



AGENDA

Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee

Date: Thursday, May 19, 2022

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Ridge Room Conference Room, Grants Pass City Hall
101 NW "A" Street, Grants Pass, OR

Transit: served by JCT Routes #10, 20, 35, 40, 50, 80 and 100.

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Or

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 886 4346 4108

Passcode: 568412

Phone Number: 253 215 8782

Contact: Office Specialist, RVCOG: 541-423-1375

MRMPO website: www.mrmppo.org

1	Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda	Chair
2	Review / Approve Minutes	Chair
Attachment	#1 MRMPO Policy Committee Draft Minutes 04/21/2022	
Presentations		
3	Discussion of becoming a TMA	Karl Welzenbach
Background	A discussion regarding possible TMA status was requested.	
Attachment	#2 Current MPO Map	
Action Items		
4	Sponsoring “Ride the Rogue”	Karl Welzenbach
Background	Every year the Rogue River Greenway Foundation (an organization dedicated to the development and promotion of multi-use walking and bicycle trails to promote healthy lifestyles for children, adults, and seniors) hosts a “Ride the Rogue” event. The past years have seen a significant decline in their sponsors and ridership due to wildfires and COVID-19. The foundation is hosting yet	

	another event this year and staff proposes that the MRMPO become a sponsor of the event since it promotes some of the very same priorities that this MPO holds dear.	
<i>Attachment</i>	#3 Ride the Rogue Sponsorship Packet	
<i>Action Requested</i>	Approval to sponsor the “Ride the Rogue” event this year in the name of the MRMPO as a Gold Level Sponsor.	
5	Amendments to the 2021–2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Ryan MacLaren
<i>Background</i>	<p>The Policy Committee is being asked to consider adoption of amendments to the 2021–2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include the following project(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Adjust Project to TIP: <i>Middle Rogue MPO planning SFY23 (KN21844)</i> <p>The 21-day public comment period and public hearing was advertised on or before Friday April 29, 2022, in the <i>Medford Mail Tribune</i>, the <i>Rogue River Press</i> and the <i>Grants Pass Courier</i> and information is currently available on the MRMPO website.</p>	
<i>Attachment</i>	#4 TIP Amendments	
<i>Action Requested</i>	Approval of the amendment	
Discussion Items		
6	Public Comment	
Regular Updates		
7	MPO Planning Update	Karl Welzenbach
8	Other Business / Local Business Opportunity for MRMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects.	Chair
9	Adjournment	Chair

- The next MRMPO Policy Committee meeting will be **Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.** Hybrid in-person and online via Zoom
- The next MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting will be **June 2, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.** Hybrid in-person and online via Zoom

- The next MRMPO Citizens Advisory Committee meeting will be **June 9, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.** Hybrid in-person and online via Zoom

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT RVCOG, 541-664-6674. 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.



Summary Minutes
Middle Rogue MPO Policy Committee
April 21, 2022

The following attended:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Jerry Breckinridge	Gold Hill	855-1525
Valerie Lovelace	Grants Pass	479-0952
Rick Riker	Grants Pass	479-7333
Pam VanArsdale, Vice Chair	Rouge River	660-4414
Dave Dotterer	Jackson County	774-6119
Robert Brandes	Josephine County	474-5460
Mike Baker	ODOT	957-3658
Alternate Voting Members Present	Organization	Phone Number
Melia Biescheid	Gold Hill	
Wade Elliot	Grants Pass	
Steve Lambert	Jackson County	
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
Erik Memmott	RVCOG	423-1369
Interested Parties	Organization	Phone Number
Lesley Orr	CAC	

- **Meeting recording:** [April 21, 2022 MRMPO Policy Committee Meeting Recording](#)
- [04/21/2022 MRMPO Policy Committee Agenda Packet](#)

1. Call to Order / Introductions/ Review Agenda | 00:00 – 01:55

2:30 p.m. | *Quorum*: 5 voting members, regardless of jurisdiction

2. Review / Approve Minutes | 01:55 – 02:22

02:02 | *Pam VanArsdale moved that the Policy Committee approve the March 17, 2022, Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by Mike Baker.*

No further discussion.

Motion passed with none opposed.

Public Hearing

3. Unified Planning Work Program | 02:22 – 15:12

Chair Valerie Lovelace opened the Public Hearing.

No comments received.

Chair Valerie Lovelace closed the Public Hearing.

14:36 | *Pam VanArsdale moved to approve the Unified Planning Work Program by resolution with the understanding the amounts will change with discussed corrections. Seconded by Mike Baker.*

No further discussion.

Motion passed with none opposed.

4. Public Participation Plan | 15:12 – 28:07

Chair Valerie Lovelace opened the Public Hearing.

No comments received.

Chair Valerie Lovelace closed the Public Hearing.

21:22 | *Comments from Mike Baker: The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) is mentioned briefly, however there is nothing about how they can be of assistance for public input. The Policy Committee very rarely hears of any recommendations from the CAC when they happen. That should be stated. The MPO does a very good job with providing graphics and ways the general public can understand, this should be shown and talked about more within the Plan. There are almost no discussions about the equity in planning.*

Item was tabled to address these comments.

Discussion Items

4. Public Comments | 28:07 – 29:32

Comment provided by Lesley Orr regarding the 2022 Ride the Rogue.

Regular Updates

5. MPO Planning Update | 29:32 – 34:21

Provided by Karl Welzenbach regarding the budget and the possibility of the MPO becoming a TMA.

6. Other Business / Local Business | 34:21 - 01:10:21

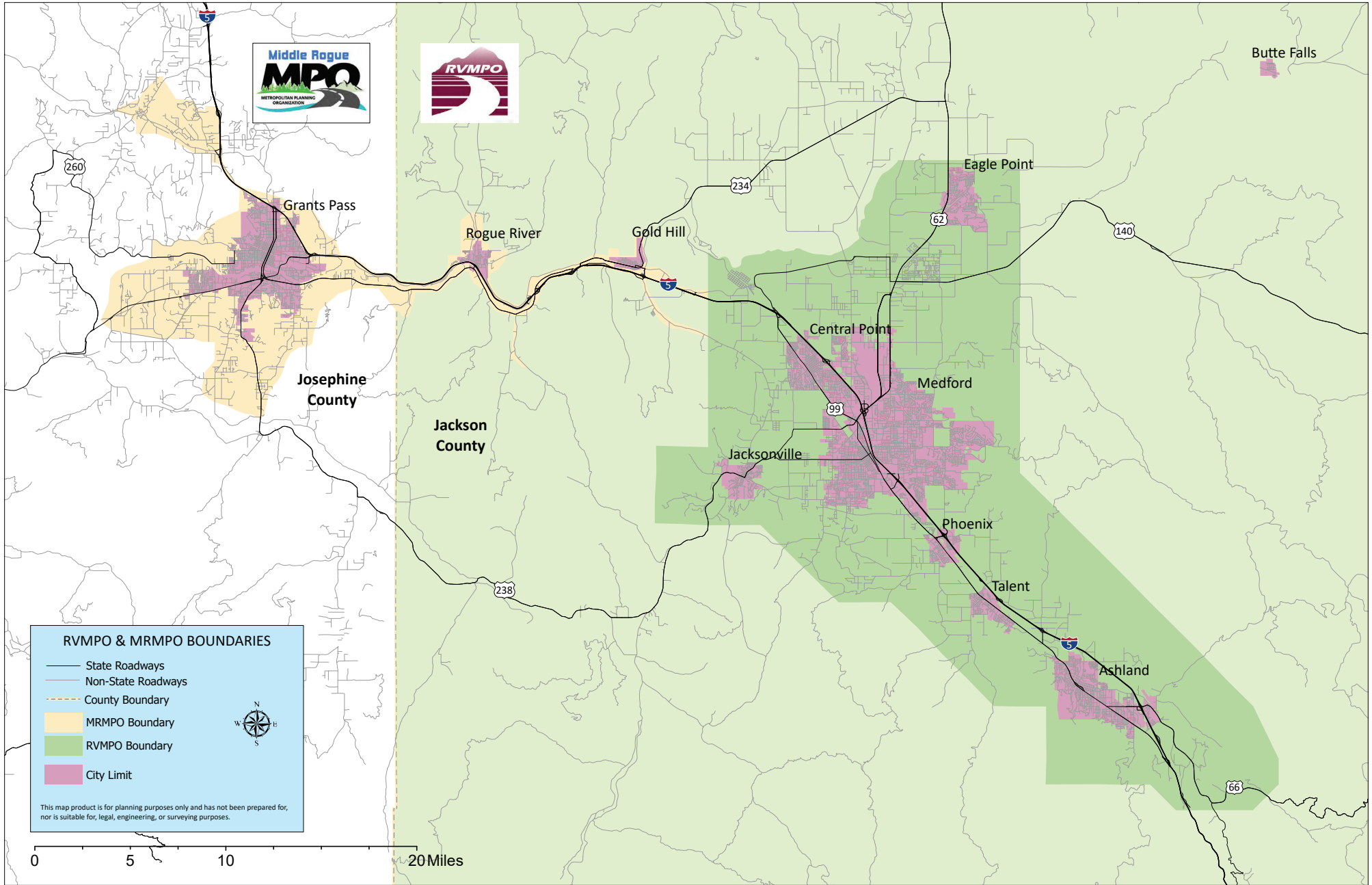
Update from Gold Hill, Josephine County, Grants Pass, and ODOT.

7. Adjournment | 01:10:21

Valerie Lovelace, Chair,
adjourned meeting at 3:32 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings:

MRMPO Policy Committee	April 21, 2022	2:30 p.m.
MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee	April 07, 2022	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO Citizen Advisory Committee	April 14, 2022	2:00 p.m.





**Middle Rogue
Metropolitan Planning Organization
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DATE: May 12, 2022
TO: MRMPO Policy Committee
FROM: Ryan MacLaren, Senior Planner
SUBJECT: TIP Amendment(s)

The Policy Committee is being asked to consider approval of the following amendment(s) to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

A press release for the 21-day public comment period and public hearing was sent on or before April 29th 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. Adjust Project in TIP: *Middle Rogue MPO planning SFY23 (KN21844)*

Description: Increase project estimate by \$553,615.08, adding funds from the statewide MPO planning program savings.

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	
RVCOG														
Middle Rogue MPO planning SFY23	Planning and Research	n/a	Exempt - Table 2,	21844	2022	Planning	\$ 163,574	5303	\$ 18,722	RVCOG	\$ 182,296			\$ 182,296
				21844	2022	Planning	\$ 603,984	PL	\$ 69,128	ODOT	\$ 673,112			\$ 673,112
						Land Purchase					\$ -			\$ -
						Utility Relocate					\$ -			\$ -
						Construction					\$ -			\$ -
						Other					\$ -			\$ -
					Total FFY21-24		\$ 767,558		\$ 87,850		\$ 855,408	\$ -		\$ 855,408