

Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC) – AGENDA

December 9, 2024 | 4:00 - 6:00 PM



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Ryan Mast (Vice Chair) NE Quadrant	[] Luciana Roça SE Quadrant	[] Alex Applegate NW Quadrant
] Vacant SW Quadrant	[] Vacant Pedestrians + Transit Users	[] Josiah Hooten Bicyclists
Vacant Represent individuals Wa Disability	[] Vacant Youth (Under 24)	[] Frank Horine Older Adults (over 60)

- Staff introductions
- Members of the public introductions
- Approval of December 9, 2024 Meeting Agenda
- Approval of November 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- Public Comments (Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes per audience member)
 - Please email comments to Jessica Sapunar-Jursich (<u>iessica@cabq.gov</u>) before the meeting (must be received by 4 pm on December 9, 2024) OR use the virtual raise hand feature during the meeting. In the meeting, please wait until recognized to begin comments.

Presentation

1. New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) I-25 S-Curve Area Study – Nonmotorized Transportation Update, Mike Worrall, Consultant Project Manager



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Discussion / Action Items

1. **Discussion/Action:** Discuss and vote on a letter of support for Idaho Stop legislation anticipated at the State Legislature 2025 session (draft attached)

Staff Reports

- Municipal Development (DMD)
 - o Traffic Engineering
 - Transportation
 Engineering/Planning/Vision Zero
- Council Services
- Parks and Recreation
- Next Meeting: January 13, 2025, 4 6 pm
- Adjourn

- Planning
- ABQ RIDE
- Sustainability
- Bernalillo County
- MRCOG
- NMDOT District 3

Subject: Support for Idaho Stop (Stop-as-Yield) Law

Dear [Senate Health and Public Affairs Committee Member, Senate Judiciary Committee Member/ House Transportation, Public Works & Capital Improvements Committee Member],

We, the members of the Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC), are writing to express our strong support for the proposed Idaho Stop (also known as the stop-as-yield) law, which will be considered by your committee this legislative session.

As an active transportation committee, we support this law because research has shown that it significantly improves safety for cyclists. In the 11 states that have already implemented versions of the Idaho Stop, the number of cyclists injured in intersection collisions has decreased by 14% to 23.5% (1). It is also recommended in Albuquerque's Bikeway and Trail Facilities Plan (2).

An Idaho Stop law is an effective way to reduce traffic collisions involving cyclists, with minimal cost to the state, limited to updating traffic regulations. This aligns with New Mexico's Vision Zero and Complete Streets goals, which aim to eliminate pedestrian and cyclist fatalities. Given the high cost and complexity of many transportation projects, a simple and cost-effective measure like the Idaho Stop can help save lives without requiring significant expenditure.

Additionally, 11 other states are working to pass similar legislation, and we hope that New Mexico will join them in this life-saving effort.

We strongly urge you to support this measure and move it forward for approval.

Sincerely,

On behalf of the Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC)

- 1) https://www.nhtsa.gov/sites/nhtsa.gov/files/2022-03/Bicyclist-Yield-As-Stop-Fact-Sheet-032422-v3-tag.pdf
- 2) https://static1.squarespace.com/static/640617a49a97bb2acabde9cd/t/66848bcc5 https://static1.squarespace.com/static1.squarespace.com/static1.squarespace.com/static1.squarespace.com/static1.squarespace.com/sta