

## **SUMMARY MINUTES**

Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

# **January 25, 2017**

*The following people were in attendance:* 

# **MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee**

<u>Member</u>	Organization	Phone Number	
Chuck DeJanvier	Josephine County	474-5460	
Scott Chancey, Chairman	JOCO Transit	774-6399	
Mark Reagle	Rogue River	582-4401	
John Vial	Jackson County	774-6238	
Steve Scrivner for Jason Canady (Jason Canady arrived later)	Grants Pass	450-6110	
Ian Horlacher	ODOT		
<u>Others</u>			
Leslie Orr	GP Bike & Ped		
<u>Staff</u>			
Andrea Napoli	RVCOG	423-1369	
Dan Moore	RVCOG		

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

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM. No Committee introductions were made.

## 2. Review / Approve Minutes

The Chairman asked if there were any changes or additions to the minutes of the Dec. 1, 2016 meeting. Changes requested were:

- Josh LeBombard was in attendance.
- Page 6. This item was related to the <u>Email vote</u> taken by the Committee, and, once the issue was addressed with John Vial, no changes were necessary.
- Page 7. Whether or Not to Include the New MPOs in Target Rules

Although the data indicates that there is "an insignificant effect on the targets by including [or excluding] the two Metropolitan Areas (Albany and MRMPO), LCDC **DLCD** staff recommends inclusion. Mr. Welzenbach doesn't believe that the Middle Rogue MPO will agree.

On a motion by Chuck DeJanvier, seconded by John Vial, the Committee approved the minutes as corrected.

#### Action Items:

### 3. Continued RTP/TIP Amendment Request

Dan Moore explained that at the December 2016 TAC meeting, the TAC approved a motion to continue the proposed RTP/TIP amendments: Transfer Jurisdiction of OR 62: Lower River Road to Josephine County. The amendment request has since been withdrawn by ODOT. The Committee was asked to withdraw approval of the original request prior to deletion by ODOT to be consistent with Robert's Rules of Order.

The members discussed the reasoning behind the TAC's involvement in the initial approval of the amendment before voting.

On a motion by John Vail, seconded by Ian Horlacher, The Committee denied it's previous approval to continue the proposed RTP/TIP amendment to Transfer Jurisdiction of OR 62: Lower River Road to Josephine County to be consistent with Robert's Rules of Order. The voice vote on the motion was unanimous.

#### Discussion Items:

## 4. Discretionary Funding Application Presentations

Andrea Napoli gave an overview of the discretionary funding application process and led a workshop to provide an informal application review process with project presentations and discussion. Applicants will be able to amend applications to address questions raised or to provide clarity. The TAC must agree to the general content of the change(s). The MPO must go through a ranking process fro the projects.

Table 1 – STBG & CMAQ Available Funds by Year

	Balance	2019	2020	2021	
	Forward*				
<b>Congestion Mitigation</b>	\$3,197,642	\$532,341	\$541,923	\$551,678	
and Air Quality					
Program**					
<b>Surface Transportation</b>		\$645,907	\$660,763	\$675,960	
Block Grant***					

<sup>\*</sup>Balance available from prior allocations to Grants Pass and MRMPO

## Andrea Napoli will adjust the 019 to 2020 balance carryovers.

Table 2 – Project Submittals and Funds Requested

Agency	Project Name	STBG Funds	CMAQ Funds
		Requested	Requested
JCT	Electric Transit Vehicle		\$1,390,815
JCT	Transit Hub		\$172,000
Jackson Co.	Rogue River Greenway: Rock	\$2,425,320	
	Point to Twin Bridges Rd		

**Table 3 – STBG & CMAQ Funding Requests by Fiscal Year (2019-21)** 

Agency	Project Name	Total \$	FFY	2019	FFY	2019	FFY	2019	Local Funds	Other Funds
			STBG	CMAQ	STBG	CMAQ	STBG	CMAQ		
JCT	Electric Transit Vehicle	\$1,550,000	\$0	\$1,390,815	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$159,185	\$0
JCT	Transit Hub	\$1,164,140	\$0	\$172,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$111,940	\$880,200
Jackson Co.	Rogue River Greenway: Rock Point to Twin Bridges Rd	\$2,875,320	\$582,872	\$0	\$1,896,448	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$47,000	\$403,000
	Total Funding Requests		\$528,872	\$1,562,815	\$1,896,448	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Funding Available (2019 CMAQ incl. balance forward)		\$645,907	\$3,279.983	\$\$660,763	\$541,923	\$675,960	\$551,678		
	Fund Balances (incl. carry-overs)		\$117,035	\$2,167,168	(\$1,235,685)	\$541,923	\$675,960	\$551,678		

Power Point presentations were made on each of the three (3) proposed projects

<u>isdiction</u>	Project Name	<u>Presenter</u>
Jackson County	Rogue River Greenway:	
	Rocky Point to Twin Bridges Rd	John Vial
JCT	Electric Transit Vehicle	Scott Chancy
JCT	Transit Hub	Scott Chancy
	Jackson County JCT	Jackson County  Rogue River Greenway: Rocky Point to Twin Bridges Rd  JCT  Electric Transit Vehicle

Information shared on the various projects included agency/jurisdictional partnerships, maps, mileages & specific routes/locations, studies completed, design standards, funding sources, funds already secured (local matches, grants, donations, etc.), total project costs, criteria compliance, ROW

<sup>\*\*</sup>Estimates from April 19, 2016, CMAQ Funding Estimation Update email from Lynde McGregor, ODOT w/ 1.8% annual increase

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Estimates from May 12, 2016, Copy of MPO Funding Est. email from John Baker, ODOT

acquisitions, how funds will be expended, potential surface(s) on the bike path, potential economic benefits related to tourism, safety components, appropriate public involvement prior to project approval/implementation, landscaping plans, new vehicle standards & life spans (heavy duty, electric transit vehicles), charging stations, anticipated maintenance costs, emission reductions and cost comparisons between gas, CNG and electric power.

Dan Moore shared that RVTD will be looking into applying for some of Volkswagen decision money. Scott Chancy added that local power companies may contribute toward electric vehicles. "LOW-NO" electric vehicle funding was also mentioned. In response to questioning by the Committee, Mr. Chancy said, while initially apprehensive, he was extremely confident about the future of electric transit technology in areas like Grants Pass.

## **Schedule for Funding Decisions**

Staff will evaluate projects and present results to the TAC for discussion at the **February 2nd** TAC meeting. At that time, the TAC is expected to make its funding recommendations to the Policy Committee.

#### 5. Statewide Freight Plan

Dan Moore explained that the Fix America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act includes additional requirements that the State of Oregon's Freight Plan must meet by December of 2017. Included in these requirements are the designation of Critical Rural and Critical Urban Freight Corridors. The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is seeking input from its statewide partners in defining both the Rural and Urban Critical Freight Corridors. Oregon has been allocated 77 additional miles for corridors that are connected to the national system (I-5). Metro is willing to give up some of its miles to other MPOs in the state (at 45% (35 miles) for Metro, and 55% (42 miles) to be divided, statewide, among the other seven MPOs.

- After Staff presentation of two maps related to the designated freight corridors, and Committee discussion, it was proposed to remove the 6th and 7<sup>th</sup> street connection (from I-5 to the "Y").
- **6. Public Comment** No comments were forthcoming.
- 7. Planning Update
  - The 2018-2021 Draft TIP/RTP amendments will be brought to the TAC on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 8. Other Business / Local Business
  - RV and MR MPOs will be not be combined at this time for a common RTP.

#### 9. Adjournment

The meeting as adjourned at 2:50 pm.

### **Scheduled Meetings:**

\*MRMPO TAC Feb. 2, 2017 @ 1:30 pm. \*MRMPO Policy Jan. 26, 2017 @ 2:30 pm