



## SUMMARY MINUTES

### *Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)*

**December 3, 2015**

*The following people were in attendance:*

#### **MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee**

*Voting Members in Attendance:*

Chuck DeJanvier	Josephine County
John Krawczyk	Rogue River
Mike Kuntz for John Vial	Jackson County
Ian Horlacher	ODOT
Josh LeBombard	DLCD
Lora Glover	Grants Pass
Kelli Sparkman	ODOT

Others Present:  
None

#### **RVCOG Staff**

Andrea Napoli, Sue Casavan

#### **1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda**

The Vice Chairman, John Krawczyk, called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM. Members introduced themselves.

#### **2. Review / Approve Minutes**

The Chairman asked if there were any changes or additions to the November meeting minutes. Members noted there were typing errors in the chapter text. Staff will make corrections for the final document.

**On a motion by Kelli Sparkman and seconded by Chuck DeJanvier, the Committee approved the minutes as presented noting that typing errors will be corrected in final documents. Mike Kuntz, Josh LeBombard, and Lora Glover abstained.**

*Action Items:*

#### **3. Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Chapter 10 Revisions**

*Environmental Considerations*

Andrea Napoli mentioned that the chapter was presented at the last TAC meeting and members wanted to review the changes before recommending approval.

Review changes and Comments:

Page 9: MPO Staff confirmed consultation with the 3 tribes will be sufficient.

Page 10, Section A: Corrections in text of what is contained in the maps at the end of the chapter, no changes to the actual maps were needed.

John Krawczyk thought the 500 year floodplain could be removed, members agreed.

Lora Glover indicated that the term “floodplain” has been changed by FEMA, staff noted that the current verbiage will replace floodplain.

Page 11: Language changes, members asked to take out vernal pools from second paragraph

Page 12: Language added to include the principles of Environmental Justice and in Section C language was added about federal processes.

Krawczyk suggested taking out “both” in first sentence of Section C.

Page 13: Removed references to vernal pools, there are none in MRMPO; green text moved from next page to delete repetition

Page 16: There was a request to add a section about the Wild and Scenic Rogue River and to note consideration of downstream impacts, new Section 6 added.

Section 7 confirms that MRMPO is part of the service area for ODOT mitigation banks located near Central Point.

Page 17-19: Format changes to text document

Page 20: Addressing impaired water resources, added ‘high levels of bacteria’

Table 10.1 spelled out CH = Critical Habitat

Page 22: The term biota changed to aquatic and terrestrial species, flow rates added, grammar correction in following paragraph.

Krawczyk recommended adding a column to Table 10.4 to identify ‘Jurisdiction’ next to Project Location.

Napoli noted that Greg Stabach from Natural Resources has sent the revised chapter off to coordinating agencies for review and comment before the next meeting.

**Members agreed to bring back document back for approval in January after agency review and comment.**

#### **4. Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Chapter 11 Review**

##### *Performance Measures*

Napoli gave a brief introduction to the chapter. She presented a map of the model area and noted that it did not yet include Rogue River and Gold Hill. She added that the MPO border will be incorporated into the model area at the next RTP update.

She presented model results with future congestion.

##### Comments

Chuck DeJanvier asked if the 2014 improvements to Merlin Road were in the model for the 2040 congestion map. MPO staff will confirm project inclusion of the ODOT project.

Josh LeBombard suggested using the old UGB boundary for Grants Pass on the 2010 map, members agreed.

Mike Kuntz found the chapter title confusing and suggested changing to System Performance.

Lora Glover noted on the first page introduction (page 26) third paragraph 'all can be' is awkward, take out 'all'.

First paragraph under Grants Pass Model, rework the last sentence.

Page 28: Need narrative about the tables, more explanation.

Kelli Sparkman asked what the numbers in parenthesis for 1,2,3,4 mean and should they be taken out.

Demand Capacity Ratio numbers: bracket on left, parenthesis on right, make consistent. Put a dash (instead of comma) between the ratio range numbers.

Spell out VHT and explain what it means.

Remove the '10-40' from table or put full reference years 2010-2040.

Is demand capacity ratio the same as volume to capacity, VC is easier to understand, are they interchangeable if they are the same use VC as it is a more common term.

Page 29, Table 11.4-11.5: Explain how roads were selected, include in text description how/why selected.

Members suggested noting that higher congestion and higher ADT will carry more weight for improvement.

Lora Glover asked to change Dimmick Street to Highland and explained that just a very small piece is Dimmick (only Bridge Street to A Street).

**Mike Kuntz made a motion to bring document with changes back to the committee in January. Seconded by Chuck DeJanvier. Committee unanimously agreed to bring back chapter with revisions for review.**

**5. MRMPO Planning Update -**

Napoli reported that TPAU had done a model run for Vehicles Miles Travelled (VMT) for the Grants Pass Model Area. It was determined that MRMPO meets the Transportation Planning Rule (TPR) 5% reduction in VMT over the planning horizon timeframe. No need to establish Alternative Measures.

**6. Public Comment -** None received

**7. Other Business / Local Business -** None received.

**8. Adjournment -**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.