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Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funds are focused on transportation projects that will improve air quality, often by paving unpaved travel surfaces. Several CMAQ-funded projects are programmed in the 2015 MTIP. These projects include paving projects in Central Point, Ashland, Medford and Jackson County, a diesel retrofit center for commercial trucks operated by a non-profit organization, sidewalks near several schools in the region, and expanded transit service. Recently, regional funding has enable completion of diesel retrofit projects to reduce emissions from older model local-service trucks and school buses.

Other recent uses of CMAQ funding include:

1. Ashland sidewalk projects
2. Central Point arterial street urban upgrade
3. Eagle Point arterial street urban upgrade
4. Medford arterial street urban upgrades
5. Medford adaptive signal timing
6. Diesel bus replacement
7. Transit passenger information systems
8. Expanded transit service
9. Clean Air Campaign

Each of these projects helps the region continue to meet State and Federal air quality requirements.

## 2. Conformity status of RTP and MTIP

The 2013– 2038 Regional Transportation Plan was amended by the RVMPO Policy Committee on August 26, 2014, as was an adopted 2015-18 TIP. The associated air quality conformity determination for both documents was adopted by the Policy Committee at the same time. USDOT issued a conformity determination on TBD.

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<sup>3</sup> Per 40 CFR 93.109(e), the RVMPO will not be required to perform a CO regional emissions analysis when EPA approves the CO LMP (March 2016).













