



BEND MPO
Metropolitan Planning Organization

Policy Board Meeting

March 16, 2021

Agenda Item # 1: Call to Order & Introductions – Barb Campbell, Chair

Policy Board 2021

Barb Campbell, Chair, City of Bend Councilor

Megan Perkins, Vice-Chair, City of Bend Councilor

Rita Schenkelberg, City of Bend Councilor

Phil Chang, Deschutes County Commissioner

Bob Townsend, Oregon Department of Transportation, Region 4 Area Manager

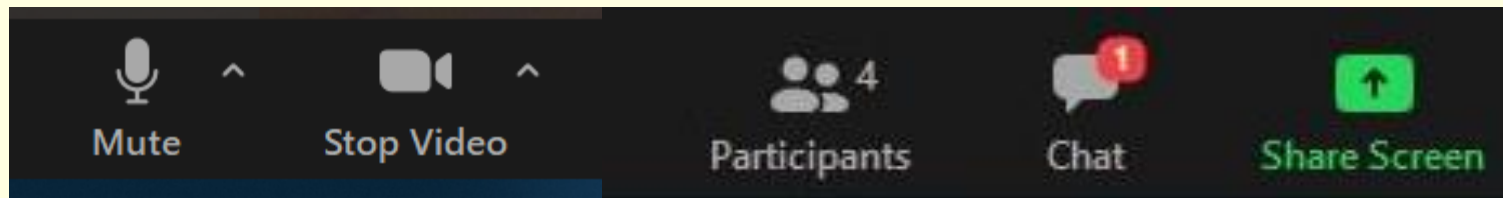
Bend MPO Staff

- Tyler Deke, Manager
- Andrea Napoli, Senior Planner
- Jovi Anderson, Program Coordinator

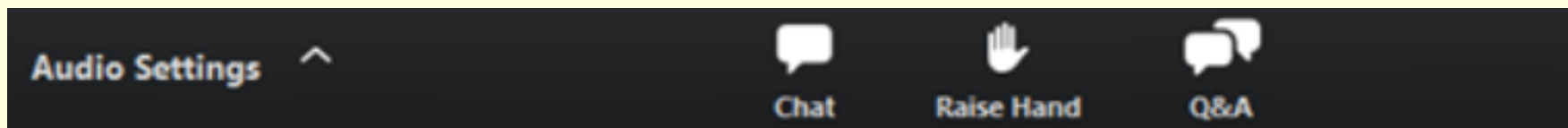
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Agenda Item # 2: Virtual Meeting Guidelines – Jovi Anderson

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- **Agenda Item # 3: Public Comment – Barb Campbell, Chair**

- **Agenda Item #4: Meeting minutes – Barb Campbell**

Recommended Language for Motion: I move approval of the February 16, 2021 and February 23, 2021 draft meeting minutes as presented

- **Agenda Item #5: Budget Adjustment –
Jovi Anderson**

Recommended Language for Motion: I move approval of the 2020-01 Supplemental Budget by way of Resolution 2021-01

- Adding \$20,205 in Resources to align Budget with Funding Agreement
- Background: This supplemental budget will offer some flexibility in our funding. Bend MPO expends these funds first and then expends the STBG funds we have allocated into the MPO Budget.
- No significant changes or additions to expenditures with this action

Federal Funding Type	Adopted Funding Amounts FY20-21	Bend MPO Supplemental Budget 3/16/2021	Total Supplemental Funding FY20-21
Federal Pass-through Grant - ODOT - Metropolitan Planning Funds (PL)	\$ 154,004	\$ 7,233	\$ 161,237
State match for MPO's	\$ 17,628	\$ 826	\$ 18,454
Federal Pass-through Grant - ODOT - FTA 5303	\$ 51,505	\$ 10,899	\$ 62,404
City of Bend/Deschutes County In-Kind Match	\$ 5,895	\$ 1,247	\$ 7,142
Total Supplemental Budget		\$ 20,205	

Recommended
Language for
Motion:
I move approval
of the 2021-01
Supplemental
Budget by way
of Resolution
2021-01

Resolution Number 2021-01
Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 202-21
THE BEND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) DOES RESOLVE AS
FOLLOWS:

The MPO adopted the FY2020-21 budget as approved by the Policy Board on May 19, 2020 pursuant to ORS 294.456, and;

The FY2020-21 Adopted Budget did not include the full funding allocation as defined in intergovernmental agreement 34292 between the MPO and the Oregon Department of Transportation. This supplemental budget increases the FHWA Metropolitan Planning (PL) funds and FTA 5303 funds to align with agreement 34292. The MPO does hereby adopt the supplemental budget as listed below:

Category	Resolution Number		
	2020-02	2020-04	2021-01
MPO Program	\$497,500	\$611,500	\$631,800
Loan Repayment	100,000	100,000	100,000
Contingency	100,000	100,000	100,000
Total Requirements	\$697,500	\$811,500	\$831,800

Adopted by the MPO Policy Board this 16th day of March 2021.

Yes: _____

No: _____

Authenticated by the Chair this 16th day of March 2021.

Attest:

Tyler Deke, MPO Manager

Barb Campbell, Chair

**Agenda Item #6: 2021-2024 MTIP
Amendments - Jovi Anderson**

2021-24 MTIP Amendments

Amendment #1 – full amendment

- Project Name: CET Bend Transit Operations and Capital (Key #22395)
- Description: Funding for CET annual operations and capital costs (Bend service)
- Schedule: FY2023
- Amendment: Adding new project to MTIP
- Funding Sources: Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds and local funds (match)
- Total Funding: \$2,176,578

2021-24 MTIP Amendments

Amendment #2 – full amendment

- Project Name: Bend to Mt Bachelor and Elk Lake Summer Transit Service
- Description: see following slides
- Schedule: summers of 2022 and 2023
- Amendment: Adding new project to MTIP
- Funding Sources: Federal Highway Administration Federal Lands Access Program, local funds and Mt Bachelor funds
- Total Funding: \$261,897

CET Bend to Mt. Bachelor & Elk Lake

Summer Transit Service Highlights

- Two-year Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) funded pilot project implemented during summers of 2022 & 2023
- Daily frequent service starts in Bend with multiple stops along Cascades Lake Highway
- A circulator shuttle provides continuous service between Mt. Bachelor and Elk Lake, helping to alleviate parking congestion and improve safety on Cascades Lakes Highway.



The graphic features a stylized landscape with mountains and a sun. Logos for 'cet' and 'USDA FOREST SERVICE' are visible. The text 'BEND TO BACHELOR & ELK LAKE SUMMER SHUTTLE' is prominently displayed in a green banner. Below this, a table outlines the project engagement timeline.

Project Engagement Timeline	
Spring 2021:	Continue service planning efforts
Summer/fall 2021:	Stakeholder engagement
Spring 2022:	Marketing & outreach
Summer 2022:	Service implementation

CET Bend to Mt. Bachelor & Elk Lake

Summer Service Planning

- Service between Bend and Mt. Bachelor will include fares
- Trailers will be towed behind buses to shuttle mountain bikes
- Approximately \$180,000 in operating costs; Mt. Bachelor is providing a \$25,000 match
- Service planning and permitting is currently underway in partnership with the Deschutes National Forest



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2021-24 MTIP Amendments

- Recommended Language for Motion: I move approval of the proposed amendments to the 2021-2024 MTIP as presented

**Agenda Item #7: Surface Transportation
Block Grant (STBG) Program – Andrea
Napoli & MPO Staff**

Presentation Overview

- What is the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program?
- How much is the Bend MPO allocated?
- Recent Policy Board decisions made on use of funds.
- Additional funds available to Bend MPO.
- Discussion of how to potentially use these additional funds.

STBG Program

- Federal funding program
 - Funds are allocated to Bend MPO from ODOT
 - Approx. \$1.2M / year
 - Very flexible, wide variety of eligible uses, such as:
 - Bicycle and pedestrian improvements, including trails
 - Safety projects
 - Roadway projects
 - Capital costs for transit projects, purchased service
 - Signal & technology projects
 - Planning projects
 - Travel options programs (including Safe Routes to Schools)

2020 Policy Board Decisions re: STBG

- Changed to multi-year allocation of MPO's STBG dollars
 - New competitive project application process established

2021 - 2024 STBG Funding			
Project Name	% of Annual Funding	Annual Amount	Entity
Maintenance (Preservation & ITS)	60%	\$723,000	City of Bend
Application Process*	15%	\$180,750	Varies
MPO Planning/Ops/ Reserve	25%	\$301,250	Bend MPO

** For 2021, \$60k dedicated to Household Survey from Application Process*

Additional STBG Funds

- Increase from *estimated* annual allocation of STBG dollars to *actual* (for years 2021-2024)
 - Additional \$127,600/year (total: \$510,400)
- COVID Relief Act Funds to Bend MPO
 - Approx. \$1.5M (allocate by 9/30/2024, complete by 2029)
- Thoughts on use of additional funds?
 - Fully funding selected projects from last competitive application process (\$67,500).
 - Roll into next competitive application process (Fall 2022, or do earlier solicitation).
 - Other projects?

**Agenda Item #8: US97/Baker Road
Interchange Area Management Plan –
MPO & ODOT Staff**

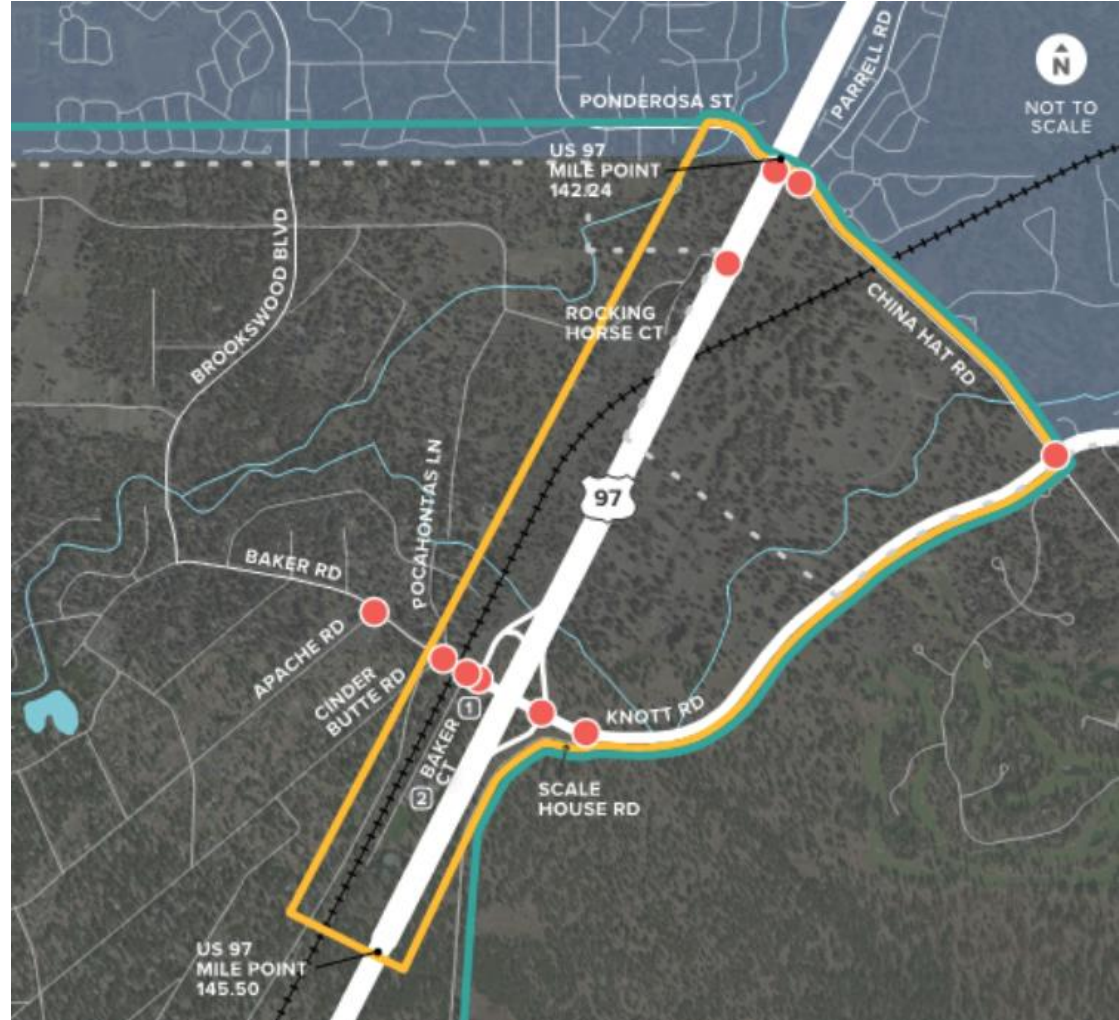
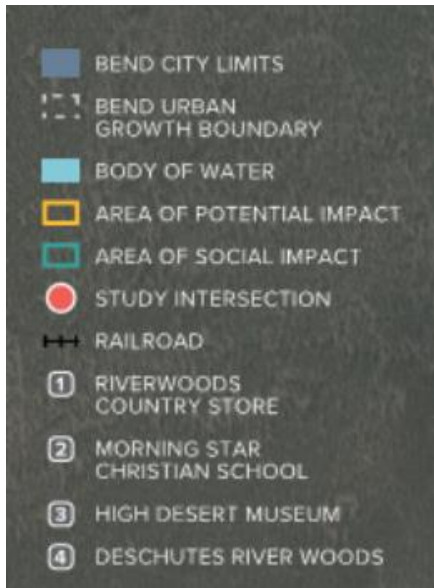
PROJECT BACKGROUND

- The US 97 Baker Rd interchange was constructed about 30 years ago and was designed to serve the sparsely developed rural lands in the area and to accommodate truck movement between US 97 and US 20.
- Today, increasing urban growth has resulted in congestion and safety issues at the interchange. This is expected to worsen with anticipated housing and employment growth in south Bend.

PROJECT PURPOSE

- The purpose of IAMPs is to establish agreement with local governments about transportation solutions or land use/policy actions needed in an interchange area and how to implement them to protect the function of the interchange and significant investments in infrastructure.
- **The purpose of the US 97 Baker Rd IAMP is:**
 - > Ensure the safe and efficient operation of the interchange area for all modes of travel through the 20-year planning horizon; and
 - > Identify transportation improvements, management strategies, and land use/policy actions needed to support planned development.

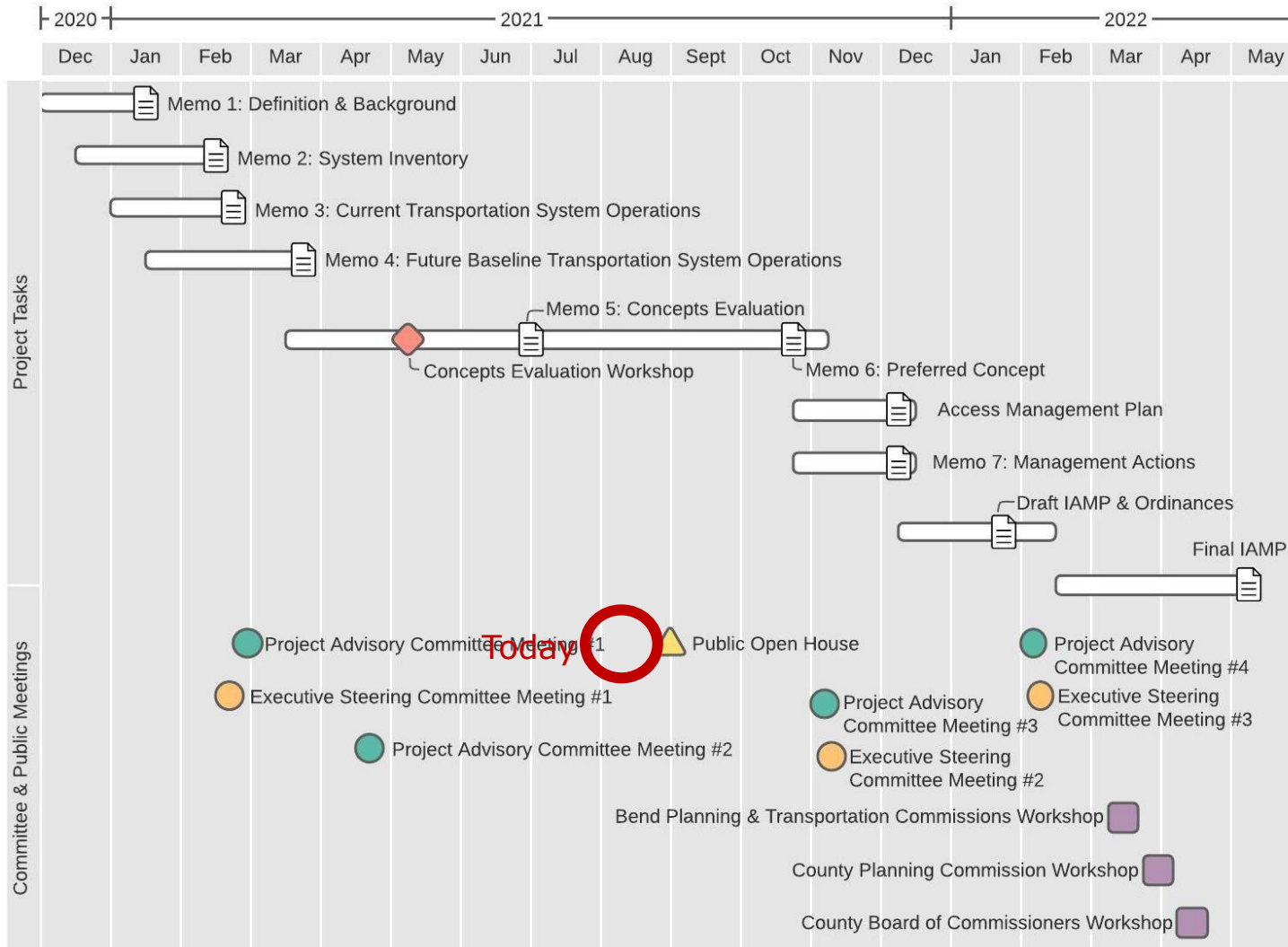
PROJECT STUDY AREA



DRAFT GOALS

- Currently 7 goals focused on:
 1. Efficient (motor vehicle) travel
 2. Improving safety for all modes of travel
 3. Supporting regional and local economic development
 4. Creating opportunity for more multimodal travel
 5. Providing for equitable participation in the process and evaluating just allocation of burdens and benefits among community members
 6. Consistency with the shared state and local vision for the corridor/area
 7. Developing implementable solutions

PROJECT SCHEDULE

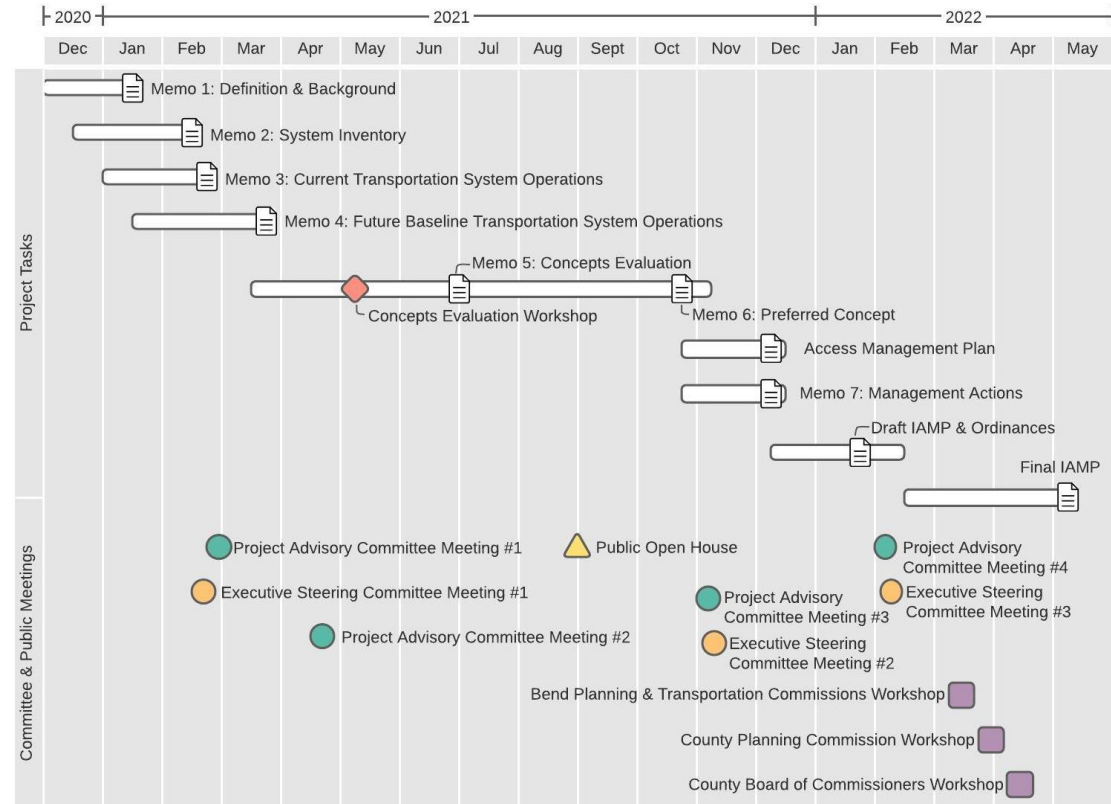


DECISION MAKING STRUCTURE & PUBLIC OUTREACH

- Bend MPO Policy Board = Project Steering Committee
- Project Advisory Committee = Advisory Role
 - > ODOT
 - > Deschutes County
 - > City of Bend
 - > Bend MPO
 - > DLCD
 - > US Forest Service
 - > Deschutes River Woods
 - > Bend-La Pine School Dist.
 - > Cascades East Transit
 - > Abilitree
 - > Bend Park & Rec. Dist.
 - > Central Oregon Coalition for Access
 - > Riverwoods Country Store
 - > Deschutes County Health Services
 - > Deschutes County Emergency Services
 - > Deschutes County Bike/Ped Advisory Committee
 - > Latino Community Association of Central Oregon
 - > Morning Star Christian School

CONCLUSIONS AND NEXT STEPS

- PAC Kick-off Meeting
- Refine the Goals and Objectives
- Assessment of System Deficiencies
- Develop Solutions with PAC (Apr/May)
- Public Open House (Sept)



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- **Agenda Item #9: Proposed Federal Rule Changes – Tyler Deke**

Change #1: Metropolitan Statistical Areas

- Deschutes County is currently a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)
- Proposal to increase the population threshold for MSAs
 - Primary city in MSA must have a population of 100,000
 - Bend will be close to this new threshold
 - 2019 PSU population estimate ~ 91,000
 - 2019 Census population estimate ~ 101,000
 - If Bend is below 100,000, Deschutes County would become a Micropolitan Statistical Area
 - The change could impact our collective access to various discretionary federal revenue streams – for better or worse

Change #2: Urbanized Areas

- Change the density requirement from people per square mile to housing units per square mile
- The density requirement is used to determine the urbanized area (UZA) boundary
- The UZA is what is used to determine our (MPO) boundary
- Proposed change should have no significant impact on our boundary

Change #3: Urbanized Areas

- Language within the existing UZA rules extends the MPO boundary to include Tumalo and the lands along US20 between Bend and Tumalo
- Proposal to change that language and revert to what was in place before 2010
- If approved, the proposal would remove Tumalo from the MPO planning boundary

Federal Rule Changes

- Draft rules state that the federal agencies (e.g. FHWA, HUD) will be tasked with making changes (or no changes) to funding rules, etc.
 - Subsequent changes likely done through rule-making processes
 - No indication from FHWA that any rule changes will follow
- Next Steps
 - MSA changes – comments due March 20
 - Urbanized area changes – comments due May 20
 - No action needed?

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- **Agenda Item #10: Other Business – Barb Campbell & Staff**
 - **Public notice and comment period open for draft 2021-2022 Budget and Work Program**

 - **Agenda Item #11: Public Comment – Barb Campbell**

- **Agenda Item #12: Next Policy Board meeting**

- The Budget Committee will meet on March 23 from 12-1:30 pm
- The next regular meeting of the Policy Board is scheduled for April 20 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.

- **Agenda Item #13: Adjourn**