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

## **AGENDA PACKET**

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

**Wednesday, January 13, 2021**

**10:00AM – 2:00PM**

Virtual Meeting via conf. call:

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### RTPO Joint Technical & Policy Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

10:00 am

Cibola Convention Center,  
515 W. High Street, Grants, NM

**Due to COVID-19 pandemic restriction extensions this meeting will revert  
to virtual – dial in: 515-606-5166 / access code: 301965**

## A G E N D A

### 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: Review with elected leaders if they are willing to continue – if not entertain motions and voting for new leaders – either way, authorize for 2021	Robert Kuipers / Dave Deutsawe
V.	Action: Regional Transportation Plan 2020 Update & Resolution Approval and Authorization	Robert Kuipers / Dave Deutsawe

### DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ITEMS:

*Please Provide Presentations for inclusion in minutes*

Item #	Topic	Presenter
VI.	Review & Discuss: Staff will present draft RTIPR Revision to members; clarify / finalize any project descriptions, and prioritize with members for funding in appropriate sections. (typically done by discussion – not voting)	Robert Kuipers / Dave Deutsawe

### REPORTS: (10-minute limit)

*Please submit Written Reports for inclusion in minutes*

RTPO Program Report (significant news only)	Robert Kuipers, Program Manager
Local Member Reports (significant news only)	By Entity
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)

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, February 10 – McKinley O.E.M. Office – 2221 Boyd Ave., Gallup

### ADJOURNMENT

## NWRTPO meeting minutes - December 9, 2020

Robert Kuipers <rkuipers@nwnmcog.org>

Thu 12/10/2020 4:20 PM

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 2 attachments (750 KB)

Minutes\_12.09.20\_FINAL.pdf; DOC024.pdf;

Good afternoon RTPO members, DOT colleagues and regional transit providers:

Attached are the minutes from yesterday's meeting - please review and let me know if I need to make any corrections.

Thanks, and stay safe under these unusual world wide pandemic circumstances, with special appreciation thru these difficult times to our public transportation providers!

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Robert Kuipers, RTPO Program Manager

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**NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization**

Joint Policy &amp; Technical Committee

**NWRTPO Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday December 09, 2020

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	Leonard Ludi, Ray Lucero
Pueblo of Zuni	Royce Gchachu
Navajo Nation	Larry Joe (Northern, Eastern & Ft. Defiance Agencies)
Ramah Navajo	absent
City of Grants	Don Jaramillo (Vice-Chair)
City of Gallup	absent
Village of Milan	Sarah Austin
Cibola County	Judy Horacek
McKinley County	absent
San Juan County	absent
Farmington Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) – 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	Stephanie Medina, James Mexia
District 6	JoAnn Garcia, Bill Santiago
Tribal Liaison	Ron Shutiva
Other NMDOT Staff / Guests	Vijay Ummadi – NMDOT Transit & Rail, 5311 Transit Managers: Tommy Mims - Gallup, Yvette Mooney - Laguna, Melissa Chavez - Milan, Marcus Tulley - Navajo, Todd Naktewa - Zuni

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

**Tally Sheet – Attendance & Quorum**

Total Full Attendance:	Member Entities:	NMDOT	RTPO	Guests	Full Attendance Norm:	
	12	Normally 4-5: DOT Liaison, Tribal Liaison, District 5 & 6 Representatives	1	varies	17	
Attendance – this meeting:	Member Attendance:	NMDOT Attendance:	Staff:	Guests:	Attendance % this meeting:	TOTAL:
	9	7	1	5	90%	22

## ROUTINE ITEMS:

Item #	Item
I.	<b>Call to Order and Introductions.</b> The meeting was called to order at 10:15 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.  <b>ACTION:</b> Don Jaramillo (Grants) motioned and Judy Horacek (Cibola) seconded adoption of the agenda. All in favor – motion carried.
III.	<b>Minutes (September 9, 2020).</b> Chairman provided time for review of minutes and no comments or revisions were made.  <b>ACTION:</b> Don Jaramillo (Grants) motioned and Judy Horacek (Cibola) seconded adoption of the minutes. All in favor – motion carried.

## ACTION ITEMS:

Item #	Item	Presenter
IV.	Review, and Evaluatively Rank 5311 Public Transit Applications	Robert Kuipers, Program Manager, and NWRTPO Public Transit Mgrs.
<b>BACKGROUND</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Why?</b> The NMDOT Transit &amp; Rail Division has established an annual evaluation process for 5310 (limited mobility) and 5311 (public transit) public transportation applications, with standardized evaluation templates, for RTPO members to evaluate and rank.</li> <li><b>Purpose.</b> The statewide RTPO's present the opportunity for a fair evaluative process for annual regional public transportation funding applications, representing regional stakeholders and the public. Evaluative ranking of proposed services has a minor impact upon the amount of funding each provider may receive.</li> <li><b>Discussion/Finalization.</b> RTPO members will evaluatively rank this year's 5311 public transportation funding applications, based on advance review of applications and provider presentations at the 12/09/20 meeting. <b>There were no 5310 applications submitted for our region this year.</b></li> </ul>		
<b>WORK TO DATE</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5311 public trans. applications along with evaluative templates were emailed to RTPO members in advance of the 12/09/20 meeting based on when they were forwarded from NMDOT Transit &amp; Rail Division <b>and are available on the COG-RTPO website.</b></li> <li>RTPO members have reviewed applications in advance of today's meeting and will hear the presentations from providers at this meeting, and submit evaluations on the templates provided.</li> </ul>		
<b>ANTICIPATED WORK</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submission of evaluations from RTPO members from today's presentations, and their review of applications.</li> <li>Electronic submission of evaluations to NMDOT Transit and Rail by RTPO staff after receiving these from members.</li> </ul>		
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5311 evaluative templates</li> </ul>		
<b>BUDGET IMPACT</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No impact upon NWRTPO budget</li> </ul>		
<b>ACTION ITEM</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This represents the formal evaluation of annual public transportation funding applications for the NWRTPO region for FFY2022 funding.</li> </ul>		

**Discussion:** With less than a week to review these applications, not all our members were ready to rank and score them today, so staff asked our members to try to complete and submit within the next 1 – 2 weeks.

Item #	Item	Presenter
V.	Annual Review & Authorization of Governing Documents	Robert Kuipers, Program Manager and Dave Deutsawe, RTPO Chair
<b>BACKGROUND</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Why?</b> The NWRTPO is an organization of transportation representatives from rural tribal, community and county governments, who formally represent the interests and intent of their respective jurisdictions for transportation development in collaboration with the NMDOT. These documents govern the function of the NWRTPO, to assure proper procedure and protocol, adequate public involvement, consideration toward multi-modal / equal access for all citizens, and fair representation of local rural governments in the pursuit of transportation resources and development of infrastructure.</li><li>• <b>Purpose.</b> Members will vote to approve and authorize these documents for the year ahead.</li><li>• <b>Discussion/Finalization.</b> These governing documents will guide the function and service of the NWRTPO going forward.</li></ul>		
<b>WORK TO DATE</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Most of these documents were updated during the course of FFY2019 - 2020, so members are already familiar with them.</li></ul>		
<b>ANTICIPATED WORK</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Members will consider approval and authorization of these governing documents and elected leaders for ongoing RTPO function and service for the year ahead at today's meeting.</li></ul>		
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Open Meetings Act Resolution, Title VI Plan, Public Participation Plan, Bylaws, Member Roster</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>• action for approval and authorization of RTPO Governing Documents and Leaders</li></ul>		

**Discussion:** Staff have informed RTPO members at former meetings of ongoing updates to our governing documents – the Open Meetings Act Resolution, Title VI Plan and Public Participation Plan have remained largely the same; the only update staff undertook in the past year was to update our Bylaws to allow virtual meetings related to the current and ongoing COVID-19 impact on in-person meetings. The Member Roster continues to change on an annual basis, as some members transition out and new members transition in on behalf of our member governments whom they represent.

Motion to approve and authorize these five governing documents: Larry Joe, Navajo DOT  
Second the Motion: Don Jaramillo, City of Grants  
All members in favor, none opposed.

## DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ITEMS:

Item #	Topic	Presenter
VI.	Presentation: FFY2020 Annual Member Survey	Robert Kuipers
<b>BACKGROUND</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why? On an annual basis the NWRTPO conducts a survey to gauge the quality of program services and consider new priorities going forward</li> <li>• Purpose. Staff seek to refine and improve RTP management for local government transportation services and infrastructure development along with supporting cross-jurisdictional collaboration in the NWRTPO three county / four tribe region</li> <li>• Discussion/Finalization. Members were and will be provided the survey via hard copy and email</li> </ul>		
<b>CURRENT WORK</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide survey options so members can complete and submit</li> </ul>		
<b>ANTICIPATED WORK</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff will summarize survey results and provide feedback to members and DOT staff in January</li> </ul>		
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FFY2020 Member Survey Form</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. Based on member feedback, staff will consider and develop recommendations for FFY2021</li> </ul>		

Members were asked to complete the FFY2020 member survey by our October meeting; to date only three surveys have come in. Staff will send out the annual member survey again, requesting members to complete and send it in at their earliest convenience. Staff chose not to put this out on Survey Monkey, as it's a relatively simple survey, as compared to our recent Regional Transportation Plan update survey (which most of our members have responded to on Survey Monkey). Staff are again asking our members to complete the survey in the near future at their convenience as their respective work schedules permit.

Item #	Topic	Presenter
VII.	Regional Transportation Plan 2020 Update	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. The RTP update was not complete at this meeting so members will vote to approve and authorize the NWRTPO 2020 RTP update – oat our January meeting.</li> </ul>		



ANTICIPATED WORK
<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 December or January at latest.</li> <li>Members will be <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.85) and our respective NWRTPO Member Governments pp. 86 – 103. 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. 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>

ATTACHMENTS
<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>

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

ACTION ITEM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vote to approve and authorize if finalized by this meeting; or – if not, at January 13, 2021 meeting</li> </ul>

Staff covered updates of significance and indicated that we're currently adding in a climate change section, and undertaking updates in other sections, based on information that is or becomes available from the state.

Item #	Topic	Presenter
VIII.	Annual Performance and Expenditure Report	Robert Kuipers
BACKGROUND		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Why?</b> Every year the RTPO submits to NMDOT four 3-month quarterly reports, and one annual report.</li> <li><b>Purpose.</b> Members are informed on annual reports and provided documentation to retain an understanding of what the NWRTPO has accomplished within our region over the past year.</li> <li><b>Discussion/Finalization.</b> Staff will present the APER to members as part of this meeting pkg.</li> </ul>		
CURRENT WORK		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Share APER with RTPO members</li> </ul>		
ANTICIPATED WORK		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>		
ATTACHMENTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>APER report for FFY2020</li> </ul>		
BUDGET IMPACT		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>		
ACTION ITEM		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>		

Staff simply shared the APER report with RTPO members and indicated it's in the complete meeting package which was emailed to members the morning of December 9 prior to commencing our virtual meeting. There were no questions or discussion related to the APER report for FFY2020.



Item #	Topic	Presenter
IX.	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</li> <li>• RTPO Report</li> <li>• Member Reports</li> </ul>		
<b>Member Special Reports:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None submitted prior to the meeting</li> </ul>		
<b>NMDOT Reports:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• G to G Liaison: Neala Krueger</li> <li>• Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva</li> <li>• District 6: JoAnn Garcia &amp; staff; District 5: James Mexia, Stephanie Medina</li> </ul>		
<b>News, Training &amp; Funding Opportunities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>FHWA Planning, Environment &amp; Realty Reports</u>: 10/15, 10/29 and 11/12</li> <li>• <u>NMDOT Govt. to Govt. Update</u>: 11/09</li> <li>• <u>AASHTO Publications</u>: none this past month</li> <li>• <u>NMDOT / UNM-LTAP</u>: Provides a very robust collection of training opportunities – staff forward news to members as it comes out from this source – reference at <a href="http://tap.unm.edu">tap.unm.edu</a> – <u>Online courses notice</u> forwarded to members as LTAP emails come in</li> <li>• <u>Innovation Exchange – Winter Toolkit</u> – 10/13</li> <li>• <u>NMDOT Pedestrian Safety Action Plan</u> – 10/13</li> <li>• <u>Traffic Monitoring Data</u> – 10/14</li> <li>• <u>GIS for Data Dashboards</u> – 10/16</li> <li>• <u>Innovation Exchange – ROUTES \$ Tool Kit</u> – 10/16</li> <li>• <u>Remove Certification Requirements for Local Lead Projects</u> – 10/26</li> <li>• <u>Every Day Counts news</u> – 10/26</li> <li>• <u>GIS for Data Dashboards</u> – 10/30</li> <li>• <u>LGRF Agreements Expire 12/31/20</u> – 10/30</li> <li>• <u>2020 Alternative Fuels Corridor Designation Request</u> – 11/10</li> <li>• <u>Tribal Training Opportunities</u> – 11/10</li> <li>• <u>Every Day Counts News</u> – 11/10, 11/20</li> <li>• <u>Title VI Training</u> 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.</li> </ul>		

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.

Due to time constraints for this loaded meeting Mr. Kuipers did not provide staff time or financial investment reports or the Regional Work Program Status report this meeting, but will provide these updates at our January 13, 2021 meeting.

<b>Local Member Reports (<i>significant news only</i>)</b>	<b>By Entity</b>
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**New news in bold**

#### Pueblo of Acoma

- Pueblo concluded project development on March 17 related to the COVID-19 pandemic; resumed project development on May 17. Pueblo of Acoma remained closed thru June 2; contractors are now two months behind due to COVID-19 pandemic.
- CMGC2 – 1: Construction of new office for Transportation and other Departments is underway – **anticipated completion has been delayed by COVID-19.**
- 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 (October).**
- CMGC2 – 4 Projects: *(request for proposals for this new bundle of projects was published 2/10/19)*
- 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

- 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 – absent this meeting**

- The County has completed their funded projects for 2019 and is now getting started on projects 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 – absent this meeting**

- NOO's have been processed for the Gallup Mainstreet Project – construction anticipated to commence July 1. Coal Avenue Commons project commenced ground breaking on May 13.
- Nizhoni and W. Aztec improvements are currently in design.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 projects and funding are on the agenda this month for approval.

**Milan**

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 – absent this meeting**

- **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 three (3) positions in transportation management open for any interested applicants.**

- 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.
- 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.**
- Coop projects will begin soon.
- Ongoing County wide maintenance for County and Forest Roads.

#### Grants

- 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

- **No new news this meeting.**
- **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 RTPPO 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 submission of As-Builts.**
- **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 Striping Projects:** Phase 2 & 3: Phase 2 – working on ITS certs. for L500 Mountain Ash Loop and Central Park roads. Phase 3 – working on NMDOT certs for L540 – Veterans Memorial Road and L200 Elizabeth Bender Road. Construction to commence this summer for both phases.
- **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 Pagueate 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.**
- **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

- Larry Joe requests COG RTPPO Manager to help him include US491 RSA recommendations Naschitti to Newcomb as proposed projects in our 2020 RTIPR revision.
- **Navajo DOT is commencing their Long Range Transportation Plan for 2021**
- **Navajo DOT is still looking for someone to fill an administrative position for Eastern Navajo**
- **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

- 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)

**New news in bold**

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

- **The US491 RSA is now complete with potential for HSIP funding in FFY 2022.** Lee Engineering emailed stakeholders the final US-491 Road Safety Audit Report and appendix on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. This RSA comprised Naschitti, Newcomb, and Sheep Springs communities and was funded via HSIP. Any further questions, response letters, or letters of support can be directed to Neala Krueger. Feedback from the Navajo Chapters is still pending.
- **The state is conducting an RSA for the area around the I-40 and US491 intersection in Gallup which is now in progress (including Walmart). Numerous pedestrian accidents in recent years.**
- The NMDOT Long Range Transportation Plan website/portal is available at <https://newmexico2045plan.com/>. Please complete the survey. Also, share your feedback, thoughts, and ideas through the “Contact Us” form. In light of COVID-19, stakeholder workshops were conducted in July through a virtual, webinar format. Neala will send the URL link for info. and reports on the State LRTP update and Robert K. will forward to members. **This project is still in progress and will be for some time yet.**
- NMDOT Planning is undertaking a Pedestrian Safety Action Plan. A public survey and input map is available at: <https://nmpedplan.altaplanning.cloud/#/>

- The new template for RTPO's consideration for their Regional Transportation Plans is now available.

#### NMDOT Tribal Liaison – Ron Shutiva

- 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.**
- NMDOT Dist. 6 is supporting Jemez Pueblo for an NM4 Bypass.
- 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

- **Stephanie and James present – 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

- **No new news this meeting.**
- **Thanks to RTPO members - all LGRF FY21 Government Agreements, including supporting resolutions have come in (Bill S.) For earlier LGRF (ie previous years) agreements – request for extensions with supporting resolutions must be submitted before the end of December!!**
- JoAnn Garcia reminded members to check up on their Capital Outlay projects in the CPM 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 January 13** – virtual meeting (otherwise hosted by Cibola County) dial in: 515-606-5166 / access code: 301965

#### **ADJOURNMENT (11:30 am)**

**ACTION:** *Dave Deutsawe* – (RTPO Chair and Pueblo of Acoma) moved and *Don Jaramillo* (Vice Chair and City of Grants) seconded for adjournment Motion carried by acclamation.

### **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/RqsplQ>.**

#### **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 #V: NWRTPO 2020 Regional Transportation Plan Update**

**Subject:** NWRTPO RTP Update – process, schedule, and vote to approve and authorize if finalized at this (or our next) meeting

**Prepared for:** RTP Update – Robert Kuipers

**Date:** 1/06/21

**BACKGROUND**

- **Why?** 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.
- **Purpose.** 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.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** Members have been provided with 1) a concise summary and 2) a more detailed summary outlining the process and schedule for our RTP update.

**CURRENT WORK**

- 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. If the RTP update is complete at this meeting members will vote to approve and authorize the NWRTPO 2020 RTP update – otherwise at our February meeting.

**ANTICIPATED WORK**

- 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 December or January at latest.
- Members have been **particularly asked to update their govt. jurisdiction's priorities** for Appendix 2 – Public Outreach Report, which cites forthcoming priorities for both our region (p.85) and our respective NWRTPO Member Governments pp. 86 – 103. It will be important for our respective members to **execute update recommendations for this section within specified timelines**; those who do not respond will be left out. 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.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- Quick Summary – FFY2020 NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan Update.
- General Schedule for NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan Update.
- Member survey for the RTP update

**BUDGET IMPACT**

- None

**ACTION ITEM**

- Vote to approve and authorize if finalized by this meeting; or – if not, at February 10, 2021 meeting

**NWRTPO Member Voting Documentation**  
**Approving 2020 Regional Transportation Plan Update**

<b>RTPO Member</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Cibola: Judy Horacek			
McKinley: Rodney Skersick			
San Juan: Scott Martin / Nick Porell			
Gallup: Clyde Strain / Alicia Santiago			
Grants: Don Jaramillo / Mark Teshima			
Milan: Sarah Austin / Denise Baca			
Northern & Eastern Navajo: Larry Joe			
Pueblo of Acoma: Dave Deutsawe / Ray Concho			
Pueblo of Laguna: Leonard Ludi / Ray Lucero / Malcolm Bowekaty			
Pueblo of Zuni: Royce Gchachu / Roxann Hughte			
Ramah Navajo: Dorothy Claw / Tom Marine			

## General Schedule for NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan Update

### 1) June 10 NWRTPO Virtual Meeting:

- Initial presentation of the NWRTPO schedule for our Regional Transportation Plan Update and approval / authorization from RTPO members.
- Staff are already collecting information from NMDOT to update various sections of the current RTP.

### 2) June thru August or September:

- Staff will be updating the various sections of our Northwest Regional Transportation Plan (NWRTP) as needed or appropriate including:
- Existing & Future Conditions – pp. 2 – 31, which provide:
  - An overview of the NWRTPO Region pp. 3-7
  - Demographics – pp. 8 – 11
  - Industries & Economy – pp. 12 - 17
  - Land Use and Communities – pp. 18 – 22
  - Safety – pp. 23 – 28
  - Public Health – pp. 29 – 31
- Transportation System Overview – pp. 32 - 39:
  - General Overview – (*Key Routes, Scenic Byways, Airports, Rail Lines, Transit Service, Border Crossings*) pp. 33 - 34
  - Roadway System by Tier pp. 35 – 36
  - Transit System – p. 37
  - Freight – pp. 38 – 39
  - Recreation & Tourism – p. 39
- Regional Goals & Strategies – pp. 40 – 65:
  - Includes Five Goals and associated strategies for implementation:
  - Goal # 1 – Operate with Transparency & Accountability – pp. 43 – 46
  - Goal #2 - Improve Safety of all System Users – pp. 47 – 49
  - Goal #3 – Preserve & Maintain our Transportation Assets for Long-Term – pp. 50 – 53
  - Goal # 4 – Provide Multimodal Access & Connectivity for Community Prosperity – pp. 54 – 59; *this is the section where staff may incorporate economic opportunity zone information.*
  - Goal #5 – Respect New Mexico’s Cultures, Environment, History, Health & Quality of Life – pp. 60 – 65
- Next Steps – pp. 66 – 68 (describes the RTIPR and STIP process)  
These updates may require consultation with our members, DOT staff, and other regional stakeholders. RTPO staff will report progress with these updates at monthly RTPO meetings.



### 3) Appendices:

- **Appendix #1 – Public Involvement Process – pp. 70 – 83 – July thru August / September:**
  - RTPO staff will invite the public to participate in either actual or virtual RTPO meetings, or hold separate advertised meetings to engage public opinion either by actual or virtual meetings depending on pandemic status. The intent is to gain public and stakeholder opinion of a) existing conditions or concerns, b) vision and anticipated challenges, c) strategic direction for future development.
- **Appendix #2 – Public Outreach Report – pp. 84 – 103:**
  - This appendix will update a regional priorities summary from RTPO members, stakeholders and the public.
  - Provide a general summary of Public comments obtained for each virtual or actual meeting
  - **In this section we will ask our member governments to update their project priorities – as cited in our RTIPR, along with other multi-modal transportation priorities they have in mind for the future – as well as recommendations from public outreach.**
- **Appendix # 3 – Public Comments Summary – pp. 104 – 107:** this section will summarize comments received from the public for our current RTP update – previous information in this section will be taken out if accomplished – or left in if not accomplished, and any new comments from the public will be added.
- **Appendix #4 – Alternative Projects Flowcharts – pp. 108 – 112:** this section will largely remain the same, as it represents an ongoing process describing opportunities for a) federal funding available on a biennial basis thru the NMDOT for our regional projects, or b) alternative funding processes from other funding sources for projects that do not qualify for federal funding thru the state.
- **Appendix #5 – Resiliency – pp. 113 – 116 –** this section will also remain the same as not much has changed for our region in terms of human or natural impacts upon our transportation infrastructure; unless thru stakeholder or public involvement any new ideas come forward.
- **Appendix #6 – Resolutions – pp. 117 – 119:** This section will include the final supporting resolutions for the RTP update from a) the NWRTPO, and b) the NWNMCOG.

**4) Finalize RTP update:** after regional local government RTPO members, regional stakeholders, and the public to the greatest extent possible review and approve – **October – November**. Supporting resolutions anticipated from the NWRTPO – October 14; and from the NWNMCOG Governing Board of Directors – October 21.

## **Quick Summary – FFY2020 NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan Update**

**1) June 10 Virtual Meeting:** Members will vote to approve and authorize the 2020 NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan update process and schedule.

**2) June – July:**

- a) RTPO Staff will review the various sections of our NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to consider what old information can go and what new information may be needed, and consult RTPO members at our monthly meetings before making any changes.
- b) RTPO staff will: 1) revise and update our stakeholder list for the RTP update; and 2) develop a survey for a) RTPO members, b) regional stakeholders, and c) the general public to gather information and perspectives regarding the NWRTPO RTP update, pertaining to the various sections and any needed / recommended updates.
- c) Staff will 1) use conference call opportunities and the surveys to help guide the RTP updates due to the impact on actual meetings related to the COVID 19 pandemic restrictions. 2) Advise RTPO members, stakeholders and the public on where on the NWNMCOG website RTPO section the RTP can be viewed, related to ongoing updates. ([www.nwnmcog.com](http://www.nwnmcog.com) / Programs / Transportation Planning / Important Doc.s / NWRTPO Planning Doc.s / N.W. RTP Updated 8/18)

**3) July – August:**

- a) Staff will undertake updates to the NWRTPO RTP based on feedback received from RTPO members, area stakeholders, and the general public; along with new trends evidenced in the NMDOT Long Range Transportation Plan (NM-LRTP) update.
- b) Staff will follow up with RTPO members at monthly meetings on any updates, as conducted in the RTP, to assure, clarify and define any guiding verbiage questions or concerns. Staff will undertake the same process with regional stakeholders and the general public that participate.

**4) September – November:**

- a) Staff will finalize the 2020 RTP updates for review by RTPO members, regional stakeholders, and the participating public, to accept, consider and report any final edits.
- b) Staff will present the final RTP update to RTPO members at the monthly RTPO meeting for RTPO member policy action on approving and authorizing the final RTP product.

**5) Reference the “General Schedule for NWRTPO – RTP Plan Update” for a more detailed summary of the various sections of our RTP which include:**

- Existing and Future Conditions – pp. 2 – 31
- Transportation System Overview – pp. 32 – 39
- Regional Goals & Strategies – pp. 40 – 65
- Next Steps – pp. 66 – 68
- Appendix 1 – Public Involvement Process – pp. 70 – 83
- Appendix 2 – Public Outreach Report – pp. 84 – 103
- Appendix 3 – Public Comments Summary – pp. 104 – 107
- Appendix 4 – Alternative Projects Flowcharts – pp. 108 – 112
- Appendix 5 – Resiliency – pp. 113 – 116
- Appendix 6 – EDA Opportunity Zones
- Appendix 7 – Resolutions – pp. 117 – 119

## NWRTPO Member Survey

**1) Have you reviewed our Regional (long-range) Transportation Plan adopted in October 2015 and updated in 2018? Link: (NWNMCOG – PROGRAMS – Transportation Planning – Important Documents – Northwest Regional Transportation Plan | Updated August 2018)**

✓	YES:	
✓	NO:	

**2) For our NWRTPO Region and member governments what is your response to the following statements:**

✓ For each of the following rate your level of agreement:	1) Strongly Disagree	2	3) Indifferent – neither agree or disagree	4	5) Strongly Agree
The quality of transportation in our region is better than five (5) years ago:					
State and Regional Highway conditions have improved:					
NMDOT and our Counties are maintaining and operating our NWNM highway system well:					
NMDOT is planning future transportation investments well:					
I have good access to transportation options:					

**3) For our region's transportation infrastructure and service areas – rate your level of satisfaction:**

✓ Check the appropriate box	1) Very Dissatisfied	2	3) Neither agree or disagree	4	5) Very Satisfied
Pavement conditions:					
Highway congestion levels:					
Winter and general maintenance:					
Highway Safety:					
Multimodal bike and pedestrian options:					
Public transportation options and availability:					

**4) Which mode of transportation do you primarily use to work or school:**

	✓ frequently	✓ infrequently	✓ never
Personal vehicle:			
Car-pool:			
Public Transit:			
Bicycle or Walk:			

**5) How many miles a day is your average round trip to work or school:**

✓ Less than 10 miles:	
✓ Between 10 & 30 miles:	
✓ Between 30 & 60 miles:	
✓ Between 60 & 150 miles:	

**6) What do you see as appropriate investment areas for future transportation infrastructure or services?**

✓ Check the appropriate box:	1) Not important at all:	2	3) Neither agree or disagree:	4	5) Very Important:
Bicycle infrastructure, trails and facilities:					
Public transportation options:					
Reducing / addressing freight congestion:					
Transportation investments for economic development:					
Improving transportation system resiliency (reducing negative impacts to system infrastructure or services):					

**7) What is your opinion on the following financial investment areas in our region for transportation projects and programs:**

✓ For each of the following rate your level of agreement:	1) Strongly Disagree	2	3) Neither agree or disagree	4	5) Strongly Agree
Funding for highway facilities should be increased:					
Funding for non-highway facilities (e.g. local roads, trails & public transportation) should be increased:					
I support a gas tax increase for transportation investments:					
I support increased vehicle registration fees for transportation investments:					
I support local / regional sales tax increases to support transportation investments:					
The state should commit more general funds toward transportation:					
NMDOT should be able to issue more bonds to pay for transportation projects:					

**8) Does your community or county have an updated comprehensive plan, transportation plan, and/or special studies that might provide useful information for our LRTP update? If so, please email to Bob Kuipers at [rkuipers@nwnmcog.org](mailto:rkuipers@nwnmcog.org) or contact by phone at 505-722-4327.**

**9) Are there any other transportation priorities or projects that should be added to our Regional Transportation Plan?**

**10) Are you willing to participate as a steering committee member to help us review and fine-tune our Long Range Regional Transportation Plan update?**

**11) Do you have any additional questions regarding the NMDOT Long Range Transportation Plan update or our NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan update – both of which are being undertaken at this time?**

**12) To help us better understand the results of this survey please provide the following information if you are willing:**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zipcode of residence:</li> <li>• County where you work:</li> <li>• Age:</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gender:</li> <li>• Number of licensed drivers in your household:</li> </ul>
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# Northwest RTPO

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RAYMOND CONCHO, JR., RTPO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN  
JEFF IRVING, RTPO COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIRMAN

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01 of the Joint Technical & Policy Committee of the Northwest RTPO

### **Adopting and Approving a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for Northwestern New Mexico**

**WHEREAS**, the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) is finalizing the New Mexico Transportation Plan (NMTP) for the State of New Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, the NMDOT requested that the Northwest New Mexico Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO) staffed by the Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments (NWNMCOG) update the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for the area covered by the NWRTPO; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTP developed by NWRTPO for our region and its communities will be incorporated into the NMDOT LRTP as and where appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, Northwest COG staff coordinated its planning process to align with the NMTP, both of which were updated in FFY2020 according to federal policy and guidance; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTP provides a basis for planning and programming transportation projects within the NWRTPO area; and

**WHEREAS**, the NWRTPO Joint Technical & Policy Committee and Northwest Regional Working Group has worked with NWRTPO staff to update goals, objectives, and performance measures for our Regional Transportation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, a draft RTP was released for public review on September 15<sup>th</sup> for a 60-day comment period and an opportunity for direct public comment was provided as part of a NWRTPO monthly public meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, stakeholder and public comments were compiled and recommendations were made by staff to the NWRTPO Joint Technical & Policy Committee on September 9, based on consensus NWRTPO staff finalized the RTP; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 20, 2021, the Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments Board of Directors passed a resolution in support of the Northwest Regional Transportation Plan; and

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McKinley County  
City of Gallup

City of Grants  
Village of Milan

Navajo Nation  
Pueblo of Zuni

Pueblo of Acoma  
Pueblo of Laguna

**WHEREAS**, on January 13, 2021 RTPO staff presented the Northwest Regional Transportation Plan for adoption, at which time, the RTPO membership endorsed the plan for strategic development and maintenance of transportation infrastructure and services for the NWRTPO region of McKinley, San Juan and Cibola Counties along with the communities and tribes therein, along with the process for evaluating and ranking projects for financing; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Northwest New Mexico Regional Transportation Planning Organization Joint Technical & Policy Committee that the Northwest New Mexico Regional Transportation Plan is approved, adopted, and recommended to the New Mexico Department of Transportation for supportive reference toward the NMDOT 2020 Long Range Transportation Plan update for the State of New Mexico and use by the NWRTPO staff and its members for implementation.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the Joint Technical & Policy Committee of the Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization at a duly called regular meeting of the Committee held on January 13, 2021.

**SIGNED:** \_\_\_\_\_

Dave Deutsawe, Chairman  
RTPO Joint Technical & Policy Committee

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

Evan Williams, Executive Director  
Northwest RTPO Program  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-02**  
**of the NWNM Council of Governments Board of Directors**  
**Supporting the Northwest RTPO Regional Transportation Plan**

**Adopting and Approving a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)**  
**for the Northwestern New Mexico**

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**SIGNED:** \_\_\_\_\_

Billy Moore., Chairman  
Board of Directors

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

Evan Williams, Executive Director  
Northwest RTPO Program  
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**Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization  
(NWRTPO)**

**Agenda Item #VI: FFY2020 – 2021 RTIPR Revision**

**Subject:** RTPO is undertaking an RTIPR Revision this year as opposed to a full Call for Projects, due to the impact of COVID-19 on state tax revenues

**Prepared for:** January 13 virtual meeting

**Date:** 1/6/21

**BACKGROUND**

- **Why?** 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 as opposed to a full call for projects.
- **Purpose.** To remove projects that have been funded already, and propose new project for potential future funding.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** RTPO members will review the updated RTIPR.

**CURRENT WORK**

- 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.

**ANTICIPATED WORK**

- Based on member review and recommendations, staff will finalize the RTIPR for approval and authorization at our February 10 meeting

**ATTACHMENTS**

- FFY2021 RTIPR.

**BUDGET IMPACT**

- None

**ACTION ITEM**

- N/A

# Northwest New Mexico Regional Transportation Planning Organization

## Northwest RTPO 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 NWRTPO  
Joint Technical & Policy Committee

FFY2021 RTIPR  
DOT District 5 & 6  
NWRTPO  
FINAL

### Roadway Project Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (1) State (5) Local 2	PRIOR ACTION APPLIC. 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, ICIP and provides an alternative route for I-40 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. Reconstr. Project	NM602 to south 2nd Street	City of Gallup	NM602 to south 2nd Street	1.8	\$171	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: \$332,500). Phasing: Phase 1 (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

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Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	REMAINING	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Lead ?	PRORATE APPL. ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
	I-40 / Horizon Blvd. interchange		Village of Milan	I-40 / Horizon Blvd. interchange	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. Improvements	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.
Roadway Projects Subtotal						\$9,283					

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## Planning & Studies Project 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 APPR ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
	Roosevelt Avenue	First St. east to Lobo Canyon Road	City of Grants	1st Street to Lobo Canyon Road	0.50	\$400	Project seeks PER & design funding for pavement reconstruction incl. curb, gutter, sidewalks, ADA ramps & crosswalks, bike lanes, drainage & utility infrastructure and lighting	STP	L	Yes	Full project seeks reconstruction of Roosevelt Ave.: 3rd St. to Sakeares Blvd. incl. sidewalk, curb & gutter, lighting, drainage and utility replacement City is offering 14.56% local match.
	NM124	mp 16 - 25	Pueblo of Laguna	NM State Road 124 / 122	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 122 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 alternative 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.
	2nd St. Shared Use Path Loop Trail	1 mile	City of Grants	Rio San Jose / 2nd St. intersection around H.S. via Roosevelt & Washington	1.40	\$900	Preliminary engineering for ADA compliant multi-use bike & pedestrian trail with related street reconstruction, curb & gutter, sidewalks, drainage, utilities and street lighting.	STP	L	no	Project will improve multi-modal access around the community high school while improving related street infrastructure, encouraging healthier options to the use of vehicles - especially for attending students and staff.
	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.



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Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$100	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (1), State (5), Fed ?	PRIOR RTRP APP. 7 YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
	CR#1 - Marquez Rd.	CR1 Culvert Repair 4.1 miles east of NM279 Junction	Cibola County	Culvert and water-shed road / "bridge" repair at MP4.1	0.1	\$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.
	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 gov't. center areas for the Pueblo.	STP	L	Yes	The Pueblo is offering a 14.56% match for this project.
	C-42	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.
Planning & Studies Subtotal						\$4,876					

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## Transportation Alternative Project (TAP) Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN 1000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Lead ?	PRIOR 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	\$6,572	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 ICIP. 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.
Transportation Alternatives Projects Subtotal						\$6,682					

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## Recreational Trail Project (RTP) Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$1000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (L) State (S) Lead ?	PRIOR. RTIPR APPL. ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
1	ZMTP - McGaffey & Milk Ranch Trail System	see project map	McKinley County	Construct one new trailhead at Milk Ranch and design and construct trail from Hilsa System to Milk Ranch System.	36.00	\$946	PER, design, construction and management for 20 miles of multuse 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 for FFY19 and not represented in the total below)	PER, design, construction and management for 15 miles of multuse 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						\$1,071					

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## Bridge Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$1000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (1) State (5) Fed ?	Prior. RTIPR APPL. ? YES/NO/NA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS
1	Mesa Hill Bridge	mp 0 - 1	Pueblo of Acoma	mp 0 - 1	1.00	\$33,400	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 NMIDOT 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	\$2,000	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.
Bridge Projects Subtotal						\$40,417					

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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 (1) State (5) Lead 2	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	NMDOT 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 NMS47 (MP 13)
Federal Lands Access Program Projects Subtotal						\$2,264					

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## Public Transportation Recommendations:

Project Priority	ROUTE NUMBER	MEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	LOCAL (L) STATE (S) FED ?	PRIOR RTIPR APP. ? 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	??	FFY2020 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	??	FFY2020 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	??	FFY2020 funding for 5311 transportation services to disabled / handicapped clientele	Federal Transit Authority	L	no	same as above
	NA	NA	Milam Carrot Express	5311 public transit serving Grants, Milam and immediate surrounding areas	NA	??	FFY2020 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	??	FFY2020 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 impact RTIPR - \$ provided to providers directly from NMDOT Transit & Rail				This funding does not come from the RTIPR; the NWRTPO simply provides evaluative ranking of public trans. funding applications on an annual basis.

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## Safety Projects: HSIP

Project Priority	ROUTE AND MILE	MILEPOST	SPONSOR/ REQUESTOR	TERMINUS	LENGTH MILES	PROJECT COST IN \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (1), State (5), Lead (3)	PRIOR RTIPR APPLICABLE? 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 NMDOT 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 Flowing 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 placement of traffic beacons. Local match



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	NS031 & US64 inter- section	US64 MP27	Northern Navajo	intersection of NS031 to Tseddaakaan 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	HSIP	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 / Bedlabito Chapter entrance inter-section	US64 MP3	Northern Navajo	intersection of US64 and Bedlabito Chapter road entrance	0.50	\$900	Intersection safety improvement of adding street lighting to prevent / reduce vehicle and pedestrian accidents	HSIP	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%.
Safety Projects Subtotal						\$15,200					

\* 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.

**NWRTPO RTIPR Total**

**\$79,793**

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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 \$000	TYPE IMPROVEMENT	FUNDING SOURCE	Local (1) State (5) Fed (2)	PRICER RTIPR APPL. 1 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. I-40 underpass to NM 117	Pueblo of Acoma	NM124 / U.S. I-40 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 Montmore (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 Hardground Canyon	McKinley County	NM566 intersection to bridge in Hardground Canyon	4	\$500	Construction to repair portions of this corridor including storm drainage improvements	NM - LGTPF	L		

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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.	CR43-A 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>\$16,788,800</b>					
<b>Grand Total - NWRTPO RTIPR + LGTPF Projects</b>						<b>\$96,581,800</b>					



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## NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization

### Monthly Report – January, 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 due to the COVID-19 impact on business closures and related reductions to state tax revenues. Therefore the NWRTPO is simply asking 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.
- 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 MRRTPO) – 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.
- 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.
- 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:
- FHWA Planning, Environment & Realty Reports: 12/11/20 – x2
  - NMDOT Govt. to Govt. Update: none this month
  - AASHTO Publications: none for the 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: emailed to members 12/7/20
  - Non-Metropolitan DOT Survey – emailed to members 12/8/20
  - Rural Business Development Grant for Tribal Entities – emailed to tribal members 1/4/21
  - Dept. of Health County COVID-19 map – emailed to members 1/4/21

**RTPD APER Budgeted Staff Hours Summary**  
**FFY2021**

December / Q-1 Monthly Report											
Function	Budgeted Hours	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total Actual hours	Balance	Percentage budgeted differs from actuals*
1	200	46.50	75.75	41.50	163.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	163.75	36.25	-18.13%
2	200	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	-100.00%
3	450	25.50	36.50	13.00	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	375.00	-83.33%
4	350	11.00	6.00	0.00	17.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.00	333.00	-95.14%
5	450	49.00	11.25	25.50	85.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	85.75	364.25	-80.94%
6	450	26.00	21.50	12.00	59.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	59.50	390.50	-86.78%
TOTAL	2100	158.00	151.00	92.00	401.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	401.00	1699.00	-80.90%

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

## Fw: GIS in Transportation Webinar - Leveraging GIS for ROW: Vermont Statewide Property Parcel Map

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GIS for Right of Way training for anyone interested.

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**The Vermont Agency of Transportation will present on:**

**Leveraging GIS for ROW:**

**Vermont Statewide Property Parcel Map**

Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

1:00 – 2:00 PM (ET)

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The State of Vermont, through a project originated at the Agency of Transportation, worked over a 3-year period to develop a statewide property parcel data layer. Vermont is comprised of 255 municipalities, each with autonomous governance. At the beginning of this project, there were varying levels of parcel data for each municipality ranging from no information at all, other than original deeds and surveys in the municipal records, to having current parcel data maintained in geographic information systems (GIS). The Statewide Property Parcel Mapping Project was a collaborative effort between a series of State Agencies and Departments, municipalities, and contractors to build a standardized statewide parcel data layer.

This webinar will discuss the project from the initial enabling legislation, collaboration with Agencies and Departments, developing parcel standards, parcel data creation through vendors, issues experienced during the project, the Grand List, how this information is being used at VTrans, and transfer of the project to program at the Vermont Center for Geographic Information (VCGI).

**Featured speakers:**

- Johnathan Croft, Mapping Section Chief, Vermont Agency of Transportation
- Mary Haley, Right of Way Section & Survey Unit GIS Professional, Vermont Agency of Transportation

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RTPO members and NWNM (San Juan, McKinley, Cibola Counties) transportation stakeholders:

Below is a link to the 2020 NMDOT survey for rural / non-metropolitan areas of the state.

The more of us who respond, the more our voice can help craft transportation development for our region in the future.

**To our RTPO members** - I am disappointed in the response to our annual member survey for FFY2020; so far only three of our NWRTPO members have responded to this survey. I will likely send it out to all of you after this email. Our RTPO members are appointed by our member governments to represent their respective interests in transportation development and maintenance within our region. I'm sorry to see that for too many of our members, they are not living up to this appointment, when it comes to responding to annual surveys, and other requests for, or provisions of information. Let's **get on the ball, and submit the NWRTPO annual member survey, and respond to this survey opportunity related to your responsibility to**

**the government you represent (!!!) - with much appreciation from RTPO staff.** So far only the Village of Milan,  
City of Grants, and Cibola County have responded to the annual NWRTPO member survey!

To our regional transportation plan stakeholders, here is a survey (below link) thru which you can represent  
your transportation interests - whether new development, maintenance needs, or opinions for the NMDOT.

Lets all work together to make sure our regional interests are represented as the NMDOT is undertaking  
a more  
major update to their Long Range Transportation Plan this year, along with the NWRTPO.

Thanks to all for your time and attention.

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**Subject:** Non-Metro Survey is Open!

RTPOs—

The non-metropolitan survey is live and ready for distribution. We'd appreciate your sending it out to all your contacts at your member entities.

The survey will help NMDOT and the RTPOs gauge the effectiveness of the non-metropolitan cooperative planning process, and give non-metropolitan staff and elected officials an opportunity to recommend specific improvements.

The survey is available here: <https://survey.sogosurvey.com/r/RqspIQ>. It will be open until Jan. 18, 2021.

Thanks for your help and please let me know if you have any questions!

**Rosa Kozub | AICP**  
Gov't to Gov't Unit Supervisor

## RE: [EXT] FW: Resolution--Second and Third Street Crossings

Maynard, Larry G., NMDOT <Larry.Maynard@state.nm.us>

Thu 12/10/2020 2:33 PM

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Good afternoon MaryAnn,

I will pass this important decision along to our Engineering Support staff including Engineering Manager, Traffic Engineer, Technical Support Engineer, and STIP Coordination Team. As we proceed to seek Safety, Legislative, and other funds for the proposed improvements, we will keep you informed.

Stay safe

Larry

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**From:** Maryann Ustick <mustick@gallupnm.gov>

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**Subject:** [EXT] FW: Resolution--Second and Third Street Crossings

**Importance:** High

Commissioner Lundstrom and Larry: Attached is the Resolution approved by the City Council on December 8, 2020, in support of Alternative 4 as outlined in the Road Safety Audit at Second and Third Street railway crossings. We were advised that City Council must officially endorse an alternative before the city can proceed to request funding for the design of safety improvements under this alternative.

Please advise as to what the next steps are so we can proceed. Thank you all so very much for your assistance.

Maryann Ustick

505) 863-1221 or (505) 863-1205

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**From:** Alfred Abeita [mailto:[aabeita@gallupnm.gov](mailto:aabeita@gallupnm.gov)]

**Sent:** Thursday, December 10, 2020 12:00 PM

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**Subject:** Re: Resolution--Second and Third Street Crossings

The resolution is attached.

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On Thu, Dec 10, 2020 at 11:41 AM Maryann Ustick <[mustick@gallupnm.gov](mailto:mustick@gallupnm.gov)> wrote:

Al: Can you send me the signed Resolution? I need to forward to a number of NMDOT and COG staff so we can start the funding process. Thank you!



## Fw: FHWA's Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty's (HEP) Newsletter | Fall 2020

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**To:** Robert Kuipers <rkuipers@nwnmcog.org>

**Subject:** FHWA's Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty's (HEP) Newsletter | Fall 2020



### Welcome to the Fall 2020 edition of FHWA's Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty's (HEP) research newsletter.

This quarter the newsletter features micromobility success stories, performance based planning examples, and a couple of timely webinars.

HEP's Office of Human Environment (HEPH) research focuses on transportation equity, quality of life, and planning, designing, and implementing a multimodal highway system that meets the mobility, environmental, and economic needs of livable communities. As such, HEPH is the lead convener on the rapidly evolving micromobility research, engaging offices across U.S. DOT to coordinate projects and initiatives such as curbside management, integrating emerging mobility innovation into transportation network planning, and



conducting new research on the impact of e-bikes in urban, suburban, and rural contexts, including Federal public lands. Because micromobility transportation options are expanding so quickly, FHWA is developing resources to help stakeholders and partners keep track of the latest activities, such as success stories for managing shared mobility systems, exploring infrastructure needs for various mobility innovation deployment scenarios, and developing strategies to better integrate these new mobility options in the planning and project development process.

For the first time, the Transportation Research Board's annual meeting is being held virtually including the exhibit hall. HEP Research is creating a virtual experience to engage with participants at the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the meeting. Consider attending by registering [here](#).



**Fleming A. El-Amin II**  
**Source: personal photo**

FHWA staff are adapting to remote work and continue to conduct research that considers how effective transportation planning and project delivery can help address complex relationships among stakeholders and communities to strengthen the economy and improve environmental stewardship.

We encourage you to explore the resources highlighted in this newsletter, consider contributing to them, and help identify future research needs.

Fleming A. El-Amin II  
Livability Team Lead  
Office of Human Environment  
Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty

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## Coordinating Micromobility State of the Practice Research

HEPH is leading a working group comprised of staff from FHWA, Federal Transit Administration, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and U.S. DOT's Office of the Secretary and Intelligent Transportation Systems Joint Program Office to coordinate and advance the Department's research endeavors on the swiftly emerging field of micromobility. HEPH staff are engaging staff across the Department to track existing research and develop a multi-year micromobility research roadmap. Coordination with the working group also helped to identify prioritized micromobility research topics in the areas of safety and infrastructure, equity, resiliency, user behavior, and curbside management. Additionally, there is research underway on ebikes, that will discuss their impacts on the transportation network and trail systems, and will include notable practices for integrating these devices on Federal, State, and local public lands.



**E-scooters parked in a designated drop zone**  
**Source: City of Santa Monica**

HEPH recently posted a [fact sheet](#) on micromobility topic areas, and two [handouts](#), which highlight FHWA and U.S. DOT micromobility activities, resources, and research. The following three success stories highlight agencies improving access, safety, and managing operators of micromobility systems.

[Santa Monica, CA](#), began a Shared Mobility Services Pilot in 2018 allowing four private companies to provide shared mobility services, including e-scooters and e-bicycles, to the community. The city carefully crafted the program to enable flexibility and collaboration with the participating companies to encourage data sharing, equity, and accessibility within the system. A report on Santa Monica's pilot found that 49 percent of shared mobility trips replaced trips that otherwise would have been driving or ride-hailing, showing the program's success in reducing congestion and emissions.

[The Chicago Department of Transportation \(CDOT\)](#) launched an e-scooter pilot and expanded the city's Divvy docked bikeshare program in 2019, adding 10,500 new electric-assist bikes and 175 new stations.

CDOT coordinated extensively with community partners during this expansion to provide traditionally underserved communities with improved access to shared micromobility devices. A report on Chicago's e-scooter pilot found they fill a mobility gap for lower-income residents and help shift travel from cars to active transportation.

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation developed the Mobility Data Specification (MDS) in 2018 to provide a standard for two-way data exchange between mobility operators and cities. MDS is an open-source tool providing a shared data vocabulary and allowing cities to communicate to and manage operators. MDS has been adopted by cities, agencies, and mobility providers nationwide.

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## **New report offers transportation agencies example practices for Performance-Based Planning and Programming (PBPP)**

This FHWA [report](#) shares how State DOTs and MPOs are using their long-range statewide transportation plans, metropolitan transportation plans, and State and local transportation improvement programs to integrate performance-based plans and processes, evaluate past condition and performance, document performance measures and targets, report progress toward target achievement, link investment priorities to targets, and describe anticipated future target achievement. The summary helps these agencies support national performance goals, achieve desired performance outcomes, and implement PBPP and Transportation Performance Management (TPM). The intended audience for this report includes planning and programming staff from FHWA Division Offices, State DOTs, and MPOs, and their planning partners. Please contact [Corbin Davis](#) for more information.

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## **Designation of Alternative Fuel Corridors Round 5 - Request for Nominations**

Section 1413 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act requires the Secretary of Transportation to designate national electric vehicle (EV) charging, hydrogen, propane, and natural gas fueling corridors. The FHWA is working with other Federal, State, and local officials, as well as private industry, to help plan and promote an Interstate network of stations that will fuel vehicles powered by clean and domestically produced alternative fuels, so commercial and passenger vehicles can reliably travel between cities, regions, and across the entire nation. FHWA announced that [nominations for Round 5 designations](#) are due by COB Wednesday, February 24, 2021. Rounds 1-4 (2016-2019) of FHWA's [Alternative Fuel Corridors](#) designations have included 100 nominations from state and local officials, portions/segments of 119 Interstates, 100 US highways/state roads, comprises 49 states and D.C., covers approximately 145,222 miles of the National Highway System (all fuels combined).

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## **Webinars of Interest**

### **Right-of-Way (ROW) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

The FHWA's Office of Real Estate Services (HEPR) presented three webinars titled, Right-of-Way (ROW) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). A total of 400 participants from FHWA and the public attended the three webinars. The purpose of the FAQ webinar was to roll out [78 new FAQs](#) that were developed based on responses to the [23 CFR Parts 635, 710 and 810 rulemaking](#). The webinar covered various right-of-way topics such as ROW certifications, settlements, Federal-aid participation in ROW costs, administration of the ROW program, ROW Manual, ROW acquisitions, Early/Advance Acquisitions (prior to a NEPA decision), Property Management including ROW Use agreements, and disposal of excess properties. The FAQ's were developed as a resource and guidance, and they are organized to provide users a convenient method for finding answers to their right-of-way questions. Listen to the [FAQ webinar here](#).

### **TRB Webinar - Transportation Agency Leaders Discuss Transportation Asset Management in a COVID-19 World**

Neil Pederson, TRB's Executive Director moderated the Transportation Asset Management in a COVID-19 World [webinar](#) in July. Hosted by TRB's Transportation Asset Management Committee the webinar featured executives and CEOs from state, regional, and transit agencies discussing how the pandemic has impacted their agencies and their planned investments in the transportation systems they manage. The agency



leaders represented manage a collective transportation system that includes roads, bridges, passenger and freight rail, buses, and more.

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## Research Highlights

### Planning

#### Asset Management Field Data Collection Case Study Report

The recently posted [report](#) features interviews with the State DOTs of the District of Columbia, Indiana, Vermont, and Wisconsin. The report presents best practices on the use of data collection technologies to collect and manage geospatial asset data. **Staff Contact:** [Mark Sarmiento](#), 202-366-4828.

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### Environment

#### Toolkit on Innovative Finance Strategies to Accelerate Bicycle and Pedestrian (Active Transportation) Project Delivery

This research builds on *Strategies for Accelerating Multimodal Project Delivery* and "Diversifying DOT's Build America Bureau Portfolio to Include Underutilized Stakeholders" to compile, analyze, and document best practices for innovative finance strategies to accelerate bicycle and pedestrian project delivery. Anticipated by Fall 2021, the research will produce case studies and a web-based toolkit that highlights innovative finance approaches for implementing active transportation projects in various community contexts. **Staff Contact:** [Fleming El-Amin](#), 202-366-0233.

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## Upcoming Events — Check schedule often. Events may be postponed, cancelled, or held virtually.

- January 21 – 22 and 25 – 29, 2021

#### [TRB Annual Meeting](#) – A Virtual Event

The TRB 100th Annual Meeting will be conducted as a virtual event over a series of dates throughout January 2021. Through an interactive virtual event platform, attendees will be able to experience presentation and poster sessions, workshops, exhibits, and committee meetings, and connect with other attendees—just as they have all come to expect from all TRB Annual Meetings. The meeting program will cover all transportation modes, addressing topics of interest to policy makers, administrators, practitioners, researchers, and representatives of government, industry, and academic institutions. The spotlight theme for the 2021 meeting: Launching a New Century of Mobility and Quality of Life.



Source: stock

- February 28 – March 3, 2021 - Online Summit

#### [National Bike Summit](#)

This year's theme is "Bikes: Our Vehicle for Change" in recognition of the power of bicycling to move us forward, even in the most challenging of times. Sessions and more information will be posted in late January 2021.

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*The Office of Human Environment's Research and Financial Services Team administers research programs and financial support to HEP for research initiatives. The Team provides leadership, coordination, support and implementation of research activities. It also works toward improving outreach, communication and partnerships between Federal, State, and local stakeholders in managing the research programs. For more information, please contact HEP's Primary Research Coordinator: [Patricia Cazenias](#), 202-366-4085.*



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December 10, 2020

## Human Environment Digest



Welcome to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Office of Human Environment biweekly email digest. This digest shares the latest information from a range of Federal and non-Federal sources, addressing transportation and its relationship to the human environment. Through this information exchange, FHWA hopes to foster dialogue at all levels and continue to further the state of the practice on these important topics in support of safety; infrastructure, including accelerated project delivery, access to jobs, and community revitalization; technology and design innovation; and accountability, including, data-driven decisions and performance-based planning.

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

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## EVENTS

*Please check with event organizers on if/how events are being adjusted to accommodate remote participation.*

**December 8-10, 2020:** FHWA's Every Day Counts-6. Virtual Summit.

**February 28-March 3, 2021:** League of American Bicyclists' 2021 National Bike Summit. Virtual Event. (There is a fee)

**January 5-8 and 11-15, 2021:** TRB's 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting: Committee Meetings. Virtual Event. (There is a fee for some)

**January 16, 2021:** Transportation for America's TransportationCamp DC. Virtual Event. (There is a fee)

**January 21-22 and 25-29, 2021:** TRB's 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting: Sessions and Exhibits. Virtual Event. (There is a fee for some)

**January 27-29, 2021:** Micromobility World Conference. Virtual Event. (There is a fee for some)

**March 17-19, 2021:** National Environmental Justice Conference and Training Program, Washington, D.C. (There is a fee for some)

**March 17-19, 2021:** Urbanism Next Center Forum. Virtual Event.

## WEBINARS



**Safety**

### U.S. DOT Publishes Pedestrian Safety Action Plan

The *U.S. Department of Transportation* released a pedestrian safety [action plan](#) to address pedestrian fatalities and injuries through the expanded use of countermeasures, technology, and data-driven practices. The plan explains the Department's comprehensive approach that encompasses improvements to the roadway and surrounding environment, increased education on the shared responsibility of both pedestrians and motorists, along with enforcement and adjudication of pedestrian safety laws. It identifies actions the Department intends to accomplish in the next two years, focusing on the development or update of resources, tools, and plans; new and revised campaigns, programs, and initiatives; the creation or revision of curriculum; and new research to improve pedestrian safety.

### U.S. DOT Releases Summary Report on Pedestrian Safety Summit

The *U.S. Department of Transportation* published a [summary report](#) of the Pedestrian Safety Summit held in July 2020. The three-part webinar series covered the current state of pedestrian safety, risk factors that impact pedestrian safety, and the Department's planned efforts to improve pedestrian safety. Additional [videos](#), [presentations](#), and [materials](#) from the event are also available.

### IIHS Studies Find Most E-scooter Rider Injuries Occur on Sidewalks

The *Insurance Institute for Highway Safety* developed two [research](#) papers using interviews of electric scooter (e-scooter) riders whose injuries brought them to an emergency room in Washington, DC. One study examined how the severity of their injuries varied according to where and how they were injured. The



## WEBINARS

### December 10, 12:00-1:15 PM ET:

Rail-Volution's Micromobility: Scooter Technology and Accessibility in Cities.

### December 10, 1:00-2:00 PM ET:

Next City's Solutions of the Year: How Cities Can Promote Environmental Justice in Underserved Neighborhoods. (There is a fee for some)

### December 10, 1:00-3:00 PM ET:

TRB's Cross-Cutting Issues in Urban Congestion Pricing. (There is a fee)

### December 10, 2:00-2:45 PM ET:

Eno Center for Transportation's Environmental (In)Justice During COVID-19.

### December 10, 2:00-3:00 PM ET:

Alta Planning + Design's Delivering Quick-Build Projects: Four Cities Share their Stories of Doing More with Less.

### December 10, 3:00-4:00 PM ET:

PeopleForBikes' Leveraging Policy to Support the Bike Boom in 2021.

### December 11, 1:30-3:00 PM ET:

ITE's Smart Columbus Program: Event Parking Management.

### December 14-15, 6:00-8:00PM ET:

Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation's Compliance to the Americans with Disabilities Act in the Public Right-of-Way. (Session 1 of 2. This session is offered twice and there is a fee)

### December 15, 1:00-2:30 PM ET:

AASHTO Council on Active Transportation and FHWA's Speed Management.

### December 15, 1:00-2:30 PM ET:

American Planning Association Oregon Chapter's Equity by Design. (There is a fee for some)

### December 15, 2:00-3:00PM ET:

Association for Commuter Transportation's New Year... New Transportation Possibilities! (There is a fee for some)

second compared the rider demographics, usage patterns, and injuries to those of bicyclists who were interviewed as part of an earlier study. The studies found that e-scooter riders suffered more injuries per mile traveled than bicyclists, but bicyclists were more likely to have conflicts with motor vehicles.

### **Research Assesses Safety of E-bikes Relative to Conventional Bicycles**

The *Journal of Transport & Health* published a [study](#) examining the role of bicyclists' health condition on safety of electric bicycles (e-bikes) compared to conventional bicycles. Researchers surveyed bicyclists treated at emergency rooms for crash injuries and a control group without known crash experience. The findings indicate that e-bike users were not more likely to be involved in a crash or to sustain more severe injuries; however, older female bicyclists had an elevated risk on e-bikes and sustained more severe injuries. The study suggests that older females are more likely to fall while mounting or dismounting their e-bikes, and recommends lower saddle height to mitigate risk.



## Infrastructure

### **White Paper Discusses Framework to Balance Utility, Safety, and User Experience on Shared-Use Paths**

*Alta Planning + Design* published a [white paper](#) exploring how shared-use paths should be designed, operated, and managed to accommodate micromobility transportation options, including powered micromobility. The paper discusses policy and design considerations for multi-use paths, provides implementation advice for trail managers, and shares examples of how trails across the U.S. are adapting to emerging mobility trends. It suggests several principles to guide decision making regarding powered micromobility devices on trails: advance mobility justice, design for safety, complement the natural environment, prioritize the human experience, expand user amenities, and design for the future trail.

### **Research Analyzes Parking Supply and Demand at Transit-Oriented Developments**

The *Transportation Research Record: Journal of the Transportation Research Board* published a [study](#) examining parking at seven transit-oriented developments (TODs) in the U.S. to determine how much less parking is required at TODs than the new Institute of Transportation Engineers Parking Generation manual would suggest. Researchers conducted a literature review and measured parking generation at the TODs through field observation and intercept surveys. The findings indicate that, at the peak parking demand hour, only 51 to 84 percent of spaces are filled. The study suggests TODs could improve use of shared parking and change

December 16-17, 10:00AM-

12:00PM ET: Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation's Compliance to the Americans with Disabilities Act in the Public Right-of-Way. (Session 2 of 2. This session is offered twice and there is a fee.)

December 16, 3:00-4:00 PM ET:

Association of Pedestrian & Bicycle Professionals' Are We There Yet? Best Practices in Speed Management. (There is a fee)

December 18, 1:00-2:00 PM ET:

Center for Advanced Transportation Mobility, North Carolina A&T State University's Collaborative Multimodal Decision Making with Advanced Transportation Technologies and Computing.

December 17, 1:00-3:00 PM ET:

FHWA's Moving FoRRRwD with Safety Action Plans: Statewide, Regional, and Local.

December 21-23, 10:00AM-

12:00PM ET: Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation's Design of Americans with Disabilities Act Curb Ramps and Pedestrian Access Routes. (There is a fee)

January 6, 1:00-2:30 PM ET:

PBIC's Improving Safety with Bicyclist and Pedestrian Road Safety Audits.

January 19, 1:00-2:00 PM ET:

Transportation Research and Education Center's Transportation Benefits of Polycentric Urban Form.

January 21, 1:00-2:00PM ET:

American Trails' Making Meaningful Spaces: A Brief Survey of Integrative Active Transportation.

February 9, 1:00-2:00 PM ET:

Transportation Research and Education Center's Land Use and Transportation Policies for a Sustainable Future.

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suggests FDOT could improve use of shared parking and change policies around bundled residential parking.



### Transportation Research Board to Host 2021 Annual Meeting

The *Transportation Research Board* [100th Annual Meeting](#) will be conducted as a virtual event throughout January 2021. The meeting program will cover all transportation modes, addressing topics such as [micromobility](#), [ridehailing](#), [emerging mobility technologies](#), [transportation equity](#), [safety and public health](#), [resiliency and security](#), and more. The sessions and workshops will focus on the spotlight theme for the 2021 meeting: Launching a New Century of Mobility and Quality of Life. This year's meeting will feature dozens of sessions on how the [national health emergency](#) has impacted transportation and how transportation professionals and researchers are responding. Committee meetings will be held January 5-8 and 11-15. Sessions and exhibits will occur January 21-22 and 25-29.

### Report Examines Availability and Use of Pedestrian Infrastructure Data to Support Active Transportation Planning

The *National Cooperative Highway Research Program* published a [report](#) describing how State departments of transportation (DOTs) are collecting, managing, sharing, and analyzing pedestrian infrastructure data. The report documents and summarizes current State DOT practices for defining, storing, collecting, and sharing pedestrian infrastructure data. Agencies can use the report's findings to tailor the data collection process to build data infrastructure that supports various uses, leading to more consistent and efficient planning and management of pedestrian infrastructure.



### Involving Underserved Populations in Rural Community Transportation Planning

The *Federal Highway Administration* published a [case study](#) discussing community engagement approaches with traditionally underserved populations, including Hispanic and Tribal communities, in Cortez, Colorado during an update to the town's Access Control Plan. The plan is intended to improve traffic, bicycle and pedestrian safety, and preserve traffic flow capacity of two highways in the city. The outreach process gave residents the opportunity to express concerns about street design and high-



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opportunity to express concerns about street design and high-speed vehicles in the central business district, and as a result, the city incorporated traffic calming measures into the design. Cortez's holistic public engagement efforts enhanced project delivery and established long-term strategy for ongoing engagement.

### **Presentations Discuss Environmental Justice Resources and Methods for Collaboration**

The *National Environmental Justice Conference and Training Program* released [presentation recordings](#) from the October 2020 virtual event. The presentations share ideas and approaches to environmental justice, including the impacts of the national health emergency on low-income communities, energy solutions, as well as active transportation and transit considerations. They explain the nexus of environmental justice with the National Environmental Policy Act.

### **Podcast Examines Use of Digital Tools for Participatory Transportation Planning**

The *Public Transport Research Group at Monash University in Australia* released a [podcast](#) discussing how virtual tools can facilitate more collaborative transportation planning. Researchers explain how data and digital tools can assist the public and decision makers during the transportation planning process. The discussion also explores the synergies between transportation and health. The podcast details how an interactive walkability planning support map tool helped planners understand infrastructure needs and healthcare costs of developing in a new neighborhood with limited walkability, compared to redeveloping an existing site.

### **Survey Requests Inputs on Complete Streets Education and Outreach Efforts**

The *Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University*, in partnership with a national transportation advocacy group, is leading an effort to collect information about effective and notable complete streets outreach, along with educational and engagement activities across the country. The researchers encourage representatives of State departments of transportations, regional planning authorities, county and local governments, advocacy groups, community organizations, and all others to respond to the [survey](#) by December 15.



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This has been quite the year, filled with new challenges and innovations to ensure our roadways are safe and reliable for New Mexicans. New Mexico LTAP appreciates the work you do for all of us! To help you get a head start on 2021, we are offering one final class for 2020, Introduction to Public

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## Upcoming Online Training Opportunities

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### Introduction to Public Transportation

**December 16, 2020 from 10AM:00-12:00 PM**

This 2-hour-long course serves as a basic introduction to public transportation and how it fits into the contemporary multimodal transportation landscape. It is intended as the first in a series of courses on public transportation. Courses in the series will be designed to help students understand the role that effective public transportation systems can play in addressing issues of concern to New Mexico's urban and rural communities -- e.g., providing affordable mobility for all, reducing transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions, mitigating traffic congestion, improving air quality, addressing rural-access-to-health challenges, and many others. They will also be designed to help students to plan, design, and fund new public transportation systems and to improve existing ones.

After taking this course, students will be able to:

- Explain how public transportation fits into the contemporary multi-modal transportation landscape in the United States. Explain why public transportation is broadly regarded as a "sustainable" transportation mode.
- Explain key relationships between public transportation systems and the land uses they serve.
- Identify four distinct "eras" in the development of public transportation in the United States and explain how the role and effectiveness of public transportation has evolved over time.
- Understand the key differences between common public transportation technologies (including several different types of bus and rail systems)

and explain where they are typically deployed in urban and rural contexts in the United States today.

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## Tran-SET Conference Online References

The conference theme is *enhancing durability and service life of transportation infrastructure: Materials, methods, and technology*.

Tran-SET held the **2020 Tran-SET Conference virtually** due to the current COVID-19 situation nationwide and the continued restrictions and guidelines states and individual organizations have implemented. The Virtual Conference was e-hosted by the **University of New Mexico** and **New Mexico State University**. The Conference was co-sponsored by the **ASCE Construction Institute (CI)**.

The purpose of this annual Conference was to educate, engage, and work with varied stakeholders (academics, industry professionals, state DOTs, and other government agencies) to solve transportation challenges facing the South-Central United States. The Conference was an opportunity to inform stakeholders on Tran-SET's research, education, workforce development, and technology transfer activities. This includes showcasing our technical contributions in a wide-range of transportation fields, including: *pavements, asphalt and concrete materials, structures, geotechnical, safety, intelligent transportation systems, and policy and planning*.

You can view the conference sessions for free, without registering, on the NM-LTAP website [here](#). Stayed tuned for more Tran-SET related material on their YouTube page [here](#).





## GIS Office Hours with Dr. Su Zhang

Although NM-LTAP isn't providing in person trainings right now due to COVID-19, we have resources available to help you with your daily tasks. Geospatial expert Dr. Su Zhang will be holding bi-weekly office hours to help you with your GIS related needs. The first and third week of every month Dr. Zhang will be available from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm on a zoom call for drop-in questions. Whether you need introductory support or advanced support, Dr. Zhang is here for you.

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## Department of Health county map update: 32 counties operating at Red Level beginning Dec. 30 *Catron County reaches Yellow Level; several counties near Green Level*

SANTA FE – The New Mexico Department of Health on Wednesday announced the updated [statewide COVID-19 map](#) for the two-week period beginning Dec. 30, with 32 counties at the Red Level. Twenty-eight counties improved in at least [one of the two health gating criteria metrics](#), and 21 counties improved in both health metrics. More counties are in close range of advancing to a less-restrictive level than at any point since the advent of the state's color-coding system.

The state's county-by-county system uses key health metrics -- the per-capita daily incidence of new COVID-19 cases and average COVID-19 test positivity within county borders -- to determine the level of public health risk and requirement for each county. A county that meets one criterion may operate at the Yellow Level; a county that meets both may operate at the Green Level.

**Catron County** now [meets the criteria to operate](#) at the Yellow Level, with a per-capita new daily case rate of 5.7 per 100,000. No counties meet the criteria to operate at the Green Level at present, though **Catron County**, **Harding County**, **Los Alamos County** and **Quay County** are all near that threshold.

Fourteen counties have now driven their case positivity rate below 10 percent, bordering on the state's 5 percent threshold for operating at the Yellow Level.

The color-coding of the map, [in accordance with the state's emergency public health order](#), is updated biweekly on Wednesdays. The next update is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan 13. The map and other associated demographic COVID-19 data are available at [cv.nmhealth.org](#).

### **IMPROVING PER-CAPITA CASE RATES:**

Over the past two weeks, 28 counties saw improvements in their per-capita daily case rates. Those counties are: Bernalillo, Catron, Chaves, Colfax, Curry, De Baca, Dona Ana, Eddy, Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Lea, Lincoln, Los Alamos, Luna, McKinley, Otero, Quay, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, San Juan, San Miguel, Santa Fe, Sierra, Socorro, Taos, Torrance, Union and Valencia, with **Catron**, **Quay**, **Union**, **Otero** and **Lincoln** making the greatest improvements by percentage.

The counties of **Cibola**, **Grant**, **Mora** and **Roosevelt** saw an increase in their daily per-capita case rates over the past two weeks.

**Catron County** has the lowest average daily per-capita case rates, at 5.7 per 100,000 as of Dec. 30. It is followed by **Harding County** (10.1), **Quay County** (16.7), **Los Alamos County** (20.5) and **Otero County** (23). The state threshold for moving to a less restrictive level is 8 per 100,000.

### **IMPROVING POSITIVITY RATES:**

Over the past two weeks, 21 counties saw improvements in their positivity rates. Those counties are: Bernalillo, Catron, Chaves, Colfax, Curry, De Baca, Dona Ana, Guadalupe, Lea, Lincoln, Los Alamos, Luna, Otero, Quay, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Sierra, Torrance, Union and Valencia, with **Catron**, **Quay**, **Lincoln**, **Sierra** and **De Baca** making the greatest improvements by percentage.

The counties of **Cibola**, **Eddy**, **Grant**, **Hidalgo**, **McKinley**, **Mora**, **Roosevelt**, **San Juan**, **San Miguel**, **Socorro** and **Taos** saw an increase in their test positivity rate over the past two weeks.

**Los Alamos County** has the lowest positivity rate in the state, with 5.22 percent of tests returning positive as of Dec. 30. It is followed by **Sierra County** (6.27 percent), **Otero County** (6.4 percent), **Taos County** (6.7 percent), **Catron County** (6.7), **Quay County** (6.7 percent), **San Miguel County** (6.9 percent), **Santa Fe County** (7.16 percent), **Lincoln County** (7.6 percent) and **Grant County** (7.7 percent). The state threshold for moving to a less restrictive level is 5 percent.

### **POPULOUS COUNTIES:**

The state's five most populous counties -- **Bernalillo**, **Dona Ana**, **Santa Fe**, **Sandoval** and **San Juan** -- each improved in both health metrics over the past two weeks, with the exception of San Juan, which improved its daily per-capita case rate but saw a slight increase in test positivity.

**Bernalillo** cut its daily case rate from 81.6 per 100,000 to 53.8 per 100,000, a decrease of 34 percent, and its positivity rate from 14.3 percent to 11.32 percent, a decrease of 21 percent.

**Dona Ana** cut its daily case rate from 56.6 per 100,000 to 43.7 per 100,000, a decrease of 23 percent, and its positivity rate from 12.86 percent to 12.82 percent.

**Santa Fe** cut its daily case rate from 59 per 100,000 to 34 per 100,000, a decrease of 42 percent, and its positivity rate from 10.1 percent to 7.16 percent, a decrease of 29 percent.

**Sandoval** cut its daily case rate from 73.2 per 100,000 to 56.7 per 100,000, a decrease of 23 percent, and its positivity rate from 12.1 percent to 10.5 percent, a decrease of 14 percent.

**San Juan** cut its daily case rate from 108.6 per 100,000 to 94 per 100,000, a decrease of 13 percent; meanwhile, its positivity rate rose from 19.3 percent to 19.46 percent.

The color-coded tier system -- Red Level, Yellow Level and Green Level -- enables counties to shed burdensome restrictions and provide local communities the flexibility to operate more day-to-day activities as soon as public health data show the virus is retreating within their borders.

The public health order, the red-to-green framework and frequently asked questions are all available at [cv.nmhealth.org/redtogreen](#), where New Mexicans can also view the test positivity rate and new case incidence for each county as of Dec. 2.

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The requirements for each level are available below and at [cv.nmhealth.org/redtogreen](#).

### GREEN LEVEL:

Counties at the Green Level have **both** a new COVID-19 case incidence rate of no greater than 8 cases per 100,000 inhabitants during the most recent two-week period, **and** an average percent of positive COVID-19 test results over the most recent 14-day period less than or equal to 5%.

**Essential businesses (non-retail):** No capacity restrictions but operations must be limited to only those absolutely necessary to carry out essential functions

**Essential retail spaces:** 50% of maximum capacity

**Food and drink establishments:** 50% of maximum capacity for indoor dining; 75% of maximum capacity for outdoor dining

**Close-contact businesses:** 50% of maximum capacity

**Outdoor recreational facilities:** 50% of maximum capacity (unless required to have less capacity under the state's COVID-Safe Practices)

**Close-contact recreational facilities:** Remain closed

**\*\*All other businesses:** 50% of maximum capacity

**Houses of worship:** May hold religious services, indoors or outdoors, or provide services through audiovisual means, but may not exceed 50% of the maximum capacity of any enclosed space on the premises

**Places of lodging:** 75% of maximum occupancy for those that have completed NM Safe Certified training; 40% of maximum occupancy for all others; 10 guests maximum for vacation rentals

**Mass gatherings limit:** 20 persons, 100 vehicles



## YELLOW LEVEL:

Counties at the Yellow Level have **either** a new COVID-19 case incidence rate of no greater than 8 cases per 100,000 inhabitants during the most recent two-week period, **or** an average percent of positive COVID-19 test results over the most recent 14-day period less than or equal to 5%.

**Essential businesses (non-retail):** No capacity restrictions but operations must be limited to only those absolutely necessary to carry out essential functions

**Essential retail spaces:** 33% of maximum capacity

**Food and drink establishments:** 25% of maximum capacity for indoor dining; 75% of maximum capacity for outdoors dining; any establishment serving alcohol must close by 10 p.m. each night

**Close-contact businesses:** 25% of maximum capacity or 20 customers at one time, whichever is smaller

**Outdoor recreational facilities:** 25% of maximum capacity (unless required to have less capacity under the state's COVID-Safe Practices)

**Close-contact recreational facilities:** Remain closed

**\*\*All other businesses:** 25% of maximum capacity or 125 customers at one time, whichever is smaller

**Houses of worship:** May hold religious services, indoors or outdoors, or provide services through audiovisual means, but may not exceed 33% of the maximum capacity of any enclosed space on the premises

**Places of lodging:** 60% of maximum occupancy for those that have completed NM Safe Certified training; 25% of maximum occupancy for all others; 5 guests maximum for vacation rentals

**Mass gatherings limit:** 10 persons; 25 vehicles

## RED LEVEL:

Counties at the Red Level are those with a new COVID-19 case incident rate of greater than 8 cases per 100,000 inhabitants during the most recent two-week period **and** an average percent of positive COVID-19 test results over the most recent 14-day period greater than 5%.

**Essential businesses (non-retail):** No capacity restrictions but must limit operations to only those absolutely necessary to carry out essential functions

**Essential retail spaces:** 25% of maximum capacity

**Food and drink establishments:** No indoor dining permitted; 25% of maximum capacity for outdoor dining; any establishment serving alcohol must close by 9 p.m. each night

**Close-contact businesses:** 25% of maximum capacity or 10 customers at one time, whichever is smaller

**Outdoor recreational facilities:** 25% of maximum capacity (unless required to have less capacity under the state's COVID-Safe Practices)

**Close-contact recreational facilities:** Remain closed

**\*\*All other businesses:** 25% of maximum capacity or 75 customers at one time, whichever is smaller

**Houses of worship:** May hold religious services, indoors or outdoors, or provide services through audiovisual means, but may not exceed 25% of the maximum capacity of any enclosed space on the premises

**Places of lodging:** 40% of maximum occupancy for those that have completed NM Safe Certified training; 25% of maximum occupancy for all others; 5 guests maximum for vacation rentals

**Mass gatherings limit:** 5 persons, 10 vehicles

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### Categories and definitions within the public health order:

**Essential businesses (non-retail):** These are any business or nonprofit entity falling within one or more of the following categories:

- Health care operations including hospitals, walk-in-care health facilities, pharmacies, medical wholesale and distribution, home health care workers or aides for the elderly, emergency dental facilities, nursing homes, residential health care facilities, research facilities, congregate care facilities, intermediate care facilities for those with intellectual or developmental disabilities, supportive living homes, home health care providers, drug and alcohol recovery support services, and medical supplies and equipment manufacturers and providers;
- Homeless shelters, food banks, and other services providing care to indigent or needy populations;
- Childcare facilities;
- Farms, ranches, and other food cultivation, processing, or packaging operations;
- Infrastructure operations including, but not limited to, public works construction, commercial and residential construction and maintenance, self-storage facilities, airport operations, public transportation, airlines, taxis, private transportation providers, transportation network companies, water, gas, electrical, oil drilling, oil refining, natural resources extraction or mining operations, nuclear material research and enrichment, those attendant to the repair and construction of roads and highways, gas stations, solid waste collection and removal, trash and recycling collection, processing and disposal, sewer, data and internet providers, data centers, technology support operations, and telecommunications systems;
- Manufacturing operations involved in food processing, manufacturing agents, chemicals, fertilizer, pharmaceuticals, sanitary products, household paper products, microelectronics/semiconductor, primary metals manufacturers, electrical equipment, appliance, and component manufacturers, and transportation equipment manufacturers;
- Services necessary to maintain the safety and sanitation of residences or essential businesses including security services, towing services, custodial services, plumbers, electricians, and other skilled trades;
- Veterinary and livestock services, animal shelters and facilities providing pet adoption, daycare, or boarding services;
- Media services;
- Utilities, including their contractors, suppliers, and supportive operations, engaged in power generation, fuel supply and transmission, water and wastewater supply;
- Crematoriums, funeral homes and cemeteries;
- Banks, credit unions, insurance providers, payroll services, brokerage services, and investment management firms;
- Businesses providing mailing and shipping services;
- Laboratories and defense and national security-related operations supporting the United States government, a contractor to the United States government, or any federal entity;
- Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, but only where necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities; and
- Logistics, and also businesses that store, transport, or deliver groceries, food, materials, goods or services directly to residences, retailers, government institutions, or essential businesses.

**Essential retail spaces:** These include grocery stores, supermarkets, food banks, farmers' markets and vendors who sell food, convenience stores, and other businesses that generate more than one-third of their revenue from the sale of canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet food, animal feed or supplies, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, and any other consumable food and drink products; automobile repair facilities, bike repair facilities, and retailers who generate the majority of their revenue from the sale of automobile or bike repair products; hardware stores; laundromats; and dry cleaner services.

**Food and drink establishments:** These are restaurants, breweries, wineries, distillers, cafes, coffee shops, or other similar establishments that offer food or drink.

**Close-contact businesses:** These are barbershops, hair salons, tattoo parlors, nail salons, spas, massage therapy services, esthetician clinics, tanning salons, guided raft tours, guided balloon tours.

**Outdoor recreational facilities:** These are outdoor golf courses, public swimming pools, ski basins, youth programs, youth livestock shows, horseracing tracks, botanical gardens, outdoor zoos and outdoor skating rinks.

**Close-contact recreational facilities:** These are indoor movie theaters, indoor museums with interactive displays or exhibits and other similar venues, miniature golf, arcades, amusement parks, aquariums, casinos, concert venues, professional sports venues, event venues, bars, dance clubs, performance venues, go-kart courses, automobile racetracks, adult entertainment venues, bowling alleys, indoor ice skating rinks and other places of recreation or entertainment. For purposes of the public health order, a bar is defined as any business that generated more than half of its revenue from the sale of alcohol during the preceding fiscal year.

**Houses of worship:** These are any church, synagogue, mosque, or other gathering space where persons congregate to exercise their religious beliefs.

**Places of lodging:** These are hotels, motels, RV parks, and short-term vacation rentals.

**Mass gatherings:** These are any public gathering, private gathering, organized event, ceremony, parade, funeral, or any other grouping that brings together a specified number of individuals in a single room or connected space, confined outdoor space, or open outdoor space. "Mass gatherings" also include coordinated events in which individuals gather in vehicles. "Mass gatherings" do not include the presence of any number of individuals where those individuals regularly reside. "Mass gathering" does not include individuals who are public officials or public employees in the course and scope of their employment.

**\*\*All other businesses:** These are any entities that are not identified explicitly as an "essential business," "house of worship," "outdoor recreational facility," "food and drink establishment," "place of lodging" or "close-contact recreational facility." Examples would include non-essential retail spaces like a clothing store, a gym, a group fitness class or a personal training service, among others.

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### **Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) Application Toolkit Made Available**

#### **Program provides funds for the establishment of small Native businesses**

The 2021 Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) Application Toolkit has just been released to help establish small Native American business development. This tool kit is designed to provide guidance and information on the materials required to make an RBDG application. [Click here](#) to download the RBDG Application Toolkit.

The RBDG is a competitive grant providing financial support for targeted technical assistance, training, and other activities leading to the development or expansion of small and emerging private businesses. The funding is designed to develop Native businesses in rural areas that have fewer than 50 employees and less than \$1 million in gross revenues. [Click here](#) to download RBDG fact sheet.

The application deadline for the FY-21 RBDG funding is **February 26, 2021**. Applicants that have questions about the RBDG Native American set-aside funding or the traditional RBDG program funding should reach out to Ray Melton at 575-622-8745 x 3323 or email him at: [ray.melton@usda.gov](mailto:ray.melton@usda.gov) for more information.

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