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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rapid City Planning Commission

FROM: Monica Heller, Community Planning Coordinator

DATE: July 7, 2010

RE: No. 10TP018 - RapidTRIP 2035 - Draft Report

Attached for your review and approval is the RapidTRIP 2035 – Draft Report. The Rapid City Area Long Range Transportation Plan is developed to guide transportation planning activities and transportation facility development for the next 25 years. The goal of the Long Range Transportation Plan is to plan an efficient intermodal transportation system which maximizes the movement of goods and people, and minimizes hazards, costs, energy consumption, and pollution. This document is a requirement of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), and must be updated every 5 years. The Long Range Transportation Plan for the Rapid City Area was last updated in September 2005.

This Rapid City Area Long Range Transportation Plan has two major components. The first component the 25-year traffic forecasts for the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Study Area used to identify future transportation needs. The second component is the development of the actual planning and prioritization elements within the Long Range Transportation Plan to satisfy those future needs.

<u>STAFF RECOMMENDATION</u>: Staff recommends approval of the RapidTRIP 2035 – Draft Report

