



SUMMARY MINUTES
Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee

March 8, 2017

The following people were in attendance:

RVMPO Technical Advisory Committee

Voting Members in Attendance:

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| Mike Kuntz, Chairman | Jackson County |
| Paige Townsend | RVTD |
| Mike Upston | Eagle Point |
| Jon Sullivan, Vice Chairman | RVTD |
| Ian Horlacher | ODOT |
| Alex Georgevitch | Medford |
| Josh LeBombard | DLCD |
| Tom Humphrey | Central Point |
| Kyle Kearns | Medford |
| Ray DiPasquale | Phoenix |
| Kyle Kearns | Medford |
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Others

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| Mike Montero | Montero & Assoc. |
| Chris Eucher (for Jasmine Harris) | Federal Highways |
| Matt Brinkley | Medford |
| Alex Kelly (Crater High School) | |

RVCOG Staff

Karl Welzenbach, Dan Moore, Ryan MacLaren, and Bunny Lincoln

1. Call to Order / Introductions

Chairman Mike Kuntz called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Those present introduced themselves.

2. Review/Approve Minutes

Alex Georgevitch mentioned Item #4, and was told it was going to the Policy Committee on March 28th.

On a motion by Tom Humphrey, seconded by Ray DiPasquale, the minutes of the January 11th and February 8th meetings were approved as presented.

3. Public Comment - None.

Action Items:

4. Adoption of 2042 RTP, 2018-21 TIP & Air Quality Conformity

Dan Moore gave a Power Point presentation about this agenda item. The public comment period on the draft 2017-2042 Regional Transportation Plan, 2018-21 Transportation Improvement Program and Air Quality Conformity Determination began February 28, 2017. The Policy Committee will hold a public hearing and consider adoption March 28, 2017.

The full documents can be viewed online: <https://www.rvmop.org/index.php/ct-menu-item-17>

The **Transportation Plan** addresses all forms of transportation, federally funded and regionally significant. All projects are constrained, and meet Clean Air Act requirements.

The 2017 -2042 RTP has been completely revamped and is consistent with local TSPs.

Mr. Moore went over each of the ten (10) chapters and explained the included demographics, employment characteristics, links, charts, graphs, maps (showing current and possible 2042 peak hour congestion), the 2017-42 Regional Transportation System, air quality conformity (maintenance plans), Environmental Considerations and Justice, plan implementation (RTP projects), financial plan (revenue charts (with RVTD), and future conditions (mode share and congestion).

NOTE: Staff is working with TPAU to refine some of the model projections.

Air Quality Conformity modeling shows that with implementation of the RTP, state and federal requirements will be met. Transit service was modeled both with and without transit service. Street sweeping (as a Transportation Control Measure) is not the same as the currently existing programs, but it has now been determined that it is not a true TCM. After consulting with EPA, USDOT, DEQ and ODOT has recently agreed that the current sweeping standard is adequate to meet the requirements.

After the Policy Committee approves the documents, they will go to the Governor's office, and then to ODOT for inclusion in their transportation plans.

Alex Georgevitch commented on several items in the Plan, and Staff requested that all comments be provided in writing (email) to Staff so that they can be added to the official record.

On a motion by Tom Humphrey, seconded by Ian Horlacher , the Committee unanimously recommended Policy Committee adoption of the 2042 RTP, 2018-21 TIP & Air Quality Conformity Determination with input provided by the Technical Advisory Committee prior to the close of the Policy Committee's public hearing.

Alex Georgevitch asked if the TAC could receive any additional agency/public comments made prior to March 24th. Staff will provide these to the membership.

Ian Horlacher will be submitting comments on behalf of ODOT.

Information Item:

5. Draft FY 2018 Unified Work Program

Karl Welzenbach shared that USDOT and ODOT have reviewed and commented on the draft RVMPO

FY 2018 UPWP. The TAC will receive a final draft UPWP for review. The comment period is open now. The MPO website is expected to be on the same platform as the COG website. Additional written comments will be welcomed by Staff.

A recommendation from the TAC will be sought in April.

6. MPO Planning Update

- The CMAQ Policy Advisory Committee met in February and went over possible fund distribution options. Everyone favored a formulaic option. Four small cities that get a reduced funding amount are still discussing their options for distributing these reduced funds, perhaps in a pool that rotates every four years. March 23rd will be a staff workshop to discuss the proposed formula... MPO Staff will ask the TAC for input prior to the meeting. The RVMPO will take an undetermined CMAQ “hit” in future years. The “hit” will become effective in 2021.

7. Public Comments:

8. Other Business / Local Business

- The Costco project is moving forward. – Tom Humphrey
- Tom Humphrey introduced Alex Kelly, a Crater HS intern, who was learning about the planning process and community development
- New railroad crossings and the existing crossing at Seven Oaks were discussed. Rules and regulations to construction of new crossings (and removal of old ones) were part of the discussion.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings:

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| • RVMPO TAC | Wed., April 12, 2017 | 1:30 PM |
| • RVMPO Policy | Tues., March 28, 2017 | 2:00 PM |
| • RVMPO PAC | Tues., March 21, 2017 | 5:30 PM |