



## Fact Sheet for the Carson Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

### What is CAMPO?

In 2003, the Governor of Nevada designated CAMPO as the agency responsible for short and long-range metropolitan transportation planning in the Carson City urbanized area, which consists of **Carson City**, **northern Douglas County**, and **western Lyon County**. CAMPO is housed within Carson City Public Works, but is independently governed by a seven-member board. CAMPO Board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month. CAMPO Board Members are:

- Gregory Novak, Chairperson, Carson City
- Lucia Maloney, Vice Chairperson, Carson City
- Lori Bagwell, Mayor of Carson City
- Lisa Schuette, Carson City Supervisor
- Robert (Jim) Dodson, Carson City
- Mr. John Cassinelli, Lyon County Commissioner
- Jon Erb, Douglas County
- Rebecca Kapuler, Nevada Department of Transportation (ex-officio member)

### Why does CAMPO exist?

Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), such as CAMPO, have been in existence since the 1960s. MPOs perform planning activities that encourage and promote the safe and efficient management, operation, and development of surface transportation systems that will serve the mobility needs of people and freight, foster economic growth and development within and between States, and urbanized areas, to better connect housing and employment.

MPOs receive federal funding for their operations, for planning activities, and to assist agencies in funding construction projects. Requirements for MPOs are described in federal law under Title 23, Section 134 of the United States Code.

### What are the benefits?

CAMPO helps agencies identify and plan for future transportation needs. CAMPO receives federal funding from the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) that can be used to fund a variety of planning and construction projects. CAMPO helps agencies deliver regional projects more efficiently. Whether it is through planning studies, coordination with NDOT and other partner agencies, or grant support, the planning activities that CAMPO provides result in more cohesive, comprehensive, and cost-effective projects.



## What does CAMPO do?

CAMPO completes short and long-range transportation planning for the region. It models traffic flow, reviews changes in population and land use, and analyzes future transportation needs. CAMPO reviews and considers regional project priorities through documents such as the Regional Transportation Plan.

CAMPO provides funding to local agencies and NDOT for construction projects of different types, including for roadways, bridges, pathways, and sidewalks. CAMPO also utilizes its funding resources for data collection and analysis, and partners with NDOT and local agencies to leverage additional federal funding through grants or to champion specific projects.

CAMPO also receives and oversees transit funding for the operation of Jump Around Carson and other related projects.

To assist in transportation planning, CAMPO maintains the following required documents

- **Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)** – This is a statement of work identifying the planning priorities and activities to be undertaken within the CAMPO planning area during the next two-years.
- **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** – The TIP is a prioritized list of transportation projects spanning a four-year period. The projects in this list are considered to be funded.
- **Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)** – The RTP is the official multimodal transportation plan that addresses a minimum 20-year planning horizon.
- **Public Participation Plan (PPP)** – The PPP describes the procedures, strategies and desired outcomes of the public participation process.

## How Much Funding?

There will never be enough money to build all the needed projects, so we have to be smart in how we select and prioritize those projects. We must ensure that the transportation funding we do receive is spent on the highest priority projects, considering the needs of all users and modes of transportation.

For an example of how federal funding can benefit Carson City in the delivery of projects, the Carson City RTC reported that between fiscal years 2020 and 2025, the RTC, CAMPO, and local agencies leveraged just \$10,581.394 in matching funds from limited local sources to secure \$45,240,145 in competitive/discretionary state and federal transportation-related funding, for a total of \$ 55,821,539 in transportation planning activities, transit, and capital construction projects.

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