



SUMMARY MINUTES

Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization

Policy Committee

Date: Thursday, August 21, 2025

Attendees:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Melia Biedscheid, Vice Chair	Gold Hill	855-1525
Kathleen Krohn	Grants Pass	450-6000
Bradley Clark	Grants Pass	450-6000
Wade Elliott	Grants Pass	450-6000
Pam VanArsdale	Rogue River	660-4414
Mike Baker	ODOT	957-3658
Alternate Members	Organization	Phone Number
Ryan Nolan	Rogue River	
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
Interested Parties	Organization	
Thomas Guerava	ODOT	
Darrin Neavoll	ODOT	

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1. Call to Order at 2:30 P.M. / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00 – 00:51

Quorum: 5 Members Present

2. Review / Approve Minutes 00:51 – 01:52

01:35 Mike Baker moved to approve the July 17, 2025, MRMPO Policy Committee Meeting Minutes with corrections. Seconded by Wade Elliott.
No further discussion.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Presentations

3. What is an MPO? 01:52 – 30:37



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Public Hearing

4. Amendments to the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program **30:37 – 41:20**

Chair Pam VanArsdale opened the Public Hearing.

No public comments received.

Chair Pam VanArsdale closed the Public Hearing.

40:56 Wade Elliott moved to approve the amendment to the 2024-2027 TIP as presented.

Seconded by Mike Baker.

No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Action Items

5. Letter to Oregon Legislature Regarding the Upcoming Special Session **41:20 – 50:19**

50:15 Mike Baker moved to approve the chair signing the letter to be amended and reviewed by email by the Policy Committee. Seconded by Bradley Clark.

Further discussion on the timeline of the letter, and topics of the Special Session.

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion Items

6. Public Comment **50:19 – 50:25**

No comments received.

Regular Updates

7. MPO Planning Update **50:25 – 01:02:04**

Provided by Ryan MacLaren regarding the upcoming Special Session for the Oregon Legislature, 2027-2030 TIP timeline, and the previous OMPOC meeting.

8. Other Business / Local Business **01:02:04 – 01:21:52**

Updates from Gold Hill, ODOT, Grants Pass, and Rogue River.

9. Adjournment

3:52 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings

MRMPO TAC	September 4, 2025	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO CAC	September 11, 2025	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO Policy Meeting	September 18, 2025	2:30 p.m.