

Transportation Finance - Denver Region and Colorado

Presentation to Transportation Legislation Review
Committee
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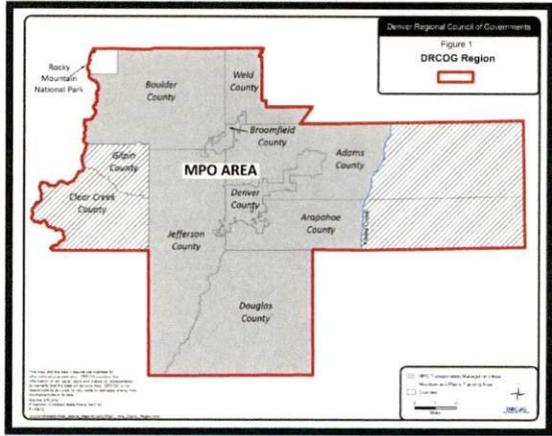
Transportation Planning at DRCOG

**Collaborative “MPO”
Planning Process:**

- ◆ Local governments
- ◆ CDOT
- ◆ RTD
- ◆ Regional
Transportation
Committee (RTC)

◆ **DRCOG is also:**

- ◆ Regional Planning Commission
- ◆ Area Agency on Aging





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Challenges: Demographics and Growth

Growth in Denver Region 2015 to 2040:

- ◆ Jobs: + 30%
 - ◆ Vehicle Miles Traveled: + 33%
 - ◆ Population: + 40%
 - ◆ Persons over Age 60: + 90%
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- ◆ Miles of Severe Congestion: + 100%
 - ◆ Person Hours of Delay/HH: + 150%



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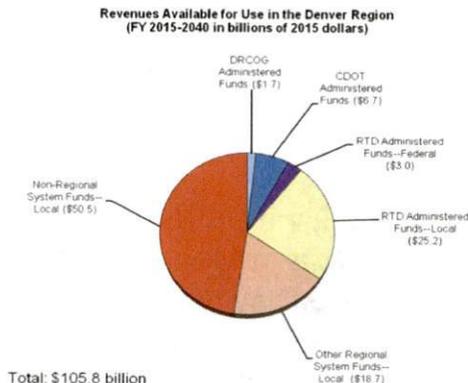
**DRCOG Plans
and Capital
Funding
Program**



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Transportation Needs and Fiscally Constrained 2040 RTP

- ◆ 25-year Plan
- ◆ Roadway, transit, and other multimodal needs:
 - CDOT, RTD, Local Govts.
 - Collaborative process
- ◆ Revenues insufficient
 - \$106 Bil. Vs. \$150 Bil. Need



2040 Roadway Improvements example:

Funding expected vs. Unfunded (green)



LEGEND

Add New Lanes
 ● Regionally Funded
 ● 100% Locally Derived
 ● Vision (Unfunded)

Add HOT/HOV Lanes
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 ● 100% Locally Derived
 ● Vision (Unfunded)



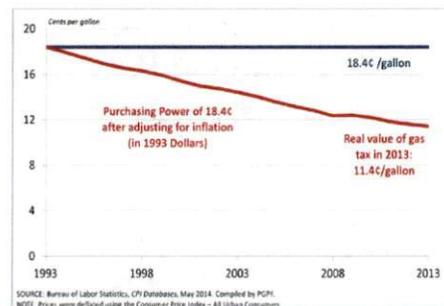
DRCOG 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- ◆ **Federally funded projects must be shown in TIP**
 - ◆ \$\$ Administered by DRCOG, CDOT, and RTD
 - ◆ Projects for all modes of travel and services
 - From services for disabled persons, to road reconstruction
- ◆ **Work with CDOT to define revenues & priorities**
- ◆ **Requested funds for projects was TRIPLE the amount available**
- ◆ **TIP included directly in State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)**

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Challenge: Insufficient Revenues

- ◆ **Fuel tax per gallon not changed since 1993**
 - MPG much higher
 - Purchasing power much less
- ◆ **New or expanded sources?**
 - Federal?
 - State?
 - Regional?



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Collaboration is the Key

- ◆ CDOT
- ◆ DRCOG, MPOs, and Regional Agencies
- ◆ Local Governments
- ◆ Business & Industry
- ◆ Foundations, Non-Profits, etc.

Questions ?