

Palouse Regional Transportation Planning Organization

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TAC Meeting of the Palouse RTPO

# Tuesday, November 28, 2023

## 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

## MINUTES - meeting held via ZOOM

- Welcome Call to Order/Introductions. Mark Storey Whitman County; James Wege Garfield County; Matt Hammer – City of Colfax; Sean Wells – City of Pullman; Gregg Figg – WSDOT; Rebecca Couch – Palouse RTPO Staff.
- 2. Approval of meeting minutes from August 22, 2023. James moved to approve. Sean seconded. Minutes approved as presented.
- **3. 2024-2029 DRAFT Regional Transportation Improvement Plan (RTIP).** Rebecca shared the final draft version of the 2024-2029 RTIP and took comments on any necessary edits/additions. James indicated that project #16 on the list of regional funded projects was not funded yet and should be removed. A discussion of the definition of "regionally significant" occurred. Rebecca described that Palouse RTPO's definition of regionally significant is as written in the adopted Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the group reviewed that definition. Rebecca will flag that definition to be reviewed when we do the RTP update, but okay for now. Rebecca noted that she had received some updates from City of Pullman on secured versus planned projects and would update the charts in the RTIP accordingly. Sean moved to have TAC recommend Policy Board approval of the final draft RTIP with the minor edits discussed. James seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### 4. Member comments relative to the RTPO

- a. **Project Updates from Member Agencies.** City of Pullman, City of Colfax, Garfield County, and Whitman County provided general updates on projects and activities.
- b. **General Comments for the Good of the Order.** Rebecca reported that the RTPO was unsuccessful in the grant application process for the Tribal and Rural Assistance Pilot Program that was going to be used to support the Pullman/Whitman Freight Alternatives Study.
- 5. Adjourn next meeting scheduled for February 27, 2024.

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