



Date: Thursday, November 14, 2024

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Join In-Person

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

Transit: Served by JCT Routes #10, 20, 35, 40, 50, 80 and 100. Paratransit services are available for qualified individuals.

Contact: RVCOG: 541-423-1375

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Or via Zoom

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1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda

Chair

Consent Agenda

2. Review / Approve Minutes

Chair

Attachment: [#1 MRMPO CAC Meeting Draft Minutes 10/10/2024](#)

Action Items

3. Amendment to the 2024-2027 TIP

Ryan MacLaren

Background: The CAC is being requested to make a recommendation on the proposed amendments to the 2024-27 TIP.

A. Add Project to TIP: *Mass Transit Vehicle Replacement FFY25 Josephine County (KN23711)*

The 21-day public comment period and public hearing was advertised on or before Thursday, October 30, 2024, in the *Rogue Valley Times*, the *Rogue River Press* and the *Grants Pass Courier* and information is currently available on the MRMPO website.

Attachments: [#2 TIP Amendment Memo](#)

Action Requested: Recommendation to Policy Committee

Discussion Items

4. Discretionary Funds

Ryan MacLaren

Background: The TAC and Policy Committee have discussed how to allocate funding for MPO jurisdiction transportation projects since state gas tax funds replaced federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds. Staff are preparing to begin work on the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Before work can proceed, the MPO needs to decide if gas tax funds will be



used for 2027-2030 TIP projects or allocated to jurisdictions for local transportation needs.

Attachment: [#3 Memo: Gas Tax Funding Allocation](#)

5. 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development **Ryan MacLaren**

Background: Staff are preparing to begin work on the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Attached for discussion is the proposed timeline for TIP development and project selection.

Attachment: [#4 2027-2030 TIP Timeline](#)

6. Public Comments **Chair**

Regular Updates

7. MRMPO Update **Ryan MacLaren**

8. Other Business / Local Business **Chair**

Opportunity for MRMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects

9. Adjournment **Chair**

Scheduled Meetings		
MRMPO TAC	December 5, 2024	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO CAC	December 12, 2024	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO Policy Meeting	November 21, 2024	2:30 p.m.

All meetings are available in-person and online via Zoom unless otherwise noted.



Date: Thursday, October 10, 2024

Attendees:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Lesley Orr	Active Transportation	
Judy Garrett	Grants Pass	659-9256
Nancy Sue Stout	Grants Pass	
Dick Converse, Chair	Josephine County	659-8401

Non-Voting Member	Organization	Phone Number
Kyler Kirchner	Josephine County	
Thomas Guevara	ODOT	

Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
Jeff Stump	RVCOG	423-1367

Interested Parties	Organization
Scott Chancey	Josephine County Transit

MRMPO CAC Minutes – Thursday, October 10, 2024

[Agenda Packet](#)

[Meeting Audio](#)

1. Call to Order at 1:30 P.M. / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00 – 01:24

Quorum: Four voting members, regardless of jurisdiction.

2. Review / Approve Minutes 01:24 – 01:40

- 01:31** Lesley Orr moved to approve the September 12, 2024, MRMPO CAC Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by Nancy Sue Stout.
 No further discussion.
 Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Action Items

3. Amendments to the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program 01:40 – 05:37

- 05:05** Lesley Orr moved to recommend approval of the amendments to the 2024-2027 TIP as presented. Seconded by Judy Garrett.
 No further discussion.
 Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.



4. Tribal Consultation Plan 05:37 – 19:35

- 18:30** Lesley Orr moved to recommend approval of the Tribal Consultation Plan with discussed changes. Seconded by Judy Garrett.
No further discussion.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion Items

5. Public Comment 19:35 – 19:42

None Received.

Regular Updates

6. MPO Planning Update 19:42 – 33:40

Provided by Ryan MacLaren. Update on the upcoming Obligation Reports, possible future public outreach opportunities, and Land Use staffing update.

7. Other Business / Local Business 33:40 – 46:48

Update from Josephine County Transit, and Josephine County.

8. Adjournment

2:17 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings

MRMPO TAC	November 7, 2024	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO CAC	November 14, 2024	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO Policy Meeting	October 17, 2024	2:30 p.m.



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DATE: October 30, 2024
TO: MRMPO Citizens Advisory Committee
FROM: Ryan MacLaren, Planning Program Director
SUBJECT: TIP Amendment(s)

The CAC is being asked to make recommendations to the Policy Committee on the proposed TIP amendment(s) described below. The Policy Committee will hold a public hearing at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2024 to consider adoption of the proposed TIP amendment(s). A press release for the 21-day public comment period and public hearing was sent on or before October 30th in the Rogue Valley Times, 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 Project to TIP: Mass Transit Vehicle Replacement FFY25 Josephine County (KN23711)

Description: Create new Mass Transit Vehicle Replacement project. OTC approval 8/1/24.

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	
JCT														
Mass Transit Vehicle Replacement FFY25 Josephine County	Funding for replacement or right sizing of category A or B transit vehicles in urban areas. This project will be delivered through FTA.	n/a	N/A			Planning					\$ -			\$ -
						Design					\$ -			\$ -
						Land Purchase					\$ -			\$ -
						Utility Relocate					\$ -			\$ -
						Construction					\$ -			\$ -
						Other	23711	2025	\$ 699,894	STBG IJA	\$ 80,106	JCT	\$ 780,000	
Total FFY24-27							\$ 699,894		\$ 80,106		\$ 780,000	\$ -	\$ 780,000	



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DATE: October 23, 2024
TO: MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: Ryan MacLaren, Planning Program Director
SUBJECT: Gas Tax Funding Allocation

The TAC and Policy Committee have discussed how to allocate funding for MPO jurisdiction transportation projects since state gas tax funds replaced federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds. MPO projects that are funded solely with state gas tax funds do not need to address federal requirements which is a huge cost savings to local jurisdictions. In addition, jurisdictions can use gas tax funds for local transportation projects, operations, maintenance, and administration.

Staff are preparing to begin work on the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Before work can proceed, the MPO needs to decide if gas tax funds will be used for 2027-2030 TIP projects or allocated to jurisdictions for local transportation needs.

There are a few ways the gas tax funds could be allocated to local jurisdictions and/or projects included the 2027-2030 TIP:

1. Follow the traditional project solicitation/selection process that uses available CMAQ and Gas Tax funds (see Table 1)
2. Gas tax funds could be allocated to local jurisdictions based on population. Funds could be used for local transportation projects, operations, maintenance, and administration (see Table 2).
3. Gas tax funds could be distributed equally to local jurisdictions for local transportation projects, operations, maintenance, and administration discretion (see Table 3).
4. Other?

The TAC is being asked to make a recommendation to the Policy Committee on the allocation of MPO gas tax funds for projects included in the 2027-2030 TIP or directly to local jurisdictions as described above.

**Table 1 – Funds Available for 2027-2030 TIP Projects
Funds Awarded based on Traditional MPO
Competitive Project Selection Process**

TIP Years	Revenue		Expense	Available Funds	
	CMAQ	Gas Tax	RVMP Planning Funds Match	CMAQ	Gas Tax
2027	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2028	\$ 450,016	\$ 697,173	\$ 20,200	\$ 450,016	\$ 676,973
2029	\$ 450,016	\$ 697,173	\$ 40,400	\$ 450,016	\$ 656,773
2030	\$ 450,016	\$ 697,173	\$ 40,400	\$ 450,016	\$ 656,773
Totals	\$ 1,350,048	\$ 2,091,519	\$ 101,000	\$ 1,350,048	\$ 1,990,519

Table 2 – Gas Tax Funds Allocated to Local Jurisdictions based on Population

Gas Tax Allocation Scenario #1 - Population							
TIP Years			FY 2027	FY 2028	FY2029	FY2030	Totals
MPO's Annual Allocation of State Gas Tax			\$ -	\$ 697,173	\$ 697,173	\$ 697,173	\$ 2,091,519
MPO PL Fund Match (Gas Tax Funds)			\$ -	\$ (20,200)	\$ (40,400)	\$ (40,400)	\$ (101,000)
Total Funds Available			\$ -	\$ 676,973	\$ 656,773	\$ 656,773	\$ 1,990,519
Jurisdiction	Population PSU 2023	% of Total Population	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY2029	FY2030	Totals
Gold Hill	1,338	2%	\$ -	\$ 13,170	\$ 12,777	\$ 12,777	\$ 38,725
Rogue River	2,472	4%	\$ -	\$ 24,333	\$ 23,607	\$ 23,607	\$ 71,546
Grants Pass	40,102	58%	\$ -	\$ 394,736	\$ 382,958	\$ 382,958	\$ 1,160,651
Jackson County*	4,714	7%	\$ -	\$ 46,401	\$ 45,017	\$ 45,017	\$ 136,435
Josephine County*	20,149	29%	\$ -	\$ 198,333	\$ 192,415	\$ 192,415	\$ 583,162
Total	68,775	100%	\$ -	\$ 676,973	\$ 656,773	\$ 656,773	\$ 1,990,519

*For unincorporated areas, population estimates are derived from Southern Oregon ABM model data which uses PSU estimates

Table 3 – Gas Tax Funds Allocated to Local Jurisdictions based on Equal Shares

Gas Tax Allocation Scenario #2 - Equal Shares				
Jurisdiction	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY2030	Totals
Gold Hill	\$ 135,395	\$ 131,355	\$ 131,355	\$ 398,104
Rogue River	\$ 135,395	\$ 131,355	\$ 131,355	\$ 398,104
Grants Pass	\$ 135,395	\$ 131,355	\$ 131,355	\$ 398,104
Jackson County*	\$ 135,395	\$ 131,355	\$ 131,355	\$ 398,104
Josephine County*	\$ 135,395	\$ 131,355	\$ 131,355	\$ 398,104
Total	\$ 676,973	\$ 656,773	\$ 656,773	\$1,990,519

MRMPO 2027-30 TIP Development & Adoption Timeline

MRMPO 2027-30 TIP Development & Adoption Timeline	
January 2025	Call for projects – Application Packets provided to TAC
March-April 2025	Mandatory project application workshop
May 30, 2025	Applications due before the end of business day
June-July 2025	TAC application review and project recommendations. <i>With TAC concurrence, applicants may submit minor changes to applications, or modifications suggested by the TAC, no later than noon on Wednesday, July 9, 2025</i>
July-August 2025	Policy Committee approval of projects selected for 2027-2030 TIP
September – December 2025	Staff develops TIP
January-February 2026	Open public comment period for 2027-2030 TIP
March 2026	Committee recommendations and Policy Committee action on 2027-2030 TIP
April 2026	MRMPO forwards TIP to ODOT, FHWA, and FTA
May-June 2026	TIP approved by Governor