

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
POLICY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, August 12th, 2015
Sunset Building
MINUTES**

Policy Board Members Attending: Rocky Sloan, Amy Ramsdell, Hal Brauner, Annabelle Jaramillo and Alan Rowe

Alternates Present: Valerie Grigg-Devis and Mary Steckel

Guests Present: Laurel Byer

Staff Attending: Ali Bonakdar, Emma Chavez and Charlie Mitchell

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	DECISION / CONCLUSION
I. Meeting called to order by Chair Rocky Sloan at 5:04 pm		
II. Agenda Review		There were no changes made to the agenda.
III. Public Comments		There were no public comments.
IV. Minutes of June 10 th , 2015 MPO Policy Board meetings	Correction on page 4, under Benton County; change word ground to grind.	Consensus by Policy Board members to approve the June 10th, 2015 meeting minutes with correction.

<p>V. FY2018-2021 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)</p>	<p>The FY 2018-2021 STIP process will have a variety of changes from past processes. Due to limited funding, there will be more focus on fix-it activities and preserving and maintaining the existing system.</p> <p>The OTC held several outreach meetings with stakeholders and ACT Chairs. What the commission heard at these meetings is that the majority of the group wants to fix and maintain our system as opposed to building new roads. At its April meeting; the commission agreed to focus on fix-it projects and the majority of funds would go towards preserving the State system.</p> <p>The commission identified \$106 million for the STIP three year funding cycle for the Enhance program. Of that \$57 million must be spent on non-highway projects. ACTs participation in project selection is requested by the commission.</p> <p>In May, the commission discussed how the \$57 million would be distributed and looked at three different options. All of the options had \$27 million identified as additional funding for preservation projects. The commission chose Option C; \$49 million for commission and discretion.</p> <p>The funds have been divided up into three different pots:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$50 million for state highway system leverage program. This is for state highway system only and is intended to leverage other funds/efforts, strategic investments projects addressing key statewide/regional needs. Allocated to ODOT Regions by formula, each Region will work with ACT to identify a 150% list of projects, then, finalize a 100% list with ACTs. 	<p>Members will review ODOT’s 150% list and Email feedback directly to ODOT staff.</p> <p>Members will email CAMPO staff their proposed list of projects by August 20th, 2015.</p>
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	<p>Amy shared a handout of their recommended 150% state transportation leverage and active transportation program list. To create the list, ODOT took into consideration areas that have been passed over and projects in the 15-18 STIP that are not made whole. They are asking for feedback on the list from local MPOs and ACTs.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. \$30 million statewide for non-highway Enhance projects. Need to address the state 1% for bicycle and pedestrian improvement as well as transportation improvements in MAP21. Allocated to ODOT Regions by formula. ODOT and local agencies will complete proposals and compete for these funds. <p>Due to limited funds, Region 2 staff suggest a minimum project cost of \$500 thousand and are requesting each ACT submit only a total of five project proposals. ODOT and ACT staff will work with members to make the process as simplified as possible. Members are encouraged to look forward to information regarding the project proposal process.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. \$27 million for non-highway “Fix-It” projects: \$15 million for bus replacements for which ODOT holds the title; \$6 million for ADA curb ramps; and \$6 million for leveraging active transportation projects (bicycle, pedestrian or transit features or connections). <p>Hal reviewed the schedule and inquired how it would work with the MPO schedule.</p> <p>The MPO Policy Board Will meet on September 9 and the TAC will meet on August 28. Members were asked to review ODOT’s 150%</p>	
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	<p>list and provide feedback to ODOT staff. They were also asked to put together their list of Non-Highway Enhance projects and email to CAMPO staff by August 20th. The TAC will prioritize projects for review by the Policy Board prior to submittal to ACT.</p>	
<p>VI. Updates</p>	<p>a) Director’s Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal Transportation Funding Before its August recess, the Senate passed the DRIVE bill. DRIVE puts more funds into transportation; however, the share of STP funds is reduced. The CAMPO Policy Board along with many other agencies, sent letter to Congress urging them to distribute more funds to the locals. At this time however, the proportions have not been decided yet and a sustainable funding source for the Highway Trust Fund has not been found. • Scenario Analysis CAMPO, ODOT and DLCDC have been in meetings with local land use offices. There is now good understanding of where locals want their projected growth be allocated. Once more meeting will take place for jurisdictions to verify the information. Once that is approved, the data will be entered into ODOT’s model. • OMPOC Work Program OMPOC held its quarterly meeting two weeks ago in Bend. They are working on a Work Program for the position of OMPOC Coordinator. MPOs had \$80 thousand taken off the top of PL funds for this position. That translates to approximately \$4 thousand for CAMPO. The Work Program is yet to be finalized. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Linn-Benton Loop CAMPO's lawyer has been working on an IGA between all entities for the Linn-Benton Loop. There was a liability concern that has been holding things up. The lawyer advised that there is no avoiding of some liability responsibility to all entities. The IGA needs to be sent to the parties for signing. • Environmental Excellence Award In July the FHWA Director handed in the Environmental Excellence Award to Matt Garrett and Ali at the Oregon Transportation and Commission meeting. The Director of our local federal highway administration would like to attend a Policy Board meeting to offer the award to the CAMPO Chair. He will be invited to attend the September meeting. Ali presented a personal thank you letter from Governor Kate Brown to Hal Brauner for the work CAMPO done in 2014 on Functional Classification. • ODOT outreach ODOT is seeking feedback from stakeholders via a survey. The survey's intent is to evaluate ODOT's local consultation practices regarding statewide transportation planning and programming processes. The survey can be found online at the ODOT website. Feedback is being solicited through October 16, 2015. • ODOT Transit and Rail Section discovered some unspent federal transit planning dollars. They are distributing it among the MPOs. CAMPO will be receiving approximately \$10 thousand dollars for transit projects. Ali asked Mary for a new transit planning	
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	<p>study that CAMPO can perform for CTS.</p> <p>b) Jurisdictional Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• City of Corvallis Three new active pedestrian crossings have been constructed. Two of them on 9th street and the other on Walnut Boulevard. The rail road blockage on Circle and 99 is complete. Next week the city will begin storm drain and waterline work at Kings and Circle. Sidewalk improvements will go back on previous schedule and to a district approach where work will be done in specific districts at a time.• ODOT Traffic lights are now on at the South Bypass. Bridge construction is going well, although it is running a month behind. There are general funds allocated for a safety project on Hwy 34 to address road departure. Rumble strips will be placed at the edge of the road. Pioneer Mountain Eddyville is on schedule to be completed in 2016. Currently, earth moving is at 2.4 million cubic yards of excavation and embankment. Some of the work will impact traffic on the current US20 highway.• City of Corvallis (Hal) It seems as though Corvallis may move towards a local gas tax sooner than later. The city of Albany approached Corvallis to advise that they plan on putting a local gas tax in the May 2016 ballot. They are interested in both communities doing this at the same time. In Corvallis, the interest is for a local gas tax to go towards street preservation projects.	
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VII. Adjourn	Next meeting September 9 th , 2015.	