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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

* MTP Update
* 2009 Committee Meeting Schedules
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Working Together for a Brighter Future: Updating the Metropolitan Transportation Plan

With Spring nearing many individuals are creating a to-do list of home improvement projects; in much the same way the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is a to-do list for the urbanized areas of San Juan County and the Cities of Aztec, Bloomfield and Farmington. When it was adopted by the MPO Policy Committee in April 2005, the 2030 MTP identified several categories of projects that were to be included for implementation that reasonably could be completed in 25 years.

In much the same way, the MTP update will look at various projects that can be completed in the next 25 years. These projects will become the roadmap for future projects within the MPO boundaries. Many individuals wish that they could make a lasting impression on their community. This is your chance to provide input and help evaluate what projects and improvements are needed in the area and within your community.

The Farmington MPO will start with the 2030 MTP, and begin to make changes and add new projects with your participation. Additions to this list can include a variety of transportation projects—from sidewalks to buses and roads, to bike routes and freight and industrial corridors. This process began with the Farmington MPO Open House on November 8, 2008 and will continue into 2010. As we continue to work on this Plan update this coming year, there will be a variety of ways to get involved. These opportunities will be announced in the upcoming issues of the Farmington MPO Newsletter and advertised in local newspapers. Check the MPO website for the latest information. To share your opinions or schedule a presentation for your group or organization, please contact Dee Dee Moore by calling 505 599-1466 or email dmoore@fmtn.org.

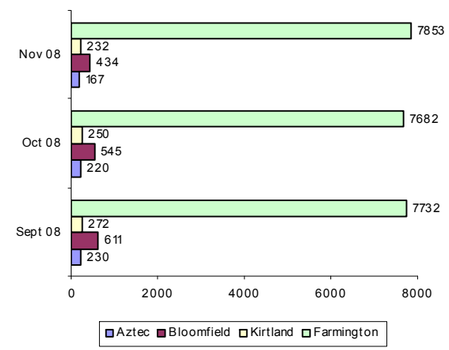
New Surveys Available on our Website at:

www.farmingtonmpo.org

Safe Routes to School

The City of Farmington submitted an application to NMDOT to receive $15,000 to assist with ongoing Safe Routes to School activities. A local parent has been championing the cause in conjunction with the City, the MPO, San Juan College, and others. It is expected that NMDOT will award the SRTS grants . to successful applicants in March.

Red Apple Transit



TECHNICAL COMMITTEE		POLICY COMMITTEE	
10:00 a.m. - 4th Thursday of the month (except as noted)		1:30 p.m. - 2nd Thursday of the month (except as noted)	
January 29, 2009	Farmington Municipal Building Executive Conference Room, 800 Municipal Dr., Farmington, NM	January 8, 2009 (5:30pm)	Executive Conference Room Farmington Municipal Building 800 Municipal Drive Farmington, NM
February 26, 2009	Aztec City Hall Commission Chambers 201 W. Chacho, Aztec, NM		
March 26, 2009	Bloomfield City Hall City Council Chambers 915 N. First St., Bloomfield, NM	March 12, 2009	City Council Chambers Bloomfield City Hall 915 N. First St. Bloomfield, NM
April 23, 2009	Farmington Municipal Building Executive Conference Room, 800 Municipal Dr., Farmington, NM	April 9, 2009	Commission Chambers San Juan County Administrative Building 100 S. Oliver Aztec, NM
May 28, 2009	San Juan County Administrative Building Commission Chambers 100 S. Oliver, Aztec, NM		
June 25, 2009	Bloomfield City Hall City Council Chambers 915 N. First St., Bloomfield, NM		
July 23, 2009	Farmington Municipal Building Executive Conference Room, 800 Municipal Dr., Farmington, NM	June 11, 2009	Executive Conference Room Farmington Municipal Building 800 Municipal Drive Farmington, NM
August 27, 2009	San Juan County Administrative Building Commission Chambers 100 S. Oliver, Aztec, NM		
September 24, 2009	Bloomfield City Hall City Council Chambers 915 N. First St., Bloomfield, NM	September 10, 2009	City Council Chambers Bloomfield City Hall 915 N. First St. Bloomfield, NM
October 22, 2009	Farmington Municipal Building Executive Conference Room, 800 Municipal Dr., Farmington, NM	November 12, 2009	Commission Room Aztec City Hall 201 W. Chaco St. Aztec, NM
November 19, 2009	Aztec City Hall Commission Chambers 201 W. Chaco, Aztec, NM		
December 10, 2009	Bloomfield City Hall City Council Chambers 915 N. First St., Bloomfield, NM		

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Access Management Plan (AMP)

The Farmington MPO Access Management Plan was adopted by the Policy Committee on January 8, 2009. The plan defines policies and standards that can be used by the members of the Farmington MPO in their efforts to maintain capacity of regional roadways and promote safety. The access management strategies will help to
reduce conflict points and preserve the intended function of roads classified as collector and arterial in the MPO area.

Over the next couple of months, the MPO will seek adoption of the access management plan by the local governments. Through adoption of this document, it will allow the local governments to incorporate the access management policies and standards into the Unified Development Code and the subdivision regulations currently in place.
Adoption of the plan at the regional and local levels will ensure access management is consistent among the four local governments.

Regional Transportation Presentation Available

Need a speaker for your college, church, business, civic or neighborhood group meeting? The MPO's planning process brings in federal and state transportation dollars annually to our communities to improve roadways, transit, bikeways, and sidewalks.

Ask for our MPO 101 presentation to learn how improved access and mobility can make our communities a better place to live, work, breathe and play.

If interested, please contact Dee Dee Moore at 505 599-14666 or at dmoore@fmtn.org. For more information on the MPO, please visit www.farmingtonmpo.org

Transportation Survey

In November 2008 the Farmington Metropolitan Planning Organization (FMPO) conducted its first Regional Transportation Survey for the MTP Update. The MPO issued this Survey as part of the MTP 2035 update process.

The goal of the survey is to gather statistically valid data regarding public perceptions of regional transportation needs and issues. In addition to transportation needs and issues, we will also be gathering information about air quality, freight movement and other environmental issues.

Surveys will be completed using a combination of email and paper surveys. Please see the Farmington MPO website for a copy of the survey.

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