

ROGUE VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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A listing of transportation projects within the RVMPO planning area obligated to receive federal funds in the 2025 federal fiscal year (FFY), Oct. 1, 2024, through Sept. 30, 2025.

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Executive Summary

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

The MPO fulfills federal requirements for comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing transportation planning in the Medford, Oregon, metropolitan area. The governor in 1982 designated the Rogue Valley Council of Governments (RVCOG) as the area's metropolitan planning organization. RVCOG is a voluntary association of local governments in Jackson and Josephine counties. The RVCOG board delegated responsibility for MPO policy functions to the RVMPO Policy Committee, which consists of elected and appointed officials from the following RVMPO member jurisdictions and agencies: Ashland, Talent, Phoenix, Jacksonville, Medford, Central Point, Eagle Point, Jackson County, Rogue Valley Transportation District and Oregon Department of Transportation.

Rogue Valley Council of Governments (RVCOG) Mission

To be a catalyst to promote quality of life, effective and efficient services, and leadership in regional communication, cooperation, planning and action in Southern Oregon.

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (RVMPO) Mission

To be a strong and unifying leader for the creation of sustainable, livable communities through regional cooperation and integrated land use and transportation planning.

Introduction

About this Report

This report provides information about the projects and distributions of federal funds across jurisdictions within the RVMPO and modes. The time span covered is Oct. 1, 2024, through Sept. 30, 2025.

Transportation funds are obligated by Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA), which signifies the federal agencies' commitment to provide a specific amount of money for a particular project. Obligation is an agreement to pay a portion of a project's cost; it does not necessarily equal the amount actually received by a jurisdiction or agency within the timeframe. The amounts received are determined by the amount of project work completed.

The Obligation Process

Money for projects funded through FTA is obligated at the time the FTA grant is awarded. Money for projects funded through FHWA is obligated when a project agreement is executed and the state or grantee requests that the funds be obligated.

Typically, obligation covers a particular phase of a project, such as the preliminary engineering or purchase of rights-of-way for a highway project. Therefore, projects listed in this report indicate the phase or portion of work for which the federal funds have been secured. Projects that can be linked to a specific location are shown on a map of the RVMPO area on Page 14.

Projects listed here were originally approved by the RVMPO Policy Committee via approval of the RVMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP signifies local approval of transportation projects receiving federal funds. This report indicates progress on those projects and federal agency commitments to their delivery.

Federal Requirements

The U.S. Congress, through adoption of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) requires all metropolitan planning organizations to report annually on the funds obligated by FHWA and FTA. The purpose is to further transparency of the federal government's role in transportation.

Federal law requires that MPOs publish for public review, including investments in pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, projects for which federal funds were obligated in the preceding year. Specific statutory requirements are shown in Appendix A.

While regulations give primary responsibility for the annual report to the MPO, the report is a collaboration among all recipient agencies. FTA, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Josephine County, Jackson County and RVMPO cities provided information and feedback to the RVMPO for this report.

Federal Funding Sources

Funds authorized by Congress, largely from the Highway Trust Fund (with revenues generated by a tax on vehicle-fuel sales), flow to the region through several funding sources. These sources reflect certain national transportation goals and priorities. Specific funds coming into the RVMPO area and their federal purpose or use restrictions are described below. Projects must meet the eligibility requirements for money to be obligated. All projects listed in this report have a funding source.

Federal funds rarely cover a project's full cost. Most projects, especially large projects, will require funds from more than one source over several years. Most federal programs require a local match, typically 10.27% of the total project cost. Federal programs that fund projects within the RVMPO planning area include:

Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)

A federal block grant program for a broad range of transportation projects on all roads functionally classed above minor collector. Transit capital projects and bicycle-pedestrian projects are also eligible. STBG has several sub-programs, including safety and enhancements. A portion is sub-allocated by ODOT to counties and cities by a population-based formula. The RVMPO allocates the share for cities within the Medford metropolitan area, known as STBG-L funds, and amounts to about \$1.8 million annually. To simplify access to these funds, RVMPO jurisdictions can utilize ODOT's STBG fund exchange program and enter into a fund-exchange agreement with ODOT. Through the exchange program, ODOT retains the federal funds and the jurisdiction receives state roadway funds at a 94% exchange rate. Additionally, each state must set aside 10% of its base STBG funds for safety programs. The match rate for safety projects is 80% federal and 20% state/local.

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program:

CMAQ funds are dedicated to projects that address on-road vehicle emissions and relieve congestion problems that are harming air quality. The entire RVMPO planning area qualifies for CMAQ funds to address particulate and carbon dioxide emissions. The CMAQ Program requires a local match of 10.27% of the total project cost.

National Highway Performance Program

Provides support for the condition and performance of the National Highway System (NHS), for the construction of new facilities on the NHS, and ensures that investments of Federal-aid funds in highway construction are directed to support progress toward the achievement of performance targets established in a state's asset management plan for the NHS.

Interstate Maintenance (IM)

IM funds are reserved for interstate highway projects that do not add capacity; they generally fund construction or reconstruction of bridges, interchanges, and overcrossings on existing interstate routes.

Metropolitan Planning (MPO)

A 1.25% portion of certain Highway Trust Fund programs are set aside by Congress to support metropolitan planning activities in urban areas with a population of 50,000 or more. This fund supplies most of the revenue for RVMPO planning activities.

Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

Supports public transportation activities through several activity-specific programs. Rogue Valley Transportation District (RVTD) receives funds from FTA Section 5307, which is distributed on a formula basis for capital, planning and certain operating activities. Publicly owned transit systems are eligible. When used for operating costs, funds must be matched 50 percent with local funds. For planning and other activities, the match required is 20 percent. Additionally, RVTD receives FTA Section 5310 funds for transit improvements serving the elderly, disabled, and low-income populations.

- Section 5311: Rural transit operations for general public services
- Section 5310: Operations/capital for transportation series/projects that benefit the elderly and disabled
- Section 5309: Capital projects
- Section 5303: Planning funds

Other Funding Sources

State and local funds are significant to most transportation projects. As noted above, most federal grants require local matching funds. Local match funds are not included in the obligated amounts shown in this report.

Obligation Distribution

Distribution of Funds by Jurisdiction and Agency

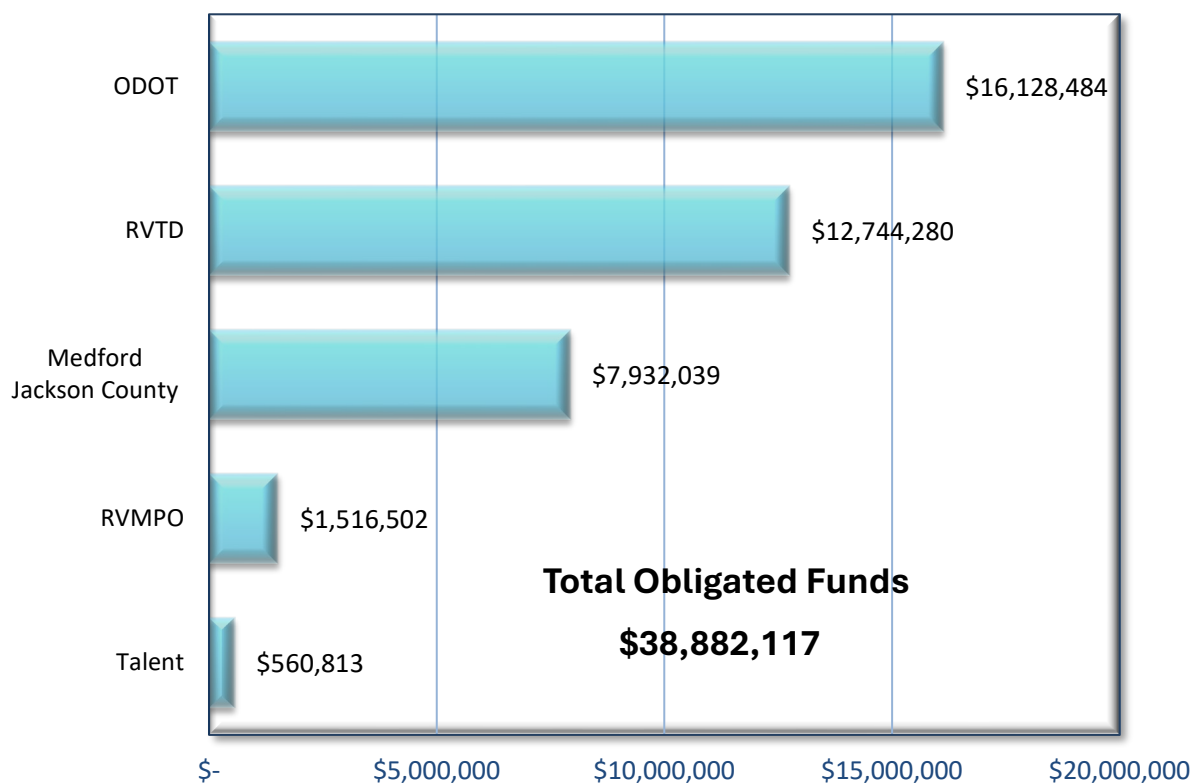
Projects set to receive federal funds are programmed, or approved, by the RVMPO Policy Committee through adoption and amendments of the TIP. Amendments are common and reflect changing conditions and demands fund recipients face as they move forward with project implementation.

For two federal funding sources, STBG-L and CMAQ, the RVMPO solicits and evaluates applications and selects projects. The region receives roughly \$1.8 million a year in STBG-L funds and \$2.2 million a year in CMAQ funds.

Chart 1 below shows the distribution of federal funds within the RVMPO by jurisdiction and agency. Federal funds obligated in FFY 2025 totaled \$38,882,117 and are reflected in Charts 1 and 2. It is important to note that this does not include de-obligated federal funds in FFY 2025.

The total amounts spent on federally funded projects are shown with project and work phase descriptions in the project list section, beginning on Page 7.

CHART 1: OBLIGATED FUNDS BY JURISDICTION



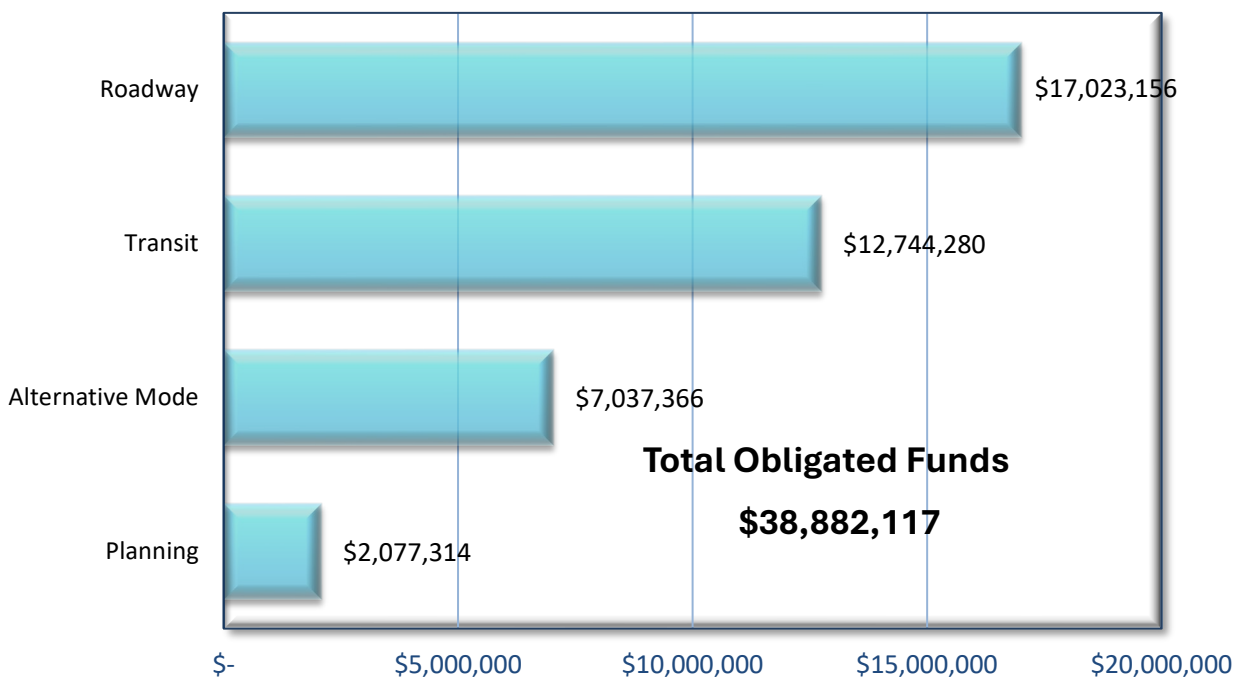
Distribution of Funds by Project Type

Federal funds were used for a variety of transportation projects in the 2025 federal fiscal year, from planning, to transit service to interstate interchanges. This section addresses the distribution of funds among four major activity categories:

- **Roadway** - encompassing projects that improve and preserve facilities for vehicle use.
- **Transit** - support for services provided by RVTB.
- **Planning** - consisting of RVMPO activities in federal fiscal year, although in past years other planning projects and funding occurred.
- **Alternative Mode (Alt. Mode)** - projects that support non-motorized travel, mainly construction of bicycle lanes and sidewalks. This category includes RVTB's Transportation Demand Management Program, which focuses on changing travel behavior to reduce use of single-occupant vehicles.
- **Environmental** - projects that address emergency mitigation of environmental damage to ODOT properties.

Transportation funding is addressed in this way to be consistent with federal guidelines that direct MPOs to identify expenditures for bicycle and pedestrian projects. Given available data, the funding for these facilities (Alt. Mode) can only be estimated due to the way contracts were written and work performed for certain projects. While most bicycle-pedestrian projects have clearly identified costs, some of the roadway improvement projects included construction of sidewalks and bike lanes. In those cases where a project can be identified as both Roadway and Alt. Mode, the total federal share of the project was divided evenly between the two categories. The amounts shown in Chart 2 below reflect this adjustment.

CHART 2: OBLIGATED FUNDS BY PROJECT TYPE



Project Delivery

Phasing

Distributions shown on these pages and the project listing that follows represent funding amounts approved by FHWA and FTA. The distribution of funds signifies authorization for work to begin. Because it may take some time for recipient agency to complete the work,

the obligation funds shown here may not clearly coincide with work visible on the ground in local communities.

Transportation projects are generally accomplished through multiple phases, and each phase may take more than one year to complete. Phases can vary by project type – building a road vs. conducting a corridor study. The phases for which funds were obligated in FFY 2025 are shown in the project listing.

Work in each phase is monitored by the lead agency. As one phase nears completion, the agency seeks the obligation of funds for the next phase.

Phases generally are:

Planning - includes studies that examine various aspects of travel behavior, geography and interactions.

Preliminary Engineering - includes evaluation of a range of design options and elements; data on which to base final designs is gathered, including community needs and desires. Phase may include preparation of detailed plans adequate for construction contracting (in some cases final building plans are developed as a separate phase).

Right-of-Way - involves securing all of the land needed for a project. Phase includes detailed property identification, settlements with owners and obtaining any necessary permits.

Construction - phase carries a project from the authorization to begin construction to final payment to contractors.

Environmental - includes improvements that do not increase level of service, either in facility condition or safety features. Such improvements include beautification and other environmentally related features that are not part of any other improvement type.

List of Obligated Projects

The following pages list projects for which federal funds were obligated in the 2025 federal fiscal year by jurisdiction. The project numbers or key numbers, assigned by ODOT as a project is programmed, are shown in the first column and can be used to track a single project through its various phases over time, from programming in the TIP to final delivery.

The list also includes a brief project description, federal funding sources, phase(s) implemented, total cost (which indicates amount of local funds used), and the total amount programmed in the TIP. Projects that can be illustrated by mapping are shown on the map on Page 14.

TABLE 1: LIST OF OBLIGATED PROJECTS

Foothill Road			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	Foothill Rd: Corridor - City of Medford Foothill Rd: Delta Waters to Dry Creek - Jackson County		
ODOT Key #	19231, 21029	FHWA Project #	4700076
Project Description	19231 - Widen to 5 lanes, curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes - Add signals 21029 - Widen to add shoulders and turn lanes at intersections, minor alignment changes		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Roadway - 4R - Added Capacity - Safety and Education for Peds/Bicyclists - Construction Engineering		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$7,932,038.66	2025 Obligation Percentage	20.4%

Highland Dr			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	NB Highland Dr to Barnett Rd - ODOT		
ODOT Key #	23416	FHWA Project #	S001559
Project Description	Widen the existing single right turn lane on Highland northbound to Barnett Road eastbound to a dual right turn lane and a shared multiuse path to improve traffic flow for the traveling public.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Roadway/Alternative - Preliminary Engineering - Administration		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$101,843.55	2025 Obligation Percentage	0.3%

OR-140			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	OR140: Exit 35 Blackwell Road - ODOT		
ODOT Key #	18975	FHWA Project #	S270040
Project Description	Add center turn lane, widen shoulders and add bike lanes to improve pedestrian safety and to reduce traffic congestion.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Roadway/Alternative - 4R - No Added Capacity - Administration		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$1,290,904.54	2025 Obligation Percentage	3.3%

OR-238			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	OR238: N. Central Ave to Sage Road - ODOT		
ODOT Key #	23706	FHWA Project #	S272031
Project Description	Re-seed both sides of the roadside along OR238 from N Central Ave to Sage Road in Medford (mile point 38 to 38.5) with a native plant seed mix. Work will improve the resilience of roadside vegetation from drought and fire, improve pollinator food sources and other wildlife habitat, and reduce long-term maintenance needs for weed and invasive species control.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Roadway - Administration - Other		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$171,612.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	0.4%
OR-62			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	OR62: Rogue Valley Expressway - ODOT		
ODOT Key #	21511	FHWA Project #	S022051
Project Description	Construct footings and structures to install agency supplied signs, radios, cameras, message sign, traffic sensors, and traffic signal controllers to improve communication with the traveling public.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Roadway - 4R - No Added Capacity - Construction Engineering - Preliminary Engineering		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$1,882,139.56	2025 Obligation Percentage	4.8%
OR-99/OR-238/OR-62			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	OR99/OR238/OR62: Big X Intersection - ODOT		
ODOT Key #	21676	FHWA Project #	SA00352
Project Description	Remove existing pavement and replace with new asphalt; Add additional through lane at OR238 East onto OR62 East; Signalize the right turn lane from OR62 West onto 1-5 South; Replace ADA ramps and improve the bike and pedestrian connections leading to and through the Big X intersection; Preventative maintenance on four structures within the project limits. This project will extend the useful life of both the pavement and bridges while improving safety for bikes and pedestrians.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Roadway/Alternative - Construction Engineering - Administration - Safety and Education for Peds/Bicyclists		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$2,900,903.69	Percentage of 2025 Obligation	7.5%

OR-99			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	OR99: Coleman Ck. (Phoenix) - ODOT		
ODOT Key #	20162	FHWA Project #	S063037
Project Description	Replace culvert to meet fish passage requirements and install Transit Signal Prioritization on OR-99 Ashland to Central Point to improve service and reduce delay for mass transit vehicles at the intersection.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Roadway/Alternative - Construction Engineering - Transit - Administration		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$1,204,968.34	2025 Obligation Percentage	3.1%

OR-99			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	OR99: Creel to Bear Creek Greenway Connector - Talent		
ODOT Key #	21197	FHWA Project #	7250012
Project Description	Design alternatives for the Bear Creek shared use path. The project will connect the trails to create a safe place for recreational activity.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Planning - Planning		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$560,812.50	2025 Obligation Percentage	1.4%

OR-99			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	OR99: Glenwood - Coleman Creek - ODOT		
ODOT Key #	22384	FHWA Project #	S063042
Project Description	Widen road to add sidewalks, bike lanes. Update ADA and add pedestrian crossings and transit locations to improve safety to the traveling public.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Roadway/Alternative - Facilities for Pedestrians and Bicycles - Construction Engineering - Administration		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$8,290,724.06	2025 Obligation Percentage	21.3%

OR-99			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	OR99: Transit Signal Upgrades - ODOT		
ODOT Key #	23539	FHWA Project #	S063044
Project 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 Type - Improvement Type	Roadway/Alternative - Transit - Construction Engineering		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$259,927.28	2025 Obligation Percentage	0.7%

RVMPO			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	Rogue Valley MPO planning SFY25 - RVMPO		
ODOT Key #	21866	FHWA Project #	PR25301
Project Description	Planning funds for projects identified in state fiscal year 2025 of the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The UPWP is a guide for transportation planning activities to be conducted over the course of each state fiscal year (July 1 to June 30).		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Planning - Planning		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$412,926.52	2025 Obligation Percentage	1.1%

RVMPO			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	Rogue Valley MPO planning SFY26 - RVMPO		
ODOT Key #	22908	FHWA Project #	PR26301
Project Description	Planning funds for projects identified in state fiscal year 2026 of the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The UPWP is a guide for transportation planning activities to be conducted over the course of each state fiscal year (July 1 to June 30).		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Planning - Planning		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$1,103,575.23	Percentage of 2025 Obligation	2.8%

RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	Enhanced Mobility S&ID - RVTD FFY23		
ODOT Key #	21982	FTA	5310
Project Description	Enhanced mobility small urban program funding to Improve transportation services to the special needs, seniors, and other transit dependent populations in rural areas. State administration Included.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$465,000.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	1.2%

RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	Oregon Transportation Network - RVTD FFY24		
ODOT Key #	22054	FTA	5310
Project Description	Urbanized public transit capital funding for federal fiscal year 2024. Funds will be transferred to FTA for delivery. Projects and programs to be determined based on funding requirements.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$540,169.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	1.4%

RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	2024 capitalization of maintenance (RVMPO STP TRANSFER)		
ODOT Key #	22288	FTA	5307
Project Description	Vehicle & Facility Maintenance Transit Improvements		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$700,000.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	1.8%

RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	Enhanced Mobility Program (5310) RVTD FFY20		
ODOT Key #	22650	FTA	5310
Project Description	Enhanced mobility small urban program funding to Improve transportation services to the special needs, seniors, and other transit dependent populations in rural areas.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$286,509.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	0.7%

RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	RVTD-Transit operations (5307) FY2024		
ODOT Key #	22685	FTA	5307
Project Description	Funding for transit operating expenses to promote the use of alternative forms of transportation.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$4,611,364.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	11.9%

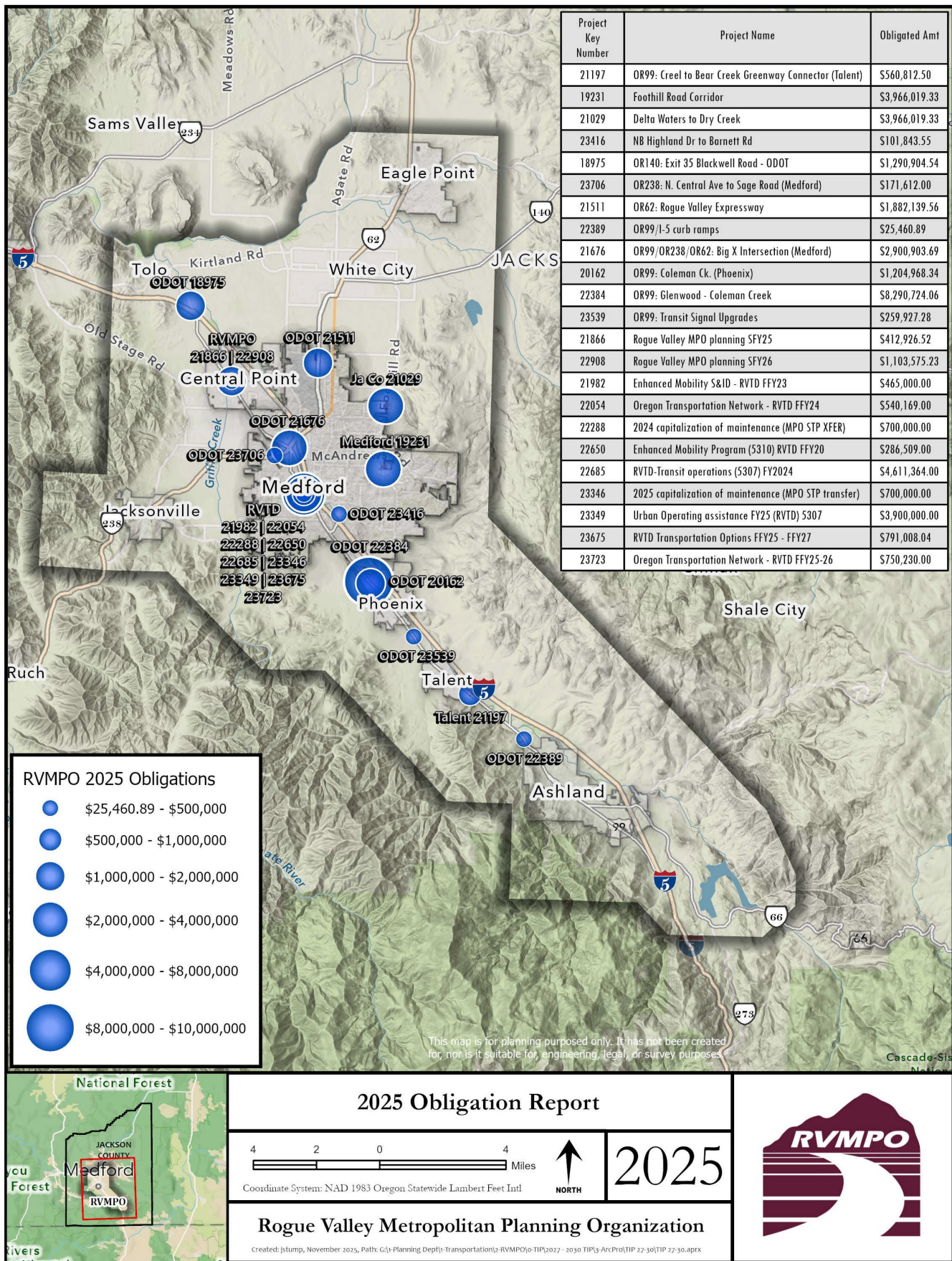
RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	2025 capitalization of maintenance (RVMPO STP transfer)		
ODOT Key #	23346	FTA	STBG-FLEX
Project Description	Vehicle & Facility Maintenance/Transit Improvements		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$700,000.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	1.8%

RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	Urban Operating assistance FY25 (RVTD) 5307		
ODOT Key #	23349	FTA	5307
Project Description	Operation support, Including operating assistance and preventive maintenance to transit agencies.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$3,900,000.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	10.0%

RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	RVTD Transportation Options FFY25 - FFY27		
ODOT Key #	23675	FTA	STBG-FLEX
Project Description	RVTD (Rogue Valley Transportation District) funding to promote and encourage the use of alternative transportation options during federal fiscal years 2025, 2026 and 2027.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$791,008.04	2025 Obligation Percentage	2.0%

RVTD			
Project Name - Jurisdiction	Oregon Transportation Network - RVTD FFY25-26		
ODOT Key #	23723	FTA	5310
Project Description	Urbanized public transit capital funding for federal fiscal years 2025 and 2026 to Improve transit services to the special needs, seniors, and other transit-dependent populations. Funds will be transferred to FTA for delivery. Projects and programs to be determined based on funding requirements.		
Project Type - Improvement Type	Transit - Transit		
FFY 2025 Obligated Amount	\$750,230.00	2025 Obligation Percentage	1.9%

MAP 1: MAP OF OBLIGATED PROJECTS



Appendix A: Federal Regulations

The following sections of US Code address the annual listing of obligated projects by Metropolitan Planning Organizations.

Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), effective December 2015

Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21), July 6, 2012

Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)

23 USC 134(j)(7)(B) Publication of annual listings of projects.

An annual listing of projects, including investments in pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, for which Federal funds have been obligated in the preceding year shall be published or otherwise made available by the cooperative effort of the State, transit operator, and metropolitan planning organization for public review. The listing shall be consistent with the categories identified in the TIP.

23 USC 135(g)(5)(B) Listing of projects.

An annual listing of projects for which funds have been obligated in the preceding year in each metropolitan planning area shall be published or otherwise made available by the cooperative effort of the State, transit operator, and the metropolitan planning organization for public review. The listing shall be consistent with the funding identified in each metropolitan transportation improvement program.

49 USC 5303(j)(7)(B) Publication of annual listings of projects.

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49 USC 5304(g)(4)(B) -- Listing of projects.

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