



SUMMARY MINUTES
*Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization
 Policy Committee*

June 16, 2016

The following attended:

Member	Organization	Phone Number
Dan DeYoung	Grants Pass	660-3696
Colleen Roberts	Jackson County	646-2878
Jason Canady	Grants Pass	479-7333
Mike Baker	ODOT	957-3658
Robert Brandes	Josephine County	474-5460
Pam Van Arsdale, Vice Chairman	Rogue River	660-4414
Christina Stanley	Gold Hill	531-3667
Rick Riker	Grants Pass	479-7333
Others		
Leslie Orr	GP Bike/Ped.	
Staff		
Dan Moore	RVCOG	423-1361
Bunny Lincoln	RVCOG	944-2446
Andrea Napoli	RVCOG	423-1369

1. Call to Order / Introductions/ Review Agenda

The Vice Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. The meeting began with Committee introductions.

2. Review / Approve Minutes

The Chairman asked if there were any changes or additions to the April 21, 2016 meeting minutes.

On a motion by Colleen Roberts, seconded by Mike Baker, the minutes were approved as presented. Rick Riker, Dan DeYoung and Christina Stanley abstained.

Action Items:

3. Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)/Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Project Solicitation Process

Dan Moore explained that the Policy Committee is being asked to review and approve the project application and selection process to award the MPO's Federal STBG and CMAQ funds for 2019-2021. This will begin the development of the MRMPO's 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The application packet has been reviewed and recommended for approval from the MRMPO TAC. As proposed, this continues to be a competitive process and all jurisdictions seeking project funding must submit a completed application which is then reviewed by staff, the TAC, and the PC. Note that dates and funding amounts have changed since the last project solicitation (2015-2018). Projects must come from an adopted Plan.

Deadline for application submittal is September 30, 2016.

The Policy Committee is being asked to review and approve the project application and selection process.

Pam Van Arsdale commented that the TAC chart differs from the Policy Committee charts. Mr. Moore will follow up with Andrea Napoli on this matter.

Mr. Riker asked about scoring on more efficient fuels and technology. Staff will review air quality benefits of the various applications.

Old UBG boundaries will remain in place. Mike Baker said that the Grants Pass Transit Center funding was slightly reduced (-\$172,000) at the Super PAC level, and that it is vital to get the project into the Grants Pass TSP. Committee members briefly discussed other sources for the reduced Transit Center funding.

The packet items presented for discussion/approval included:

- **STBG & CMAQ Funding Application Packet** – for review and approval
- **Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Short Range Project List** – for reference
- **RTP Medium Range Project List** – for reference

On a motion by Colleen Roberts, seconded by Mike Baker, the Committee unanimously approved the Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)/Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Project Solicitation Process

4. MRMPO Planning Update

- Dan Moore shared information on what is happening with CMAQ funding now that Salem and Lane MPO are eligible for funding. ODOT is proposing three (3) meetings on this issue, in order to come up with a formula to allocate funding with the two new entities. Mr. Moore also shared a handout titled "What is happening with CMAQ?" RVCOG is expected to take the largest CMAQ funding reduction (50%). RVCOG staff is proposing that ODOT be asked to allow adequate time be provided to consider options on this matter. It was felt that the changes to include the additional jurisdictions

should not commence until 2019, in order to implement the currently approved projects. RVCOG staff will solicit ongoing input from the membership.

- DLCD held the first GHG Target Rule Advisory Committee meeting last month. It has been recommended that the target rule be updated and extended to 2048. The MRMPO previously voted not to participate in the process. The Commission did not understand this stance on the part of the MRMPO.

5. Public Comment

None received.

6. Other Business/Local Business

- Josephine County has applied for a TGM and Federal Lands Access grants.

7. Agenda Build for Next Meeting – The July 21st meeting was cancelled.

- The RTP amendment will come before the Committee on August 18th.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Meeting Schedule:

MRMPO TAC Thursday, July 7 @ 1:30 pm

MRMPO Policy ~~Thursday, July 21 @ 2:30 pm~~