

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF WYOMING

The Transportation Commission of Wyoming met via Zoom and in person June 19-20, 2024 in Cheyenne. Secretary Casner convened the meeting at 1:03 p.m. on June 19th, and Chairman Pro Tempore Lyman convened the meeting at 8:30 a.m. on June 20th. The following members were present both days, constituting a quorum.

Commissioner Micheal Baker, Thermopolis, *via Zoom on June 19th only*
Commissioner Patrick Crank, Cheyenne
Commissioner Mark Hughes, Sundance
Commissioner Brandt Lyman, Rock Springs, *elected Speaker Pro Tempore*
Commissioner Jim Willox, Douglas
Commission Secretary Caitlin Casner
Director Darin J. Westby

Others present and participating in the meeting: Dennis Byrne, Chief Financial Officer (CFO); Colonel Timothy Cameron, Wyoming Highway Patrol (WHP); Mark Gillett, Chief Engineer; Tom DeHoff, Assistant Chief Engineer, Operations; Keith Fulton, Assistant Chief Engineer, Engineering and Planning; Nathan Smolinski, Chief Technology Officer; Captain Timothy Romig and Sergeant Jason Sawdon, WHP; MacKenzie Sewell, Assistant Attorney General; Mike Kahler, Senior Assistant Attorney General; Brian Olsen, Aeronautics Administrator; Rodney Freier, Budget Program Manager; Justin Huntley, Facilities Manager; Doug McGee, Public Affairs; Taylor Rossetti, Support Services Administrator; Debbie Lopez, Motor Vehicle Services Manager; Hank Rettinger, Federal Highway Administration; John Davis, Management Services Manager; James Dahill, Chief Engineering Geologist; Kacey Brown, Management Services Analyst; Nicholas Gronski, Procurement Services Manager; Lacey Bruckner, Compliance and Investigation Supervisor; Bob Stauffacher, Compliance and Investigation Program Manager; Dave Sheppard and Todd Mattson, HDR, Inc.; Dan Benford, Association of General Contractors-Wyoming (AGC-WY); Senator Stephan Pappas; Susan Elliott, Executive Assistant; Kimberly Chapman, Public Safety Communications Commission and Aeronautics Commission Secretary.

June 19, 2024

1. WYO 22/Teton Pass Update: Mr. DeHoff presented an update regarding the WYO 22/Teton Pass slides and resulting damages. DeHoff also thanked all WYDOT staff for their swift response to this incident, and explained the exact location of the damages. Images of the damage were presented as well as pictures of the current status of the road, including the specifics of the detour that will be open to the public soon. Also discussed were construction materials used for the damages, and Mr. DeHoff advised that Evans Construction of Jackson has been working 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to complete the repairs as soon as possible. Safety measures have also been put in place, including use of an inclinometer to measure any slide and displacement amounts.

Commissioner Baker joined the meeting at 1:07 p.m.

Commissioner Lyman confirmed with Mr. DeHoff that this road had previously been repaired and was being monitored by several departments within WYDOT. Mr. Dahill explained that catastrophic failures such as what happened on WYO 22 are very rare, and explained what may have led to the damages, including several weather changes and super saturation of the land.

Based on the information presented, Commissioner Crank recommended updating the language on the resolution portion of the Emergency Rules that will be presented at the June 20th meeting.

Mr. Dahill described for the Commission drainage efforts being put in place on WYO 22 that will help mitigate any future damages, including installation of a box culvert.

Mr. DeHoff advised that several of the repairs being made are expected to be a permanent fix, and documents to procure emergency funding from the FHWA have been submitted.

Commissioner Lyman asked if these repairs will have an impact on the in progress WYO 22/Highway 390 project. Mr. DeHoff explained that these repairs have not caused any delays, and in some ways, has helped the project progress as there is less traffic to deal with.

Commissioner Baker left the meeting at 1:53 p.m.

Director Westby also thanked all those involved in all aspects of the repairs, and expressed high confidence that this project will be completed in a timely and safe manner to allow the public to continue travel.

2. Highway Patrol Report: Col. Cameron presented the Fatal Crash Summary through May 31, 2024, which includes 29 fatal crashes involving 32 deaths. The fatalities include multi-vehicle crashes and commercial crashes.

There have been nine fatal crashes deemed drug or alcohol related, resulting in ten deaths through May 2024.

Of the 32 deaths this year, 16 were attributed to not using occupant restraints, rollover crashes, multi-car collisions, or fixed objects. Four perished that were under 21 years old.

Of the 29 fatal crashes so far this year, it is unknown whether 15 of those drivers had no distractions. Two drivers were distracted, and 16 were not.

Of the 29 fatal crashes that have occurred this year, seven occurred on city/county roads, 15 occurred on primary/secondary highways, and seven occurred on interstate highways.

The days of the week for fatal crashes in 2024 are as follows:

Sunday	2 crashes
Monday	3 crashes
Tuesday	3 crashes

Wednesday	5 crashes
Thursday	1 crash
Friday	8 crashes
Saturday	7 crashes

The times of day for fatal crashes in 2024 are as follows:

12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.	5 crashes
6:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	4 crashes
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	13 crashes
6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.	7 crashes

There were 1,954 patrol investigated crashes so far in 2024.

Captain Romig and Sergeant Sawdon presented to the Commission regarding rigging costs and procedures for WHP vehicles. Also discussed was the potential cost to bring rigging efforts in-house as well as what would be needed to do so versus continuing to use outside vendors.

Commission recessed to break at 2:26 p.m.

Commission returned to public session at 2:31 p.m.

4. Chief Technology Officer's Report: Mr. Smolinski presented the Chief Technology Officer's Report.

WyoLink: Mr. Smolinski summarized the WyoLink map provided to the Commission and briefly described current projects. Mr. Smolinski also summarized the Top 20 talk groups, and advised that this information is constantly analyzed and there are no concerns at this time.

In the last week, a major system upgrade occurred, which brought the system ahead by five versions. Upgrades will continue to occur in the near future, which will bring WyoLink into a protected status.

Technicians are ramping up for the season, and site access is beginning to open up, which will allow for tower climbing, site repair, upgrades, and inspections.

Mr. Smolinski advised that two compact First Net devices were recently deployed in the Snake River Canyon in order to assist all those involved in efforts of cleaning up and repairing the recent damages on WYO 22.

Mr. Smolinski reminded the Commission of Critical Connect, which allows cell service to be put over on to WyoLink. Several state and local agencies are taking advantage of this program, especially since it allows those areas with lower budgets to operate on the system, avoid costly purchases, and increase communication.

At this time, all state agencies are to be working to transition some responsibilities to Enterprise Technology Systems (ETS). However, there has been some difficulty as WYDOT operates on a 24 hours a day, 7 days a week basis, so Mr. Smolinski and staff continue to work to clarify responsibilities and duties.

Mr. Smolinski and his staff are continuing to focus efforts on e-911, including outage procedures and notifications as well as draft legislation that may be necessary to enhance this service.

Commissioner Willox asked what the status was of integrating county road closures into the 511 map system. Mr. Smolinski explained that there are Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with 22 counties and WYDOT continues to work with Google and other platforms to increase accuracy and improve information distributed when there is a road closure.

3. Director Westby presented the Aeronautics Report on behalf of Mr. Olsen, beginning with the May 2024 Aeronautics Flight Operations Passenger Summary Report.

Federal Update: Mr. Olsen reminded the Commission that work continues on the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations. Mr. Olsen and his team are advocating for funding to be appropriated at the levels prior authorization has set. However, at this time, it seems unlikely that a funding bill will be passed this year, so there may be some Continuing Resolutions.

The FAA Reauthorization has become law, and their leadership will be working to determine how to interpret and implement this new law.

On May 11th, the House Corporation Committee passed their version of a Department of Homeland Security bill. One important aspect included in their version is a restoration of the \$45 million law enforcement reimbursement program. In this program, the TSA wants airports to have law enforcement that are able to respond to incidents within 15 minutes, and if this is not impossible law enforcement must be provided on flights. Director Westby will have Mr. Olsen contact Commissioner Willox with additional information on this program.

Division and Airport Updates: The National Association of State Aviation Officials (NASAO) recently asked Wyoming to chair a working group and identify challenges and solutions regarding small community air service. Director Westby stated that several other states have marketing and grant programs for service development, but Wyoming is the leader in this area.

Commercial service airports recently met to discuss a statewide spare firefighting truck, which would be relocated as needed.

The Cody commercial terminal expansion was recently dedicated to the late Senator Hank Coe, and Aeronautics Commission Chair McCormack spoke at this event and discussed Senator Coe's influence on air service in Wyoming.

On May 23, it was announced that Casper is not the new location of the Championship Air Races.

Air Service News: Load factors in Wyoming in May increased from April levels, and numbers are looking strong for June. Rock Springs and Riverton have added another flight to their service each day of the week, and Riverton has not seen a drop in bookings as a result. Rock Springs has seen a small drop, which may be due to the time of the second flight and does not reflect interest in that flight.

Director Westby also noted that airlines continue to suffer heavily from delivery delays of Boeing and Airbus products. Pratt and Whitney has been having problems with their geared turbo fan engine, which is in use by several 320 Airbus products. Several of the aircraft using these products have been grounded as well. Pilot training programs have also halted, which may help Wyoming pilot staffing levels for smaller flights.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Lyman at 2:56 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19, 2024.

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5. Pledge of Allegiance: Chair Lyman led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

7A. May 15-16, 2024 Business Meeting Minutes: It was recommended by Secretary Casner, moved by Commissioner Hughes and seconded by Commissioner Willox to approve the May 15-16, 2024 Business Meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

7B. April 18, 2024 Executive Session Minutes: It was recommended by Secretary Casner, moved by Commissioner Willox, and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to approve the April 18, 2024 Executive Session minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

9A. HDR Update: Mr. Mattson and Mr. Sheppard presented to the Commission regarding questions posed by the Commission at the April 2024 Commission meeting.

Mr. Mattson discussed the financial implications of leasing a new space versus building a new space for WYDOT, as well as lifecycle comparisons and expectations. HDR also spoke with local realtors and local partners to determine other costs, such as moving and furniture costs. Mr. Sheppard explained costs per square foot, improvement costs, lease terms, growth expectations, and advised that after examining a 20 year period, new construction is a less expensive option than leasing a building.

Mr. Byrne advised the Commission that there could potentially be federal funding available for a portion of costs related to the Transportation Management Center (TMC). Commissioner Hughes asked Director Westby if there would be one aspect of the space utilization project that would be more important than the others if the amount of funding to complete the project was not available. Director Westby advised that there are several priorities, including moving the TMC and Highway Patrol Dispatch to the main WYDOT campus, but there could be several repercussions from such a move.

It was recommended by Mr. DeHoff to proceed with the level two design and programming for the proposed renovations of existing buildings and construction of a new building on the headquarters campus.

Mr. DeHoff clarified that the potential \$3 million level two fees would get the final design plans ready to go out to bid.

Commissioner Hughes asked if any other programs would be jeopardized if money currently held as well as money from the carbon reduction program was used to fund this project. Director Westby advised that most likely, no other programs would be jeopardized.

Commissioner Crank reminded the Commission that at this time there is \$25 million set aside for facility improvements, which can be used for whatever the Commission desires. Jackson housing costs are included in this \$25 million and accounts for \$5 million. The Commission has not voted to allot the remainder of the money to the TMC and Dispatch, and he believes the current fund is a savings account for facilities, although it is listed in the current budget as the TMC and Dispatch.

Commissioner Crank expressed concern that there may be effects on other projects and funding sources if Mr. DeHoff's recommendation is followed.

Commissioner Hughes moved to adopt Mr. DeHoff's recommendation, and was seconded by Commissioner Willox.

Commissioner Crank questioned where the \$3 million will come from, and is opposed to taking money from the facilities account to cover this expense. Crank would also like to see more information on moving in to another state-owned facility, and Commissioner Lyman clarified with Director Westby that even after today's vote, the ability to include leases as part of the level two design is available.

The motion carried with a vote of 3-1. *Commissioner Crank voted no on this motion.*

9B. Chapter 5-Vehicle Dealers Initial Review: Mr. Rossetti, Mr. Stauffacher, and Ms. Bruckner presented the initial review of Chapter 5 regarding vehicle dealers and summarized the updates from the current version.

It was recommended by Mr. Rossetti, moved by Commission Hughes, and seconded by Commissioner Willox to move the Chapter 5 rules through the next steps of the rulemaking process. The motion carried unanimously.

Commission recessed to break at 9:42 a.m.

Commission returned to public session at 9:54 a.m.

9C. Emergency Rulemaking for Alternative Contracting: Mr. Fulton presented the emergency rule updates to Chapter 32 regarding alternate design and construction delivery methods.

Mr. Fulton explained the benefits of using alternate design and delivery methods, including allowing for a shorter completion timeframe, the roles and responsibilities of WYDOT and contractor, and the ability to break out certain portions of projects to allow for earlier completion. These emergency rules would be able to be used for 120 days and then renewed for another 120 days, during which time WYDOT will be drafting permanent rules.

It was recommended by Mr. Fulton, moved by Commissioner Willox, and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to adopt the resolution and the proposed emergency rules and forward them to the Governor for approval.

Commissioner Crank requested that Commissioner Lyman be on the final selection committee for projects being completed under this rule.

Director Westby thanked all involved in the drafting of this emergency rule including the Attorney General's office and the Governor's office.

The motion carried unanimously.

10. Director's Report: Director Westby thanked the Commission for making the necessary efforts to have two emergency meetings in the last week regarding the recent issues on WYO 22.

Westby advised that WYDOT was recently asked by the Governor's office and the Department of Homeland Security to look at WYDOT's existing photogrammetry and survey plane and see if it could be retrofitted to help with efforts on the Texas border. WYDOT has been examining what are physical and actual costs, and it appears that retrofitting the plane would cost over \$1 million. Pilots and wear and tear as well as longevity are all also being taken into account before WYDOT formally responds to the Governor and the Department of Homeland Security.

Director Westby and Mr. DeHoff recently attended a panel for the National Coalition for Open Roads in Utah. Westby and DeHoff explained road closure reasons in Wyoming as well as issues with driver behavior.

WYDOT staff recently attended a Joint Transportation, Highways, and Military Affairs Committee and presented several statute cleanup sections. The Committee agreed to move forward with all of the changes proposed by Misty Zimmerman, the Driver Services Program Manager, which addressed permanent placards, driver's licenses, and identification cards.

At this meeting, electric vehicle taxation was discussed and will be brought forward in the interim session.

Colonel Cameron also addressed with legislators suggestions for a primary seat belt law, usage of handheld devices, usage of child safety seats, and a crash reporting threshold.

On June 5th, Director Westby and staff met with Teton County officials regarding the WYO 22 and Highway 390 interchange project. Additional crews were brought in and there was favorable execution of the expedited work, which will result in the new bridge being utilized beginning July 3. The STIP process was also discussed with Teton County, and was deemed a successful meeting.

The Civil Rights Division recently went through an FHWA compliance review over the Title Six portion. The review went very well and was efficient, and there were no significant findings brought forward.

Director Westby advised the Commission that WYDOT has worked with local teams on the WYO 22 slides to determine cause, detour options, design, alignment, and reconstruction. Mr. Westby advised that he has been encouraged by members of the public and leadership in that area to continue excellent communication regarding the entire process of reconstruction. Westby had a town hall with Senators Lummis and Barrasso regarding the damages, and thanked all involved with emergency approvals. Director Westby also thanked all contractors for their timeliness in responding to requests for bids and project requirements.

WYDOT was recently visited by Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg. WYDOT was able to showcase operations, including how technologically advanced several areas are such as the TMC, as well as how Wyoming has helped other state Departments of Transportation improve their operations.

Westby advised the Commission that FHWA Administrator Shaylyn Bott was recently in Yellowstone granting a \$22 million grant for road projects, but was unable to view the WYO 22 damage.

WYDOT continues to work with other state agencies on topics such as ownership of monuments on WYDOT property and future wildlife crossing grant applications.

Commissioner Crank suggested the Department emphasize DUI enforcement through advertisements and partnerships with local law enforcement. Director Westby advised that such efforts are already occurring, but he will have staff continue to emphasize the importance of working together and public safety.

Commission recessed to break at 10:43 a.m.

Commission returned to public session at 10:48 a.m.

11. Mr. Rossetti presented the Support Services Report.

11A. Exempt Plates Update: Motor Vehicle Services Manager Debbie Lopez presented to the Commission regarding exempt plates, and recommended condensing the amount of different exempt plates offered. This would save time for staff, especially during the design, manufacture, and issuance of exempt plates. Costs for WYDOT would also be reduced if the amount of exempt plates offered were condensed. This changes would result in only one style of plate issued to all those meeting exemption requirements.

Employment Summary: WYDOT employed 1,808 personnel as of May 28, 2024, compared to 1,831 a month ago and 1,766 one year ago.

Commissioner Crank confirmed with Mr. Rossetti that progress is being made towards filling open positions in Highway Patrol Dispatch, and attributed this progress in part to salary adjustments approved by the Commission.

Mr. Rossetti gave a brief overview of the pension plan characteristics of the Wyoming Retirement System as well as a summary of retirement eligible WYDOT employees as of 12/31/2023. Mr. Rossetti will be able to give a further update in the fall when the Department of Administration and Information completes their workforce study.

Mr. Rossetti also reminded the Commission that the Alumni Association for the University of Wyoming recently put out options for plate design for the 2025 reissuance, and presented the chosen design, which was decided on by an overwhelming majority. Mr. Rossetti also presented the chosen design for the 2025 reissuance of the Wildlife Conservation plates.

12. Mr. Byrne presented the Chief Financial Officer's Report.

12A. Monthly Budget Report: Mr. Freier presented the monthly budget report. Overall, the budget report revealed that the Commission budget was 63 percent expended, and the legislative budget was 79 percent expended in Fiscal Year 2024.

12B. Award of Procurement Services Bids. It was recommended by Mr. Byrne, moved by Commissioner Hughes, and seconded by Commissioner Crank to move Bid Numbers 24-172NG, 24-173NG, and 24-176AC to a consent list. The motion carried unanimously.

It was recommended by Mr. Byrne, moved by Commissioner Willox and seconded by Commissioner Crank to approve, by consent, the following bids and requisitions. The motion carried unanimously.

- Bid Number 24-172NG to furnish 80,000 gallons of aviation fuel to the department located in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Avfuel Corp., of Ann Arbor, Michigan, for the sum of \$225,894.40.
- Bid Number 24-173NG to furnish unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel to the department statewide. The bid was awarded to Perkins Oil Co., of Rawlins, Wyoming, Homax Oil Sales, of Casper, Wyoming, Ellenbecker Oil, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, Reladyne West, LLC, of Evanston, Wyoming, Conrad and Bischoff, of Afton, Wyoming, Murdoch Oil, Inc., of Greybull, Wyoming and Bailey Enterprises, Inc, of Riverton, Wyoming. The total sum awarded was \$9,802,587.67.
- Bid Number 24-176AC to furnish 36 communication towers to the department located in Casper. The bid was awarded to Rohn Products, LLC, of Peoria, Illinois, for the sum of \$202,500.00.

13. Chief Engineer's Report: Mr. Gillett introduced Josh Cunningham, the Acting Division Administrator for Wyoming. Mr. Cunningham has 15 years of service with FHWA and was previously employed as a bridge engineer with the Arkansas Department of Transportation. Mr. Gillett also acknowledged Mr. Benford of the Wyoming Association of General Contractors.

Mr. Gillett updated the Commission regarding the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), including a recent Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFO). The first NOFO is for the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure discretionary grant program, known as the CFI Program. Round two for this program is a competitive grant program to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging and alternative fueling infrastructure. This program provides two grant categories, the first of which is the community charging and fueling grants, called the Community Program. The second category is for alternative fuel corridor grants.

The second NOFO released is for advanced digital construction management systems. This NOFO is currently in round two as well. Programs intended to promote, implement, deploy, demonstrate, showcase, support and document the application of advanced digital construction management systems are targeted with this NOFO, but the grant only applies to state Departments of Transportation and provides up to \$72 million in funding.

Mr. Gillett provided an update on the pending McMillan court case. The Attorney General's office recently filed a motion to dismiss the McMillan case. McMillan is suing for a breach of contract for differing site conditions concerning deer fence post hole excavation on the Dry Piney/US 189 wildlife crossing project. McMillan filed a memorandum in opposition to WYDOT's motion to dismiss. On June 7th, the Attorney General's office filed a reply to this memorandum.

Mr. Gillett and John Davis recently attended the annual Beartooth Steering Committee meeting. This committee is made up of the Montana DOT, WYDOT, Yellowstone National Park, U.S. Forest Service, and the FHWA central federal lands division. The Beartooth Steering Committee's purpose is to find funding and keep US Highway 212 from Red Lodge, Montana to the northeast entrance of Yellowstone Park open. This is for the benefit of the park as well as both states, but the highway has been deemed the "orphan highway" as ownership has not been determined. WYDOT was asked to take a portion of this road onto its system, and WYDOT agreed to present this to the Commission, provided two requirements were met. The first requirement is that the road has to meet WYDOT standards, and the second requirement is that the route would not be encumbered by designation on the National Register of Historic Places. WYDOT has not pursued ownership of this road, but has participated in acquiring funding to reconstruct the road. Mr. Gillett stated that he advised the Committee WYDOT would most likely only contribute to future funding if there was a grant available, or a congressional earmark or other outside source that would not affect normal WYDOT funds. Mr. Gillett and Mr. Davis left the meeting agreeing to attend future meetings to discuss potential funding sources.

13Ai. Mr. Fulton presented the Engineering and Planning Report, beginning with the bid tabulations from the June 13, 2024 letting.

State Project SCP-TC-B243019 for contract patching (mill and overlay) on approximately 9.66 miles at various locations in Transportation District 3. Completion Date: October 31, 2024.

<i>Engineer's Estimate</i>	\$4,395,835.00	
Evans Construction Company, Jackson, WY	\$4,444,490.00	1.1%
Avail Valley Construction-WY, LLC, Afton, WY	\$5,636,316.00	

It was recommended by Mr. Fulton, moved by Commissioner Hughes and seconded by Commissioner Crank that Evans Construction Company, of Jackson, Wyoming, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as the responsive low bidder. The motion carried unanimously. FHWA concurred with this decision.

Federal Project STP-BR-1202032 involving bridge rehabilitation on one bridge (emergency abutment repair) at RM 4.43 on WYO 233 on Hams Fork Road. Completion Date: November 30, 2024.

<i>Engineer's Estimate</i>	\$421,100.00	
Reiman Corp., Cheyenne, WY	\$374,676.50	-11.0%

It was recommended by Mr. Fulton, moved by Commissioner Willox and seconded by Commissioner Hughes that Reiman Corp., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The motion carried unanimously.

13Aii. June FY 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Addendum: Mr. Fulton presented the June FY 2024 STIP Addendum.

It was recommended by Mr. DeHoff, moved by Commissioner Willox and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to approve the June FY 2024 STIP addendum. The motion carried unanimously.

13Aiii. Commission Highway Design Projects Updates: Mr. Fulton provided status updates regarding projects I804276 Rawlins-Creston Junction/County Line East Eastbound Lanes and WL32304 Kemmerer South Crossing.

13Aiv. Right of Way Relinquishment: It was recommended by Mr. Fulton, moved by Commissioner Crank, and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to approve the following Resolution for Relinquishment. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION FOR RELINQUISHMENT

WHEREAS, under the provisions and authority of W.S. 24-3-126, the Transportation Commission of Wyoming may abandon or relinquish any portion of a state highway upon reconstruction or relocation of an existing state highway; and

WHEREAS, a portion of Wyoming Department of Transportation's right-of-way for 85, Goshen County, Wyoming, established under Wyoming State Highway Federal Aid Project No. N253081 is no longer needed for state highway or public use purposes. Said portion being described as follows:

PARCEL 23-000375:

WYDOT Project No. N253081

A parcel of land situate in the S1/2SW1/4 of Section 10 and the NW1/4 of Section 15, T. 24 N., R. 61 W., of the 6th P.M. Goshen County Wyoming, described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at the southerly right of way boundary of Burlington Northern Railroad monumented by a Wyoming Highway Department ROW monument, from which the corner common to Sections 10, 11, 14 and 15, bears N. 81° 06' 44.2" W. a distance of 4,071.20 feet, monument by a 2 inch Brass Cap, stamped P.E.L.S 677, as shown on that Record of Survey prepared by Robert W. Taylor, PLS 3891, recorded September 16, 2008 in Document No. 890252 of the Goshen County Records, Basis of Bearing;

thence S. 00° 50' 34.2" E. a distance of 1,101.51 feet;
thence S. 00° 47' 45.1" E. a distance of 44.06 feet;
thence N. 89° 12' 15.1" E. a distance of 27.00 feet;
thence S. 01° 47' 58.1" E. a distance of 816.98 feet to the northerly right of way boundary of US 85 realignment and the east right of way boundary of US 85;
thence N. 89° 59' 35.0" W. a distance of 121.32 feet;
thence N. 00° 47' 45.1" W. a distance of 1,059.09 feet;
thence N. 00° 50' 34.3" W. a distance of 60.00 feet;
thence N. 00° 50' 34.2" W. a distance of 300.00 feet;
thence N. 00° 50' 34.4" W. a distance of 66.00 feet;
thence N. 00° 50' 34.2" W. a distance of 463.23 feet;
thence N. 00° 50' 34.5" W. a distance of 54.62 feet;
thence N. 00° 50' 34.2" W. a distance of 193.72 feet;
thence S. 66° 36' 59.9" E. a distance of 87.73 feet to the point of beginning.

The above described parcel of land contains 202,228 square feet (4.64 acres), more or less.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Commission of Wyoming hereby relinquishes the above-described land to the City of as provided for under provisions and authority of W.S. 24-3-126.

13B. Mr. DeHoff presented the Operations Report.

Mr. DeHoff thanked Bryan Wenger for facilitating the tour of the rigging shop for the Commission.

Mr. DeHoff advised that all seasonal passes were open before Memorial Day weekend. There was snow over Memorial Day weekend, so the passes did have to temporarily close, but have re-opened.

Maintenance: Crews are continuing to prepare equipment for summer operations, and are completing projects such as asphalt patching, cleaning, and repairing delineators. However, a small amount of plows remain rigged for any emergency situations that may arise.

The state hot plant is currently set up in Guernsey and is producing hot mix for District 2 crews. District 2 will use the plant for approximately a month, and then the plant will be moved to District 1. Other districts are paving and patching various roads, but are utilizing commercial hot plants in their area.

WYDOT has continued to monitor for flooding, and has partnered with the Department of Homeland Security on possible flooding calls in Albany and Niobrara counties. However, there have been no major flooding events.

Construction: There are currently 51 active projects around the state. Several of these projects are being wrapped up before major events in towns, but all projects are progressing as planned.

Districts are preparing and scheduling local STIP presentations in July and August, and Mr. DeHoff encouraged to attend presentations as their schedule allows.

Traffic: Stripers are currently out refreshing paint, and the paint supply is adequate. WYDOT has received the first of two deliveries for the summer, and the second delivery is expected to be delivered on schedule.

Facilities: All facilities are open at this time.

14. July 2024 Commission Meeting: Secretary Casner advised that the July 2024 meeting will be held virtually, via Zoom. There will be no Education Session and all topics will be discussed on July 18th.

15B. Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Crank thanked staff for all their work on the catastrophic failure on WYO 22. Crank emphasized the importance of this road and how it helps all in that area. Commissioner Willox echoed Commissioner Crank's comments, and also expressed appreciation for the rigging shop tour. Commissioner Hughes also thanked the rigging shop for their information, and complimented Doug McGee and Public Affairs on all of their efforts. Mr. Hughes also thanked Mr. Byrne, Mr. Freier, Director Westby, Mr. Gillett, and Mr. Fulton for their work. Commissioner Lyman echoed all prior comments, and advised that he recently attended the Joint Transportation Committee meeting in Rock Springs. Mr. Lyman encouraged other Commissioners to attend legislative meetings when possible.

17. It was moved by Commissioner Crank and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to adjourn the meeting at 12:16 p.m. on Thursday, June 20, 2024. The motion carried unanimously.