



AGENDA
Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization
Policy Committee

Date: Tuesday, November 28, 2023 **Time: 2:00 p.m.**

Join In-Person

Location: Lewis Conference Room
RVCOG, 155 N 1st Street,
Central Point

Transit: Served by RVTD Route #40

Contact: RVCOG: 541-423-1375

Website: www.rvmopo.org

Or via Zoom

Meeting ID: 846 2782 3341

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1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda

Chair

Consent Agenda

2. Review / Approve Minutes

Chair

Attachment: [#1 RVMPO Policy Meeting Draft Minutes 10/24/2023](#)

Public Hearing

Chair will read Public Hearing procedures

3. Amendment to the 2024-27 TIPs

Ryan MacLaren

Background: The Policy is being asked to review of amendments to the 2024–2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include the following project(s):

- Add Project to TIP: OR99: Transit Signal Upgrades (KN 23539)
- Cancel Project in TIP: OR238 at Shafer Lane Pedestrian Improvements (KN 22940)
- Cancel Project in TIP: SW Oregon safety program funding reserve (FFY25-27) (KN 23305)
- Cancel Project in TIP: SW Oregon HB2017 safety program funding reserve (FFY25-27) (KN 23413)
- Amend Project in TIP: OR99: Glenwood - Matt Loop (KN 23480)

The 21-day public comment period and public hearing was advertised on or before Friday, November 3, 2023 in the *Rogue Valley Times*, and information is currently available on the RVMPO website.

Attachments: [#2 TIP Amendment Memo](#)
[#3 CRP Approval Letter for KN 23539](#)
[#4 OTC STIP Consent Letter for KN 22940, KN 23305, KN 23413](#)

Action Requested: *Approval of the amendments*



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Action Items

4. TAC Sub-Committee findings on the 2024-2027 shortfall

Ryan MacLaren

Background: The TAC Sub-Committee met and discussed how to cover the \$1,627,166 shortfall for the 24-27 TIP caused by the Fund Exchange Law going into effect. The Sub-Committee recommended that the projects affected by the loss be made whole with the funds (\$2,426,891) returned to the MPO from Medford canceling the Stevens Street and Alley Paving projects. The full TAC agreed with the recommendation and is recommending the same to the RVMPO Policy Committee.

Action Requested: *Approval of the recommendation*

Discussion Items

5. Public Comment

Chair

Regular Updates

6. RVMPO Update

Karl Welzenbach

7. Other Business / Local Business

Chair

Opportunity for RVMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects

8. Adjournment

Chair

Scheduled Meetings

RVMPO TAC	December 13, 2023	1:30 p.m.
RVMPO PAC	December 19, 2023	5:30 p.m.
RVMPO Policy Meeting	December 20, 2023	2:00 p.m.

All meetings are available in-person and online via Zoom unless otherwise noted.



SUMMARY MINUTES
Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization
Policy Committee

Date: Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Mike Quilty	Central Point	664-7907
Kathy Sell	Eagle Point	826-4212
Andrea Thompson	Jacksonville	899-1231
Rick Dyer	Jackson County	774-6118
Jerry Marmon, Chair	ODOT	774-6353
Tonia Moro	RVTD	973-2063

Alternate Members	Organization	Phone Number
John Vial	Medford	
Terry Baker	Phoenix	
Steve Lambert	Jackson County	
Mike Baker	ODOT	
Paige West	RVTD	

Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375

Interested Parties	Organization
Mike Montero	PAC
Ian Horlacher	ODOT

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1. Call to Order at 2:01 p.m. / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00 – 02:32

Quorum: Central Point, Eagle Point, Jacksonville, Medford, Talent, Jackson County, ODOT, RVTD

2. Review / Approve Minutes 02:32 – 03:11

- 02:24** Mike Quilty moved to approve the September 26, 2023, RVMPO Policy Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by Rick Dyer.
No further discussion.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.



Public Hearing

3. Amendment to the 2021-2024/2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program 03:50 – 07:01

Chair Jerry Marmon opened the Public Hearing

No comments received.

Chair Jerry Marmon closed the Public Hearing.

- 05:54** Mike Quilty moved to approve the Amendment to the 2021-2024/2024-2027 TIP as presented. Second by Kathy Sell.
No further discussion.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Action Items

4. Federal Aid Urban Boundary (FAUB) 07:01 – 08:26

- 14:40** Mike Quilty moved to approve the FAUB as presented. Seconded by John Vial.
No further discussion.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote with 1 abstain.

Discussion Items

5. Public Comment 08:26 – 17:43

Comment provided by Mike Montero regarding the City of Pheonix.

Regular Updates

6. MPO Planning Update 17:43 – 24:04

Provided by Karl Welzenbach regarding the New STIP/TIP and the Oregon Travel Survey.

7. Other Business / Local Business 24:04– 24:59

Updates about OMPOC and

8. Adjournment

2:26 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings

RVMPO TAC	November 8, 2023	1:30 p.m.
RVMPO PAC	November 21, 2023	5:30 p.m.
RVMPO Policy Meeting	November 28, 2023	2:00 p.m.



Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

Regional Transportation Planning

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DATE: November 2, 2023
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 November 3rd to the Rogue Valley Times and information is currently available on the RVMPO website. The RVMPO TAC has recommended approval of the amendment(s) listed.

Information on the projects is enumerated, below:

A. Add Project to TIP: *OR99: Transit Signal Upgrades (KN 23539)*

Description: Upgrade signals on OR99 from the South end of Ashland to Exit 35, north of Central Point to provide vehicle to infrastructure communication and improve transit efficiency and reliability.

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: Transit Signal Upgrades	Upgrade signals on OR99 from the South end of Ashland to Exit 35, north of Central Point to provide vehicle to infrastructure communication and improve transit efficiency and reliability.	n/a	Exempt (40 CFR § 93.126 Table 2) - Mass Transit, construction or renovation of power, signal, and communications systems			Planning					\$ -			\$ -
				23539	2024	Design	\$ 89,730	CRP	\$ 10,270	ODOT	\$ 100,000			\$ 100,000
						Land Purchase					\$ -			\$ -
						Utility Relocate					\$ -			\$ -
				23539	2025	Construction	\$ 302,390	CRP	\$ 34,610	ODOT	\$ 337,000			\$ 337,000
						Other					\$ -			\$ -
					Total FFY24-27		\$ 392,120		\$ 44,880		\$ 437,000	\$ -		\$ 437,000

B. Cancel Project in TIP: *OR238 at Shafer Lane Pedestrian Improvements (KN 22940)*

Description: Cancel Project.

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														
OR238 at Shafer Lane Pedestrian Improvements	Install lighting and signage to reduce the number of pedestrian injuries at this intersection.	n/a	Exempt (40 CFR § 93.126 Table 2) - Safety: Lighting Improvements Air Quality: Bicycle and pedestrian facilities			Planning					\$ -			\$ -
				22940	2024	Design	\$ 110,475	HSIP	\$ 12,275	ODOT	\$ 122,750			\$ 122,750
				22940	2025	Land Purchase	\$ 42,221	HSIP	\$ 4,691	ODOT	\$ 46,912			\$ 46,912
						Utility Relocate					\$ -			\$ -
				22940	2026	Construction	\$ 145,582	HSIP	\$ 16,176	ODOT	\$ 161,758			\$ 161,758
						Other					\$ -			\$ -
					Total FFY24-27		\$ 298,278		\$ 33,142		\$ 331,420	\$ -		\$ 331,420

C. Cancel Project in TIP: *SW Oregon safety program funding reserve (FFY25-27) (KN 23305)*

Description: Cancel Project.

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														
SW Oregon safety program funding reserve (FFY25-27)	Funding for federal fiscal year 2024-2027 for the Region 3 ARTS program.	n/a	Exempt (40 CFR § 93.126 Table 2) - Safety			Planning					\$ -			\$ -
						Design					\$ -			\$ -
						Land Purchase					\$ -			\$ -
						Utility Relocate					\$ -			\$ -
				23305	2025	Construction	\$ 1,075,976	HSIP	\$ 119,553	ODOT	\$ 1,195,529			\$ 1,195,529
						Other					\$ -			\$ -
					Total FFY24-27		\$ 1,075,976		\$ 119,553		\$ 1,195,529	\$ -		\$ 1,195,529

D. Cancel Project in TIP: SW Oregon HB2017 safety program funding reserve (FFY25-27) (KN 23413)

Description: Cancel Project.

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														
SW Oregon HB2017 safety program funding reserve (FFY25- 27)	Funding for federal fiscal year 2024-2027 for the Region 3 HB2017 safety program.	n/a	Exempt (40 CFR § 93.126 Table 2) - Safety			Planning					\$ -			\$ -
						Design					\$ -			\$ -
						Land Purchase					\$ -			\$ -
						Utility Relocate					\$ -			\$ -
				23413	2025	Construction	\$ 129,199	HB2017	\$ 14,355	ODOT	\$ 143,554			\$ 143,554
						Other					\$ -			\$ -
						Total FFY24-27		\$ 129,199		\$ 14,355		\$ 143,554	\$ -	

E. Amend Project in TIP: OR99: Glenwood - Matt Loop (KN 23480)

Description: Add RW, UR and CN phase and increase the PE phase estimate by \$1,378,400 funded by (Raise Grant) funds.

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														
Glenwood - Matt Loop	Widen road, add sidewalks, bike lanes. Update ADA and add pedestrian crossings and transit locations to improve safety to the traveling public.	n/a	Exempt (40 CFR § 93.126 Table 2) - Air Quality: Bicycle and pedestrian facilities			Planning					\$ -			\$ -
				23480	2024	Design	\$ 2,378,400	IIJA	\$ 569,600	ODOT	\$ 2,948,000			\$ 2,948,000
				23480	2024	Land Purchase	\$ 4,928,000	IIJA	\$ 1,232,000	ODOT	\$ 6,160,000			\$ 6,160,000
				23480	2026	Utility Relocate	\$ 1,404,000	IIJA	\$ 351,000	ODOT	\$ 1,755,000			\$ 1,755,000
				23480	2027	Construction	\$ 12,996,000	IIJA	\$ 3,249,000	ODOT	\$ 16,245,000			\$ 16,245,000
						Other					\$ -			\$ -
					Total FFY24-27		\$ 21,706,400		\$ 5,401,600		\$ 27,108,000	\$ -		\$ 27,108,000



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DATE: August 28, 2023

TO: Kris Strickler, Director

FROM: Suzanne Carlson, Climate Office Director

SUBJECT: Approve adding projects to the 24/27 STIP as part of the Carbon Reduction Program

Requested Action:

Approve recommended projects for the Carbon Reduction Program 2023 Small Urban and Rural Call for Projects and Statewide project selection process.

Background:

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provided funding for projects that reduce transportation related greenhouse gas emissions. Through the carbon reduction program, Oregon is apportioned \$82.4 million over 5 years for fiscal years 2022-2026. These funds are allocated by federal formula to Transportation Management Areas, small urban and rural areas, and statewide projects.

Carbon Reduction Program Decision Making Process

As required by federal regulations, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) coordinated with the state's transportation management areas and consulted with our regional planning organizations by convening a consultation group. The consultation group met over a dozen times during 2022 and 2023. The consultation group consisted of metropolitan planning organizations, transportation management areas, and other state partners to inform the development of the program and strategy.

The consultation group developed strategies and priorities to guide the implementation of the program based on the *Statewide Transportation Strategy: A 2050 Vision for Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction*, which serves as Oregon's roadmap to reducing transportation emissions from the transportation sector. ODOT and the consultation group reviewed the statewide transportation strategy categories to identify emissions reduction actions that were consistent with the eligible project types outlined by the carbon reduction program. The consultation group then worked collaboratively to refine these elements into a set of strategies and priorities to guide the program. These strategies and priorities guided project identification and selection for all funding components of the program.

Following development of the program strategies and priorities, a smaller subset of the group that represented the non-transportation management area metropolitan planning organizations, cities and counties developed project scoring criteria for the small urban and rural funding. ODOT used these scoring criteria to identify projects for the statewide funding component.



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ODOT conducted a call for projects in 2023 for half of the small urban and rural funding (\$12.5 million allocated). Transportation management areas identified projects for their share of the funding (\$24.3 million allocated). ODOT conducted an internal project selection process to award about 60 percent of the statewide funding (\$17.8 million allocated).

After project selection, the consultation group reviewed the identified projects and provided input on the project list. The consultation group also contributed to the development of the carbon reduction strategy, a reporting requirement of the carbon reduction program.

Carbon Reduction Program Recommended Projects

Projects selected to date for carbon reduction program funding meet the program's key goal of reducing transportation related greenhouse gas emissions. The types of projects selected include intelligent transportation systems, electric vehicles and charging stations, low carbon materials, active transportation, and public transportation projects.

ODOT has worked to ensure that the projects selected meet equity goals of the carbon reduction program known as the Justice40 Initiative which aims to have 40 percent of funds benefit disadvantaged communities. Over 65 percent of Oregon's carbon reduction program funds allocated to date will support projects that meet the disadvantaged community requirement and support ODOT's equity goals.

Carbon Reduction Program beyond the Recommendation

ODOT staff is working to have intergovernmental agreements completed with new grantees of the small urban and rural funding in place by early 2024. A second call for projects will be conducted for the small urban and rural funding will take place in spring of 2024.

Copies to:

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DATE: August 31, 2023

TO: Oregon Transportation Commission

FROM: Kristopher W. Strickler
Director

SUBJECT: **Consent Item 11** – Amend the 24-27 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to reallocate a portion of HB 2017 State Safety Priority Funding (SSPF) to establish and implement an ongoing pedestrian and bicycle safety improvement initiative

Requested Action:

Approve the attached list of modified or canceled projects to the STIP.

Background:

At the March 9, 2023 meeting, the OTC supported an ODOT proposal to invest HB 2017 State Safety Priority Funds (SSPF) annually, FY 2025-2027 to create a new pedestrian and bicycle safety program (March 9, 2023 Agenda Item H). The purpose of the program is to consistently and rapidly review, assess and deliver safety improvements addressing pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities on the state highway system, particularly in low-income and Black, Indigenous, or People of Color (BIPOC) communities.

ODOT staff have since refined a program framework and approach for a Vulnerable User Crash Response Program (VCR). The term “vulnerable users” refers to road users who are not using a vehicle that provides a protective shield (e.g., people walking, biking, using a scooter or personal conveyance) and thus are more vulnerable to injury or death when involved in a crash. This term is consistent Oregon’s “Vulnerable Road User Law” adopted in 2007 and the recently enacted Federal Highway Administration requirement for all state DOTs to conduct a “Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment” as part of their State Highway Safety Plans (referred to as the Transportation Safety Action Plan in Oregon). VCR will implement the program recommendations obtained from OTC and an independent consultant evaluation of ODOT’s existing safety programs.

The attached table lists SSPF funded projects in the 2024-2027 STIP identified for cancellation or modification to support implementation of the VCR program and its objectives. SSPF funds were added to these projects prior to adoption of the 2024-2027 STIP so it was not possible to make this adjustment to the draft 2024-2027 STIP and an amendment is now needed. Projects identified for cancellation do not include vulnerable user safety improvements in high crash and equity locations. Projects identified for modification will have scopes adjusted to remove elements that do not

improve vulnerable user safety or to add vulnerable user safety improvements that support VCR objectives. This amendment makes \$10,655,521 in state funds available for ODOT to implement the VCR program in FY 2025-2027 per OTC direction.

Outcomes:

With approval, ODOT will modify or cancel the attached projects in the 2024-2027 STIP and implement the VCR program.

Without approval, no state funding will be available to implement the VCR program and it will be put on pause until funds are identified.

Attachments:

- Attachment 01 – 2024-2027 STIP - SSPF Amendment Project List