

August Mobility Program Newsletter

Updates and news on the Regional Transportation Coordinating Council (RTCC) and the Intermountain Transportation Planning Region (IMTPR).

Register for the RTCC Summit! Innovating Mobility for Inclusive and Sustainable Transportation

The Summit will focus on innovations in transportation, the role of transit in community building, and the importance of inclusivity and sustainability in mobility solutions. It will feature Keynote speaker Margaret Bowes from the I70 Coalition, panel discussions on Bustang and mobility solutions, and group discussions on new ideas and project updates, all aimed at fostering a more connected and equitable transportation network.

Register today using the QR code below!





Western Colorado Alliance Develops Community-Led Transportation Campaign

For over three decades, the **Western Colorado Alliance** (**WCA**) has united people to build grassroots power through community organizing and leadership development. Recently,

volunteers and the Garfield County Library District have engaged with community members across Garfield County, discovering that transportation is a top priority. Residents from Carbondale to Parachute highlighted several key issues, including the lack of bus stops at CMC Rifle and the absence of sidewalks and biking paths. Significant traffic congestion between Carbondale and Glenwood Springs also emerged as a major concern.

The WCA identified a longstanding issue in Down Valley towns, where residents have not actively pursued improvements in public transportation. To address this, the WCA plans to conduct interviews within their networks and neighborhoods to understand the impact of transit issues on daily life, aiming to build support for joining the RFTA system. Positive feedback from stakeholders in Parachute and RFTA has already been received, and a detailed campaign plan is in development. Although a ballot initiative is being considered, it is too early to determine its feasibility. Initial efforts will focus on the Newcastle to Parachute route. Building relationships within the community is seen as a pathway to more

tangible actions, such as a ballot measure to incorporate these towns into RFTA membership.

Want to hear more and learn how to get involved? **Join WCA at the RTCC Summit on September 12th!**



Bikes, Buses, and Automobiles: Commuting and Car Dependency in the Roaring Fork Valley

Traffic is a regular part of all of our lives in the Roaring Fork Valley, as so many people travel regionally to work, to run daily errands, and to get to the mountains. And transportation, namely cars, is the single largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Colorado, and in our valley, making our car-dependent culture not just a quality of life issue, but an environmental one as well.

In this three-part series, Aspen Public Radio looks at the ways traffic has changed (and stayed the same) here in our community, and the ways we can get out of our cars and get around in ways that work better for our lives and the environment.



The Women in Transit National Mentorship Program

This free program is designed to support and empower women in the transit industry. It pairs experienced female transit professionals with mentees to provide guidance, share knowledge, and foster career development. The program aims to address gender disparities in the field, promote leadership, and create a supportive network for women in transit. Through regular meetings and professional development activities, mentees gain valuable insights and skills to advance their careers and contribute to a more inclusive and diverse transit industry. **Scan the QR code above to sign up for this free program!**

CASTA Fall Conference and EXPO October 8-11, 2024 Mountain Village, Colorado



Registration is now open for the annual CASTA Fall Conference and EXPO! Our four-day conference provides training on a variety of topics, CASTA committee meetings, a transit business EXPO, an outdoor bus show and more!

Conference highlights:

- · Training and information you can take back to your agency
- \cdot $\,$ Vendor EXPO and outdoor bus show Wednesday afternoon
- · CASTA annual Awards dinner Thursday evening
- · Gondola technical tours
- · Networking opportunities all four days

For more information about the conference or to register visit the **Fall Conference and EXPO webpage**!



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