



Summary Minutes
Middle Rogue MPO Technical Advisory Committee
And Citizens Advisory Committee
August 5, 2021

The following attended:

Voting Members for TAC	Organization	Phone Number
Jason Canady	Grants Pass	450-6110
Wade Elliott, Chair	Grants Pass	450-6114
John Vial	Jackson County	774-6238
Neil Burgess	Josephine County	474-5460
Scott Chancey, Vice Chair	Josephine Co. Community Transit	474-5441
Justin Shoemaker	ODOT	774-6376
Voting Members for CAC	Organization	Phone Number
Lesley Orr, Vice Chair	Active Transportation	
Trent Carpenter, Chair	Freight	659-1005
David West	Grants Pass	659-9681
Stephen Haydon	Grants Pass	226-9044
David Leverenz	Mass Transit	917-453-8535
Non-Voting Members for CAC	Organization	Phone Number
Ian Horlacher	ODOT	423-1362
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
Interested Parties	Organization	Phone Number
Michael Polich		
Susan Clark	Grants Pass	

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1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00–01:22

1:33 p.m. | *Quorum*: Grants Pass, Rogue River, Jackson County, Josephine County, Josephine Co. Transit, ODOT

2. Review / Approve Minutes 01:22–02:23

01:42 | *Scott Chancey moved to approve the June 8, 2021 MRMPO TAC meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by John Vial.*

No further discussion.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

02:09 | *David West moved to approve the June 1, 2021 MRMPO CAC meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Lesley Orr.*

No further discussion.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action Items

3. Changes to Amendment Matrix in the TIP 02:23 – 12:28

11:40 | *John Vial moved to recommend approval of the changes to the Amendment Matrix in the Transportation Improvement Program from both the TAC and the CAC. Seconded by Justin Shoemaker.*

No further discussion.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

4. Covid-19 Funding Discussion 12:28 – 1:27:41

19:56-50:59 | *Nikki Hart-Brinkley's presentation and questions on NearMap Aerial Photography.*

50:59-1:12:22 | *Ann Marie Alfrey's presentation and questions on Wildfire ALERT System.*

1:12:43 | *Comment from John Vial: This money, while having no requirements for spending, was given with the original purpose to replace lost revenue from the pandemic. The idea of helping the smaller cities, like Rogue River or Gold Hill, is great. These cities will always struggle with competitive projects.*

1:15:07 | *Comment from David Leverenz: If the funding goes to the NearMap Aerial Photography each entity within the MPO would be saving money with this service. Would the MPO then be reimbursed so the net cost for the MPO is zero?*

Grants Pass pays for their Aerial imagery out of their GIS Budget. This would save Grants Pass some funding from there.

1:16:21 | Wade Elliot: *Would the MPO be interested in doing a call for projects? The presentations from RVGOG were great, the different jurisdictions could submit projects as well and do presentations and rate them.*

1:17:20 | John Vial: *The Small City Allotment Program helped the smaller cities immensely. They were able to do things like pave roads for the first time in years.*

1:17:58 | Ryan MacLaren: *Most of the projects in the Rogue River Transportation System Plan (TSP) are smaller projects, like re-doing striping on roads. This funding could knock most of those out.*

1:18:20 | Wade Elliot: *The MPO could set aside some of the funding for smaller cities for those kinds of projects. The MPO could also set aside some of the funding and leave it in the Money Market account for matches on grants. It sounds like the MPO would like to put some of this into roads or paths within the coming years.*

1:21:00 | John Vial: *The Small City Allotment Program allocated \$100 thousand, the MPO could do the same.*

Rogue River has a lot of sidewalk problems, would this help cover some of it? It would do a little bit, but not a lot. But this would be great for matching STBG funds.

1:24:15 | Rogue River and Gold Hill will be contacted, and a list of needs will be brought back to the committees, then a call for project ideas can be done for the rest of the funds.

Discussion Items

5. Public Comment 1:27:41 – 1:28:15

No comments.

Regular Updates

6. MPO Planning Update 1:28:15 – 1:32:39

MPO Update provided by Karl regarding the various transportation bills, and possibilities of the RVMPO and MRMPO becoming TMA.

7. Other Business / Local Business 1:32:39 – 30:21

Update provided on Grants Pass, and Josephine County.

8. Adjournment

3:11 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings:

MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee | September 2, 2021 | 1:30 p.m.

MRMPO Citizens Advisory Committee | September 2, 2021 | 1:30 p.m.

MRMPO Policy Committee | August 19, 2021 | 2:30 p.m.