



BEND MPO

Metropolitan Planning Organization

Please review our annual program. Your comments and questions help us develop the program for future transportation planning work in Bend. Please review and share your comments with the Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization.

The *Unified Planning Work Program (referred to as the Program)* is a document that shows the annual work to complete federal and state transportation planning requirements by the Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) from July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023. The program is intended to provide a framework for the coordination of transportation planning efforts by local, state, and regional agencies through the Bend MPO. The Program outlines five major work tasks and is the federally mandated and federally funded program required to be fulfilled by the Bend MPO.

- In Development, Please provide your comments: [Proposed Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program](#)

Public Participation Notice

FY 2022 - 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

In accordance with its formal Public Participation Plan, the Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) shall offer a twenty-one (21) day public review for the *Draft FY 2022 - 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (referred to as the Program)*. The BMPO shall accept written comments on the proposed UPWP beginning on **March 14, 2022** and ending on **April 18, 2022**. Any public meeting of the Bend MPO can take public comment. The Bend MPO Policy Board will consider adoption of this program on April 19, 2022. To join the meeting, review the meeting details here: <https://www.bendoregon.gov/government/committees/mpo-policy-board>

The Draft FY 2022 - 2023 Bend MPO Program is available for public downloading online at www.bendmpo.org or with this link:

[Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program](#)

Copies are also available in-person upon request at:

- 710 NW Wall Street, Bend, OR 97703 ; or
Email: janderson@bendoregon.gov, tdeke@bendoregon.gov or anapoli@bendoregon.gov For questions or additional information please contact MPO staff at 541-693-2122, 541-693-2113 or

- To schedule an appointment to review the document in person, or for additional information regarding this document, contact the MPO Staff, Jovi Anderson, at (541) 693-2122 or janderson@bendoregon.gov or visit our website at www.bendmpo.org.
- Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, or disability. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or those requiring language translation services should contact the Bend MPO at (541) 693-2122.
- Asistencia de idiomas está disponible poniéndose en contacto con personal de la MPO en janderson@bendoregon.gov.

What is the Bend MPO?

The Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the lead agency for regional transportation planning and the decision making body for federal and state transportation funding for the Bend Area. The Bend MPO formed in December 2002 when the Bend area reached 50,000 in population.

The MPO works cooperatively with local governments to set priorities for transportation needs. MPOs are charged with maintaining and conducting a "continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive" regional transportation planning and project programming process for the [MPO area](#).

Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Notification Requirements from Bend MPO Public Participation Plan, Adopted 8/2021

Public Comment Periods

Formal public comment periods are initiated for specific draft MPO documents and major changes to plans or programs. Comment periods related to plan and program adoption, as well as major amendments to adopted plans and programs are to be a minimum of 21-days, with a 45-day review period for the Public Participation Plan. All comments received are retained in the project record and provided to the relevant MPO committee and/or board. Announcement and advertisement of public comment periods, including public hearings, are done via email lists, website posts, MPO and City online news feed, legal ads (re: public hearings), and at MPO and external committee meetings.

Public Hearings

The Policy Board utilizes a public hearing process for the adoption of the MPOs annual work program (Unified Planning Work Program, or UPWP) which includes approval of the upcoming fiscal year budget. Public hearings are advertised at least 21-days in advance (see Public Comment Periods, above).

UPWP/Budget Procedures

Public comments received outside of public meetings are provided to TAC and/or Policy Board. Those received during the plan adoption public comment period are documented in the appendices of the final document.

Link to Bend MPO Public Participation Plan

document: <https://www.bendoregon.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/51030/637684429392570000>

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Table 1: UPWP/Budget Procedures

Action	Formal Public Comment Period	Processes / Tools
UPWP Development	N/A	Review/comment at public meetings; notification via email lists and website; online meeting recording
Annual Budget Development	N/A	Establish Budget Committee (incl. 5 public members); legal notice posted 8-12 days prior to public meeting per ORS 294.915
UPWP Adoption	21-day	Review/comment at public hearing; notification via email lists, website, news feed, FB; online meeting recording
Annual Budget Adoption	N/A	Follow state budget law for hearing on Budget adoption; legal notice posted 8-14 days prior per ORS 294.920
UPWP or Budget Amendment ⁵	N/A	Review/comment at public meetings; notification via email lists and website; online meeting recording

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