcomes two types of contributions:

1. Research Briefs, no more than 2500 equivalent words in length, for possible consideration as full-length presentations
2. Abstracts, no more than 300 words in length, for possible consideration as short "lightning" talks

Please submit contributions at the following website by November 30, 2017:

<https://catalyst.omnipress.com/#collection/216/submission>

Questions about ITM2018 may be directed to Jennifer Weeks, Senior Program Officer for Freight and Travel Forecasting, Transportation Research Board, at [jweeks@nas.edu](mailto:jweeks@nas.edu) or 202-336-5500. For more details about the conference and the procedure/format of submissions, please see the attached Call for Research Briefs and Abstracts.

## TMIP Webinar -Behavioral/Agent-Based Supply Chain Modeling Research Synthesis - October 4th, 2pm-4pm Eastern

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Better Methods. Better Outcomes.

**TMIP Webinar: Behavioral/Agent-Based Supply Chain Modeling Research Synthesis  
Wednesday, October 4, 2017 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm Eastern**

Please join us for our next webinar: Behavioral/Agent-Based Supply Chain Modeling Research Synthesis. **This webinar is likely to fill up, so please share a connection whenever possible. It is limited to 100 participants in the web room. A copy of the slides has been linked to emails so that those who cannot get into the web room can follow along on the teleconference line.**

**Please be aware- we have updated the link to the web room and included the new Meeting Information below.**

### **Session Description**

A handful of public agencies in the United States are in the process of developing—or have already developed—behavioral/agent-based models of supply chain decisions and freight movements. The uptick in development of these new models is largely attributable to funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Broad Agency Announcement awards and the Strategic Highway Research Program (SHRP2) C20 program, which aims to foster fresh and new approaches to designing and implementing freight demand modeling. This presentation will discuss a summary of the recent advancements in these behavioral/agent-based models with a discussion of data challenges and model applications. The presentation will also include a discussion of data privacy and sharing issues. This webinar aims at helping public agencies interested in developing behavioral/agent-based freight models to assess the feasibility and practicality of developing similar models for their own regions based on the experiences of other agencies.

### **Presenters**

**Maren Outwater (RSG)** is an expert architect of forecasting models for activity-based passenger travel, land use, tolling, rail and transit ridership, environmental and economic impacts, and commercial and freight mobility. She develops forecasting tools to answer policy questions, produce performance metrics, and evaluate innovative transportation investments. Her internationally recognized work bridges the gap between academic research and practical deliverables to clients. Maren currently oversees federal research projects to develop autonomous and connected vehicles, improve smart growth and transit, and develop long-range and freight demand models.



**Kaveh Shabani (RSG)** is a senior freight modeler with RSG. He excels at using various data and developing freight forecasting models. He has more than 8 years of experience freight-related data sources, data analyses and model calibration and validation. He is a of the RSG team for several behavioral supply chain freight modeling projects including t national freight model, CMAP freight model and SCAG freight model projects. Prior to RSG spent more than two years in ITS Lab at Portland State University conducting research c transportation models and data sources.

**Daniel Murray (ATRI)** has more than 22 years of experience in a broad range of transpo fields including trucking, intermodal freight planning, transportation technology applicatio public transit. As Vice President of Research for the American Transportation Research (ATRI), Mr. Murray is responsible for managing more than \$4.5M in transportation resea testing and evaluation. Prior to ATRI, he spent three years working in economic develop Chicago business consortium and four years developing transit programs, policy and fun the Regional Transit Board in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota.

### **Meeting Information**

Participants do not need to preregister to attend the webinar.

You can log on to the webinar at:

<https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/tmipvirtualeminars/>

**The TeleConference Toll Free Number: 1-888-675-2535**

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Meeting information has also been provided in the attached calendar invite.

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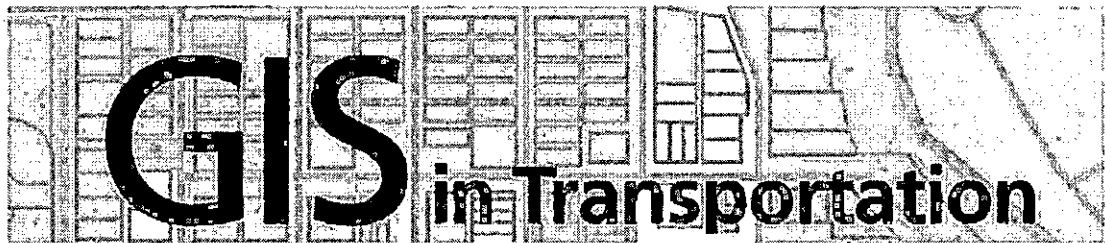
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## **Reminder: GIS in Transportation Webcast- WSDOT Vertical Clearance Trip Planner**

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Please join the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for the 34th installment in a quarterly webcast series, highlighting applications of geospatial technologies in transportation.

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**Presented by:**

**Alan Smith, GIS & Roadway Data Branch Manager**

**and**

**Eric Jackson, Software/Systems Development Supervisor**

**with an application demo by**

**Rich Harper, Senior GIS Software Systems Developer**

**Thursday, October 5th 2017**

**1:00 - 2:00 PM EDT**

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## **WSDOT's Bridge Vertical Clearance Trip Planner**

In May 2013 a semi-truck with an over height load struck and damaged the Washington State's Skagit River Bridge on Interstate 5 causing one span of the bridge to collapse into the water. While the strike was not related to erroneous data, or lack of signage, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recommended that WSDOT create a way for the public to have better access to vertical clearance data through GIS. In 2015 WSDOT released a map application that significantly improved the route planning process for loads 16'6" and under. Since the applications' release in 2015 usage has doubled from 9 page views a month to 2,000. This year WSDOT is adding a new feature for viewing vertical clearance restriction information by lane. In this webinar WSDOT staff will outline the motivation for the application and demonstrate the soon to be released lane feature.

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This webcast series is intended for planners and GIS practitioners from State Departments of Transportation, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, FHWA Division Offices, and State and Federal resource agencies. For questions about the webcast, or if you would like to highlight one of your agency's geospatial applications in an upcoming webcast, please contact Drew Quinton (Drew.Quinton@dot.gov or 617-494-2991). Information on previous webcasts can be found on FHWA's GIS in Transportation website at [www.gis.fhwa.dot.gov](http://www.gis.fhwa.dot.gov).

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## Transportation Planning Capacity Building Planning for a Better Tomorrow

### What's New in TPCB

The [Transportation Planning Capacity Building Program \(TPCB\)](#) website offers the latest resources and updates for transportation planning agencies and stakeholders. On Fridays, we'll update you on what's new on the TPCB website.

#### New Peer Report: Multimodal Planning at the Megaregion Scale (June 2017)

This project, undertaken between June 2015 and May 2017, examined the influence of the megaregions concept on local and regional long-range planning efforts and identified opportunities for and barriers to using local and regional long-range plans to advance megaregional goals. This effort resulted in the development of planning frameworks, highlighting opportunities for these local and regional agencies to address megaregional issues in their respective long-range plans. Read the full peer exchange report [here](#).

#### Upcoming Webinars:

- [NTI Webinar: Transit Asset Management Implementation for Tier II Providers and Sponsors](#) – Wednesday, October 4, 2017, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET
- [FHWA-HEP Webinar: Understanding Local and Regional Economic Development \(HEPH/HEPP\)](#) – Wednesday, October 11, 2017, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET

Visit the [TPCB Resource Index](#) to search through the TPCB resource database, which includes a broad range of resources from a variety of sources, such as FHWA, FTA, other U.S. DOT agencies, other Federal agencies, state and local governments, MPOs, and non-governmental organizations.

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Latest GtG update.

Unfortunately the attached webinar takes place the same day as our meeting in Shiprock.

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**Subject:** NMDOT Govt to Govt Update - Week of 9/25/17

Hi All—please see the information below for the latest updates on NMDOT information relevant to the MPOs and RTPOs.

### Announcements

- NMDOT Prioritized Bike Network Plan: we're are working on a plan to define a prioritized bike network on NMDOT owned/maintained roads. We're kicking off our public involvement process this week. Please see the project website for additional information, including links to an interactive map (where you can map preferred routes) and a questionnaire: <http://www.bhinc.com/nm-bike-plan/>. Wade and Rosa will be getting in touch to present to RTPOs and MPOs in the coming months. Please share this link with members entities and interested members of the public.
- FHWA released a **call for applications the Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund**. The Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund – Notice of Funding Opportunity was published on Sept. 21. Applications will be accepted from federally recognized Tribes until Dec. 11. More info at: <https://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/ttp/safety/ttspf.htm>. Please share with your member tribal governments.

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### Upcoming Meetings/Conferences/Trainings

- Oct. 11, noon: final in 3-part FHWA webinar series, "Understanding Local and Regional Economic Development." Please see attached email for additional information including registration.
- Sept. 27-29: New Mexico Chapter of the American Planning Association (NMAPA) Conference, Silver City. Conference focus on small town, county and rural planning. For more information, click on [this link](#).
- Oct. 3, 1pm-Oct. 4, noon: MPO Quarterly in Santa Fe; Mark Tibbetts is developing the agenda ([mstibbetts@santafenm.gov](mailto:mstibbetts@santafenm.gov)).
- Oct. 25-27: New Mexico Infrastructure and Finance Conference, Santa Fe. More information here: <http://www.nmifc.com/>.

Thank you,

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