

# Transportation Master Plan (TMP)

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The Transportation Master Plan (TMP) provides the policy basis for how transportation funding is spent, and what projects or programs the city focuses on to provide transportation services for its citizens through the year 2025. The TMP sets these projects and programs within the context of the broader community goals to protect the natural environment and enhance Boulder's quality of life. The city of Boulder's TMP was first adopted in 1989 and was later updated in 1996. The city tries to update its master plans about every five years (update process).

With the 2003 TMP Update, the city established the TMP Web site as a more accessible, user friendly, cost-effective and informative presentation of the community's transportation direction. This site contains all the material from the document (6.86 MB) that was adopted by the City Council on Sept. 16, 2003 as well as extensive background material developed through the update process. As this is the city's first presentation of a Web-based master plan, the site is still in a development mode and will continue to be improved, based on user comments and suggestions. In addition, the site contains the interactive "Map It" application allowing anyone with a Web browser to explore the existing and planned transportation system.

City Council recently approved a refined minor amendment process (45.87 KB) for the 2003 TMP. This amendment process addresses what are considered to be "house keeping" or administrative amendments and minor facility changes to the TMP. The amendment process identifies different amendment types and suggested associated reviews. By being able to make minor adjustments to the TMP outside the five-year major update process, staff can keep the TMP, including the online mapping component and Web site, in agreement with existing conditions and real-world changes that occur in between the five-year major updates. It will also save staff time and financial resources during the major update process.

Another new element of the TMP is a fiscally constrained investment program of how to use the revenue the city expects to have from current funding sources and an Action Plan of how the city would invest in the next steps of developing a multimodal transportation system if additional revenue becomes available.