

Memorandum

REPORT TO: Gallatin Valley MPO - Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Jeff Butts, MPO Manager

SUBJECT: Long Range Transportation Plan Kickoff Presentation

MEETING DATE: August 13, 2025

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Plan/Report/Study

RECOMMENDATION: Participate in the Long Range Transportation Plan kickoff.

STRATEGIC PLAN: 1.3 Public Agencies Collaboration: Foster successful collaboration with other public agencies and build on these successes.

BACKGROUND: The Gallatin Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is federally required to adopt a Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) by December 26, 2026. The LRTP will encompass the entire Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA), including the Cities of Bozeman and Belgrade, extending to the Four Corners area. The plan must report on statewide performance measures supported by the MPO, guide the programming of federal transportation funds within the MPA, and satisfy other planning requirements. The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC) is serving as the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for the development of the LRTP. A collaborative, regionally coordinated approach ensures the plan reflects the unique priorities and needs of each jurisdiction within the MPA. By actively engaging in the process, partner agencies help shape a plan that represents their community, strengthens interjurisdictional coordination, and supports a shared vision for a more connected, effective regional transportation system. The goal is a plan everyone sees value in – and can confidently support. Nelson\Nygaard, the consultant team leading this effort, will provide a brief kickoff presentation outlining project team introductions, key tasks and timeline, and upcoming engagement opportunities. Participation is encouraged; no action is required at this time.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None.

ALTERNATIVES: As suggested by the committee.

FISCAL EFFECTS: None.