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### **COMMISSIONER CHAIR BARBARA KIRKMEYER APPOINTED TO FREIGHT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

WELD COUNTY, CO – Weld County Commissioner Chair Barbara Kirkmeyer was selected to be on the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Freight Advisory Council (FAC) by Debra Perkins-Smith, CDOT Director of Transportation Development. Kirkmeyer was chosen to serve on this council because of her involvement on the Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC), which provides advice to CDOT about transportation needs and reviews all regional transportation plans.

“The ability to move freight safely and efficiently is crucial to the success of not only our state but also our country,” said Kirkmeyer. “The purpose of the Freight Advisory Council is to make sure Colorado’s infrastructure receives the upgrades and maintenance it needs to remain as strong as possible – our economy depends on it.”

As a member of the FAC, Kirkmeyer will meet with other members from the freight community to discuss the challenges facing aging infrastructure, limited resources and growing population. The committee will also offer solutions to these issues, help prepare for future transportation needs and assist CDOT with prioritizing freight programs, projects and research.

“Colorado is home to several freight corridors each of which provides a vital link for commerce as well as travelers,” said Kirkmeyer. “I look forward to participating on this council and helping find solutions to the numerous issues facing public infrastructure.”

To learn more about transportation initiatives in Weld County, visit the commissioners’ web page at [www.weldgov.com](http://www.weldgov.com).

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