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Jordan Rooklyn,
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RE: RVMPO Comments on Conceptual Plans for future growth area TA-1 & TA-ROW

Dear Jordan,

Pursuant to the Regional Plan requirement that cities prepare conceptual plans in collaboration with the Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (RVMPO), the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), the Public Advisory Council (PAC) and the Policy Committee reviewed the conceptual plan for future growth area TA-1 and TA-ROW. The scope of conceptual plan review is defined in Regional Plan Performance Indicators 2.7 and 2.8.

Performance Indicator 2.7 requires that transportation plans are prepared in collaboration with the RVMPO. The City of Talent submitted its plans to the TAC for review at its May 5, 2022 meeting and to the PAC for review at its May 17, 2022 meeting. The Policy Committee reviewed the plans at its May 24, 2022, meeting, and provides the following comments.

Performance Indicator 2.7.1 requires that plans identify a general network of regionally significant arterials under local jurisdiction, transit corridors, bike and pedestrian paths, and associated projects to provide mobility throughout the region. The conceptual plan for TA-1 objective is to provide an employment (public use) opportunity at the north end of the city along Colver Road. There is 65 feet of unimproved ROW that fronts this parcel and the City has designated this ROW as a future collector.

The conceptual plan for TA-ROW is to provide efficient access to the proposed school/recreational conceptual plan area on Colver Road. TA-ROW will provide direct access from the elementary and middle schools in Talent to the Recreational/school facilities along Colver Road.

The Policy Committee finds that the conceptual plans create no barrier to inter-jurisdictional connectivity and are consistent with other Regional Plan performance indicators. These comments are provided to affirm that the City of Talent followed the requirements of the Regional Plan to prepare its conceptual plans in collaboration with the RVMPO.

Sincerely,

RVMPO Policy Committee Chair, Jim Lewis