
AGENDA
Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: April 7, 2021
Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am
Location: Virtual meeting. Participation information is provided below:

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Contact: Tyler Deke, BMPO Manager (541) 693-2113 (office), (541) 633-9298 (mobile) or tdeke@bendoregon.gov

1. **Call Order & Introductions.....Tyler Deke**
2. **Virtual Meeting Guidelines.....Jovi Anderson**
3. **Public Comment.....Tyler Deke**

Action Item

4. **Review and approve February 3, 2021 (Attachment A) draft meeting summary**

Recommended Language for Motion: I move approval of the February 3, 2021 meeting summary as presented.

Information Items

5. COVID & Additional STBG FundingAndrea Napoli/Staff

Background: The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (enacted on December 27, 2020) includes transportation funding that will be available to Oregon's cities, counties and MPOs. Staff will provide a brief overview of the process and schedule for distributing the funds. Additionally, the actual amount of annual allocations to Bend MPO for 2021-2024 STBG funds has come in higher than estimated. Staff will inform the TAC of these amounts.

Attachments: None

Action Requested: None. Information item.

6. US97/Baker Rd Interchange Area Management Plan.....Don Morehouse, ODOT

Background: ODOT is developing a long-range plan for the US97/Baker Road interchange and surrounding facilities. ODOT staff will review the project purpose and need, goals, schedule and answer TAC questions.

Attachments: None. Project information is posted on the following sites:

<https://www.bendoregon.gov/government/departments/bend-metro-planning-organization/plans-and-programs/us97-baker-iamp>

<https://www.oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=US97BakerRd>

Action Requested: Discuss project purpose, need, and goals

7. US97 planning projects update.....Rick Williams, ODOT

Background: ODOT is completing work on the Parkway Plan and the North Interchange Study. ODOT staff will provide updates on both plans.

Attachments: None. Project information is posted on the following sites:

<https://www.bendoregon.gov/government/departments/bend-metro-planning-organization/plans-and-programs/north-us97-interchange-study>

<https://www.bendoregon.gov/government/departments/bend-metro-planning-organization/plans-and-programs/parkway-plan>

Action Requested: None. Information item.

8. Recent MPO News Releases.....Staff

[Bend MPO MTIP Amendment - Public Comment Period | News | City of Bend \(bendoregon.gov\)](#) Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) Amendments for consideration at April 20, 2021 MPO Policy Board Meeting

[Bend MPO Budget Committee Approves Proposed FY22 Budget | News | City of Bend \(bendoregon.gov\)](#) Bend MPO Budget and Work Program public comment period is open. Public Hearings to consider adoption of Budget and Work Program will be held on April 20, 2021.

Action Requested: None. Information item.

9. Member Roundtable

Time for TAC members to provide updates on current projects and planning efforts

10. Public Comment.....Tyler Deke

11. Next TAC meeting

The next regular meeting of the Bend MPO TAC is scheduled for May 5 at 10 a.m.

12. Adjourn



Accessible Meeting Information

This meeting event and location are accessible. Sign language, interpreter service, assistive listening devices, materials in alternate format, such as Braille, large print, electronic formats, or any other accommodations are available upon advance request. Please contact Andrea Napoli at (541) 323-8545 or anapoli@bendoregon.gov. Providing at least 3 days' notice prior to the event will help ensure availability.

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BEND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Virtual Meeting – Summary
February 3, 2021

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Mr. Deke called the regular meeting of the Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to order at 10:02 a.m., Wednesday, February 3, 2021, with a quorum of members present (11 of 12). Attending were:

TAC Voting Members

1. Bend Park and Recreation District (BPRD) Henry Stroud
2. Bend-La Pine School District (BLS) Sharon Smith
3. Cascades East Transit (CET) Andrea Breault
4. Central Oregon Community College (COCC) Joe Viola
5. Commute Options Brian Potwin
6. Deschutes County Peter Russell
7. Deschutes County Bike/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (DBPAC) Rick Root
8. Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Rick Williams
9. Oregon State University (OSU)-Cascades Campus Casey Bergh
10. Citizen Greg Bryant
11. Citizen Liza Hamada
12. *City of Bend: Karen Swirsky* *absent*

Ex Officio Members

Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) Manager Tyler Deke
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA): absent
Federal Transit Administration (FTA): absent
ODOT Public Transit: absent
Oregon Department of Land Conservation/Development (DLCD): absent

MPO Staff

Andrea Napoli, *Senior Planner*
 Jovi Anderson, *Program Coordinator*
 Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II* (recorder)

Visitors

Donald Moore, *BMPO Budget Committee*
 Janet Gregor, *BMPO Budget Committee*
 Wendy Holzman, *Deschutes County Bike/Pedestrian Advisory Committee*

(Agenda items appear in discussion order. The 3 digits after a motion title show the number of members voting in favor/opposed/abstaining.)

2. Virtual Meeting Guidelines

Ms. Anderson reviewed the online meeting guidelines.

3. Public Comment

None.

ACTION ITEMS**4. Review and Approve TAC Meeting Summary**

Data: December 2 and December 8, 2020 (Agenda Attachments A & B)

Motion 1 (10/0/1): Ms. Smith moved approval of the December 2 and December 8, 2020, draft meeting summaries as presented. Mr. Stroud seconded the motion which passed with Mr. Bergh, Ms. Breault, Mr. Bryant, Ms. Hamada, Mr. Potwin, Mr. Russell, Ms. Smith, Mr. Stroud, Mr. Viola, and Mr. Williams in favor, none opposed, and Mr. Root abstaining due to his absence from both December meetings.

5. 2021-2022 Work Program and Budget

Data: Draft work program posted at:

<https://www.bendoregon.gov/Home/ShowDocument?id=48721>

Mr. Deke reviewed (PowerPoint) the draft fiscal year (FY) 2021-2022 work program with assistance from Ms. Napoli and Ms. Anderson. The staff summary covered current fiscal year key accomplishments, additional funding due to the COVID-19 pandemic, current work, major tasks (planned, timeline, schedule), administrative and short-term planning schedule, City traffic count program, data analysis schedule, FY 2021-22 draft budget summary, and UPWP (Unified Planning Work Program) development schedule. Mr. Deke requested TAC feedback at this meeting or in the next few weeks.

TAC concerns included how federal funding for MPOs is calculated, flexibility of COVID-19 pandemic funding, traffic count data (date range, inclusion of BPRD trail counts), readiness to support more electric-powered vehicles, potential partners (Bend-La Pine School District, BPRD), and MPO staffing resources.

INFORMATION ITEMS**6. Bend and Deschutes County Transportation Safety Action Plans Implementation**

Data: Bend and Deschutes TSAPs posted at:

<https://www.bendoregon.gov/government/departments/bend-metro-planning-organization/plans-and-programs/safety-action-plan>

Mr. Deke, with assistance from Ms. Napoli and Ms. Anderson, provided (PowerPoint) an overview of the City and County TSAPs developed in 2019. His summary included focus areas and schedule through September 30, 2021. The MPO has secured grant funding to implement some noninfrastructure components of these plans.

7. Member Roundtable

TAC members provided updates on current projects and planning efforts:

- **BPRD:** Mr. Stroud said the park district was working to update its five-year capital improvement plan, river access plan, park development and trail development projects.
- **Bend-La Pine School District:** Ms. Smith reported the school district was still in flex due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The district plans to launch an update of its sites and facilities plan in fall 2021 which will run through February 2022. Mr. Deke requested an update in early 2022.
- **CET:** Ms. Breault announced plans to implement an Electric Technology Feasibility Study and new route scheduling software in July 2021. Changes to Bend's transit system included new Routes 8 and 9 (NE and SE Bend), increased frequency along

3rd Street and Greenwood Avenue. CET helped Deschutes, Jefferson, and Crook Counties and Warm Springs submit applications for the next round of STIF (Statewide Transportation Improvement Funding). STIF funding will bring new transit dollars into the region by summer 2021. Effective 8 a.m. today, CET opened its service model to transport seniors (ages 75 and above) to vaccination centers across Central Oregon. Hoping to continue this through the CARES Act over the next few months.

- COCC: Mr. Viola reported 85% of students being enrolled online significantly decreased the number of cars driving up to the campus. Contrary to the increased enrollment experienced during the last economic recession, enrollment during the pandemic this year is down about 14%. The college is hoping for a full campus in fall 2021.
- City of Bend: No report.
- Commute Options: Mr. Potwin said his agency was partnering with COIC (Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council) on the research and development phase of the vanpool program. Large employers have indicated interest. Staff are working closely with the school district on a sustainability committee and assisting the City of Bend on how to educate students to use new infrastructure.
- Deschutes County: Mr. Russell thanked Ms. Breault for helping with STIF grant applications in the tri-county area. County projects include updating the Tumalo Community Plan, looking at rural trails from Bend and Redmond to Sisters, and updating the county Transportation System Plan (TSP).
- Deschutes County BPAC: Mr. Root stated the committee was working on a draft report to the Board of County Commissioners (which will be shared with the MPO if interested). Ms. Holzman said a subcommittee was focusing on the county TSP update, especially identifying missing links in bike and pedestrian routes that connect communities.
- ODOT: Mr. Williams outlined current and future projects. *US97 north interchange study*: draft final report expected within two weeks. *US97 Parkway Plan*: consultant team finishing alternative mobility targets, Oregon Transportation Commission adoption (hopefully) in May-July 2021. *US20 refinement plan* (Greenwood to eastern urban growth boundary): starting in July 2021. *Reed Market study*: joint ODOT/City (Brookwood roundabout to a location east of 3rd Street signal) starting in September/October 2021.
- OSU-Cascades: Mr. Bergh said they were looking forward to fall 2021, opening a new academic building and adding more on-campus parking. Other activities include encouraging micromobility options with the City in spring/summer 2021. Pedego, a local bikeshop that formerly partnered with Zagster, is trying to collect the Zagster stations and used bikes. He's considering partnering with Pedego to sell some of the used cruiser-type bikes to OSU students or other interested parties.
- Citizen: Mr. Bryant – no report.
- Citizen: Ms. Hamada – no report.

Ms. Gregor thanked everyone for the information shared at today's meeting. She reported the Commute Options Board of Directors was doing a short mid-range strategic plan. Expected completion: late spring 2021.

8. Public Comment

None.

9. Next TAC Meeting

- March 3, 2021, 10 a.m. (1st Wednesday)

Other MPO Meetings

- February 16, 2021 (3rd Tuesday): Policy Board regular meeting
- February 23, 2021 (Tuesday): Policy Board special meeting with ODOT (US97/Baker Road Interchange Area Management Plan)
- Late March/early April 2021: Budget Committee meeting

10. Adjourn

There being no further business, Mr. Deke adjourned the meeting at 11:16 p.m.