
NEWS RELEASE

REGIONAL LONG - RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN 2030

MEDIA NOTE: A news briefing for this project will be held Tuesday, Feb. 1 at 10 a.m. at the Idaho Historical Museum, 610 N. Julia Davis Dr., Boise. Details are at the end of this news release.

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COMPASS and ITD will host second round of workshops to refine scenarios for future transportation and growth

The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) and the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) are hosting a second round of workshops for the *Communities in Motion* project to help refine the growth and transportation scenarios that emerged from the first round of workshops held in November 2004.

There are five workshops to choose from:

Wednesday, February 2

Hispanic Cultural Center of Idaho
315 Stampede Drive, Nampa
9 a.m. – noon **OR** 6 – 9 p.m.

Thursday, February 3

Idaho Historical Museum
610 N. Julia Davis Drive, Boise
9 a.m. – noon **OR** 1:30 – 4:30 **OR** 6– 9 p.m.

The workshops will begin promptly. Participants should arrive 10 minutes early.

Nearly 500 people attended a workshop in November. Using maps and chipsets, a majority of participants showed their support for:

- Light rail transit between Caldwell/Nampa and Boise
- Preservation of the floodplains and the Birds of Prey area
- Regional growth that develops differently than it is now – most people wanted mid-range growth with development of main streets, downtowns and compact neighborhoods and a reduction in large lot residential development

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in a February workshop, even if they didn't attend in November. To RSVP, participants should send an email indicating their preferred day and time of attendance to CIM@cableone.net by January 28, or call COMPASS at 855-2558 ext. 221.



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Communities in Motion is a six-county, 20+ year plan that will address issues on the regional transportation system, evaluate the needs for future corridors, and address the effects of growth on transportation. *Communities in Motion* involves Ada, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem and Payette counties. The Ada County work is being coordinated with the “Blueprint for Good Growth” project in Ada County and results will be shared between the two planning efforts.

MEDIA NOTE: News Briefing

The news briefing will include the results of the November workshops and a preview of what participants will do at the workshops February 2 and 3.

Members of the project team will be available to answer questions. If you are not able to attend at 10 a.m., the information will be available in an open house format from 3-4 p.m.

Please call Jennifer Oxley at 440-7997 if you plan to attend the news briefing.

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