

2040 Transportation Plan

Frequently Asked Questions

Why is the 2040 Transportation Plan needed? The current Transportation Plan was completed in 2013 and is out of date. The City needs an up-to-date Transportation Plan to best plan for the future and work with developers to ensure the City's transportation needs are met as growth occurs. Also, the City updated all their guiding documents as a part of one planning process, Imagine Hayden. This way, the comprehensive, parks, transportation, and sewer collection system plans were unified.

What is the purpose of the Transportation Master Plan? The Transportation Plan looks at both near and long-term needs and addresses:

- How the City intends to make progress toward long-range transportation goals.
- Provides a City transportation investment strategy

What input did the City have while developing the Transportation Plan? In summer 2019, orientation interviews were conducted with local leaders representing recreation, economic development, emergency services, health care, airport, development, real estate, local business, senior citizens, and the school districts. On November 14, 2019, an open-house format, Community Festival was conducted at Atlas Elementary School. More than 100 people attended. During October and November 2019, polling questions were posted on social media to gather public input. Finally, a community survey was completed in late November and early December 2019. The responses from the orientation interviews, polling questions, community festival, and survey were all used to form the Parks Plan update.

How does the City use the Transportation Plan? City Staff and City Council primarily use the plan to guide our transportation investments. Understanding our needs is important when seeking grant funding, approving developments, and setting impact fees. The Plan gives the City clarity on the priorities for investment in the transportation system.

What does it mean to plan for the next 20 years? Hayden's growth has been a main topic for this update. Because the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization (KMPO)'s estimate of Hayden's population in 2030 and 2040 are 24,082 and 34,955, respectively and the current population is 15,803, the plan was developed anticipating this level of growth. However, if the growth rate is lower than anticipated then both the need and the capital investment in the transportation system will reduce proportionally.



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What are the City’s main transportation issues?

The main transportation issues are congestion at key intersections and a lack of non-motorized facilities. Much of the transportation plan priorities center around improving those intersections and adding pedestrian and bicycle facilities where possible. Intersections that are of particular concern are Hayden/Huetter, Government Way/Miles, Hayden/Atlas, Hayden/Ramsey, Government Way/Honeysuckle, and 4th Street/Honeysuckle.

Fortunately, Hayden does not have much of a crash problem currently.

What are the City’s transportation priorities?

The short term priorities are listed in the Near Term (1-5 year) Capital Improvement Plan in Chapter 10 of the Plan and also include projects assumed to be completed by others in chapters 6 and 7. The anticipated improvements include:

Corridors

| Project Location | Project Description | Cost |
|------------------------------|---|-------------|
| Ramsey, Wyoming to Lancaster | 3-lane section with sidewalks, path, and bike lanes | \$5,879,000 |
| Ramsey, Hayden to Wyoming | 3-lane section with sidewalks, path, and bike lanes | \$4,600,000 |
| Hayden, Huetter to Atlas | 5-lane section with sidewalks and bike lanes | \$4,500,000 |

Intersections

| Project Location | Project Description | Cost |
|--|--|-------------|
| Ramsey/Honeysuckle Intersection | roundabout | \$1,450,000 |
| Honeysuckle/4 th intersection | roundabout | \$1,100,000 |
| Hayden/Huetter intersection | 4-way stop with advance warning & turn lanes | \$100,000 |
| Government Way/Honeysuckle intersection | Add turn lanes and re-time signal | \$1,600,000 |
| Hayden/Ramsey intersection | Signal or roundabout | \$1,670,000 |
| Hayden/Atlas intersection | roundabout | \$1,630,000 |
| Government Way/Wyoming | Signal or roundabout | \$1,475,000 |
| Government Way/Miles | Roundabout or signal | \$1,156,000 |

The mid-term (before 2030) and the long-term (before 2040) capital improvement plans are also located in Chapter 10 of the document.



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How can I provide input on the Park Plan? Because of COVID, in-person open houses are not planned. However, there are other opportunities to be involved and provide comment. The Transportation Plan is available on the website at www.cityofhaydenid.us/imagine_hayden. You may email questions and comments to ImagineHayden@cityofhaydenid.us or call the Community Development Director, Melissa Cleveland at (208)209-2021. Additionally, we have a public hearing tentatively planned with the City Council on December 8th.



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