

AGENDA

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee



Date: Tuesday, September 28, 2021

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87952790288?pwd=R1RnNXBEQndjanlEZk9EUXdGa2hiQT09>

Meeting ID: 879 5279 0288

Passcode: 853555

Phone #: 253 215 8782

Contact: Office Specialist, RVCOG: 541-423-1375

RVMPO website: www.rvmopo.org

1	Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda	Chair
Consent Agenda		
2	Review / Approve Minutes	Chair
<i>Attachment</i>	#1 RVMPO Policy Committee Meeting Draft Minutes 08/24/2021	
PUBLIC HEARING		
Chair will read the public hearing procedures		
3	Amendments to the 2021–2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Ryan MacLaren
<i>Background</i>	The Policy Committee is being asked to review the adoption of amendments to the 2021–2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include the following project(s): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• OR 99/I-5 Curb Ramps The 21-day public comment period and public hearing was advertised on or before Friday, September 3, 2021 in the <i>Medford Mail Tribune</i> , and information is currently available on the RVMPO website.	
<i>Attachment</i>	#5 TIP Amendments #6 CMR Transaction for Curb Ramps	
<i>Action Requested</i>	Approval of the TIP Amendments	

4	RTP/AQCD	Karl Welzenbach
<i>Background</i>	For the past several months the MPO staff has been working on the update to the Regional Transportation Plan and its accompanying Air Quality Conformity Determination. The draft plan and AQCD have been available on the MPO's website for several weeks now.	
<i>Attachment</i>	#2 Draft AQCD #3 Resolution 2021-03 #4 Resolution 2021-04 #5 Chapter 5.3 Revised	
<i>Action Requested</i>	Adoption by Resolutions 2021-03 and 2021-04	
Action Items		
5	Donation to the Greenway Foundation	Karl Welzenbach
<i>Background</i>	This MPO sponsored the Greenway Foundation's "Ride the Rogue" event for this year. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, this event has been cancelled for a second year in a row. Staff is proposing that the RVMPO allow the Greenway Foundation to keep the \$2,500 provided in sponsorship of the event as a charitable donation.	
<i>Action Requested</i>	Approval of the RVMPO Policy Committee for the Greenway Foundation to keep the \$2,500 sponsorship amount as a charitable donation	
Discussion Items		
6	Public Comment	Chair
Regular Updates		
7	RVMPO Planning Update	Karl Welzenbach
8	Other Business / Local Business Opportunity for RVMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects.	Chair
9	Adjournment	Chair

- The next RVMPO Policy Committee meeting will be **Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.**
Location to be determined

- The next RVMPO TAC meeting will be **Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.** Location to be determined
- The next RVMPO PAC meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.** Location to be determined

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 Meeting
August 24, 2021



The following attended:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Stephen Jensen	City of Ashland	488-6002
Mike Quilty, Vice Chair	City of Central Point	664-7907
Ruth Jenks	City of Eagle Point	941-8537
Jim Lewis, Chair	City of Jacksonville	899-7023
Kevin Stine	City of Medford	774-2000
Eleanor Ponomareff	City of Talent	535-1566
Dave Dotterrer	Jackson County	774-6118
Art Anderson	ODOT	774-6353
Tonia Moro	RVTD	973-2063
Alternate Voting Members Present	Organization	Phone Number
Alex Georgevitch	Medford	On File
Mike Kuntz	Jackson County	On File
Paige West	RVTD	On File
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
Interested Parties	Organization	Phone Number
Darrin Neavoll	ODOT	
Mike Montero	RVMPO PAC	

RVMPO Policy Committee Meeting Agenda Packet: [August 24, 2021](#)

Full meeting recording: [2021-08-24 Audio Recording](#)

Due to technical difficulties recording starts during Item 3.

1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda

2:00 p.m. | *Quorum: 6 Jurisdictions Represented*

Item 5 was moved up after Item 2.

2. Review / Approve Minutes:

Mike Quilty moved to approve the July 27, 2021 Policy Committee meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Dave Dotterer.

No further discussion.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Presentations

3. Presentation on Draft RTP and AQCD 00:00 – 17:58

16:05 | Question from Steven Jensen: *Does the particulate matter in this analysis include smoke?*

There is typically a waiver provided from USEPA because smoke is not produced by transportation. This analysis is focused on air quality emissions from transportation.

Action Items

4. PAC Membership Renewal 17:58 – 19:23

19:00 | *Mike Quilty moved to re-appoint Robin Lee Senior Citizens Rep to the PAC. Seconded by Dave Dotterer.*

No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. Changes to Amendment Matrix in the TIP

Dave Dotterer moved to approve the changes to the Amendment Matrix in the TIP as presented. Seconded by Art Anderson.

No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion Items

6. Public Comment | 19:23 – 19:51

No Comments.

Regular Updates

7. RVMPO Planning Update | 19:51 – 24:53

Provided by Karl Welzenbach regarding transportation bills, and the Census numbers for urbanized areas.

8. Other Business / Local Business 24:53 – 16:55

Updates.

9. Adjournment

2:34 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings

RVMPO Policy Committee | September 28, 2021 | 2:00 p.m.

RVMPO TAC | September 8, 2021 | 1:30 p.m.

RVMPO PAC | September 8, 2021 | 1:30 p.m.

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**Rogue Valley
Metropolitan Planning Organization**

Regional Transportation Planning

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Jackson County • Rogue Valley Transportation District • Oregon Department of Transportation

DATE: September 21, 2021
 TO: RVMPO Policy Committee
 FROM: Ryan MacLaren, Senior Planner
 SUBJECT: TIP Amendments

The Policy Committee is being asked to consider approval of the following amendment(s) to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

A press release for the 21-day public comment period and public hearing was sent on or before September 3rd to the Medford Tribune, and information is currently available on the RVMPO website. The RVMPO TAC & PAC have recommended approval of the amendment(s) listed. Information on the project(s) is listed, below: Information on the projects is enumerated, below:

A. Adjust Project in TIP: OR99/I-5 Curb Ramps (KN 22389)

Description: Increase the project estimate by \$1,062,500, moving funds from project keys 22390 and 21721, and adding funds from the city of Ashland. Update description. Slip the Utility Relocation phase to federal fiscal year 2022 for delivery.

Project Name	Project Description	RTP Project Number	Air Quality Status	Key #	Federal Fiscal Year	Phase	Federal		Federal Required Match		Total Fed+Req Match	Other		Total All Sources
							\$	Source	\$	Source		\$	Source	
ODOT														
OR99/I-5 Curb Ramps	Construct curb ramps to meet compliance with the American with Disabilities ACT (ADA) standards.	n/a	Exempt 93.126 (Table 2) Safety & Bike and Pedestrian Facilities.			Planning								\$ -
						Design								\$ -
				22389	2021	Land Purchase	\$ 969,084	SW ADA	\$ 110,916	ODOT	\$ 1,080,000			\$ 1,080,000
				22389	2022	Utility Relocate	\$ 89,730	SW ADA	\$ 10,270	ODOT	\$ 100,000			\$ 100,000
				22389	2021	Construction	\$ 4,569,500	SW ADA	\$ 523,000	ODOT	\$ 5,092,500	\$ 95,000	Ashland	\$ 5,187,500
						Other					\$ -	\$ 375,000	ODOT	\$ 375,000
				Total FFY21-24	\$ 5,628,314		\$ 644,186		\$ 6,272,500	\$ 470,000		\$ 6,742,500		

Status: **Approved**

CMR Transaction

Request Date: CMR Number: Project Lead (TPM/RE-CP):

Project Name:

KN: Region: Area: Project Delivery Phase:

Funding Program 1: Program 2: Program 3:

Program 4: Program 5: Program 6:

STIP Amendment: Approval Authority: MPO Amendment: Yes No

IGA Amendment: Yes No A & E Contract Amendment: Yes No Reset Baseline Project: Yes No

Change 1: Reason 1:

Change 2: Reason 2:

Change 3: Reason 3:

Current Scope: This project will construct ADA compliant ramps in southern Oregon in the communities of Medford, Talent and Ashland.

Describe Scope Change: The addition of SWIP funding into the project will allow infill sidewalk work to be performed at the intersections of Hwy 99 and Mary Jane Avenue, Harmony Lane and Park Avenue in Ashland. Also the city of Ashland has requested an RRFB at the intersection of Hwy 99 and Van Ness Ave and have agreed to pay the additional costs associated with that construction.

Justification for Scope Change: Adding SWIP funding will allow us to improve pedestrian facilities within the project area that the ADA program will not fund. This additional funding will result in a better overall project. Also adding the RRFB at the Van Ness Ave intersection will improve pedestrian safety which has been a priority of the city for quite a while.

Describe the Risk of not Approving the Scope Change: Not taking advantage of the ADA curb ramp project to improve pedestrian facilities within the project area and not providing key improvements requested by the City of Ashland.

	<u>Current Dates</u>	<u>Proposed Dates</u>		<u>Current Dates</u>	<u>Proposed Dates</u>
PE EA Open - 008	<input type="text" value="4/16/2020"/>	<input type="text" value="4/16/2020"/>	PS&E Submittal - 551	<input type="text" value="7/19/2021"/>	<input type="text" value="10/18/2021"/>
PDT Kick-off - 018	<input type="text" value="10/5/2020"/>	<input type="text" value="10/5/2020"/>	Bid Opening - 560	<input type="text" value="9/9/2021"/>	<input type="text" value="12/9/2021"/>
Project Initiation Phase Complete - 050	<input type="text" value="11/17/2020"/>	<input type="text" value="11/17/2020"/>	Forecasted 1st Note 735	<input type="text" value="10/21/2021"/>	<input type="text" value="1/25/2022"/>
DAP Phase Complete - 325	<input type="text" value="3/24/2021"/>	<input type="text" value="3/24/2021"/>	Forecasted 2nd Note 790	<input type="text" value="9/30/2022"/>	<input type="text" value="10/12/2022"/>
ROW EA Open - 470	<input type="text" value="3/31/2021"/>	<input type="text" value="8/13/2021"/>	Forecasted 3rd Note 796	<input type="text" value="3/28/2023"/>	<input type="text" value="4/7/2023"/>

Describe Schedule Change: The PS&E and Bid dates have to be pushed out. These date revisions will caused slight adjustments to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd note dates as well. The CN and UR phases of the project will also need to be slipped from FFY2021 to FFY 2022.

Justification for Schedule Change: The PS&E and Bid dates had to be pushed out due to unresolved survey issues as well as outstanding crosswalk closure and design exceptions that were not resolved in time for the previous PS&E date. The revised 2nd and 3rd note dates were updated based on the current construction time estimate developed at the Final plans stage of the project. The CN and UR phases will not obligate in time in FFY2021 so therefore they need to be slipped to FFY 2022.

Status: **Approved**

CMR Transaction

Request Date: CMR Number: Project Lead (TPM/RE-CP):

Project Name:

KN: Region: Area: Project Delivery Phase:

Describe the Risk of not Approving the Schedule Change:

Not approving this change will result in a baselined schedule that does not match the project specifications and was not delivered on time as well as having phases not obligate in the correct FFY.

	<u>Phase Total Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Requested Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>
Planning	\$0	\$0	\$0
Preliminary Engineering	\$0	\$0	\$0
Right of Way	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000	\$0
Utility Relocation	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$20,000
Construction	\$4,520,000	\$5,562,500	\$1,042,500
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$5,680,000	\$6,742,500	\$1,062,500

Describe Budget Change (Break down the change by Funding Program):

This CMR documents the addition of SWIP funding (\$375,000) to fund the infill sidewalk work at the intersections of Hwy 99 and Mary Jane Avenue and Hwy 99 and Harmony Lane as well as at the City of Ashland's contribution of funds for the RRFB (\$95,000). Overall \$470,000 of funding from other sources than ADA will be added into the project. The ADA program will need to add an additional \$592,500 into this project which was the reduction in funding on KN22390 the other child project associated with KN22208 which includes this project.

Justification for Budget Change:

The added work will improve the ADA facilities within the project limits. Sidewalk infill work is not funded through the ADA program. The City of Ashland agreed to add money into the project for the RRFB work at Van Ness which was a request by the city which beyond the minimum requirement to build compliant ramps which the ADA program will not cover. Money was reallocated between phases in order to fully fund all phases of this project which were savings associated with KN22390.

Describe the Risk of not Approving the Budget Change:

Not taking advantage of the ADA curb ramp project to improve pedestrian facility within the project area and certain phases being underfunded in the project.

	<u>Signatures</u>	<u>Dates</u>		<u>Signatures</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Funding Program Manager:	<input type="text" value="Snyder, Tony"/>	<input type="text" value="8/5/2021"/>	Additional Signator:	<input type="text" value="Horning, Jessica"/>	<input type="text" value="6/29/2021"/>
STIP Coordinator:	<input type="text" value="Birch, Naomi"/>	<input type="text" value="7/2/2021"/>	Additional Signator:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Area Manager:	<input type="text" value="Anderson, Art"/>	<input type="text" value="8/11/2021"/>	Additional Signator:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Project Sponsor:	<input type="text" value="Marmon, Jennifer"/>	<input type="text" value="8/11/2021"/>	Additional Signator:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Tech Center Manager:	<input type="text" value="Thompson, Mark"/>	<input type="text" value="8/11/2021"/>	Additional Signator:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Region Manager:	<input type="text" value="Neavoll, Darrin"/>	<input type="text" value="8/11/2021"/>	Additional Signator:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Additional Signator:	<input type="text" value="Garcia, Gabriela"/>	<input type="text" value="7/2/2021"/>	Additional Signator:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Resolution Number 2021 – 03
Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization - Policy Committee
Adoption of the RVMPO 2021-2045 Regional Transportation Plan

Whereas, the Rogue Valley Council of Governments (RVCOG) has been designated by the State of Oregon as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the greater Medford Urban Area; and

Whereas, the RVCOG has delegated responsibility for MPO policy functions to the RVMPO Policy Committee, a committee of elected officials from Ashland, Eagle Point, Central Point, Jacksonville, Medford, Phoenix, Talent, White City, Jackson County, the Rogue Valley Transportation District and the Oregon Department of Transportation; and

Whereas, a project identification and selection process was carried out through the development of the 2021-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); and

Whereas, a public involvement process was developed and implemented consistent with the RVMPO Public Participation Plan throughout the development of the RTP and Air Quality Conformity Determination (AQCD); and

Whereas, the MPO, as required by law, held a 30-day public comment period to secure input and comment on the proposed conformity determination and the comments received were explicitly considered; and

Whereas, the 2021-2045 RTP has been shown through this document to meet state and federal air quality requirements; and

Whereas, the improvements contained in the 2021-2045 RTP demonstrate fiscal constraint;

NOW THEREFORE, the Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee approves and adopts the attached 2021-2045 Update for the Regional Transportation Plan

Adopted by the Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee on this 28th day of September, 2021.

Jim Lewis,
MPO Policy Committee Chair

Resolution Number 2021 – 04
Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization - Policy Committee
Adoption of Air Quality Conformity Determination for the RVMPO 2021-2045 Regional
Transportation Plan

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Whereas, a project identification and selection process was carried out through the development of the 2021-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); and

Whereas, a public involvement process was developed and implemented consistent with the RVMPO Public Participation Plan throughout the development of the RTP and Air Quality Conformity Determination (AQCD); and

Whereas, the MPO, as required by law, held a 30-day public comment period to secure input and comment on the proposed conformity determination and the comments received were explicitly considered; and

Whereas, the 2021-2045 RTP has been shown through this document to meet state and federal air quality requirements; and

Whereas, the demonstration of air quality conformity was based on inputs that produced conservative (high) emissions; and

Whereas, the improvements contained in the 2021-2045 RTP demonstrate fiscal constraint;

NOW THEREFORE, the Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee approves and adopts the attached Air Quality Conformity Determination for the Regional Transportation Plan.

Adopted by the Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee on this 28th day of September 2021.

Jim Lewis,
MPO Policy Committee Chair

- Mobile fare or e-fare- Allows passengers to purchase and load fare onto mobile ticketing apps or a plastic RFID cards providing convenience and flexibility for passengers and drivers. Additionally, with the COVID pandemic cashless systems were highly encouraged; passengers use of RVTD’s cashless fare products are approximately 65% of all fare transactions.

BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT)

BRT is an intermediate transit technology now being developed in a number of locations including Eugene. It consists of high capacity, low-floor buses often using a special dedicated lane on the roadway. Locations where a BRT system may someday work well in the Rogue Valley include the Hwy. 62, Hwy. 99 between Ashland and Central Point, Barnett Rd. and W. Main St. in Medford. Other programs that may help reduce reliance on single-occupant vehicles include:

Vanpools – The employer or the transit agency leases or purchases a ten or more-seat van and makes it available for commuting to the worksite. Employees using the van are responsible for everything from driving to fuel and seeing to maintenance. The transit agency or employer pays for the initial capital cost of the vehicle and provides work place assistance in finding riders and supporting the program. The precise array of operating costs covered may vary – just fuel, oil and washing, or also insurance and maintenance. Vanpool programs work best when a number of workers are going to the same or nearby sites, yet there is not enough demand to run a fixed route bus to that location. Examples in the Rogue Valley include various major employers in White City, Harry and David, Amy’s Kitchen, Tolo and some employers in Medford.

PTASP TARGETS

The Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) regulation, at 49 CFR Part 673, requires covered public transportation providers and States to establish Safety Performance Targets (SPTs) to address the Safety Performance Measures (SPMs) identified in the National Public Transportation Safety Plan (NSP) (49 CFR § 673.11(a)(3)).

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY SAFETY PLAN PERFORMANCE TARGETS					
Mode of Transit Service	Fatalities	Injuries	Safety Events	System Reliability	Mileage Increment
Fixed Route Bus	0.00	0.528	0.528	7,200	100,000
Demand Response	0.00	0.00	0.00	63,000	50,000

TAM PLAN TARGETS

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Transit Asset Management (TAM) Final Rule was published July 26, 2016 in the Federal Register and became effective October 1, 2016. The final rule defines the term state of good repair and establishes minimum Federal requirements for transit asset management. This applies to all recipients of Federal financial assistance under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 who own, operate, or manage public transportation capital assets. The TAM rule specifies that an asset is in a state of good repair if it is in a condition sufficient for it to operate at a full level of performance. The rule also provides state of good repair standards.

<https://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/RPTD/Pages/Transit-Asset-Management.aspx>

Current transit routes are mapped on the following page.