
AGENDA

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee



Date: Tuesday, July 24, 2018

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Jefferson Conference Room
RVCOG, 155 N. 1st Street, Central Point
Transit: served by RVTD Route #40

Contact: Rebecca Swanz, RVCOG: 541-423-1375
RVMPO website: www.rvmppo.org

1	Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda	Mike Quilty, Chair
2	Public Comment Items not on the agenda <i>Comments on agenda items allowed during discussion of each item</i>	Chair
Consent Agenda		
3	Review / Approve Minutes	Chair
Attachments	#1 RVMPO Policy Committee Meeting Draft Minutes 180625	
Action Items		
4	Reprogramming of Discretionary Funds	Karl Welzenbach
Background	When Ashland, with the permission of the Policy Committee, successfully substituted the Washington Street Extension for the East Nevada Street extension this freed up \$498,155 in STBG funds. The TAC has discussed this and arrived at a proposed agreement which is being recommended to the Policy Board for approval. The TAC has recommended that funds be distributed between two specific projects within two jurisdictions: Eagle Point and Jackson County.	
Attachment	#2 STBG Funds; Eagle Point and Jackson County	
Action Requested	Review and Approval of TAC Recommendation to provide Eagle Point with \$398,155 in additional STBG funds and Jackson County with \$100,000 in additional STBG funds to be utilized on the projects identified in Attachment #2.	

Action Items continued ...		
5	Public Advisory Council (PAC) New Member Application	Ryan MacLaren
Background	Dylan Moncus (Low Income Community Interest) has submitted a new member application for the Public Advisory Council.	
Attachment	#3 PAC Membership Chart + Application for Dylan Moncus	
Action Requested	Appoint new member to the PAC to represent the Low Income Community Interest group for the July 2018 – July 2020 term.	
Discussion Items		
6	Jackson County Letter Regarding Alternative Measure #7	Karl Welzenbach
Background	Almost two decades ago, the Policy Committee agreed to divert 50% of its then STP funds to the Rogue Valley Transportation District as part of an effort to ameliorate the fact that the MPO’s RTP would not realize a 5% reduction in VMT per capita. There were some conditions and caveats connected with this measure including funding benchmarks and possible scenarios for funding other modes.	
Attachments	#4 Signed letter re: Alternative Measure #7 #5 Final Alternative Measure #7	
Action Requested	None; for discussion only.	
7	Public Comment	Chair
Regular Updates		
8	RVMPO Planning Update	Karl Welzenbach
Topics	• PL and 5303 Funding	
9	Other Business / Local Business Opportunity for RVMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects.	Chair
10	Adjournment	Chair

- The next RVMPO Policy Committee meeting will be **Tuesday, August 28, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Jefferson Conference Room, RVCOG, Central Point.
- The next RVMPO TAC meeting will be **Wednesday, August 8, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Jefferson Conference Room, RVCOG, Central Point.
- The next RVMPO PAC meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 18, at 5:30 p.m.** in the Jefferson Conference Room, RVCOG, Central Point.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT RVCOG, 541-664-6674. REASONABLE ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE NEED FOR ACCOMMODATION PRIOR TO THE MEETING (48 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE IS PREFERABLE) WILL ENABLE US TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING.

**SUMMARY MINUTES
ROGUE VALLEY MPO POLICY COMMITTEE
JUNE 25, 2018**



The following attended:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Art Anderson	ODOT	774-6353
Jim Lewis, Vice Chair	Jacksonville	899-7023
John Harrison for Darby Stricker	Talent	897-0570
Kim Wallan	Medford	776-2058
Mike Quilty, Chair	Central Point	664-7907
Rich Rosenthal	Ashland	941-1494
Ruth Jenks	Eagle Point	941-8537
Sarah Westover	Phoenix	972-0869
Tonia Moro	RVTD	973-2063
Alternate Voting Members Present	Organization	Phone Number
Robert Miller	Eagle Point	826-4212
Scott Fleury	Ashland	552-2412
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Interested Parties	Organization	Phone Number
Alex Georgevitch	Medford	774-2114
Jim Herndon	RVMPO PAC	840-0741
Mike Montero	Montero & Associates	944-4376

[RVMPO Policy Committee June 25, 2018 Agenda Packet](#)

Full meeting recording: [2018-06-25 RVMPO Policy Committee Meeting Audio](#)

1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00 – 01:13

2:00 | *Quorum*: Ashland, Central Point, Eagle Point, Jacksonville, Medford, Phoenix, Talent, Jackson County, ODOT, RVTD

2. Public Comment 01:14 – 01:30

Consent Agenda

3. Review / Approve Minutes 01:31 – 02:08

01:43 | *Tonia Moro moved to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2018 meeting as presented. Jim Lewis seconded.*

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Public Hearing

4. 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments 02:09 – 11:02

- *Southern Oregon Signal Upgrades*
- *East Nevada Street Extension*
- *Washington Street Extension*
- *OR 140: Exit 35 Blackwell Road*
- *OR 99 Birch St to Coleman CK. Culvert (Phoenix)*
- *Region 3 VMS Upgrades*

The Chair read the procedure for the public hearing.

The Chair opened the discussion to public comment, both in support and in opposition.

The Chair closed the public testimony.

10:25 | *Jim Lewis moved to approve the proposed amendments to the 2018-2021 TIP as presented. John Harrison seconded.*

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action Items

5. Public Advisory Council (PAC) New Member Application + Current Member Renewal 11:03 – 14:47

13:57 | *Tonia Moro moved to appoint the new Central Point representative (Jennifer Boardman) for the May 2018 – May 2020 term and to re-appoint the Mass Transit representative (Patrick McKechnie) for the June 2018 – June 2020 term to the PAC. Ruth Jenks seconded.*

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

6. Review and Authorization for Chairman to Sign Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) 14:48 – 18:53

18:15 | Kim Wallan moved to authorize the execution of the IGA by the RVMPO Policy Committee Chair. Rich Rosenthal seconded.

Discussion Items

7. Public Comment 18:54 – 19:13

Regular Updates

8. RVMPO Planning Update 19:14 – 27:13

9. Other Business / Local Business 27:14 – 29:09

**10. Adjournment 29:10 – 29:23
2:30**

Scheduled Meetings:

RVMPO TAC | Wednesday, July 11 @ 1:30 pm

RVMPO PAC | Tuesday, July 17 @ 5:30 pm

RVMPO Policy Committee | Tuesday, July 24 @ 2:00 pm

Applicant	Project Name	Discretionary Funding Year Cycle	<i>Originally Awarded Funds (STBG)</i>	<i>Reallocated Funds Requested (STBG)</i>	Project Total STBG Funds
Eagle Point	Stevens Road - East Main Street to Robert Trent Jones Blvd	2016 - 2018	\$ 1,104,043	\$ 398,155	\$ 1,502,198
Jackson County	Foothill Rd., Delta Waters to Dry Creek	2019 - 2021	\$ 1,255,652	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,355,652
			Total:	\$ 498,155	
Available Funds for Reallocation		\$ 498,155			



Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

Regional Transportation Planning

Ashland • Central Point • Eagle Point • Jacksonville • Medford • Phoenix • Talent • White City
Jackson County • Rogue Valley Transportation District • Oregon Department of Transportation

Public Advisory Council Membership July 2018

Citizen Involvement Area	# PAC Positions	Appointee
Ashland	2	1) Mary Wooding (Jan 2017-Jan 2019) 2)
Central Point	2	1) Larry Martin (March 2017 – March 2019) 2) Jennifer Boardman (May 2018 – May 2020)
Eagle Point	2	1) Aaron Prunty (Jan 2017-Jan 2019) 2) Mike Stanek (Feb 2017-Feb 2019)
Jacksonville	2	1) Ron Holthusen (Jan 2017-Jan 2019) 2)
Medford	6	
East Medford	3	1) Glen Anderson (Feb 2017-Feb 2019) 2) Brad Inman (Dec 2017-Dec 2019) 3) Mark Earnest (Feb 2017-Feb 2019)
West Medford	3	1) Jim Herndon (June 2017 – June 2019) 2) Haley Cox (March 2018 – March 2020) 3)
Phoenix	2	1) George “Ike” Eisenhower (January 2018 – January 2020) 2)
Talent	2	1) Thad Keays (Feb 2017-Feb 2019) 2)
White City	2	1) 2)

Special Interest Positions	# PAC Positions	Appointee
Bicycle / Pedestrian Interest	1	Edgar Hee (Feb 2017-Feb 2019)
Freight Industry	1	Mike Montero (Feb 2017-Feb 2019)
Low Income Community Interest	1	<i>Dylan Moncus new applicant</i>
Mass Transit	1	Patrick McKechnie (June 2018-June 2020)
Minority Community Interest	1	
Public Health	1	Michael Polich (March 2018-March 2020)
Senior	1	Robin Lee (June 2017 – June 2019)

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	Committee:	_____
	Date Rec'd:	_____
	Appointed:	Yes No
	Appointment Date:	_____
	Term Ended Date:	_____

**ROGUE VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
(RVMPO)**

**Public Advisory Council (PAC)
Membership Application**

Return Application to:

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization
Rogue Valley Council of Governments
P.O. Box 3275 Central Point, OR 97502
541-423-1338 | www.rvmppo.org

Email return to: rmaclaren@rvcog.org

For background about the Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization and the role of the Public Advisory Council, please visit our website: www.rvmppo.org

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Personal Information:

Name: Dylan W. Schettler-Moncus

Home address (include Zip code): 2030 E. Jackson St. Medford OR
97504

Telephone: (home) 541 778-5629 (business) _____

Email: moncus.dylan@yahoo.com

About PAC membership...The Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Public Advisory Council (PAC) makes recommendations on transportation planning issues to the RVMPO's Policy Committee. PAC members are appointed by the Policy Committee to two-year terms, representing one of the RVMPO's regional areas of interest. The PAC has positions for both geographic and special interest areas. Appointments are based on an applicant's ability to represent one of the geographic or special interest areas.

- To represent one of the **Geographic Areas** listed below and illustrated on the attached RVMPO map, you must live, own property or operate a business within that area. You do not have to live within city limits. Please refer to the RVMPO map or call Ryan MacLaren at 423-1338 for clarification.
- **Special Interest Areas** represent the freight industry, mass transit, low-income citizens, minority citizens, senior citizens, public health, and bicycle/pedestrian. Low-income and minority representatives do not have to be low-income or a racial minority, but would advocate for the concerns of those communities. Special interest representatives may live, own property, or operate a business anywhere within the RVMPO.

Please indicate below the **Geographic Area**, or **special interest** that you would represent. Select only one from the following list, section (A) or (B) below.

A. Geographic Area (see *Citizen Involvement Area map on the last page*):

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|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ashland | <input type="checkbox"/> Central Point | <input type="checkbox"/> Eagle Point |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jacksonville | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> East Medford | <input type="checkbox"/> West Medford |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phoenix | <input type="checkbox"/> Talent | <input type="checkbox"/> White City |

B. Special Interest Area: ☐ Freight industry ☐ Mass Transit ☐ Minority Citizens

- ☒ Low Income Citizens ☐ Senior Citizens ☐ Bicycle/Pedestrian
- ☐ Public Health

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1. What experience, interest, knowledge or qualifications would you bring to the Public Advisory Council?

I've worked one-on-one with students who are near poverty conditions in helping find employment opportunities throughout the Rogue Valley. Understanding the needs and direction that this particular population needs in moving forward with career or life-related events, I definitely believe I can provide appropriate and necessary insight on this matter. I'm also fully aware of the functionalities and processes of how a commission meeting is organized and executed. Having been the Co-chair to the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission for two years, I have ran over 25-30 Commission meetings allowing for healthy debate, progress toward overall goals, and a thorough agenda. ~~was~~

2. Why do you want to become a member of the Public Advisory Council?

Since joining the Boy Scouts in 2010, I have always had a heart for people. I volunteered for a disability service facility at a young age, conducted multiple service projects for organizations and seniors, and even helped my neighbors with outdoor or house chores. I have been ingrained with a service mentality and I love it! Working at RCC for two years, I've seen the wonderful successes of many students. My passion for people, in other words, is the sole reason I'd want to serve on the Public Advisory Commission where I hope to share my experiences and drive in serving others.

Signature:

Dylan Schuttler-Mondus

Date:

6/21/2018

Thank You!

POLICY STATEMENTS REGARDING CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS

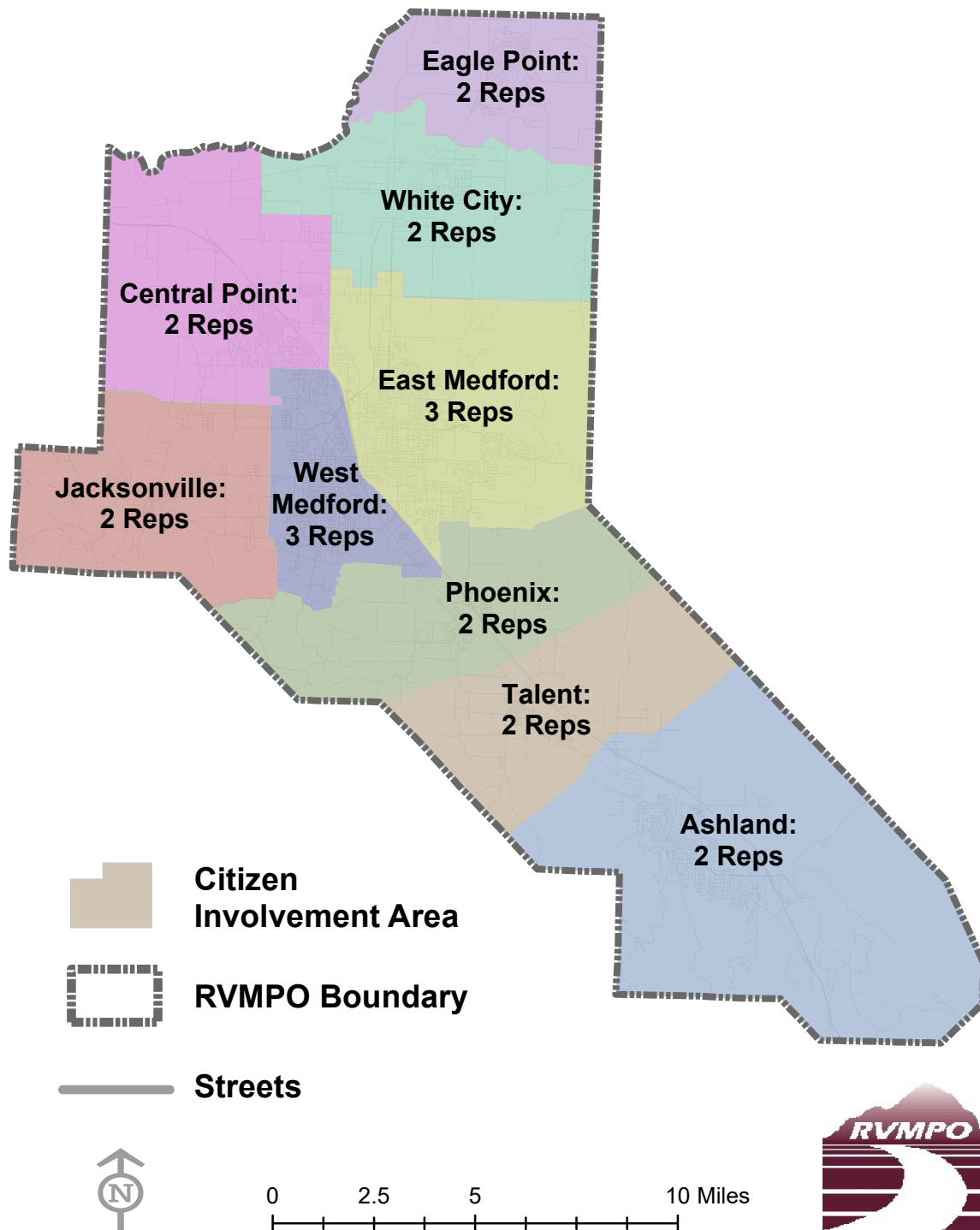
- The council consists of representatives from Citizen Involvement Areas within the RVMPO and special interests. There are nine Citizen Involvement Areas with at least two members possible from each area, representing a population of up to 25,000. An additional position is created when an area exceeds 25,000 in population. The council may have as many as six at-large members, one each representing the following: freight industry, mass transit, minority citizens, low income citizens, senior citizens, public health, and bicycle/pedestrian.
- Members of the council must reside, own property, or operate a business within the Citizen Involvement Area that they represent.
- Public Advisory Council members will be approved by the RVMPO Policy Committee.
- Vacancies on the PAC shall be publicly announced. Potential members shall submit a statement of interest. When more than one person applies for a position, selection shall be based on maintaining a broad cross-section of interests on the council. If no one responds to the public announcement, staff and PAC members may solicit to groups or individuals to fill membership vacancies.
- Selection of council members shall be conducted through RVMPO's established application process, meeting the nondiscrimination requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 12898.
- The term of office shall begin the day the member is appointed to the council and shall continue for two years, except that such term of office shall terminate immediately upon:
 - a. Relocation outside the RVMPO, or the Citizen Involvement Area that the member represents; and
 - b. Unexcused absence from three regularly scheduled, consecutive meetings.

Please Note: These policy statements are from Public Advisory Council bylaws, viewable via this link:
https://www.rvmopo.org/images/public-advisory-council/bylaws/PACBylawsAmended_12-01-14.pdf

Boundaries of RVMPO Citizen Involvement Areas are illustrated on the map on the next page. Medford has two Citizen Involvement Areas divided by Interstate 5.

For more information, contact Ryan MacLaren in the RVMPO Planning Department at 541-423-1338.

RVMPO Public Advisory Council: Citizen Involvement Area





JACKSON COUNTY

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10 South Oakdale, Room 214
Medford, Oregon 97501

June 27, 2018

Mike Quilty, Policy Committee Chair
Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization
PO Box 3275
Central Point, OR 97502

RE: Alternative Measure 7, Regional Transportation Plan

Dear Mr. Quilty,

During the development of the 2000 Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (RVMPO) Regional Transportation Plan, analysis showed that the plan failed to meet the state required Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) reduction goal. In response, the RVMPO developed seven Alternative Measures to bring the Regional Transportation Plan into compliance with the Transportation Planning Rule and its associated VMT reduction goal. Alternative Measure 7 directed 50 percent of all Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds received by the RVMPO to “alternative transportation funding” with the funds initially dedicated to the Rogue Valley Transportation District (RVTD).

When the alternative measures were being developed, RVTD was facing a very uncertain funding future with service cuts and route reductions likely. To avoid these reductions, and to help meet VMT reduction goals, the RVMPO agreed to allocate 50 percent of all STP funds to RVTD through Alternative Measure 7. However, Alternative Measure 7 clearly notes that its purpose is to fund “Alternative Transportation Projects” and is not limited to being dedicated to RVTD only. The actual measure language reads:

“Funding committed to transit OR bicycle/pedestrian/TOD projects. Amounts shown represent ½ of the MPO’s estimated accumulation of discretionary funding (STP).”
(emphasis added)

The Measure can be satisfied by utilizing 50 percent of STP funding to fund either transit or bicycle/pedestrian/Transit Oriented Development (TOD) projects. The narrative in Alternative Measure 7 further clarifies the RVMPOs intent of the 50 percent STP funds by stating:

“Without the additional operating revenue provided through this measure (or through some other source), current revenue projections show that RVTD will be required to cut service and eliminate routes in the MPO. RVTD will be pursuing a local funding package in the near future to finance the Tier 2 transit plan. If voters approve this package, RVTD will not require STP funding in order to cover funding shortfalls. It is therefore proposed that, should RVTD’s new fund source become a reality, the STP transit allocation proposed in the measure instead be directed to RTP bicycle/pedestrian projects and projects that facilitate the development of TOD sites.” (underline added)

2013-2038 RTP, Alternative Measures Update, Appendix B, Page 9

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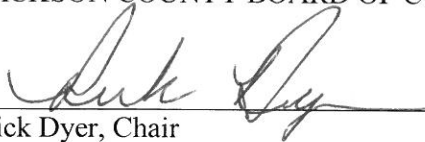
In May 2016 voters passed a .13 cents per \$1,000 assessed value RVTD levy and the District restored and expanded service levels. Furthermore, the 2017 Oregon State Legislature passed House Bill 2017 which created the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) which, according to the Oregon Department of Transportation estimates, will provide RVTD with an additional \$1.2 million in 2019 and increasing to \$3.2 million per year by 2021.

Alternative Measure 7 is clear that 50 percent of the STP funds were committed to RVTD only until certain conditions were met, and the Jackson County Board of Commissioners feel those conditions have been met. We respectfully request that a discussion item be placed on an upcoming Policy Committee meeting agenda so this issue can be further discussed, and the future direction of Alternative Measure 7 can be established.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue which impacts all of the RVMPO jurisdictions.

Sincerely,

JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Rick Dyer, Chair

Absent
Bob Strosser, Commissioner


Colleen Roberts, Commissioner

cc: RVMPO Policy Committee Members
Julie Brown, RVTD General Manager
John Vial, Roads and Parks Director

RD:jv/lf
By email

Measure 7: Alternative Transportation Funding

This measure has been developed to demonstrate the RVMPO's commitment to implementing the alternative transportation projects upon which many of the proposed measures rely. Funds made available to the RVMPO through the Surface Transportation Program (STP) are the only funds over which the RVMPO has complete discretion. RVMPO jurisdictions have agreed to direct 50% of this revenue stream, historically used for vehicular capacity expansion projects, towards alternative transportation projects. STP funds would be used to expand transit service, or, if RVTD is successful with a local funding package, to fund bicycle/pedestrian and TOD-development supportive projects. Table 11 shows proposed 5-year benchmarks and 20-year targets for this measure.

Table 11 – Proposed 20-Year Target for Alternative Transportation Funding

Measure	How Measured	Current 2000	Benchmark 2005	Benchmark 2010	Benchmark 2015	Target 2020
<i>Measure 7: Alternative Transportation Funding</i>	Funding committed to transit or bicycle/pedestrian/TOD projects. Amounts shown represent ½ of the MPO's estimated accumulation of discretionary funding (STP*).	N/A	\$950,000	\$2.5 Million	\$4.3 Million	\$6.4 Million

*STP revenue estimates developed by Oregon Department of Transportation.

Without the additional operating revenues provided through this measure (or through some other source), current revenue projections show that RVTD will be required to cut service and eliminate routes in the MPO. The RTP identifies a financially constrained (Tier 1) transit system that provides greatly reduced service in the MPO, along with a “preferred” (Tier 2) transit system, providing several additional routes as well as faster headways. RVTD will be pursuing a local funding package in the near future to finance the Tier 2 transit plan. If voters approve this package, RVTD will not require STP funds in order to cover funding shortfalls. It is therefore proposed that, should RVTD's new fund source become a reality, the STP transit allocation proposed in this measure instead be directed to RTP bicycle/pedestrian projects and projects that facilitate the development of TOD sites.

The following list of priorities for STP-funded transit projects has been developed in consultation with MPO jurisdictions. The list is intended as a starting point for determining how STP funds will be spent by the Rogue Valley Transportation District. Projects are not listed in any particular order.

STP Funding Priorities for Rogue Valley Transportation District (RVTD):*Central Point*

- RVTD will increase service on Route 40 (Central Point) to 30 minute headways and provide service to the TOD site when feasible.

Medford

- RVTD will serve the Southeast Plan Area (Medford TOD) when feasible.

Phoenix

- RVTD will improve transit stops within Phoenix.
- RVTD will explore ways to improve Hwy 99 (Main Street) pedestrian crossing to a northbound transit stop, and in the interim, will provide shuttle service for this purpose.

Jackson County

- RVTD will increase transit service to White City (unincorporated Jackson County).