

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments (PPACG) is the Pikes Peak region's designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The MPO boundaries are shown in Figure 1. PPACG is responsible for the coordination and programming of federal and state transportation and transit funds for transportation and transit projects throughout the Pikes Peak Region. PPACG collaboratively works with its member agencies, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Colorado Springs Mountain Metropolitan Transit (MMT) agency to coordinate transportation planning and funding resources for a variety of projects that address regional and local transportation needs and objectives.

The PPACG FY2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the region's short-range (four-year) implementation plan of the vision and needs for the region that was identified in the Moving Forward 2045 Plan, the region's long-range (20-year) plan. This TIP was developed using direction from PPACG's Board of Directors and input from its advisory committees.

Development of the PPACG FY2021-2024 TIP was done using the competitive project selection process from the region's long-rang regional transportation plan. PPACG member agencies submitted projects that were essential to the region's transportation network. Projects submitted by member agencies were scored by PPACG staff and then further prioritized and selected by the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).

The FY2021– 2024 TIP contains those projects selected and programmed with federal, state and local funding and is consistent with the region's Regional Transportation Plan and advances projects that enable the region to achieve the goals established by the regional transportation plan, FHWA and CDOT.

Figure 1: Pikes Peak Region Metropolitan Planning Organization Area

