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Arapahoe County adopts two key transportation plans

2035 Plan, Parker Road Corridor Study outline proposed future multi-modal improvements

Littleton, Colo.--- Two key transportation plans, which outline proposed improvements in unincorporated Arapahoe County and along the Parker Road Corridor, were adopted by the Board of County Commissioners Tuesday.

“Both the 2035 Transportation Plan and the Parker Road Corridor Study give us a comprehensive look at how to improve key transportation corridors within Arapahoe County well into the future,” said Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld, who serves as Board Chairman. “We appreciate the input from our citizens and our local communities as their ideas have helped to shape a comprehensive plan that will enable us to make decisions that promote an efficient and balanced transportation system for Arapahoe County.”

The 2035 Transportation Plan, which is an update of the County’s 2020 plan adopted in 2002, includes proposed guidelines and improvements to a multi-modal transportation network within unincorporated Arapahoe County, with an emphasis on the eastern portion of the county. It also includes information from recent corridor studies, as well as transportation plans from the Denver Regional Council of Governments and local incorporated cities and towns.

The plan addresses existing road conditions, traffic volumes, accident information and transit service. It also considers roadway and shoulder improvements, as well as paving plans. Included within the 2035 Transportation Plan are the Traffic Impact Study regulations, which are used to guide staff in preparing traffic impact studies for land use applications submitted to the County.

The second document - the Parker Road Corridor Study - details proposed transportation improvements along the corridor between Hampden Avenue and E-470. The study considers all modes of transportation, including mass transit, pedestrian and bicycle traffic. It also addresses the larger role Parker Road plays in north-south mobility as it extends south from Denver to Douglas County. The study was funded by the Federal Highway Administration, Arapahoe County, Douglas County and the City of Aurora.

Once approved by the Planning Commission Dec. 7, the 2035 Transportation Plan, along with the Parker Road Corridor Study, will become part of the County’s Comprehensive Master Plan. Information from the plan and study provides guidance on the County’s transportation vision, as well as direction on developing five-year and 10-year capital improvement plans for Arapahoe County.

Copies of the 2035 Transportation plan and the Parker Road Corridor Study are available for review under What's New on the County's web site at www.co.arapahoe.co.us. Hard copies of the plan are available in the Commissioners' Office, 5334 S. Prince St., and at Public Works and Development, 10730 E. Briarwood Ave., Centennial.

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