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

# **AGENDA PACKET**

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

**Wednesday, February 10, 2021**

**10:00AM – 2:00PM**

**Virtual Meeting Via MS Teams and Conf. Call**

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## RTPO Joint Technical & Policy Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 10

10:00 am

McKinley Office of Emergency Management

2221 Boyd Ave., Gallup, NM

In the event of COVID-19 pandemic restriction extensions the meeting will revert to virtual

## AGENDA

### ROUTINE ITEMS:

Item #	Item	Presenter
I.	Call to Order and Introductions	Dave Deutsawe, Chairman
II.	Action: Agenda	Robert Kuipers, Program Manager
III.	Action: Minutes	Robert Kuipers

### ACTION ITEMS:

Item #	Item	Presenter
IV.	Action: Members approve / authorize final RTIPR (revision)	Robert Kuipers

### DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ITEMS:

*Please Provide Presentations for inclusion in minutes*

Item #	Topic	Presenter
V.	<i>Review &amp; Discuss:</i> Members to consider hosting meetings for the next annual schedule; May 2021 – April 2022 (locations must be ADA compliant although they will remain virtual for an extended period of time)	Robert Kuipers
VI.	<i>Review &amp; Discuss:</i> The TLPA Handbook had some minor updates in 2020; staff emailed to members – encouraged to review	Robert Kuipers

### REPORTS: (10-minute limit)

*Please submit Written Reports for inclusion in minutes*

RTPO Program Report ( <i>significant news only</i> )	Robert Kuipers
Local Member Reports ( <i>significant news only</i> )	By Entity
New Mexico Department of Transportation Reports ( <i>significant news only</i> )	RTPO Liaison (Neala Krueger) Tribal Liaison (Ron Shutiva) District 5 (James Mexia, Stephanie Medina) District 6 (JoAnn Garcia; Bill Santiago)

### NEW BUSINESS/OPEN FLOOR: MEMBERS & GUESTS (5-minute limit)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, March 10 – NMDOT District 6 Office, 1919 Pinon Drive, Milan

### ADJOURNMENT

## NWRTPO January 13 minutes

Robert Kuipers <rkuipers@nwnmcog.org>

Fri 1/15/2021 11:29 AM

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Greetings RTPO members and DOT colleagues:

Attached are the minutes from our January 13 virtual meeting.

I'm also interested to hear back from our RTPO members and DOT colleagues **if we could add visual participation to our virtual meetings via the Microsoft Teams website going forward.** This way we can actually look at documents discussed during the meeting, rather than assuming everyone has downloaded and printed them for review.

Let me know if this is possible for most of our members and DOT colleagues; the sooner I hear back, the sooner we can set this up for future meetings.

Thanks for your time and attention (**and response!**).

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Robert Kuipers, RTPO Program Manager

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Joint Policy & Technical Committee

NWRTPO Meeting Minutes

Wednesday January 13, 2021

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Virtual meeting executed via conference call

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic

**ATTENDANCE:**

<b>Local &amp; Tribal Governments</b>	
<b>Entity</b>	<b>Representative(s)</b>
Pueblo of Acoma	Dave Deutsawe (Chair), Raymond Concho
Pueblo of Laguna	Ray Lucero
Pueblo of Zuni	Royce Gchachu
Navajo Nation	Larry Joe, Marco Sells ( <i>Northern, Eastern &amp; Ft. Defiance Agencies</i> )
Ramah Navajo	Dorothy Claw, Tom Martine
City of Grants	absent
City of Gallup	Alicia Santiago
Village of Milan	absent
Cibola County	Judy Horacek
McKinley County	Rodney Skersick
San Juan County	absent
Farmington Metropolitan Planning Organization - Ex-officio	Not in attendance

<b>New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT)</b>	
<b>Entity</b>	<b>Representative(s)</b>
RTPO Liaison	Neala Krueger
District 5	absent
District 6	JoAnn Garcia
Tribal Liaison	Ron Shutiva
Other NMDOT Staff / Guests	James Sanchez – NMDOT District 3

<b>Regional Transportation Planning Organization</b>	
<b>Entity</b>	<b>Representative(s)</b>
Northwest NM Council of Governments	Robert Kuipers

**Tally Sheet – Attendance & Quorum**

<b>Total Full Attendance:</b>	<b>Member Entities:</b>	<b>NMDOT</b>	<b>RTPO</b>	<b>Guests</b>	<b>Full Attendance Norm:</b>	
	12	Normally 4-5: DOT Liaison, Tribal Liaison, District 5 & 6 Representatives	1	varies	17	
<b>Attendance – this meeting:</b>	<b>Member Attendance:</b>	<b>NMDOT Attendance:</b>	<b>Staff:</b>	<b>Guests:</b>	<b>Attendance % this meeting:</b>	<b>TOTAL:</b>
	10	4	1	1	90%	16

**ROUTINE ITEMS:**

Item #	Item
I.	<b>Call to Order and Introductions.</b> The meeting was called to order at 10:11 am, Bob Kuipers welcomed those in attendance, and Dave Deutsawe proceeded with introductions and approval of agenda and minutes. The meeting was conducted via conference call, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
II.	<b>Agenda.</b> RTPO Program Manager provided an overview of the day’s agenda topics and RTPO Chair called for a motion, 2 <sup>nd</sup> and vote.  <b>ACTION:</b> Larry Joe (Navajo) motioned and Alicia Santiago (Gallup) seconded adoption of the agenda. All in favor – motion carried.
III.	<b>Minutes (December 9, 2020).</b> Chairman provided time for review of minutes and no comments or revisions were made.  <b>ACTION:</b> Royce Gchachu (Zuni) motioned and Larry Joe (Navajo) seconded adoption of the minutes. All in favor – motion carried.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Item #	Item	Presenter
IV.	Review with elected leaders if they are willing to continue – if not, entertain motions and voting for new leaders – authorize for 2021	Robert Kuipers, Program Manager

**BACKGROUND**

- **Why?** On an annual basis, elected leaders are asked if they are willing to continue in their leadership roles for administration (with staff) of the NWRTPO.
- **Purpose.** This allows leaders to consider if they have the time and energy to continue in their role – if so, then they continue for the next annual period of leadership; if not, the members can elect new leaders at the present or next monthly meeting.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** Dave Deutsawe of Pueblo of Acoma was willing to continue as NWRTPO Chair; Don Jaramillo was not in attendance at today’s meeting so staff will follow up with him regarding his continuation as Vice-Chair for the NWRTPO.

**CURRENT WORK**

- Dave Deutsawe is willing to continue a Chair for the NWRTPO.

**ANTICIPATED WORK**

- Staff will follow up with Don Jaramillo regarding his willingness to continue as Vice-Chair for the NWRTPO. If he says yes, he will continue as Vice Chair for the upcoming year, if not the RTPO will elect a new Vice-Chair at our next monthly meeting.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- None

**BUDGET IMPACT**

- None

**ACTION ITEM**

- Yes – does not require a vote – simply confirmation from current leaders of their willingness to continue.

Item #	Item	Presenter
V.	Regional Transportation Plan 2020 Update & Resolution Approval and Authorization	Dave Deutsawe, RTPO Chair and Robert Kuipers
<b>BACKGROUND</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Why?</b> The NWRTPO makes minor updates to its Regional Transportation Plan every year; but every 5 years the NWRTPO undertakes a more major update to its RTP in sync. with NMDOT's LRTP update.</li> <li>• <b>Purpose.</b> This year the NWRTPO is undertaking a more significant update to our Regional Transportation Plan, and try to some extent to coordinate / synchronize our priorities with those represented within the NM-LRTP update that are relevant or have utility within our region.</li> <li>• <b>Discussion/Finalization.</b> Members have been provided with 1) a concise summary and 2) a more detailed summary outlining the process and schedule for our RTP update.</li> </ul>		
<b>CURRENT WORK</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members have been encouraged to familiarize with our Regional Transportation Plan on the NWNM Council of Governments website, and consider what interests their respective regional govt. jurisdiction may have for inclusion in our more significant RTP update this year. <b>Members will vote to approve and authorize the NWRTPO 2020 RTP update at this meeting.</b></li> </ul>		
<b>ANTICIPATED WORK</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members will be asked to consider and contribute toward updating our RTP this year to insure that their respective interests are represented in the final document – anticipating completion in our January meeting.</li> <li>• Members have been <b>particularly asked to update their govt. jurisdiction's priorities</b> for <u>Appendix 2 – Public Outreach Report</u>, which cites forthcoming priorities for both our region (p.89) and our respective NWRTPO Member Governments pp. 91 – 110. It will be important for our respective members to <b>execute update recommendations for this section within specified timelines</b>; those who do not respond will be left out until we do further edits during the course of 2021. These new priorities can reflect both current RTIPR project priorities, as well as new prioritized directions or interests that participating member governments wish to pursue for multi-modal transportation maintenance or development.</li> </ul>		
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quick Summary – FFY2020 NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan Update.</li> <li>• General Schedule for NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan Update.</li> <li>• Member survey for the RTP update</li> </ul>		
<b>BUDGET IMPACT</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>		
<b>ACTION ITEM</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vote to approve and authorize in this meeting</li> </ul>		

**Discussion:** Very little discussion – the RTP update is available on the COG RTPO website and the supporting NWRTPO resolution is in this meeting package.

**NWRTPO Member Voting Documentation**

**Approving 2020 Regional Transportation Plan Update and Supporting Resolution**

NWRTPO Member:	YES	NO	Abstain
Cibola: Judy Horacek	✓		
McKinley: Rodney Skersick	✓		
San Juan: not present			
Gallup: Alicia Santiago	✓		
Grants: not present			
Milan: not present			
Northern/Eastern Navajo: Larry Joe	✓		
Pueblo of Acoma: Dave Deutsawe, Ray Concho	✓ X2		
Pueblo of Laguna: Ray Lucero	✓		
Pueblo of Zuni: Royce Gchachu	✓		
Ramah Navajo: Dorothy Claw, Tom Martine	✓ X2		

**Ten (10) in favor, none opposed**

**DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ITEMS:**

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VI.	2020 RTIPR Revision – Review and Discuss	Robert Kuipers
<b>BACKGROUND</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Why?</b> Every two years the NWRTPO undertakes a Call for Projects to update our Regional Transportation Improvement Plan Recommendations document, which cites projects our member governments are proposing for potential funding. This year due to anticipated reductions in state revenues related to COVID-19 impacts on business closures, we are simply undertaking an RTIPR revision via PFF’s as opposed to a full call for projects.</li> <li>• <b>Purpose.</b> To remove projects that have been funded already, and propose new projects for potential future funding.</li> <li>• <b>Discussion/Finalization.</b> RTPO members will review the updated RTIPR.</li> </ul>		
<b>CURRENT WORK</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RTPO members have submitted Project Feasibility Forms to undertake the RTIPR revision. Staff will represent the updated RTIPR with any new projects included which qualify for federal funding.</li> </ul>		
<b>ANTICIPATED WORK</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based on member review and recommendations, staff will finalize the RTIPR for approval and authorization at our February 10 meeting</li> </ul>		
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FFY2021 RTIPR.</li> </ul>		
<b>BUDGET IMPACT</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>		
<b>ACTION ITEM</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A</li> </ul>		

**Discussion:**

Very little discussion as members and staff have discussed this process in many past meetings, and members are fully aware of the RTIPR revision and any new projects proposed from our member governments. The current RTIPR stands at a total collective projects request at \$73,213,000.00. When including Local Govt. Transportation Funds (formerly “Local Govt. Transportation Project Funds (LGTPF)”) at \$16,789, funded in FFY2019 the total comes to \$90,002,000.00.

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VII.	Reports, Updates & Announcements	Robert Kuipers
<b>BACKGROUND</b>		
<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>		
<b>Informational Items</b>		
<b>Regional News &amp; Updates</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional Work Program Status Report: staff provided the first quarter staff hours summary and expenditure summary reports for October thru December, 2020.</li> <li>• RTPO Report; staff provided the January monthly report in the meeting package.</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: Neala Krueger</li> <li>• Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva</li> <li>• District 6: JoAnn Garcia &amp; staff; District 5: James Mexia, Stephanie Medina</li> </ul>		

**News, Training & Funding Opportunities:**

- [FHWA Planning, Environment & Realty Reports](#): 12/8, 12/10
- [NMDOT Govt. to Govt. Update](#): none this past month
- [AASHTO Publications](#): none this past month
- [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) – [Online courses notice](#) forwarded to members as LTAP emails come in
- [GIS in Transportation Webinar](#): 12/7
- [Non-Metro Survey – NMDOT](#): 12/8
- [Gallup Resolution](#): supporting project of choice for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Rail Crossings based on last years Road Safety Audit. – 12/10
- [UNM LTAP Training Opportunity Report](#): 12/11
- [NM COVID-19 Report](#): 12/30
- [Rural Business Development Grant Application Tool Kit](#): 1/4/21
- [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.

Members please note: none of these documents will be included in the full meeting package due to the physical size and the electronic megabyte size going forward – all of the cited documents have already been emailed in advance of the RTPO monthly meeting to our NWRTPO members. Some of the citations are ongoing from month to month regarding ongoing training or funding opportunities.

**Local Member Reports (*significant news only*)**

By Entity

**New news in bold**

**Pueblo of Acoma**

- CMGC2 – 1: Construction of new office for Transportation and other Departments is underway – anticipated completion has been delayed by COVID-19. **At this time building construction is 99% complete**
- CMGC2-2 SP130 Veterans Blvd. – Project is complete.
- CMGC2- 3 Baseball Fields – Design is complete; waiting on prairie dog removal before Notice to Proceed is approved and issued. **Baseball Fields improvement is now in progress.**
- CMGC2 – 4 Projects: (*request for proposals for this new bundle of projects was published 2/10/19*)
- **The Pueblo is now doing construction to increase its water irrigation system.**
- FEMA 4352 Large Projects All FEMA Large projects have been completed (104 projects!) - \$13 million a year ahead of time; the Pueblo is now addressing finishing the small projects.
- The Pueblo is continuing on the update to their [Long-Range Transportation Plan](#); WH Pacific will do traffic analysis counts to contribute to the Pueblo's LRTP. To mitigate COVID 19 delays, the Pueblo has developed a survey for public input which is also available on Survey Monkey; beyond this public involvement will be postponed till a later date. The completion date has now been moved to December, 2020. **The Pueblo is also updating their [Transportation Safety Plan](#) at this time.** Public involvement meetings are postponed due to COVID-19, which will delay completion dates for these plans; **however, thru distributing a survey at the local Food Pantry, the Pueblo has achieved a 41% response rate from the public!**
- FEMA 4352: Small Projects: Recovery work has begun; the POA Public Works / Utility Authority was awarded the small projects (65) at \$2.2 million capital investment. 45 projects have been completed; 22 projects remain. The work was scheduled for completion by March 2020 but due to COVID-19 the completion date is pending a re-start, at which time a new completion date will be established.
- Capital Outlay: The Pueblo has proposed a restart date of May 18 to resume work.
- Mainstreet Project: The Pueblo will add several projects to the CMGC suite to include projects for housing and economic development. Preparing amendments to conduct engineering studies, land surveys, geotechnical studies, drainage analysis, right of way surveys and proforma.
- The Pueblo has completed L26 Rainfall Road along with two trail projects.



## Pueblo of Zuni

- **No new news as of this meeting – just ongoing maintenance**
- The Pueblo is under lock down with little administrative activity due to COVID-19 pandemic; the Pueblo has extended re-opening until sometime in the future, depending on how long COVID-19 persists. The Zuni Tribe partially opened on Oct. 13, 2020 at 50% capacity. Still exercising the CDC safety requirements in the workplace. Visitations only thru appointments.
- Royce is now also the Airport Manager. Receipt of FAA grant agreement for developing an Airport Master Plan for the Andrew Othole Memorial (AOM) Airport. The master plan will be developed by the Pueblo's airport consultant – Armstrong Consultant's, Inc.
- The Pueblo continues to update its long-range transportation plan. The plan is now in final draft form and being put out on the Pueblo website and Facebook for public comment. The draft plan is awaiting recommendations for next steps on how to present to the public.
- The pedestrian trail project plan is now 100% complete – will move forward for FHWA approval.
- On-call A/E consultants are working on designs for Ruins Road, North/South Sandy Springs Road, Harker Circle, the intersection of Ojo Caliente/Pia Mesa and pedestrian trails. **Ruins Road is now at 95% completion.**
- Ongoing road maintenance around the Pueblo. This includes crews addressing mowing, culvert repairs, blading gravel or dirt roads, asphalt pothole repairs and vegetation control.
- Virtual Presentation meeting with NMDOT and WHPacific on the NM53 Drainage project being designed by by WHPacific to make improvements from MP15.5 to 19, due to undersized culvert pipes and overtopping of flood waters on NM53 (also Zuni Mainstreet). First meeting was held on October 7.
- There are demolition projects in the Pueblo for the Lemon Tree/Zuni Laundromat building and the old Zuni Water Dept. building.
- The Pueblo is undertaking construction of an RV Park.
- The Pueblo has worked with Ashiwi Transit and Gallup Express to extend transit service to the Ramah Navajo area.
- The Pueblo has engaged contractual on call engineering services for future transportation development.
- The Ashiwi transit system received a national award at the 2019 National RTAP (*Rural Transportation Assistance Program*) conference.
- Ashiwi Transit will resume when all safety precautionary measures have been installed on the transit vehicles. Local and Gallup services will resume on a limited basis, but only on demand or appointments. Extension to Ramah / Pinehill is temporarily on hold until further notice around COVID-19 concerns. **Transit service is temporarily unavailable, until the Pueblo determines COVID-19 concerns have been adequately addressed.**

## McKinley County

- **The County has completed their funded projects for 2019 and has only one project to complete funded for 2020.**
- The County is finishing their Local Government Road Fund projects including the Thoreau Town Site project at \$776K for cold mix overlay, for which the County has rented a milling machine. Certifications are complete for all LGRF projects and the County is requesting an extension till Spring – 2020 to complete maintenance construction which will include paving for CR-1 in Mentmore. Brasier Asphalt Co. has completed contract work on Thoreau Townsite roads. The County is waiting to complete this project by fog sealing the roads with the last of this funding.
- Brasier Asphalt Co. has completed contract work on CR1 – Mentmore.
- The County has almost completed chip-sealing CR-1 – Defiance Draw – will complete within the next week with fog-sealing remaining.
- Purchase orders for chips (sealing) for Pillowcrest Road have been obtained. Working on getting a list of culverts needed for Bowman Road. Work to progress as weather permits.
- TIF: \$1.2 million awarded for 10 miles of Deer Springs Road improvement – project on hold until Spring of 2020 for Mexican Springs Chapter. NDOT is contributing Fuel Excise Tax funding. Funding will allow drainage improvements, five miles of gravel base improvement and three miles of chip-seal.
- TIF: \$1.3 million awarded for 18 miles of CR19 gravel and chip-seal road improvement – multiple Eastern Navajo Chapters; collaborating with NDOT for road repairs and renovation. NDOT is contributing Fuel Excise Tax funding. Project has commenced, but completion anticipated until this coming summer around weather issues.
- The County will contract out their LGTPF project for Manuelito Canyon bridge replacement and road improvements.

- The County will benefit with \$23 million for improvements to the Carbon Coal Road intersection in Gamerco with US491, which leads to the developing Energy Logistics Park (and potential Inland Port).
- The County has finished chip sealing Pine Haven road; will use remaining funds to finish improvements on Allison road.
- Ongoing county-wide maintenance including blading, patching potholes, cleaning culverts, repairing bridges / guardrails, etc.

#### Gallup

- **Gallup Mainstreet Project** – Ground breaking May 13; construction commenced July 1. Coal Avenue Commons both MAP and Legislative Agreements have been executed by the State. The City is working with Wilson & Co. and NMDOT District 6 on the final PS&E. City Council approved Wilson & Co.'s professional engineering proposal for construction management. The Mainstreet grant resolution was approved by City Council for this project. **Between MAP, State Legislative, Economic and City funding the Coal Avenue Commons project is now 45% complete and ongoing.**
- Nizhoni and W. Aztec improvements are currently in design phase.
- The East Nizhoni Blvd. Reconstruction project was awarded LGTPF funding – the contract with NMDOT was executed by the City and the State, with the electronic copy received; awaiting the original signature. **This project is now in ongoing construction**
- W. Aztec drainage legislative grant has been executed and engineering services have been awarded to begin design; notice of obligation has been submitted and approved by the state. **Design in progress at this time.**
- **Local Govt. Road Fund funded projects will commence when weather allows.**

#### Milan – absent this meeting

No report yet for this meeting – as the village has a brand new manager who is also the new primary representative to the NWRTPO by the name of Sarah Austin, who needs more time to learn where the village is with regard to transportation priorities.

#### Ramah

- **Condolences to the community for the loss of Shane Lewis, who accomplished significant transportation development on behalf of the Ramah Navajo community.**
- **Ramah Navajo has filled two positions after the departure of Shane Lewis with Dorothy Claw as primary transportation developer and Tom Martine as transportation assistant – these individuals are also the primary and alternative representatives to the NWRTPO.**
- **Dorothy and Tom are acclimating with ongoing Ramah transportation projects at this time and updating the Ramah Long Range Transportation Plan, completing an annual report, and looking for training opportunities.**
- Acting executive director for Ramah Navajo Chapter's 638 Grants & Contract Programs issued a memorandum for employees to return back to work and follow CDC guidelines within each Chapter program RNDOT is back in operation and continues to maintain roadways.
- BIA Projects Update:
  - BIA 125 mp 18 – 24.6 – received approved design exception report for this project from FHWA and will move to finalize the project. BIA 125 MP 0 – 4.4 received approval from NNHPO on the updated Cultural Report document and Categorical Exclusion. Awaiting ROW documents for BIA 195 in Ramah Band Land to RN Realty Office. BIA 113 and 145 received final report and will review final documents with tribal officials
  - BIA 195: submitted ROW documents to RN Realty Office
  - BIA 145 and BIA 113: Received draft report for BIA 145 and BIA 113.
- RNDOT Transportation Technician is vacant and will advertise for the position.
- Submitted grant applications for the NOFO on Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds.
- BIA 125 striping project is complete.
- NMDOT LGRF received all certifications and submitted a letter of disbursement. Awaiting on contractor to return signed Notice of Award for BIA 125 striping project.
- Cancelled Transportation Committee Meetings until COVID-19 Restrictions are lifted.
- Submitted road signs replacement maintenance project for 2021 LGRF cycle.

- NMDOT LGRF received some certifications and will coordinate with Utility providers. Received ROW certification and submitted letter requesting disbursement.
- Assisting with RN Community Development Department for the Navajo Nation Rural Addressing Project.
- Ongoing general maintenance for area roads, cattle guards and signage, blading and shaping, potholes and base course patching (incl. school bus routes). Cleaning and replacing roadway signs. Field fence repairs, post replacements and gate repairs.

#### Cibola County

- **Cibola County is looking for a new Road Superintendent as Gary Porter retired; candidates should preferably have education and experience in transportation engineering.**
- The County is doing “blade and shape” maintenance on 84.7 miles of 14 County Roads; and a variety of other maintenance (cattle guards / culverts / sign repair / tree trimming & weed control / mowing / pot-hole patching / and minor road repairs) for 24 county roads.
- ZMTP RTP trail project is funded for FFY2020 construction – working with McKinley County for trails development beginning with the Quartz Hill Trail Head. Construction will likely not proceed until FFY2021 Spring & Summer for the Cibola portion of the Zuni Mountain Recreational Trails. **Cibola County has now been cleared to be the fiscal agent for this project and will no longer need McKinley County’s assistance; waiting to receive an executed grant agreement and notice to proceed. Cibola, COG and NMDOT staff will have a virtual internal planning meeting on Jan. 19 at 9am with Arnold from the FS to discuss updated scope of work for this project.**
- CR-18B and CR1 road / bridge projects are current priorities. CR-18B awarded LGTPF funding – LGTPF contract is complete and submitted. **CR18-B – RFP closed Friday – 12/4 and are currently reviewing applications – much appreciation to JoAnn Garcia from NMDOT District 6. Two firms responded to the RFP and the Cibola Commission will determine the award at their January 14 meeting.**
- Coop projects will begin soon.
- Ongoing County wide maintenance for County and Forest Roads.

#### Grants – absent this meeting

- The City recently had a ribbon cutting ceremony for the pedestrian bridge on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- Riverwalk trail: Design at 100% from WHPacific, Project is on hold for the time being.
- First Street phase 2 – Adams to Roosevelt: design at 100%; added a pond and lift station on Geis Street for drainage; allotted \$1.8 million from 2019 state legislature for final phase 3 from Washington to Roosevelt. Final PS&E is scheduled for this August and project letting is scheduled for September. Total project stands at \$6.2 million.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> street bridge out to bid for construction to commence in July – delay due to COVID-19 pandemic.
- Washington bridge replacement over 2<sup>nd</sup> Street through LGTPF funding will include a walking opportunity for High School students; project construction is underway – commenced in June.
- Lobo Canyon and Roosevelt intersection improvements are underway

#### Pueblo of Laguna

- **The Pueblo remains closed to the public, and administration is closed until the COVID-19 Pandemic resides.**
- The Pueblo is pursuing an FHWA grant to develop a Pueblo-wide (all Villages / roads) Safety Plan and will be seeking data sources identifying various crash incidents, and high crash incident locations; may need assistance from the RTPO or DOT with analyzing crash data. The Pueblo has a number of State Routes, where high speeds impact upon more fatal crashes.
- NM 124 Trail- Encinal Road to St. Rd. 279, a bike/ped path: The Construction Management services firm selected is Bohannon Huston Inc. Construction NTP was issued in January. Construction is now complete. Desert Fox Paving is working on close out documents and as-builts.
- NM124 Rio San Jose to Roundabout bike & ped path: Design is complete. PS&E checklist is complete – project planned to be let February – March, 2021
- L26 Rainfall Road from Cubero Wash to Seama bridge M108: Construction has been completed, including a bike & ped. trail. **Final audits in progress.**
- M137 bridge at Laguna Subdivision: Construction complete and project in close out with BIA.

- **Mill, Overlay, Striping & Enhancement Projects:** Construction is complete for L503 – Veterans Memorial Road, L200 Postal Road and L245 Raindrop Road. **The Pueblo is developing the next phase on four BIA routes: LGRF/BIA Road Maintenance Striping Projects – phase 2 & 3: Phase 2 – L500 Mountain Ash Loop and L500 Central Park Road; Phase 3 – L540 Veterans Memorial Road and L200 Elizabeth Bender Road.**
- **LGRF / BIA Road Maintenance Mill, Overlay & Striping Projects:** Phase 2 & 3: Phase 2 – the Pueblo is working on the next phase for four BIA routes: phase 2 for L500 Mountain Ash Loop and Central Park roads. Phase 3 for L540 – Veterans Memorial Road and L200 Elizabeth Bender Road. **Contract amendments submitted and recieved..**
- **NM 124 Roundabout:** The repairs to the roundabout are being coordinated by NMDOT, no start date has been determined.
- **L24 Rainfall Road:** design changed to two phases, **Ph-1 Road & Trail at 60% design, and Ph-2 Conc Box Underpass at 30% design.** Construction funded for \$1.9 million from the LGTPF fund!
- **L26 Deer Dancer Road:** at 95% design, working on ROW amendments and E.A.
- **L243 Acorn Road design:** completed 100% design and PS&E review from the BIA. Construction pending funding.
- **M154 Paguete Wash Bridge:** **PER is complete** – draft report has been submitted to the Pueblo and BIA.
- **M108 San Jose River Bridge-Seama:** **PS&E, EA, FONSI and NOI are in progress.**
- **L248 Bluejay Road and L248 Blue Star Loop:** **Design is in progress.** PER is expected by end of January 2021.
- **Pueblo's Safety Plan:** **Phase 1 is complete and the Pueblo is intending to apply for upcoming FY Safety Planning Funds.**
- **NMDOT I-40 Safety Project:** The Pueblo met with NMDOT on March 3. **Design is at 100%; NMDOT hopes to let the project the summer of 2021.**

#### Navajo Nation – Northern Agency

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- Larry Joe requests COG RTPO Manager to help him include US491 RSA recommendations Naschitti to Newcomb as proposed projects in our 2020 RTIPR revision.
- **Navajo DOT continues development for their Long Range Transportation Plan for 2021**
- **Navajo DOT has appointed Marco Sells to fill an administrative position for Eastern Navajo finally bringing Larry Joe some relief! Marco will have his hands full, as he is also the Chinle, AZ Transportation Planner.**
- **Karen Bedonie has been re-assigned and Larry anticipates a new Planning Director**
- NDOT is working with Sandoval County on inventory to transfer County Roads to the Navajo Nation going forward.
- Shiprock High School Safety corridor project is earmarked for **2023 NMDOT STIP** for three land road widening construction. Will remain on RTIP.
- TseDaaKaan Chapter (Hogback) N5031/Hwy 64 Safety intersection improvement is earmarked for 2021 NMDOT STIP for construction. Final review with local residents. Take off the list, when project is completed.
- **N36/Hwy 371 intersection improvement(Upperfruitland Chapter)-** This project was funded through NM State Capital Outlay. The project is led by San Juan County, NM. The Design layout of the intersection was completed by Wilson & Company. *NMDOT and Navajo Nation finalizing the MOU, which will allow for the State beginning working on construction of the project. Project need of additional funding to complete the project. Project will on RTIP.*
- **Local Government Road Fund 2019-** Project funded to work on preliminary studies at Littlewater community of Sanostee Chapter. Completed SAS 164 Review, the Project Manager will begin working with the chapter on layout plans for the project. Project will remain on RTIP for future funding of road improvements.
- **Local Government Road Fund 2018-** Gadiahii-Tokoi Chapter was awarded for road improvement on route N571 for one mile chip seal. **The project has been completed.**
- **Local Government Road Fund 2018-** Sheep Springs Chapter was awarded for road improvement on route N5002 for one-mile road graveling. The project is ready for construction. Will be taken off the list once the project is completed.
- **Newcomb Chapter-** working on **N5007 Low Water Crossing** using the State, and Tribal match fund to complete this low water crossing project. Project Manager, Donald Jackson, worked on the design and it is determined it would need realignment of the road. Therefore, the realignment of the road was submitted to BIA for review and approval. Pending for final review and approval.

- **Beclabito Chapter-** was awarded of NM Capital Outlay for Helipad for aircraft landing facility. Land withdrawal is in the works with Project Manager assigned. Will need to complete the preliminary studies and design before the construction of the project.
- **Road Safety Audit-** this is new project at Newcomb, Naschitti, and Sheep Springs. Lee Engineering worked with local chapter officials and schools to complete the RSA on November 4-5, 2019. Waiting on the reports or studies. Reports were made available. We will add the recommendations list to RTIP for future funding of the projects.
- **US 64 Study Improvement Plan-** NMDOT officials recently met with local chapters (Beclabito, Gadiahii, Tsedaakaan, Shiprock) on the review and conditions of the highway and improvement plan process is for this 20 plus miles Hogback to AZ Stateline. Project still Planning stage. It will need to remain on the RTIP List for future road improvement, which includes road reconstruction, and bridges replacements.
- **Hwy 64 Shiprock Bridge Replacement-** public hearing is set for November 14, 2019 at Shiprock Chapter. Design plans has started on this project with NMDOT, it will remain the RTIP.
- **San Juan-Hogback Bridge** has completed the feasibility studies for a new bridge. Road alignment is still pending, and it would full preliminary studies and design of the project. San Juan Chapter is seeking additional funding for this project. Project will remain on the RTIP.
- **Shiprock Chapter-** is seeking Road Safety Audit on Hwy 491, milepost 89-90. Navajo DOT staff is working on this project using the Navajo Sihasin Fund for RSA. Updates- NMDOT contracted to complete the survey and assessment of the US Highway 491 North of Shiprock. Project will remain on the RTIP for future improvement planning, designing, and construction.
- **Burnham Chapter-** is seeking funding for RSA and N5/Hwy intersection improvement. Chapter is submitting a Letter of Intent through Local Government Road Fund on March 15, 2020. Project did not any funding but it will remain the RTIP for road studies, design and construction.
- **Beclabito Chapter/Hwy 64 Improvement Plan-** is continuing seeking funding for street lighting along Hwy 64 store, NHA Housing, Chapter house within the corridor. This project is added to NMDOT planning and design with when construction fund becomes available.. Project will remain on the RTIP for future funding.
- **Newcomb Chapter-** is seeking funding for Street Lighting along Hwy 491 & N5001, RSA was completed 2017 when the chapter contracted with a company that completed the studies. Project will remain on the RTIP.
- **Sanostee Chapter –** is seeking funding to construct new drainage structure at the intersection of Hwy 491 & N34. Recommending for Transportation Project Fund 2021 list. A studies was completed 2018 by Dibble Engineering. Project will remain on the RTIP List.
- **Sanostee Chapter-** is seeking funding for School Zone safety RSA and maintenance on route N34 on pavement road. Chapter is working on submitting to District 5 for studies and safety improvement at the school zone. Project will remain on the RTIP List.

#### Navajo Nation – Eastern Navajo

- **Marco Sells the new manager for Eastern Navajo indicated that a Virtual Navajo Nation Transportation Summit is in development to be announced sometime in the near future.**
- **Rock Springs Chapter-** CR-9 road improvement. Will be added to RTIP for future road improvement
- **Nahodishgish Chapter-** N53 & 98 road improvement. Will be added to RTIP for road improvement.
- **Manuelito Chapter-** Sunset Valley road Chip Sealing. Will be added to RTIP
- **Manuelito Chapter-** Tse De Tah Spring road improvement Chip Sealing. Will be addit to RTIP
- **Rock Springs Chapter-** Chee Dodge Elementary School Access Improvement – Improving turning lanes and street lighting. Will be added to RTIP.
- **Church Rock Chapter-** NM Highway 118 Improve – Street lighting for safety corridor. Project will be completed with NM Capital Out funds.
- **Crownpoint Chapter-** street lighting project in progress to complete soon.
- **Baahaali Chapter-** transfer access road improvement- Project completed.
- **Mexican Chapter-** Road Safety Audit, project in progress on contracting out to complete the RSA studies. Will be added to RTIP for construction project.
- **Twin Lakes Chapter-** Road Safety Audit, project in progress on contracting out to complete the RSA studies. Will be added to RTIP for construction project.
- **Tohatchi Chapter-** Road Safety Audit, project progress on contracting out to complete the RSA studies. Will be added to RTIP for construction project.

- Iyanbito Chapter- Received Local Government Road Fund, it would need more funding to complete the road improvements. Will be added to RTIP for road improvement Chip Sealing.
- Iyanbito Chapter- I-40 -Project is seeking funding for drainage improvement and overpass studies, design and construction to provide safe entering and existing I-40. Will be added to RTIP.
- Mariano Lake Chapter- Red Willow road in progress to complete the road improvement.

Proposed New Roadway Lighting Projects have no Planning, Designing or Construction funding, but the respective Chapters will be seeking funds to begin Road Safety Assessments, Design, and Construction: All these projects will be added to RTIP for future funding of the projects.

- Smith Lake Chapter- Seeking RSA studies and street lighting at Hwy 371 & N49
- Crownpoint Chapter- Seeking RSA studies and street lighting at N9 & Hwy 371 intersection
- Becenti Chapter- Seeking RSA studies & Street lighting at Highway 371 & N9
- Coyote Canyon Chapter- Street lighting at Intersection of Highway 491 and N9, Milepost 15-15.5
- Whiterock Chapters- Seeking RSA & Street lighting at Highway 371 & store junction, chapter access roads
- Standing Rock Chapter- Seeking RSA & Street lighting at N9 & Chapter access road intersection.
- Little Water Chapter (Eastern)- Seeking RSA & Street lighting at Highway 371 and N7119
- Mexican Springs Chapter- Completing RSA, and seeking street lighting at Highway 491 & N30
- Naschitti Chapter- Completing RSA, and seeking street lighting at Highway 491 & Bus turnaround MP 32
- Tohatchi Chapter- Completing RSA and seeking street lighting at Highway 491 Milepost 22-24
- Twin Lakes Chapter- Completing RSA, and seeking street lighting at Highway 491 & Chapter access road/school access road, Milepost 13 – 13.5 and other lighting at Highway 491 & Giant store/Johnson road, Milepost 9.8 – 10.3

**New Mexico Department of Transportation Reports  
 (significant news only)**

RTPO Liaison (Neala Krueger)  
 Tribal Liaison (Ron Shutiva)  
 District 5 (James Mexia, Stephanie Medina)  
 District 6 (JoAnn Garcia; Bill Santiago)

**Multimodal Planning & Programs Bureau – Neala Krueger**

- Nonmetropolitan Consultation Survey closes on Tuesday, January 19 – with appreciation for a strong regional response from the NWRTPO members.
- May 2021 TAP/RTP/CMAQ call for projects is coming.
- 2021 NM Legislative Session opens on Tuesday, January 19 and ends on March 20.
- Monday, February 1 is the deadline for RTPO’s to submit draft second quarter RWP formal amendments to GTG Liaisons. Administrative amendments can be submitted at any time.
- The New Mexico LTAP center provides technical assistance and trainings to support workforce development with the aim of helping local governments and municipalities across New Mexico meet their transportation needs. <https://ltap.unm.edu/>
- The NMDOT Long Range Transportation Plan website/portal is available at <https://newmexico2045plan.com/>. This project is still in progress and will be for some time yet.
- The US491 RSA is now complete with potential for HSIP funding in FFY 2022. This RSA comprised Naschitti, Newcomb, and Sheep Springs Chapters. District 6 is responsible for applying for HSIP funding.
- An RSA for the area around the I-40 and US491 intersection and west of this intersection in Gallup is in progress. Numerous pedestrian injuries and fatalities have occurred in recent years. A virtual stakeholder meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 21. Lee Engineering will send an invitation to our region’s stakeholders.

**NMDOT Tribal Liaison – Ron Shutiva**

- **Ron is working on updating Tribal contact lists based on recent election related changes at this time – anything that RTPO members can do to help facilitate this will expediate completing these updates.**

- **The Navajo Nation is having issues with development of and industrial park along the NM118 corridor between Rehoboth and Churchrock**
- **Ron is now on the LTAP Board.**
- NMDOT is preparing for the upcoming N.M. Legislative session.
- Ron anticipates that a new N.M. Transportation Project Fund at around \$40 million may be forthcoming; so NWRTPO members are encouraged to start prepping and gearing up – as this fund has no functional classification limitations! Ron recommends that our RTPO governments advocate for continuation of this state funding.
- A national broadband project is establishing a broadband corridor along I-40, and will involve tribal discussion with Pueblos of Laguna and Acoma and Navajo Nation.
- NMDOT needs an update from Pueblo of Laguna for progress on Rainfall Road from the Local Govt. Road Fund.
- NM118 drainage analysis project is finally in progress as the Navajo Council is working on agreements with the local governments in the region of the study between Churchrock and Iyanbito.
- Ron recommends comparing the NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan update with other statewide RTPO's to see if any new ideas are available, and whether there might be opportunity for more consistency between statewide RTPO's.
- Ron is reminding all RTPO members to be sure to check that their Capital Outlay, T.I.F. and L.G.R.F. projects are active and on track, because if no action has been initiated for too long a time it is highly probable that the State will retract the funding – due to the significant reduction in tax revenues related to the significantly negative impact of COVID-19 on tax revenues from the private sector!
- Ron indicated that the Laguna I-40 improvement project is moving forward from Exit 112 to 117.
- Ron is concerned about improvements needed for the US64 Shiprock School Zone corridor – NDOT is non-responsive, and support and input is needed from NDOT before the state moves forward with safety improvements.
- I-40 Safety projects are coming to the Laguna Acoma area, including the exit 114 bridge.
- The Pueblo Cultural Center in Albuquerque has a "Pueblo Relief Fund" available, and around \$300K has already been distributed. Go to [PuebloReliefFund.org](http://PuebloReliefFund.org).
- Ron reported on the NM118 drainage analysis that took place between the Iyanbito and Ft. Wingate I-40 intersections at previous meetings. Ron indicated he feels that NM118 drainage issues remain unresolved to this day (in spite of two studies!) and the Navajo Nation DOT remains non-responsive!
- Ron shared concern regarding the lack of an NDOT Eastern Navajo representative – they are putting a lot of pressure on Larry Joe!

#### NMDOT District 5 – James Mexia, Stephanie Medina

- **No new news from DOT Dist. 5.**
- WHPacific is being contracted for a study on needed road and intersection improvements on US 64 – MP 0 – 20 (which includes the Shiprock School Zone). This project will be divided into two phases funded separately and in the District 5 HSIP plan for 2021 including a) primary / major Chapter or community intersections from Shiprock to the Arizona border and b) the Shiprock School Zone.
- The NM371 and N36 intersection near Northern Edge Casino is at 60% design; need ROW clearance / easement from NDOT.
- The District is looking at the need to replace the aging Shiprock San Juan River bridge.
- D-5 staff are managing project proposals for the 2021 Local Government Road Fund, and have received awards from the DOT General Office in Santa Fe for the next fiscal year.
- D-5 staff are reminding local governments that Coop Projects are due by December, 2020.

#### NMDOT District 6 - JoAnn Garcia, Bill Santiago

- **NMDOT is gearing up for the N.M. Legislative Session which commences January 19, 2021.**
- JoAnn Garcia reminded members to check up on their Capital Outlay projects and update them in the CPMS (Capital Project Monitoring System), to make sure their projects are submitted and up to date, with the required minimal 5% match.
- For Local Government Road Fund projects – the District needs certifications for all projects – many RTPO members are not following LGRF guidance for project development and are trying to close out projects without having reported progress to the DOT or following what the program requires – this could jeopardize funding, and DOT District 6 urges follow up with their staff. Have contractors apply to be on the State list as pre-qualified contractors. Using a non-state-qualified contractor could also jeopardize project funding!

- Members are encouraged to follow up with NMDOT District 6 – JoAnn Garcia regarding their LGTPF projects.

**NEW BUSINESS/OPEN FLOOR: MEMBERS & GUESTS (5-minute limit)**

- None this meeting

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEXT MEETING:** No announcements – next meeting **February 10, 2021 – virtual meeting** (otherwise hosted by McKinley County) dial in: **515-606-5166 / access code: 301965**

**ADJOURNMENT (11:30 am)**

**ACTION:** *Larry Joe* – (Navajo Nation) moved and *Alicia Santiago* (Vice Chair and City of Gallup) seconded for adjournment Motion carried by acclamation.

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**MEETING ACTIONS:**

**RTPO Members:**

- *RTPO Meeting Schedule:* Review and confirm in advance if meetings cannot be held in person due to COVID-19 restrictions. The NWRTPO anticipates that for at least until the summer of 2021, meetings will remain virtual.
- **RTPO Members are encouraged to complete the FFY2020 NWRTPO Member Survey, along with the NMDOT Non-Metropolitan Survey (designed for RTPO's) – NWRTPO Member Survey ASAP / past due (!); Non-Metro Survey available until January 18, 2021 at: <https://survey.sogosurvey.com/r/RqspIQ>.**
- Staff appreciate a strong response from our NWRTPO members for the NMDOT Non-metropolitan survey!

**RTPO Staff:**

- *RTPO Orientation Video:* Produce and distribute a video for members and governing bodies. – complete – Staff to follow up with RTPO members to see which governments have had their respective leaders review the video to remain or become familiar with the RTPO function and service to local governments. Staff have developed a tracking instrument thru which RTPO members can document and submit regarding which of their respective leaders have viewed the orientation.

**NMDOT Staff:**

- *New Mexico Transportation Plan Update:* July 14 Virtual Stakeholder workshop was provided. This meeting conducted in virtual conf. call mode due to COVID-19 restrictions. Neala Krueger emailed the latest information from the state on the LRTP update and Robert Kuipers forwarded to RTPO members.





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

**Agenda Item #IV: Approve 2021 RTIPR Revision**

**Subject: RTPO members will approve & authorize FY2021 RTIPR Revision**

**Prepared for: February 10, 2021 NWRTPO Meeting**

**Date: 2/2/21**

**BACKGROUND**

- **Why?** The NWRTPO undertook an RTIPR Revision this year rather than a full Call for Projects, as less funding from state or federal sources is anticipated until FFY2022.
- **Purpose.** RTPO members must approve and authorize the RTIPR to make it official for project funding priorities for our three county region going forward.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** RTPO members will discuss, approve, and authorize the FFY2021 RTIPR update.

**CURRENT WORK**

- None – RTIPR 2021 Revision has been completed – simply must be authorized

**ANTICIPATED WORK**

- Commencing April, 2021 the NWRTPO will commence a full Call for Projects for the FFY2022 RTIPR – typically completed in February, 2022

**ATTACHMENTS**

- Updated FY2021 RTIPR

**BUDGET IMPACT**

- None

**ACTION ITEM**

- Members will vote to approve and authorize the 2021 NWRTPO RTIPR Update

## Final RTIPR for review at Feb. 10 virtual meeting

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 1 attachments (163 KB)

NWRTPO RTIPR FFY2021 FINAL.xls;

RTPO members and DOT colleagues:

Attached is the final NWRTPO RTIPR (*Regional Transportation Improvement Program Recommendations*) for our FY2021 update. We will take formal action to approve and authorize this RTIPR at our February 10

virtual meeting. Please review and make sure I did not miss any new projects recently proposed from our

member governments. I took a few projects out of this update due to inadequate functional classification.

We will stick to an RTIPR that only cites major collector corridors on up, as these qualify for federal funding.

Minor Collectors and Local Roads qualify for N.M. Transportation Project Funding which has no functional classification limitations.

Please reference this document and if there are any questions or concerns, by all means contact me - email

works best. Thanks,

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Northwest New Mexico Regional Transportation Planning Organization

**Northwest RTPPO Regional Transportation Improvement Program Recommendations (RTIPR)**  
for NMDOT District 6 (Cibola, McKinley) & District 5 (San Juan) **2021 - 2025**  
for 5 Year STIP (FY 2021 through FY 2025)

Prioritized by NWRTPPO  
Joint Technical & Policy Committee

FFY2021 RTIPR  
DOT District 5 & 6  
NWRTPPO  
FINAL

**Roadway Project Recommendations:**

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/REQUESTOR	TERRAINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (f) State (s) Local ?	PRIOR APPL ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
1	RN 125	MP0 - MP2	Ramah Navajo	Phase A: NM53 intersection south 2 mi. on BIA-RN125	2	\$1,573	Road reconstruction from NM53 intersection - 2 mi. south on BIA125, incl. shoulder improvements and deceleration/acceleration lanes at intersections	STP	L	No	Ramah Navajo offering a match at just over 19% for this full roadway reconstruction project
2	NM124	MP 23.9 - 25.1	Pueblo of Laguna	Phase III NM279 to Rio San Jose Road (MP23.9 to MP25.1)	1.20	\$833	Shoulder improvements for bike and pedestrian lanes	STP	L	Yes	Pueblo offering 14.56% match for this third phase; project is shovel ready.
3	SP 30 Pueblo Road	mp 0- mp 10	Pueblo of Acoma	Pueblo Rd. MP 0 - 10	10.10	\$600	Pueblo seeks funding for improving signage and striping, along with crack and fog sealing.	STP	L	Yes	This is an arterial road for the Pueblo, although not classified as such; project is supported in Acoma LRTP, ICP and provides an alternative route for L40 emergencies. 14.56% local match.
	Airport Road		Village of Milan	Motel Drive to NM122	0.5	\$2,616	Street Reconstruction with focus on drainage infrastructure to prevent future street flooding.	STP	L	No	Project will primarily address drainage issues to prevent ongoing flooding, while reconstructing the street.
	East Nizhoni Blvd. Reconst. Project	NM602 to south 2nd Street	City of Gallup	NM602 to south 2nd Street	1.8	\$4,000	upgrade Nizhoni Blvd. intersections with NM602/2nd St. and College Drive and improve street infrastructure	STP	L	no	Design funded by Transportation Project Fund (Local \$17,500, State \$392,500). Phasing: Phase I (Nizhoni/2nd Street Intersection) \$800,000; Phase II (Nizhoni Drive) \$2.2M; Phase 3: Nizhoni/College Intersection \$500,000. No sidewalks exist on north side of Nizhoni Drive - with many pedestrians as this connects two hospitals. AADT 7634

Northwest New Mexico Regional Transportation Planning Organization

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBERS	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Lead ?	PRIOR ACTION APPL. ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS	
	I-40 / Horizon Blvd. inter-change		Village of Milan	I-40 / Horizon Blvd. inter-change	0.75	\$319	I-40 / Horizon Blvd. interchange access improvements for freight access to airport and industrial park	STP	L	No	Project will improve freight access to the Milan / Grants Airport, and Milan Industrial Park strengthening the region's access to national and international trade markets.	
	CR-1 Reconst. improve-ments	0 - 2.4	McKinley County	County Road #1 from NM118 northwest for 2.4 miles	2.40	\$171	County Road #1 from NM118 northwest for 2.4 miles - reconstruction for deteriorated sections of this road	STP	L	No	This road provides access to Gallup for a number of Navajo Chapter communities to the north and west of Gallup, and is an alternative corridor from Gallup to Window Rock, Arizona.	
	C-24 Elkins Road	0 - 1.8	Cibola County	C-24, Elkins Road	1.8	\$3,000	Reconstruction to a) improve and widen the road for commercial traffic and b) address ongoing drainage and flooding issues, for this major residential and business corridor.	STP	L	No	This corridor includes sections in the City of Grants, Cibola County and Village of Milan, but the County will spearhead and lead the project with support from the communities. This corridor serves residential and commercial areas.	
<b>Roadway Projects Subtotal</b>												<b>\$13,112</b>

Northwest New Mexico Regional Transportation Planning Organization

FFY21 RTIPR  
District 5 & 6 NWRTPO  
FINAL - Approved on:  
2/10/21

Planning & Studies  
Project Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (1) State (5) Lead ?	PRIOR APPROV? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
	NM124	mp 16 - 25	Pueblo of Laguna	NM State Road 124 / L22	9.00	\$250	Pueblo seeks funding for preliminary engineering and design to reconstruct road, widen shoulders for bikes and pedestrians and improve drainage infrastructure	STP	S/L	Yes	Improvements will address safety and multimodal access for community members, school, and emergency vehicles, along with Pueblo trail system connectivity. Pueblo is offering 14.56% local match.
	NM124 / Casa Blanca Road	Intersection	Pueblo of Laguna	NM State Road 124 and L22 Casa Blanca Road Intersection	0.25	\$200	Pueblo seeks funding for design to install / improve bike & pedestrian infrastructure along with intersection roadway improvements	STP	L	Yes	Improvements will address safety and multimodal access for community members, school, and emergency vehicles along with Pueblo trail system connectivity. Pueblo is offering 32% local match!
	I-40 Frontage Road	mp 1 - 5	Pueblo of Acoma	NM124 at I-40 underpass to NM117 / I-40 intersection	1.20	\$344	project seeks planning and PER funding to design a new frontage road on the south side of I-40, eliminating the current shallow underpass on NM124 to the north side of I-40	STP	S	no	Project will improve alternate route to I-40 for emergency and alternate access for Pueblo residents and visiting public. Project will require the Pueblo to provide ROW to NM-DOT Dist. 6. Pueblo is offering 14.56% match.
	I-40 Exit 108 bridge deck	I-40 mp 108	Pueblo of Laguna	I-40 exit 108 bridge	0.25	\$250	Pueblo seeks funding for PER and design to replace, widen and improve bridge deck with shoulders, sidewalks, curb, gutter and drainage improvements	STP	S/L	Yes	Improvements will enhance vehicle and pedestrian / bicycle safety, access, and ADA compliance, along with multimodal system connectivity - especially for the Pueblo's trail system. Pueblo's local match is short by \$12,687 to be at 14.56% of total project cost.
	CR#1 - Marquez Rd.	CR1 Culvert Repair 4.1 miles east of NM1279 Junction	Cibola County	Culvert and water-shed road / "bridge" repair at MP4.1	0.10	\$444	County is seeking preliminary engineering including utilities, ROW and design for emergency repair to a major watershed pair of culverts that are washing out.	STP	L	Yes	County will seek more immediate emergency mitigation funding to stabilize and delay further erosion to watershed and culvert washout, then seek more permanent mitigation next cycle based on PER findings and design. County is offering a 14.56% local match.

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	SP32 Pintaari Drive Trail	MM 0 - 5.3	Pueblo of Acoma	develop a multi-use bike and pedestrian trail along the length of Pintaari Drive	5.3	\$516	Pueblo is seeking preliminary engineering (incl. design), and ROW funding in advance of construction for this multi-purpose Bike and Ped. Trail along Pintaari Drive which serves residential and govt. center areas for the Pueblo.	STP	L	Yes	The Pueblo is offering a 14.56% match for this project.
	C42	MM 0 - 36	Cibola County	Chain of Craters Back Country Byway - NM53 to NM117 (36 miles)	36	\$100	The County seeks to undertake a feasibility study to improve this byway corridor, which can be impassible related to weather. The road serves high traffic volume thru the El Malpais National Monument and residential subdivisions limiting residents access and emergency response.	STP	L	no	The County would like to conduct this study to widen and improve the road, with consideration toward the lava tube caves in the area to assure that these improvements would not cause damage to these historic tube caves along this byway.
	Sakelares Blvd.	2.7 miles	City of Grants	From downtown Rt. 66 to NMS47 - about 2.7 miles	2.7	\$1,153	This project seeks preliminary engineering to improve the street including bike and pedestrian infrastructure, as one of the primary business and residential corridors, and especially improve drainage infrastructure to alleviate street flooding and roadway closures.	STP	L	no	Beside improving traffic, bike and pedestrian infrastructure, this project should mitigate ongoing street flooding by making significant improvements to drainage infrastructure.
	I-40 / Horizon Blvd. Interchange	0.75	Village of Milan	I-40 Horizon Blvd. intersection	0.75	\$319	The Village seeks to upgrade this intersection to improve freight access to the airport and industrial park.	STP	L	no	The project will improve freight access to the Milan / Grants Airport, and Milan Industrial Park - strengthening the region's access to national and international trade markets.
<b>Planning &amp; Studies Subtotal</b>						<b>\$3,576</b>					

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Transportation Alternative  
Project (TAP) Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERRAIN	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$1000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Lead ?	Priority RTIPR APPL? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
1	Coal Ave. Commons	1st to 3rd Street	City of Gallup	First to Third Street, downtown Gallup	0.1	\$3,000	Improve sidewalks, curb/gutter/ sewer, drainage, lighting, utilities, bollards, signage, ADA access, intersections, bicycle facilities, and street-scaping	TAP	L	No	City offering 14.56% match, and the project is in multiple plans including the ICP. The City has an additional match from other sources at \$2 million, reducing the amount needed from state/federal sources to \$854,400.
2	2nd. St. Shared Use Path Loop Trail	2nd Street, Roosevelt and Washington Avenues around high school campus	City of Grants	From Rio San Jose / 2nd Street intersection around the high school campus via Roosevelt and Washington Avenues	1.00	\$110	construct ADA compliant multiuse bike & pedestrian trail incl. street pavement reconstruction, curb & gutter, sidewalks, drainage, utilities and street lighting	TAP	L	Yes	Project is construction ready, with 14.56% match from the City.
<b>Transportation Alternatives Projects Subtotal</b>						<b>\$3,110</b>					

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**Recreational Trail Project  
(RTP) Recommendations:**

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1	ZMTP - McGaffey & Twin Springs Trail System	see project map	McKinley County	need GPS coordinates for 20 miles of Phase 1 McKenzie Ridge trail development in the McGaffey Nat. Forest area	20.00	\$180	PER, design, construction and management for 20 miles of multiuse non-motorized single track trail which is part of the USFS led 238 mile Zuni Mountains Trail Project	RTP	L	no	NEPA process is complete for this section of the Zuni Mountain Trails. McKinley County is offering 14.56% local match for this project
2	Crown - point Rec. Trails	trail network throughout the community	Eastern Navajo	Trail network extends to various key locations of employment, commercial and educational centers	?	\$125	Project will create a safe bike and pedestrian trail system throughout the community, providing multi-modal / healthy options to the use of motorized vehicles	RTP	L	yes	Project seeks funding for PER, ROW and construction for a trail system that is already designed. Eastern Navajo DOT and Navajo Tech. University are providing a 14.56% local match.
3	McKenzie Ridge Trail Connector	ZMTP project in McKinley County	McKinley County	Design and construct the McKenzie Ridge Trail connector from McGaffey Trail System to Twin Springs Trail System.	20.00	\$180.4 - this project is already funded so not represented in total below	Project funded and grant agreement executed. USFS has led design work and is finalizing reports. Construction planned for 2021-22 seasons.	RTP	L	yes	Project is 40% complete including the full trailhead construction. Stalled due to MSO injunction that as of December 2020 is now dissolved. County is targeting Spring 2021 for starting back up work with substantial completion by Fall 2021.
	ZMTP - Quartz Hill Trail	see project map	Cibola County / McKinley County	need GPS coordinates for 15 miles from Quartz Hill Trailhead	15.20	\$832 (this amount already funded and not represented in the total below)	PER, design, construction and management for 15 miles of multiuse non-motorized single track trail and construction of the Quartz Hill Trailhead - part of the USFS led 238 mile Zuni Mountains Trail Project	RTP	L	yes - already funded	NEPA process is complete for this section of the Zuni Mountain Trails. McKinley County may serve as fiscal agent. This project is already funded for FFY2019.

Recreational Trail Projects Subtotal

\$305



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Bridge Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Land ?	PRIOR ATRIP APL ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
1	Mesa Hill Bridge	mp 0 - 1	Pueblo of Acama	mp 0 - 1	1.00	\$30,000	project seeks construction funding for a new bridge crossing the BNSF railroad and Rio San Jose watershed	STP	L	no	A bridge over the BNSF railroad is needed to improve traffic flow, reduce delays, and especially accommodate emergency access to prevent deadly delays to the Pueblo's hospital. Pueblo is offering a 14.56% local match.
2	L24 Underpass thru I40	I40 MP 106.42 - 106.5	Pueblo of Laguna	I40 MP 106.42 - 106.5	0.10	\$5,017	Expand Rainfall Rd. concrete box I-40 underpass for safe bike / pedestrian and traffic interface and egress;	STP	S	No	The Pueblo seeks assistance from NMDOT District 6 to expand this concrete box I-40 underpass to support the Pueblo's trail system, providing safe egress for both traffic and bike / pedestrian passage. The Pueblo is offering a match well over 29% for this project
	Roosevelt Ave. Bridge		City of Grants	Roosevelt Ave. over the Grants Arroyo	0.25	\$229	Preliminary Engineering and design to improve this aging bridge and add bike and pedestrian infrastructure	STP	L	Yes - in Planning & Studies above	This bridge is aging and in poor condition, on a primary corridor for both business and residential. Repairing the bridge for the long term will benefit economic development and job opportunities.
<b>Bridge Projects Subtotal</b>						<b>\$35,246</b>					

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**Federal Lands Access Program  
 Recommendations:**

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Lead ?	PRIOR RTIPR APPL. YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
	NM 547 / (Lobo Canyon Road)	MP 3.75 - 5.5	Cibola County	Phase 1: Grants City Limits to Cont. Divide Trail Head	1.75	\$2,264	Improve roadway shoulders for multimodal bike / pedestrian access to the Continental Divide Trail head on Mt. Taylor, from the Grants city limits.	FLAP	S	no	NM/DOT to provide 14.56% match. Phase 1 is first 1.75 miles of road improvement with shoulders for a total of 9.2 miles to the end of NM547 (MP 13)

**Federal Lands Access Program Projects Subtotal** **\$2,264**

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Public Transportation Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$100K	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Lead ?	PRIOR RTIPR APR. ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
	NA	NA	Zuni Ashiwi Transit	5311 public transit serving the Pueblo and surrounding area incl. Gallup access for educ. & employment	NA	??	FY2020 funding for 5311 transportation services to disabled / handicapped clientele	Federal Transit Authority	L	no	same as above
	NA	NA	Laguna Shaa'srk'a Transit	5311 public transit serving the Pueblo and surrounding area incl. Grants access for educ. & employment	NA	??	FY2020 funding for 5311 transportation services to disabled / handicapped clientele	Federal Transit Authority	L	no	same as above
	NA	NA	Gallup Express	5311 public transit serving Gallup and immediate surrounding areas	NA	??	FY2020 funding for 5311 transportation services to disabled / handicapped clientele	Federal Transit Authority	L	no	same as above
	NA	NA	Milan Carrot Express	5311 public transit serving Grants, Milan and immediate surrounding areas	NA	??	FY2020 funding for 5311 transportation services to disabled / handicapped clientele	Federal Transit Authority	L	no	same as above
	NA	NA	Navajo Transit	5311 public transit serving the Navajo Nation and immediate surrounding areas	NA	??	FY2020 funding for 5311 transportation services to disabled / handicapped clientele	Federal Transit Authority	L	no	same as above
								Funding does not impact RTIPR - \$ provided to providers from NMDOT Transit & Rail			Funding does not come from the RTIPR; the NWRTPPO simply provides evaluative ranking of public trans. funding applications on an annual basis.

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Safety Projects: HSIP

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TITLE/STATUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) state (S) Lead ?	PRIORITIZED? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
	NM118	mp 29	Eastern Navajo	NM118 and Fire Rock Casino / Sundance Coal Mine Road Intersection	0.10	\$1,200	Intersection safety improvements including luminary and sight distance improvements - possible acceleration / deceleration turn lanes based on safety audit	HSIP	S/L	yes	There have been a number of accidents at this intersection, including pedestrian fatalities, due in part to poor sight distance visibility on the south - Sundance Coal Mine Road side. Local match provided at 14.56%.
	NM118	mp 27 - 30	McKinley County	NM118 corridor from Rehoboth to Church Rock	3	\$6,600	corridor intersection improvements and bike / pedestrian accommodations to improve safety and multimodal mobility	HSIP	S	yes	This corridor provides economic development opportunities to the Navajo Nation, and correlating safety concerns for McKinley County due to anticipated traffic and pedestrian increases as new development occurs.
	US491 / NM134 Intersection	hwy inter-section	Northern Navajo	Intersection of NM134 and US491 at Sheep Springs, N.M.	0.1	\$1,200	Intersection safety improvements including luminary and sight distance improvements - possible acceleration / deceleration turn lanes, rumble strips, warning signs; project will require a safety audit to	HSIP	S/L	no	This intersection has a history of crashes and a few fatalities, related to both traffic and pedestrians. Local match offered at 14.56%.
	NM602	MP 15	Eastern Navajo	Intersection of NM602 and Jones Ranch Road for access to David Skeets Elementary School	0.25	\$1,200	Intersection improvements for school bus and local resident safety, based on 2016 NM/DOT Safety Audit recommendations	HSIP	S/L	no	Installation of acceleration and deceleration lanes, signage and possible warning lights - per RSA. Local match offered at 14.56%.
	N36 / NM371	hwy inter-section	Northern Navajo	Intersection of N36 and NM371 (near Flaming Waters Casino)	0.25	\$1,700	Intersection safety improvements for this busy intersection to reduce accidents and fatalities	HSIP	S/L	no	Intersection needs accel / decel and center turn lanes, warning signs and/or flashing beacons, rumble strips to reduce accidents and fatalities. Local match offered at 14.56%.
	US491	mp 5 - 6	Eastern Navajo	Intersection of US491 with Chee Dodge Elementary School entrance / access road	0.25	\$1,200	Intersection safety improvements for school bus and vehicle traffic merging with high speed US491 traffic.	HSIP	S/L	yes	Safety improvements including accel / decel and center turn lanes for this busy school intersection will improve safety for school and other traffic, along with signage and treat of traffic beacons. Local match

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Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$900	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Lead ?	PRIOR RTIPR APPL ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
	NS031 & US64 inter-section	US64 MP27	Northern Navajo	intersection of NS031 to TseDaakaan Chapter and US64	0.50	\$1,200	Based on 2013 study, safety improvements are recommended for this intersection incl. accel / decel / center turn lanes, street lighting, and signage	HSP	S/L	no	Project is requesting PER, ROW, and design thru construction, and may need to acquire certifications in the process. Local match offered at 14.56%.
	US64 / Beclabito Chapter entrance inter-section	US64 MP3	Northern Navajo	intersection of US64 and Beclabito Chapter road entrance	0.50	\$900	Intersection safety improvement of adding street lighting to prevent / reduce vehicle and pedestrian accidents	HSP	S/L	no	Project is requesting PER, ROW, and design thru construction, and may need to acquire certifications in the process. Local match offered at 14.56%.
<b>Safety Projects Subtotal</b>						<b>\$15,200</b>					

\* Note - Prioritization of safety projects is no longer the function of the RTPOs. The NWRTPO is providing this information simply as a means of documenting it awareness of and support for the safety projects listed above.

<b>NWRTPO RTIPR Total</b>	<b>\$72,813</b>
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N.M. L.G.T.P.F. Projects  
Local Govt. Transportation Project Fund

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$1000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (1) State (5) Lead 2	PRIORITY RTIPR APPL. ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
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Ordered by Govt. - not project type  
cost projections below are rounded up or down

Milan	Berryhill Street	NM605 to Pineda Ave.	Village of Milan	NM605 to Pineda Ave.	0.41	\$544.3	Roadway reconstruction incl. drainage, curb & gutter, sidewalks & ADA ramps	NM - LGTPF	L	NA for all projects cited here-in	All projects cited in this section are funded through the State of New Mexico
Acoma	Haaku Road	MP 0 - 12.4	Pueblo of Acoma	MP 0 - 12.4	12.4	\$2,900	Preliminary Engineering & Design (incl. clearances)	NM - LGTPF	L		
Acoma	NM 124 Realignment	NM124 / U.S. 140 underpass to NM 117	Pueblo of Acoma	NM124 / U.S. 140 underpass to NM 117	1.2	\$1,000	Preliminary Engineering & Design (incl. clearances)	NM - LGTPF	L		
Cibola	CR-1 Marquez Road	MP 4.2-4.3	Cibola County	4.1 miles east of CR-1 intersection with NM-279	0.1	\$500	Preliminary Engineering & Design (incl. clearances)	NM - LGTPF	L		This project will address a failing bridge structure
Grants	2nd Street CBC project	School entrance off 2nd Street between Washington & Harrison Aves.	City of Grants	2nd Street between Washington and Harrison Avenues	0.25	\$1,500	Construction	NM - LGTPF	L		Project will provide safe school access off 2nd Street. Project will also improve watershed channelization infrastructure on this primary corridor for the community
Mck.	County Road #1 (CR-1)	NM118 intersect to NM264	McKinley County	NM118 intersection in Mentmore (south) to NM264 intersection (north)	17	\$500	Construction to repair portions of this corridor including storm drainage improvements	NM - LGTPF	L		
Mck.	CR-6	NM602 intersect to Chichilah School	McKinley County	NM602 intersection to Chichilah School	8.3	\$812.5	Construction to repair portions of this corridor including storm drainage improvements	NM - LGTPF	L		
Mck.	CR-77	NM566 to bridge in Handground Canyon	McKinley County	NM566 intersection to bridge in Handground Canyon	4	\$500	Construction to repair portions of this corridor including storm drainage improvements	NM - LGTPF	L		

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Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/REGISTRAR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN 1000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (1) State (5) Lead ?	PRIOR STRIP APPL ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
Mck.	McKinley Solid Waste Access Road	NM371 Intersection to Solid Waste Facility	McKinley County	NM371 Intersection north of Thoreau to Solid Waste Facility	1.5	\$200	Construction to repair the road and drainage infrastructure	NM - LGTPF	L		
Mck.	CR43A-Superman Canyon Road	Bridge on CR43A - 2 miles north of Whitecliffs	McKinley County	Bridge on CR43A (Superman Canyon Road) - 2 miles north of Whitecliffs	0.1	\$3,800	Construction for full bridge replacement	NM - LGTPF	L		
Gallup	Master Transportation Plan	Citywide transportation plan	City of Gallup	City Wide Transportation Plan	NA	\$300	Planning work to update Gallup's Transportation Plan	NM - LGTPF	L		
Gallup	Nizhoni Blvd.	NM602 to College Drive	City of Gallup	NM602 Intersection to College Drive	0.57	\$4,232	Roadway reconstruction incl. curb, gutter and sidewalks	NM-LGTPF	L		Project was funded in 2019-2020 cycle for \$350,000 for initial design - still needing clearances and construction funding
<b>N.M. Local Govt. Transportation Project Fund total:</b>						<b>\$16,789</b>					
<b>Grand Total - NWRTPPO RTIPR + LGTPF Projects</b>						<b>\$89,602</b>					



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## Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

### Agenda Item #VI:

**Subject:** NMDOT TLPA Handbook 2020 Update

**Prepared for:** NWRTPO Virtual Meeting – February 10, 2021

**Date:** 2/2/21

#### BACKGROUND

- **Why?** The NMDOT Tribal / Local Public Agency Handbook provides guidance for MPO's and RTPPO's for the regional management of transportation infrastructure and services in collaboration with the NMDOT Districts that serve the RTPPO or MPO region.
- **Purpose.** To inform NWRTPO members on recent updates to the TLPA handbook by simply providing it for their review. The TLPA informs RTPPO members on the purpose and process for local and regional government collaboration with NMDOT to establish priorities for and develop related transportation infrastructure and services.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** Members have been provided the NMDOT TLPA Handbook with 2019 – 2020 updates for their review and familiarization.

#### CURRENT WORK

- RTPPO members are encouraged to familiarize with the current TLPA Handbook after 2019 – 2020 updates.

#### ANTICIPATED WORK

- The NWRTPO and RTPPO members must develop transportation infrastructure and service priorities for our region based on guidance provided by the TLPA handbook, in collaboration with NMDOT Districts 5 and 6, along with central DOT regional and tribal liaisons.

#### ATTACHMENTS

- The first section of the TLPA Handbook, providing document guidance.

#### BUDGET IMPACT

- None

#### ACTION ITEM


- N/A



# TRIBAL/LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY

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## HANDBOOK 2019



Pedestrian and bicyclist underpass  
on St. Francis Drive just north of  
Cerrillos Road intersection.

T/LPA: City of Santa Fe

# TRIBAL/LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY *HANDBOOK*

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# T/LPA HANDBOOK COMMENT REQUEST FORM

Date:  Phone Number:  Name:

T/LPA or Company Name:

Email:

Do you have a project currently programmed? (YES / NO)

Fiscal Year programmed:  Control Number:

To: T/LPA Handbook Committee  
New Mexico Department of Transportation

Subject: T/LPA Handbook Comments

Recommendation for Improvement:

Please send comments to [Finance.TLPA@state.nm.us](mailto:Finance.TLPA@state.nm.us)

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

This Handbook took close to an entire year to fully update and better reflect the current policies of the NMDOT and FHWA. The Handbook committee dedicated numerous hours to reviewing the funding and project development processes and streamlining them as much as possible. The latest revision was also a collaborative effort and involved the list of participants below.

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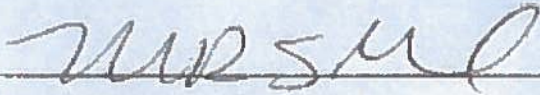
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Approval of this Handbook by the New Mexico Department of Transportation  
Cabinet Secretary

Granted this 27 day of Feb, 2019



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Signature

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Michael Sandoval  
Cabinet Secretary

Implementation of the guidelines and processes contained in this manual are  
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# INTRODUCTION

## **PURPOSE OF T/LPA HANDBOOK**

The Tribal/Local Public Agency (T/LPA) Handbook is a guide to assist tribal and local public agencies in successfully navigating the planning, design, and implementation of federally-funded transportation projects. This Handbook applies to projects funded by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and includes requirements in the governing United States Code (USC) and Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) for transportation projects. Many of the oversight duties are passed from FHWA to the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) per the Stewardship and Oversight Agreement, which outlines the duties of the NMDOT as the grantee of federal funds. This Handbook and the Cooperative Agreement outline the duties of the T/LPAs as sub-grantees of federal funds.

## **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

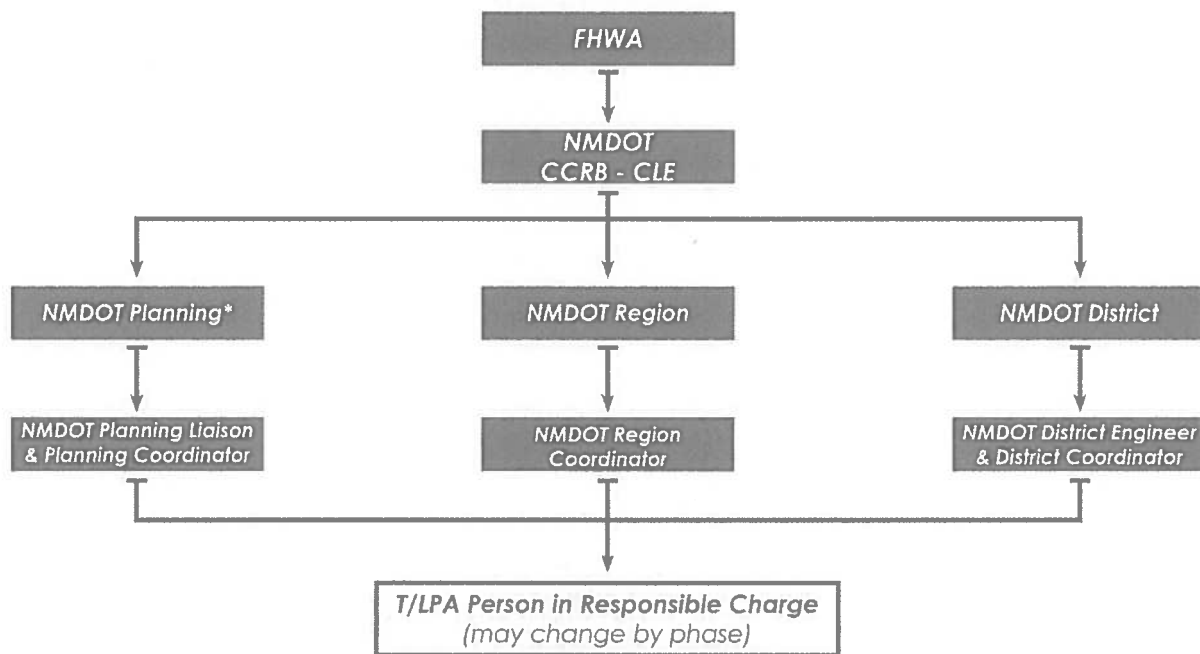
As the grantee of federal funds, the NMDOT has responsibility for assisting the T/LPA through all phases of the project and staff is identified in the Handbook for each phase. The Construction and Civil Rights Bureau (CCRB) has oversight during the entire project from planning to project implementation and closeout. NMDOT staff members assure compliance with CFRs, the terms of the Cooperative Agreements, and the requirements outlined in this Handbook, and are involved heavily during the construction phase. In addition to the CFRs, the T/LPAs must also meet any additional federal or state laws, such as compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Title VI requirements outlined in this Handbook. Tribes are not required to meet ADA and Title VI requirements, but NMDOT encourages Tribal governments to create ADA Transition and Title VI Plans as a best practice.

The responsibilities of the T/LPA related to each project are to be led by a Person in Responsible Charge, an agency staff member who is able to answer questions and make decisions about the project. The T/LPA can designate a different staff person to be in Responsible Charge for each of the two phases established for T/LPA projects: preliminary engineering and construction. T/LPAs should also contact their respective Metropolitan Planning or Regional Transportation Planning Organization (MPO or RTPO) representatives for any questions at any time during the process.

All federal funds awarded to T/LPAs and administered by the NMDOT will be included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and will be assigned a unique Control Number (CN). This CN will be assigned by NMDOT and provided to T/LPAs and

should be referenced in all documents throughout the life of the project. The entire project must be listed in the STIP along with the associated funding amounts. In order to align with STIP requirements, the entire project must be broken down into four categories: 1) preliminary engineering, 2) right-of-way, 3) construction, and 4) construction management. Preliminary Engineering includes planning, environmental, procurement, and preliminary, and final design. ROW includes ROW mapping and acquisition costs. Construction includes the actual cost of construction. Construction management includes materials testing, construction observation, and organization of project files. In all 4 categories, T/LPA projects are required to meet all NMDOT Standard Specifications.

**Figure 1: NMDOT Roles and Responsibilities**



*\*MPO/RTPO can be contacted at any time for assistance*

Federal funds administered through NMDOT are available to T/LPAs through a reimbursement program; T/LPAs must pay costs up front for all project activities. Only activities that begin after a Cooperative Agreement has been executed will be reimbursed (discussed in Chapter 2 – Agreements).

## **ORGANIZATION OF HANDBOOK**

This Handbook is organized in order of project development, with each phase as its own chapter. Each of the chapters begins with an introduction and/or general purpose and include a “What T/LPAs Need to Know” box with some of the most important aspects

from that chapter. These boxes are meant to draw attention to very important facts about each chapter but are not meant to summarize all the material, please read each chapter in its entirety.

This Handbook can be accessed [online](#) and T/LPAs should become familiar with the website and check it often for the most current forms and documents. T/LPAs may consult with their respective MPO or RTPO staff with questions about getting started in the project development process.

This Handbook should be used in conjunction with all other NMDOT Manuals, Handbooks, and Guides and may refer the T/LPA to other documents that contain more specific information about the topic. Links to these manuals are in the electronic version of the Handbook and are also provided on the T/LPA website for easy access. One such manual is the ROW Handbook referenced in Chapter 7 - Right-of-Way. The ROW Handbook should be consulted for more in-depth information about the processes outlined in the T/LPA Handbook.

## **UPDATES**

A review of the T/LPA Handbook will take place annually followed by formal updates to the document, if needed. The first update is scheduled to be complete in Winter 2020, after one full year of use. Included in this section is a comment form that T/LPAs, consultants, NMDOT staff, and others can use to document desired changes or clarifications. The comments and requested changes will be reviewed by the Handbook committee and a decision will be made to update the material or not based on the expertise of the members. The website will be kept as up to date as possible and T/LPAs should check the website often for updates to required forms. Additionally, the website has an email address and an electronic version of the comment form where comments and suggestions can be submitted.



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## Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

### Agenda Item #VII: Reports, Updates & Announcements

**Subject:** Discussion / Presentation Items

**Prepared by:** Robert Kuipers, NWRTPO

**Date:** 2/10/21

#### 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

- Regional Work Program Status Report
- RTPO Report
- Member Reports

##### Member Special Reports:

- None submitted prior to the meeting

##### NMDOT Reports:

- G to G Liaison: Neala Krueger
- Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva
- District 6: JoAnn Garcia & staff; District 5: James Mexia, Stephanie Medina

##### News, Training & Funding Opportunities:

- FHWA Planning, Environment & Realty Reports: 1/14/21 and 1/20/21
- NMDOT Govt. to Govt. Update: no reports
- AASHTO Publications: none
- 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) – Online courses notice forwarded to members as LTAP emails come in
- Every Day Counts News: 1/8/21
- National Park Service – Native Partnership Institute to Tribal Members: 1/8/21
- N.M. Nonmetropolitan Consultation Survey: 1/13/21
- State Investment in Tribal Communities Report: 1/15/21
- FHWA Planning Environment & Realty – HEP Update: 1/18/21
- Intelligent Transportation Systems Update: 1/29/21
- NMDOT Supports Senate Bill 121 for \$234.6 million in transportation bonds: 1/30/21
- TLPA Handbook 2020 Update: 2/2/21
- Every Day Counts Value Capture Webinars: 2/2/21
- 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.

**Members please note: none of these documents will be included in the full meeting package due to the physical size and the electronic megabyte size going forward – all of the cited documents have already been emailed in advance of the RTPO monthly meeting to our NWRTPO members. Some of the citations are ongoing from month to month regarding ongoing training or funding opportunities.**



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## NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization

### Monthly Report – February, 2021

- A. 2020 NWRTPO RTIPR Update:** The NWRTPO is conducting an “RTIPR Revision” this year rather than a full call for projects. This is due to the fact that not much funding is anticipated until at least 2021 or 2022. Therefore the NWRTPO simply asked members to submit Project Feasibility Forms (PFF’s) rather than a full call for projects, in order to get new projects or new phases into the RTIPR this year. **Staff completed the RTIPR for review at our January meeting, and approval / authorization at our February meeting.**
- B. Local Government Transportation Project Fund:** The State of New Mexico recently initiated a new LGTPF fund to support transportation needs across New Mexico, complimenting the ongoing Local Govt. Road Fund. This fund provides \$50 million statewide and is not restrained by federal functional classification requirements. In 2019 a total of 22 projects were submitted from the NWRTPO, (along with 2 from the SWRTPO and 4 from the MRRTPPO) – totaling 28 projects for the DOT Dist. 6 region. *The NWRTPO region was awarded just over \$12 million.* Eleven member governments of the NWRTPO and Farmington MPO were funded for 14 projects which are now underway. **Presently funding for LGTPF projects is not anticipated until FFY2021; nonetheless, the NWRTPO will program and prioritize current (remaining / unfunded from FFY2019) and any new LGTPF projects within the FFY2020 biennial RTIPR. The LGTPF Fund has been officially renamed to the Local Transportation Project Fund (LTPF) and now officially includes Tribal communities.**
- C. GIS Data Gathering, Mapping and Compiling Work:** COG staff Carrie House continues to provide technical assistance and GIS mapping for development of 66 new miles of recreational trails in the Zuni Mountains in McKinley and Cibola Counties during FFY18 – FFY21; and continues contributing GIS mapping for regional transportation infrastructure. RTPO staff need to follow up with 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. The NWCOG was the only New Mexico recipient of a NADO Impact Award for the ongoing development of recreational trails in the Zuni Mountains of McKinley and Cibola Counties. **The Navajo Nation will soon be developing 80 miles of recreational trails in the Chuska Mountain range, complimenting the 200 miles of rec. trails being developed in the Zuni Mtns.**
- D. NMDOT LRTP and NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan:** RTPO staff are conducting updates to our R.T.P. at this time, and anticipate a few more updates with a goal of completing by January – February 2021. The NMDOT (State plan) has come into the 4/5-year major update cycle so they too are conducting a more major update this year. Our RTPO may not need major updates to our plan, as we update it on an annual basis; nonetheless, staff will undertake a more comprehensive update with RTPO members June – December, in sync. with the NMDOT LRTP update. **The 2020 RTP update was approved and authorized via member votes at our 1/13/21 meeting.**
- E. Scenic Byway Program is back:** President Trump signed the “Reviving America’s Scenic Byways Act of 2019” into law re-establishing the Scenic Byway Program but presently without funding. Nonetheless this provides the NWRTPO the opportunity to undertake a demanding process to pursue national designation for parts of our New Mexico byway portion. RTPO and COG staff have completed and submitted the 2020 application for national designation for portions of our New Mexico Trail of the Ancients Scenic Byway. The entire TOA byway corridor is shared by Counties in the 4-Corners region of Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado; the Utah and Colorado corridors are already nationally designated; we hope this application gets parts of our New Mexico corridor nationally designated; then we can work on Arizona. Historically across the nation regions who achieved national scenic byway status have enjoyed a major and positive impact on tourism and resulting economic growth. With the return of the federal Scenic Byway Program after a multi-year period when the program went away, **we have reconstructed the TOA Byway Council for New Mexico, and if awarded designation as a national byway, the Council will have a more challenging responsibility shared by participating counties to monitor and improve the national corridor, in collaboration with NMDOT staff.**
- F. News, Training and Funding Opportunities:** The following training and funding opportunities have recently emerged:
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**RTPO APER Budgeted Staff Hours Summary  
FFY2021**

January / Q-2 Monthly Report											
Function	Budgeted Hours	Q1	Jan-21	Feb-21	Mar-21	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total Actual hours	Balance	Percentage budgeted differs from actuals*
1	200	163.75	26.00	0.00	0.00	26.00	0.00	0.00	189.75	10.25	-5.13%
2	200	0.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	195.00	-97.50%
3	450	75.00	47.00	0.00	0.00	47.00	0.00	0.00	122.00	328.00	-72.89%
4	350	17.00	14.50	0.00	0.00	14.50	0.00	0.00	31.50	318.50	-91.00%
5	450	85.75	28.50	0.00	0.00	28.50	0.00	0.00	114.25	335.75	-74.61%
6	450	59.50	40.75	0.00	0.00	40.75	0.00	0.00	100.25	349.75	-77.72%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2100</b>	<b>401.00</b>	<b>161.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>161.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>562.75</b>	<b>1537.25</b>	<b>-73.20%</b>

\*if budgeted hours differ from actual hours by more than 20% in any function, provide a narrative explanation below