

**Summary Minutes  
Rogue Valley MPO Technical Advisory Committee  
October 13, 2021**



The following attended:

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>
Karl Johnson	Ashland   PW	448-5587
Stephanie Holtey	Central Point   PL	
Mike Upston	Eagle Point   PL	826-4212
Alex Georgevitch, <b>Chair</b>	Medford   PW	774-2114
Joe Slaughter	Phoenix   PW	951-1971
Charles Bennett	Jackson County   PL	774-6115
Mike Kuntz	Jackson County   R&P	774-6228
Justin Shoemaker	ODOT	774-6376
Ian Horlacher	ODOT	774-6399
Paige West	RVTD   PL	608-2429
<b>Staff</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
<b>Interested Parties</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>
Michael Montero	PAC	
Dan Roberts	ODOT	

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**1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00–02:01**

1:31 p.m. | *Quorum*: Ashland, Central Point, Eagle Point, Medford, Jackson County, ODOT.

## **2. Review / Approve Minutes 02:01–02:37**

**02:11** | *Paige West moved to approve the September 8, 2021 RVMPO TAC and PAC Joint Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by Ian Horlacher.*

*No further discussion.*

*Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.*

## **Action Items**

### **3. RVTD 5339 Discretionary Fund Application 02:37 – 08:45**

**07:41** | *Mike Upston moved to recommend approval of the chair signing the Letter of Support for RVTD. Seconded by Mike Kuntz.*

*No further discussion.*

*Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.*

### **4. Ashland Chip Seal Project 08:45 – 23:32**

**13:35** | *Paige West: There was hope from the Policy Committee to use these funds as quickly as possible. A few projects recommended. The original motion passed by the Policy Committee in 2016 was any funds coming back would have to go to the projects from 2016.*

**15:50** | *Mike Kuntz: The Eagle Point project has STBG and is heading down the State funded local program path. Adding the CMAQ funds would be a big shift for that project. The other projects, other than the Ashland Chip Seal, are county projects. The Greenway Project is fully funded now.*

**17:20** | *Dan Roberts: The West Pine project from initial scope was under-funded. It has since been re-scoped and brought closer to the funding they have. These CMAQ funds would help move this project forward.*

**18:12** | *Alex Georgevitch: If we continue with the previous policy made, the Pine Street project in Central Point would be the top project.*

**18:55** | *Stephanie Holtey: If the TAC does not feel comfortable send all the funding this way, any amount would be apricated.*

**19:44** | *Mike Upston moved to dedicate the relocated CMAQ funding to the Central Point Pine Street project. Seconded by Mike Kuntz.*

*Further discussion on the rest of the funding for the Pine Street project.*

*Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.*

## **5. Covid-19 Discussion 23:32 – 01:11:03**

This is continued discussion from the previous TAC and PAC meetings

**26:22** | Overview of options discussed previously. A competitive process as usual with the rest of the project proposals or holding onto the funds for possible match for smaller jurisdictions. There are many options with these funds.

**29:40** | Charles Bennett: *The TAC could make a process for spending these funds when more jurisdictions are present.*

**30:40** | Mike Upston: *There is support for the smaller cities to get the majorities of these funds. The smaller cities can have a hard time coming up with match on projects. The rest of the funds could be set aside for a competitive process, or a hold-over fund.*

**33:08** | Alex Georgevitch: *There are also two requests from RVCOG for the ALERT Wildfire Camera and the NearMap program. RVTD has agreed they will not have a part of these Covid-19 Relief funds due to them getting their own funds directly.*

**35:53** | Mike Kuntz: *There would be support to fund the NearMap proposal, and then allocate funding to the smaller cities of Eagle Point, Central Point, Talent, Phoenix, and Jacksonville.*

**37:12** | Charles Bennett: *If we give out the funding to smaller projects, a good larger project may be missed.*

**40:44** | Joe Slaughter: *The City of Phoenix does have a project in the works to replace the City Hall Police and Fire Station. A part of the project is to work on the roadways nearby. There has not been any funding identified for that part of the project. If this funding went to Phoenix, there are already some projects that would be considered.*

**44:16** | Mike Kuntz motioned for the cities of Talent, Phoenix, Jacksonville, and Eagle Point be awarded \$250,000 for transportation related projects, that the cities shall inform the MPO the projects they select, Ashland is awarded an additional \$100,000 for the Chip Seal project, and that the remaining funds be added to the next project cycle. Seconded by Ian Horlacher.

*A friendly amendment was requested by Mike Upston to add an additional \$50,000 for the Ashland Chip Seal project, bringing the total to \$150,000, and to fund the NearMap project up to \$75,000. Seconded by Charles Bennett.*

*The friendly amendment was passed by voice vote with 8 yes's and 2 no's.*

*Further discussion on concerns with the original motion, the requirements for the funds to be used for transportation, support for Ashland, and where the funding will come from for the NearMap yearly fee.*

*Motion passed by roll call vote with 7 yes's and 3 no's.*

## **6. Improvements to Project Selection Process 01:11:03 – 01:13:55**

This is continued discussion from previous TAC meetings.

**01:11:37** | Alex Georgevitch: *Complexity has been added to this due to adding the rest of the Covid-19 funding.*

**01:13:03** | *Mike Upston moved to table this item until hearing back from the Policy Committee on their decisions for the Covid-19 funding. Seconded by Justin Shoemaker.*

*No further discussion.*

*Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.*

### ***Discussion Items***

#### **7. Public Comment 01:13:55 – 01:14:00**

*No Comments.*

### ***Regular Updates***

#### **8. MPO Planning Update 01:14:00 – 01:16:11**

*Provided by Ryan MacLaren regarding the Regional Transportation Plan and Air Quality Conformity Determination being adopted and approved.*

#### **9. Other Business / Local Business 01:16:11–01:16:48**

*No Updates.*

#### **10. Adjournment**

2:52 p.m.

*Scheduled Meetings*

RVMPO TAC | November 10, 2021 | 1:30 p.m.

RVMPO Policy Committee | October 26, 2021 | 2:00 p.m.

RVMPO PAC | October 19, 2021 | 5:30 p.m.