



**AGENDA**  
**Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization**  
 Technical Advisory Committee

**Date: Thursday, November 7, 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

**Or via Zoom**

**Meeting ID:** 884 8819 9210

**Phone #:** +1 346 248 7799

**Zoom Link:**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88488199210>

**Website:** [www.mrmppo.org](http://www.mrmppo.org)

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT RVCOG, 541-664-6674. 48 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE IS PREFERABLE, AND WILL ENABLE US TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS

- 1. Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda Chair**

**Consent Agenda**

- 2. Review / Approve Minutes Chair**

Attachment: [#1 MRMPO TAC Meeting Draft Minutes 10/03/2024](#)

**Action Items**

- 3. Amendment to the 2024-2027 TIP Ryan MacLaren**

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

- A. Adjust Project in TIP: *Josephine Co - Transit operations (5307) FY2024 (KN20979)*

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.

Attachment: [#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.  
 This item will come back for a formal recommendation to the Policy Committee in December, unless more time is needed.

**Attachment:** [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.  
 This item will come back for a formal recommendation to the Policy Committee in December.

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

**6. Public Comment 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	November 14, 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.



# SUMMARY MINUTES

## Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization

### Technical Advisory Committee

**Date: Thursday, October 3, 2024**

Attendees:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Lily Morgan	Gold Hill	855-1525
Wade Elliott	Grants Pass	450-6114
James Philp	Jackson County	774-6236
Charles Bennet	Jackson County	774-6115
Neil Burgess, Vice Chair	Josephine County	474-5460 ext. 4408
Scott Chancey	Josephine County Transit	474-5441
Thomas Guevara	ODOT	776-3692
Justin Shoemaker	ODOT	200-5784

Alternate Members	Organization	Phone Number
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Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
Dan Moore	RVCOG	423-1393
Jeffery Stump	RVCOG	423-1367

Interested Parties	Organization
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Ashley Bryers FHWA  
Jennifer Boardman ODOT

**MRMPO TAC Minutes – Thursday, October 3, 2024**

[Agenda Packet](#)

[Meeting Audio](#)

**1. Call to Order at 1:30 P.M. / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00 – 01:14**

Quorum: Gold Hill, Grants Pass, Jackson County, Josephine County, ODOT

**2. Review / Approve Minutes 01:14 – 01:40**

- 01:25** Thomas Guevara moved to approve the September 5, 2024, MRMPO TAC Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by Justin Shoemaker.  
No further discussion.  
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.



**Action Items**

- 3. Amendments to the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program 01:40 – 04:42**  
**04:07** Thomas Guevara moved to recommend approval of the Amendments to the 2024-2027 TIP as presented. Seconded by Neil Burgess.  
 No further discussion.  
 Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
  
- 4. Tribal Consultation Plan 04:42 – 10:45**  
**10:02** Thomas Guevara moved to approve the Tribal Consultation with discussed changes directed by the Policy Committee. Seconded by Neil Burgess.  
 No further discussion.  
 Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Discussion Items**

- 5. Public Comment 10:45– 10:55**  
*No comments provided.*

**Regular Updates**

- 6. MPO Planning Update 10:55 – 16:24**  
*Provided by Ryan MacLaren regarding previous and future public events, the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Plan,*
  
- 7. Other Business / Local Business 16:24 – 45:20**  
*Discussion and updates from Gold Hill, JCT, Josephine County, Grants Pass, and ODOT.*
  
- 8. Adjournment**  
 2:15 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings		
MRMPO TAC	November 7, 2024	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO CAC	October 10, 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 Technical Advisory Committee  
**FROM:** Ryan MacLaren, Planning Program Director  
**SUBJECT:** TIP Amendment(s)

The TAC 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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					\$ -			\$ -
				23711	2025	Other	\$ 699,894	STBG I/JA	\$ 80,106	JCT	\$ 780,000			\$ 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

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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
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 1,350,048</b>	<b>\$ 2,091,519</b>	<b>\$ 101,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,350,048</b>	<b>\$ 1,990,519</b>

**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
<b>MPO's Annual Allocation of State Gas Tax</b>			\$ -	\$ 697,173	\$ 697,173	\$ 697,173	\$ 2,091,519
<b>MPO PL Fund Match (Gas Tax Funds)</b>			\$ -	\$ (20,200)	\$ (40,400)	\$ (40,400)	\$ (101,000)
<b>Total Funds Available</b>			\$ -	\$ 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
<b>Total</b>	<b>68,775</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 676,973</b>	<b>\$ 656,773</b>	<b>\$ 656,773</b>	<b>\$ 1,990,519</b>
*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**

<b>Gas Tax Allocation Scenario #2 - Equal Shares</b>				
<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY 2029</b>	<b>FY2030</b>	<b>Totals</b>
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
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 676,973</b>	<b>\$ 656,773</b>	<b>\$ 656,773</b>	<b>\$1,990,519</b>



## MRMPO 2027-30 TIP Development & Adoption Timeline

<b>MRMPO 2027-30 TIP Development &amp; Adoption Timeline</b>	
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. <b><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></b>
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