



AGENDA

Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee

Date: Thursday, April 5, 2018
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: Courtyard Conference Room, Grants Pass City Hall
 101 NW "A" Street, Grants Pass, OR

Contact: Stephanie Thune, RVCOG: 541-423-1368
 MRMPO website: www.mrmppo.org

1	Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda	John Vial, Chair
2	Review / Approve Minutes	Chair
Attachment	#1 MRMPO TAC Draft Minutes 02/01/18	
Action Items		
3	2015-2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments	Ryan MacLaren
Background	The TAC is being asked to make a recommendation to the Policy Committee on the proposed RTP/TIP amendments. The 21-day public comment period and public hearing was advertised on or before March 28 in the Medford Tribune, Rogue River Press, and Grants Pass Daily Courier; information is currently available on the MRMPO website.	
Attachment	#2 Memo: RTP/TIP Amendments	
Action Requested	Forward recommendation to Policy Committee.	

Action Items (Continued)		
4	MRMPO UPWP FY2018-2019	Karl Welzenbach
Background	Each year the MPO is required to develop a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for the upcoming Fiscal Year. The draft UPWP has been available for public review and comment since early March 2018. No comments have been received.	
Attachment	None Link to Draft MRMPO FY2018-2019 UPWP <i>*Several copies of the draft document will be available for circulation at the meeting.</i>	
Action Requested	Recommend adoption of the MRMPO FY2018-2019 UPWP to the Policy Committee.	
Presentations		
5	Proposed Project Streamlining	Karl Welzenbach
Background	“Project Streamlining” has been a buzz-phrase for several years. This is a short presentation on an idea to undertake a planning level effort at project streamlining as the MPO develops/updates its Regional Transportation Plan.	
Attachment	None.	
Action Requested	No action required.	
Discussion Items		
6	Public Comment <i>*Limited to one comment per person, five minute maximum time limit.</i>	Chair
Regular Updates		
7	Updates on Currently Active MRMPO Projects	TAC Members
Attachment	#3 Tracking Spreadsheet for Currently Active MRMPO Projects	
8	MPO Planning Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">New Proposed TPR Rules	Karl Welzenbach

Regular Updates (Continued)		
9	Other Business / Local Business Opportunity for MRMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects.	Chair
10	Adjournment	Chair

- The next MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting will be **Thursday, May 3, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Courtyard Conference Room at Grants Pass City Hall.
- The next MRMPO Policy Committee meeting will be **Thursday, April 19, at 2:30 p.m.** in the Courtyard Conference Room at Grants Pass City Hall.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT STEPHANIE THUNE, 541-423-1368. 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.



Minutes
Middle Rogue MPO Technical Advisory Committee
February 1, 2018

The following attended:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Chuck DeJanvier	Josephine County	474-5460
Dan Roberts	ODOT	774-6383
Ian Horlacher	ODOT	423-1362
Jason Canady	Grants Pass	450-6110
John Vial, Chair	Jackson County	774-6238
Lora Glover, Vice Chair	Grants Pass	450-6071
Scott Chancey	Josephine County Transit	474-5441
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Stephanie Thune	RVCOG	423-1368
Interested Parties	Organization	Phone Number
Chris Bucher (<i>via phone</i>)	FHWA	503-316-2555
Lesley Orr	Bike/Ped	707-218-4025

[MRMPO TAC February 1, 2018 Agenda Packet](#)

Full meeting recording: [180201 MRMPO TAC Meeting Audio](#)

Specific items are hyperlinked below.

1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00 – 01:05

1:32 p.m. | *Quorum*: Grants Pass, Jackson County, Josephine County, ODOT

2. Review / Approve Minutes 01:06 – 01:34

The Chair asked if there were any changes or additions to the November 2 meeting minutes.

01:23 | Chuck DeJanvier moved to approve the November 2 MRMPO TAC meeting minutes as presented. Scott Chancey seconded.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action Items

3. Election of MRMPO TAC Chair and Vice Chair 01:35 – 03:24

The MRMPO TAC Bylaws state: “The officers of the committee shall be a chair and vice-chair to be elected at the February meeting. ... The officers shall hold office for a period of one year, beginning at the close of the February meeting.”

The Chair opened the floor to MRMPO TAC Chair nominations.

2:00 | Lora Glover moved to nominate and re-elect John Vial for the position of MRMPO TAC Chair for the term of February 2018 – February 2019. Jason Canady seconded.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The Chair opened the floor to MRMPO TAC Vice-Chair nominations.

2:34 | Lora Glover moved to nominate and elect Chuck DeJanvier for the position of MRMPO TAC Vice-Chair for the term of February 2018 – February 2019. Jason Canady seconded.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

4. 2015-2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 03:25 – 06:47

Ryan MacLaren reported that the MRMPO RTP and TIP need to be amended to add the following two projects (they are standard items in the RTP and TIP, but due to a missed 2018-2021 STIP/TIP lockdown deadline, these FFY2018 funds had to be left out initially and now are able to be reinstated):

A. Grants Pass 5303 Funds (KN 21269)

Description: “Support transit planning through RTP & TIP.”

B. Grants Pass MPO Planning FFY2018 (KN 21269)

Description: “Planning and Research.”

ODOT classifies Amendments A and B as just one project with the same Key Number, but for MPO purposes, they are split into two so that the 5303 (MPO match) and PL (ODOT match) funds can be shown separately in the RTP and TIP.

06:06 | Jason Canady moved that the MRMPO TAC recommend approval of the proposed amendments to the 2015-2040 MRMPO RTP and 2018-2021 MRMPO TIP to the Policy Committee. Chuck DeJanvier seconded.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

5. Safety Performance Measures 17:49 – 27:52

Karl Welzenbach reported that calculations to develop a statewide VMT for ODOT's Safety Performance Measures remain unclear, but staff is recommending that the RVMPO adopt the state's figures nonetheless. The following considerations were noted:

- Developing separate measures for the MPO would be time-consuming and could potentially be contentious.
- Per Tables 3 and 4 provided in [Attachment 3](#) of the agenda packet, the MRMPO's fatality and serious injury rates both already fall below the statewide targets recommended in the measures.
- Even though the state collects the data for its calculations from the Grants Pass Urbanized Area, the resulting targets/measures would apply to the entire MPO.
- As yet, there are no penalties for not meeting the measures.

27:20 | Scott Chancey moved that the MRMPO TAC recommend approval of the state's Safety Performance Measures to the Policy Committee. Lora Glover seconded.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

6. MRMPO Dues | FY2018-2019 27:53 – 30:45

Welzenbach reviewed highlights of information contained in [Attachment 4](#) of the agenda packet. Approval of the dues is an annual event; the dues for FY2018-2019 are slightly lower overall than for FY2017-2018, and are based on a rate of \$.16 per capita in each jurisdiction.

30:27 | Jason Canady moved that the MRMPO TAC recommend approval of the FY2018-2019 MRMPO Dues to the Policy Committee. Chuck DeJanvier seconded.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion Items

7. MRMPO UPWP | FY2018-2019 30:46 – 34:55

Welzenbach reported that ODOT will be reviewing the draft MRMPO Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) on Tuesday, February 6; following their review, the draft document(s) will be posted on the MRMPO website.

The UPWP is required for every MPO by the federal government and comprises the MPO's program budget, delineating how much planning money will be received, where it is coming from and how it will be spent. A summary of proposed spending was provided in [Attachment 5](#) of the agenda packet.

There are two small changes of note from last year's UPWP:

- a. Line Item 2.5 should read "*Performance Measures* State and Federal Planning Coordination." This line item will allow funds for participation in meetings/discussions related to the Performance Measures, which are being implemented this year and for other MPO expenses related to monitoring/justifying the pursuit of the measures' targets.
- b. Line Item 3.2 allocates funding for development of the new MRMPO RTP; work on that document will begin in early summer 2018.

Suggestions/Inquiries:

- *Scott Chancey, Josephine County Transit* | Include funds for MPO assistance with a transit passenger survey.
- *John Vial, Jackson County* | Requested clarification of how funds from Line Item 3.1 “ITS Coordination” are used. Welzenbach explained that they are used for any necessary coordination with ODOT (e.g. during the last year, some funds were used during the finalization of the ITS Update Plan process), or to help with testing an ITS (Intelligent Transportation System) for any of the MPO’s jurisdictions, if that were to be requested.

Further input/suggestions are welcome and should be emailed to kwelzenbach@rvcog.org prior to the March 1 TAC meeting, when the draft UPWP will be considered as an action item for recommendation to the Policy Committee.

8. Public Comment 06:48 – 17:48

- *Lesley Orr, Chair, Grants Pass Bikeways and Walkways* | The 10th annual “Ride the Rogue” event will take place on September 22, 2018. There is hope this year of including the option for a dirt bike ride. All ages are welcome to participate in any of the ride options, which all vary in length and starting times; the event is highly kid- and family-friendly. All efforts of spreading the word about the event are appreciated.
- *Francis Gilbert, Rogue River citizen* | Requested clarification on the population growth rate used in Tech Memo 3 for the Rogue River Transportation System Plan (TSP). *MacLaren* provided information and, at the request of Chair Vial, will continue to interact with Mr. Gilbert after the TAC meeting to ensure his concerns are fully addressed, since no other TAC members are involved with Rogue River’s TSP process.

Regular Updates**9. Updates on Currently Active MRMPO Projects 34:56 – 55:35**

The spreadsheet of funded projects was reviewed; all jurisdictions present provided updates, which will be incorporated and made available for February’s meeting.

10. MPO Planning Update 55:36 – 01:05:05

- Handout distributed: “[ODOT ADA Curb Ramp Trainings & Certifications](#)”
- Update on purpose of and news to-date from new CMAQ work group
- April 27 OMPOC meeting in Grants Pass; local tour/speaker ideas are welcome
- Statewide Advisory Committee update: Onus for TPR may be put on cities with land use authority instead of on MPOs; final decision still to be reached.
- RVCOG has purchased a drone; Ryan MacLaren will be certified to operate it for MPO-related projects.

11. Other Business / Local Business 01:05:06 – 01:05:15**12. Adjournment 01:05:16 – 01:05:22**

2:38 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings

MRMPO Policy Committee | February 15, 2018 | 2:30 p.m.

MRMPO TAC | March 1, 2018 | 1:30 p.m.



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DATE: March 29, 2018
TO: MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: Ryan MacLaren, Associate Planner
SUBJECT: RTP/TIP Amendments

The TAC is being asked to make recommendations to the Policy Committee on the proposed RTP/TIP amendments described below. The Policy Committee will hold a public hearing at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 19, 2018 to consider adoption of the proposed TIP and RTP amendments. The 21-day public comment period and public hearing will be advertised on or before March 28 in the Medford Tribune, Rogue River Press, Grants Pass Daily Courier, and information is currently available on the MRMPO website. Information on the new project is enumerated, below:

A. Add new Project from RTP & TIP: *Southern Oregon Seismic Triage (KN 21296)*

Description: Perform seismic upgrades on 17 bridges and 7 hillside slopes.

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														
Southern Oregon Seismic Triage	Perform seismic upgrades on 17 bridges and 7 hillside slopes	511	Exempt - Table 2, Safety								\$ -			\$ -
				21296	FFY2018	Design	\$ 2,243,250	HB2017	\$ 256,750	ODOT	\$ 2,500,000			\$ 2,500,000
				21296	FFY2018	Land Purchase	\$ 89,730	HB2017	\$ 10,270	ODOT	\$ 100,000			\$ 100,000
				21296	FFY2019	Utility Relocate	\$ 89,730	HB2017	\$ 10,270	ODOT	\$ 100,000			\$ 100,000
				21296	FFY2020	Construction	\$ 28,982,790	HB2017	\$ 3,317,210	ODOT	\$ 32,300,000			\$ 32,300,000
						Other					\$ -			\$ -
					Total FFY18-21		\$ 31,405,500		\$ 3,594,500		\$ 35,000,000			\$ 35,000,000



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**B. Combined Projects in TIP: *Grants Pass Signal & Pedestrian Upgrades (KN 19960)*
*I-5 Exit 58 – 6th & Morgan (KN 17477)***

Description: The original project K19960 included a signal at 7th and M Street; after project kickoff it was determined that the justification for the signal was not appropriate for ARTS funding of the project. The signal was removed from the project allowing those funds to be moved to other safety projects, primarily K18880 for Region Rumble Strips. It has been determined that the safety improvements in K17477, 1-5: Exit 58 6th & Morgan Intersection Improvements, are aligned with the same type of safety upgrades remaining in K19960. Combining the two projects with similar funding sources and common safety and ADA improvements will create a single project to utilize the funding effectively and efficiently. The proposal is to combine K19960 and K17477, utilizing K19960 and its current project name.

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														
Grants Pass Signal & Pedestrian Upgrades	Construct left turn lane, signal improvements, raised median, install crosswalks, and ADA ramp upgrades	506	Exempt - Table 2,								\$ -			\$ -
				19960	FFY2017	Design	\$ 275,000	FIX-IT R3			\$ 275,000			\$ 275,000
				19960	FFY2019	Land Purchase	\$ 78,000	FIX-IT R3			\$ 78,000			\$ 78,000
				19960	FFY2019	Utility Relocate	\$ 20,000	FIX-IT R3			\$ 20,000			\$ 20,000
				19960	FFY2019	Construction	\$ 1,912,000	FIX-IT R3			\$ 1,912,000			\$ 1,912,000
						Other					\$ -			\$ -
					Total FFY15-18			\$ 2,285,000		\$ -		\$ 2,285,000		

10 Ongoing MRMPO Projects 03-01-18

Agency	Project Name	TIP	Year Programmed (20XX)	Project Status (Phase / Status)		Comments Received
				P	S	
Grants Pass	Alt Fuel Facility Plan	15-18	15	PL		On hold.
				D		
				LP		
				UR		
				CN		
				OT		
Grants Pass	Bike/Ped Improvements	15-18	16	PL		Second phase wrapping up now. Have funding for one more phase from Bridge to G street.
				D	2	
				LP		
				UR		
				CN	2	
				OT		
Grants Pass	Redwood Ave Phase 2	15-18	14	PL	3	Complete.
				D	3	
				LP	3	
				UR	3	
				CN	3	
				OT	3	
Grants Pass	Redwood Ave Phase 3	15-18	15	PL	3	Complete.
				D	3	
				LP	3	
				UR	3	
				CN	3	
				OT	3	
JCT	Commuter Service	15-18	14	PL	0	Looking to add more runs. Talking with RVTB to match up lines. Just opened the commuter line to RCC student pass program.
				D	0	
				LP	0	
				UR	0	
				CN	0	
				OT	2	

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Attachment 3
(Agenda Item 7)

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Agency	Project Name	TIP	Year Programmed (20XX)	Project Status (Phase / Status)		Comments Received
Josephine County	Merlin Road Sidewalk	15-18	17	PL		Bids received February 27th. Contract approval and start of constuction is expected in March.
				D	2	
				LP	1	
				UR	1	
				CN	1	
				OT	1	
RVCOG	Hybrid Vehicle	15-18	14	OT	3	Complete.
Grants Pass	Allen Creek Road Improvements	18-21	18	PL	0	
				D	0	
				LP	0	
				UR	0	
				CN	0	
				OT	0	
JCT	Electric Transit Vehicles	18-21	19	PL	0	Talking with Pacific Power to give estimate to set up power. In decision on what manufacture to purchase vehicles from. Possibly retrofitting existing buses to electric. In March demoing electric bus in Grants Pass.
				D	0	
				LP	0	
				UR	0	
				CN	0	
				OT	0	
JCT	Transit Hub	18-21	19	PL	1	Putting together RFP to get engineering firm that is certified to work with federal funds to move the project forward.
				D	1	
				LP	1	
				UR	1	
				CN	1	
				OT	1	
Jackson County	Rogue River Greenway: Rock Point to Twin Bridges Rd	18-21	19,20	PL	3	Design is underway, waiting to see if the State can reimburse the funds if Jackson County moves the project forward. Planning on delivering in 2019.
				D	2	
				LP	1	
				UR	1	
				CN	1	
				OT	1	

Ongoing MRMPO Projects 03-01-18

Agency	Project Name	TIP	Year Programmed (20XX)	Project Status (Phase / Status)	Comments Received
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<u>Phase</u>	<u>Status</u>
PL= Planning	0 = N/A
D = Design	1 = Not Started
LP = Land Purchase	2 = In Process
UR = Utility Relocate	3 = Complete
CN = Construction	
OT = Other	