AGENDA

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee



Date: Tuesday, Spetember 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: <u>www.rvmpo.org</u>

1	Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda	Chair						
Consent Agenda								
2	Review / Approve Minutes Chair							
Attachment	#1 RVMPO Policy Committee Meeting Draft Minutes 0	<u>8/24/2021</u>						
PUBLIC HEARING	G ublic hearing procedures							
3	Amendments to the 2021–2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Ryan MacLaren						
Background	 The Policy Committee is being asked to review the adoption the 2021–2024 Transportation Improvement Program of following project(s): OR 99/I-5 Curb Ramps The 21-day public comment period and public hearing before Friday, September 3, 2021 in the <i>Medford Mail Trill</i> is currently available on the RVMPO website. 	(TIP) to include the was advertised on or						
Attachment	#2 <u>TIP Amendments</u>#3 <u>CMR Transaction for Curb Ramps</u>							
Action Requested	Approval of the TIP Amendments							

4	RTP/AQCD	Karl Welzenbach						
Background	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.							
Attachment	 #4 Virtual Open House for the RTP with Chapters #5 Draft AQCD #6 Resolution 2021-03 #7 Resolution 2021-04 #8 Chapter 5.3 Revised 							
Action Requested	Adoption by Resolutions 2021-03 and 2021-04							
Action Items								
5	Determination of portion of Covid-19 Relief Funding	Karl Welzenbach						
Background	The RVMPO's Technical Advisory Committee and Public Advisory Committee held a joint meeting on September 8 to discuss the COVID relief funds which the MPO received. Although no complete resolution was reached as to recommendations on how to spend the entire \$2.5 million one issue did come to the fore due to its time sensitive nature – the City of Ashland's chip-seal project. The city requested \$420,000 in COVID funds and would return the \$470,000 in CMAQ funding. After much discussion both committees recommended that the city receive \$250,000 in COVID relief funds for this project and that this amount would be deducted from any additional monies the city might receive.							
Attachment	 #7 Letter form the City of Ashland #8 Resolution 2021-05 – Authorizing Disbursement of C 	OVID relief funding						
Action Requested	Adoption of Resolution 2021-05 Authorizing the disburst COVID relief funds to the City of Ashland	ement of \$250,000 in						
6	Donation to the Greenway Foundation	Karl Welzenbach						
Background	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.							
Action Requested	Approval of the RVMPO Policy Committee for the Greenway Foundation to keep the \$2,500 sponsorship amount as a charitable donation							

Discussion Items		
7	Public Comment	Chair
Regular Updates		
8	RVMPO Planning Update	Karl Welzenbach
9	Other Business / Local Business Opportunity for RVMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects.	Chair
10	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, Ocotber 13, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. Location to be determined
- The next RVMPO PAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Ocotber 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: <u>August 24, 2021</u> Full meeting recording: <u>2021-08-24 Audio Recording</u>

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 Dotterrer.

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 waver 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 Dotterrer.

No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. Changes to Amendment Matrix in the TIP

Dave Dotterrer 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.



Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

Regional Transportation Planning

Ashland • Central Point • Eagle Point • Jacksonville • Medford • Phoenix • Talent • White City 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:

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 Proj	RTP Project	Project nber Air Quality Status Key #	Key #	Key # Federal Fiscal Year	Year Phase	Federal		Federal Required Match		red Match	Tatal Fade Day Matak	Other		Total All Sources			
	Number		ney#			\$	Source		\$	Source	Total Fed+Req Match	\$	Source	Total All Sources			
ODOT	ODOT																
	Construct curb ramos					Planning									\$-		
			Exempt 93.126			Design						\$-			\$-		
OR99/I-5 Curb	to meet compliance	meet compliance				(Table 2) Safety &	22389	2021	Land Purchase	\$ 969,084	SW ADA	\$	110,916	ODOT	\$ 1,080,000		
Pampe	Ramps with the American n/a with Disabilities ACT	n/a	Bike and Pedistrian	22389	2022	Utility Relocate	\$ 89,730	SW ADA	\$	10,270	ODOT	\$ 100,000			\$ 100,000		
namps			with Disabilities ACT	lities ACT Eacilites	22389	2021	Construction	\$ 4,569,500	SW ADA	\$	523,000	ODOT	\$ 5,092,500	\$ 95,000	Ashland	\$ 5,187,500	
(ADA) standards.					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: 8/4/202 Project Name: OR99/I-		CMR Number: 2	22389-01	Project Lead (TPM/RE	E-CP): L	onie, Josh			
KN: 22389 Region: 3 Area: Rogue Valley Project Delivery Phase: PS&E									
Funding Program 1: SW ADA TRANSITION Program 2: OTHER Program 3: FIX-IT SW SWIP BIKPE									
Program 4: Program 5: Program 6:									
STIP Amendment: Full		Approval A	Authority: None		MP	O Amendment	: • Yes O No		
IGA Amendment: O	Yes 🖲 No	A & E Con	tract Amendmer	nt: 🔾 Yes 🔍 No	Reset	Baseline Project	: O Yes 🖲 No		
Change 1: Elective		Reason 1: 304	4 Leveraged fun	ds					
Change 2: Unanticipated	ł	Reason 2: 303	3 Reallocation o	f budget authorization I	oetwee	en work types			
Change 3:		Reason 3:							
Current Scope:	This projec Talent and		t ADA compliant	ramps in southern Ore	gon in t	the communiti	es of Medford,		
Describe Scope Change:	intersection the city of	ns of Hwy 99 a Ashland has re	nd Mary Jane Av quested an RRFE	ject will allow infill side venue, Harmony Lane an 3 at the intersection of P ted with that construct	nd Parl Hwy 99	k Avenue in Asl	nland. Also		
	ADA progr adding the	am will not fun	d. This addition an Ness Ave inte	ove pedestrian facilities al funding will result in rsection will improve pe	a bette	er overall proje	ect. Also		
Describe the Risk of not Approving the Scope Change:				np project to improve p vements requested by t			thin the		
PE EA Open - 008		Current Dates 4/16/2020	Proposed Dates 4/16/2020	PS&E Submittal	- 551	<u>Current Dates</u> 7/19/2021	Proposed Dates 10/18/2021		
PDT Kick-off - 018		10/5/2020	10/5/2020	Bid Opening - 56	50	9/9/2021	12/9/2021		
Project Initiation Phase Com	plete - 050	11/17/2020	11/17/2020	Forecasted 1st Note	735	10/21/2021	1/25/2022		
DAP Phase Complete - 32	5	3/24/2021	3/24/2021	Forecasted 2nd Note	e 790	9/30/2022	10/12/2022		
ROW EA Open - 470		3/31/2021	8/13/2021	Forecasted 3rd Note	996	3/28/2023	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:	crosswalk The revise developed	closure and des d 2nd and 3rd r at the Final pla	sign exceptions t note dates were ans stage of the	out due to unresolved hat were not resolved i updated based on the o project. The CN and UF pped to FFY 2022.	n time current	for the previous construction t	us PS&E date. ime estimate		

Status: Appr	Status: Approved CMR Transaction									
Request Date: 8/	4/2021	CMR Number:	22389-01	Project Lead (TPM/	RE-CP): Lonie, Josh					
Project Name: OF	R99/I-5 curl	o ramps								
KN: 22	KN: 22389 Region: 3 Area: Rogue Valley Project Delivery Phase: PS&E									
Describe the Risk of not Not approving this change will result in a baselined schedule that does not match the project Approving the Schedule specifications and was not delivered on time as well as having phases not obligate in the correct FFY. Change:										
		Phase Total Estimate	ed Cost <u>F</u>	Requested Budget	<u>Change</u>					
Planning			\$0	\$0	\$0					
Preliminary Engine	ering		\$0	\$0	\$0					
Right of Way		\$1,08	80,000	\$1,080,000	\$0					
Utility Relocation		\$8	0,000	\$100,000	\$20,000					
Construction		\$4,52	0,000	\$5,562,500	\$1,042,500					
Other			\$0	\$0	\$0					
	Total	\$5,68	0,000	\$6,742,500	\$1,062,500					
(Break down the Fundin	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 									
Describe the Risk of not 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. Change:										
Funding Program N		avder Topy	<u>Dates</u> 8/5/2021	Additional Signator:	<u>Signatures</u> Horning, Jessica	<u>Dates</u> 6/29/2021				
0 0	• _	irch, Naomi	7/2/2021	Additional Signator:		0/23/2021				
		nderson, Art	8/11/2021							
	-	larmon, Jennifer	8/11/2021							
-	•	hompson, Mark	8/11/2021							
	-	eavoll, Darrin	8/11/2021							
Additional S	Signator: G	arcia, Gabriela	7/2/2021	Additional Signator:						

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

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 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 moreseat 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.

ASHLAND

July 21, 2021

Karl D. Welzenbach Planning and Program Manager Rogue Valley Council of Governments 155 N. First St | PO Box 3275 Central Point, OR 97502

RE: COVID Relief Funding

Dear Karl,

The City of Ashland would like to seek approval of a proposal in that the City returns the current CMAQ distribution of \$468,244 for the Ashland Chip Seal Project (Key# 21016, RTP #166) and in return the City would ask for distribution of \$420,000 in COVID Relief Funding and take over and manage the chip seal project to completion. This proposal will assist a currently underfunded CMAQ project that can take advantage of the \$468,244 to help and expand the chip seal project to complete more streets as originally intended.

While working through the CMAQ Chip Seal project process with ODOT, we are both realizing the project is not panning out as we hoped. The cost/benefit with respect to the engineering and construction phases is skewed because of Federal requirements associated with the CMAQ program. Currently, preliminary engineering is projected to be approximately \$350,00 of the \$561,648 project total, leaving only \$210,000 for construction. Without the requirements tied to the CMAQ funding the City feels that all of the \$420,000 could be used on construction alone. After including the original City share, we are hoping to complete at least double the number of streets of what it appears would be able to be finished if it were to remain a CMAQ project. Completing this project is a priority for the City and meets the goals of the region through particulate reduction.

The City has discussed this proposal with ODOT, and they are in complete support of the proposal. In addition, it will free ODOT staff of their obligations of the local agency assistance requirement for the Chip Seal project and will provide more timely resources to other locally delivered federal aid projects managed by ODOT.

The City would welcome your feedback on this proposal and would appreciate hearing what our next steps should be in this process.

Sincerely,

Scott Fleury, PE Public Works Director

Tel: 541-488-5347 Fax: 541-488-6006 TTY: 800-735-2900



Resolution Number 2021 – 05 Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization - Policy Committee Authorization of Disbursement of \$250,000 in COVID Relief funds to the City of Ashland for their Chip Seal Project

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, The City of Ashland was the recipient of \$470,000 in CMAQ funds for the purposes of chipsealing multiple roads to help reduce road dust; and

Whereas, due the federal requirements placed on the use of CMAQ funds the city would have to spend between \$250,000 and \$300,000 on design alone; and

Whereas, the MPO is the recipient of \$2.5 million in COVID Relief funds which come with no strings attached ; and

Whereas, the RVMPO's Technical Advisory Committee and Public Advisory Council (TAC and PAC) discussed this issue at length; and

Whereas, the TAC and PAC both recommended the disbursement of \$250,000 to the City of Ashland as a compromise with the stipulation that the City return the \$470,000 in CMAQ funds back to the MPO.

NOW THEREFORE, the Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee approves and authorizes the disbursement of \$250,000 to the City of Ashland for its chip-seal project.

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

Jim Lewis, MPO Policy Committee Chair