



**BEND MPO**  
Metropolitan Planning Organization

# Policy Board Meeting

July 19, 2024

# Call to Order & Introductions

Chair Campbell

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## Policy Board Members

- Barb Campbell, Chair, City of Bend Councilor  
(Alternate, David Abbas)
- Phil Chang, Vice Chair, Deschutes County Commissioner  
(Alternate, Chris Doty)
- Ariel Mendez, City of Bend Councilor
- Mike Riley, City of Bend Councilor
- Bob Townsend, ODOT Region 4 Area Manager  
(Alternate, Ken Shonkwiler)

## BMPO Staff

- Tyler Deke, Manager
- Andrea Napoli, Senior Planner
- Kelli Kennedy, Program Coordinator

## Agency & Consultant Staff

- Ashley Bryers, FHWA

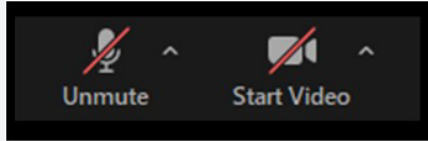
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# Hybrid Meeting Guidelines

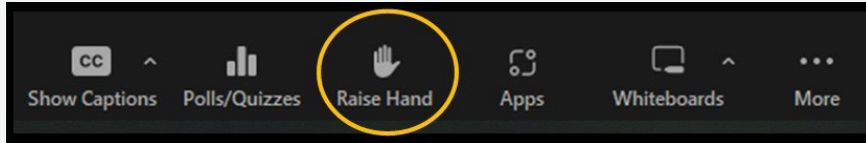
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# Public Comment

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- Time for members of the public to provide comment.
- Additional time for public comment will be provided before the meeting adjourns.

# Meeting Minutes

Chair Campbell



# Meeting Minutes

- **Action requested:** review and approve June 21, 2024, Policy Board draft meeting minutes (Attachment A).
  - Recommended language for motion: *I move approval of the June 21, 2024, Policy Board draft meeting minutes as presented.*

# **2024-2027 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) Full Amendments & Administrative Amendments Update**

Kelli Kennedy

Tyler Deke

# 2024-2027 MTIP Full Amendments

- Four proposed amendments:

Project No.	Project Name & Description	Proposed Project Total	Amendment Action
23681	<b>Update of Bend Transportation Safety Action Plan.</b> This award will be used by the Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization to update its 2019 Transportation Safety Action Plan to address risk factors; to assess new technologies; to focus on underserved populations with equity centered planning; and to assess strategies for safely accommodating personal mobility devices.	\$250,000	<b>Add project</b> to the BMPO MTIP.
22395	<b>Bend Transit Operations Capital 2023 (5307).</b> Operations, ADA service, preventative maintenance, project administration, and security system upgrades for Bend urban area transit services for federal fiscal year 2023.	\$3,049,460	<b>Increase</b> project by \$872,882 to match the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant.
22998	<b>Bend Transit Operations Capital 2024 (5307).</b> Program 5307 operations, ADA service, preventative maintenance, project administration, and security system upgrades for Bend urban area transit services during federal fiscal year 2024.	\$4,078,089	<b>Increase</b> project by \$1,017,435 to match the FTA grant.
23678	<b>Region 4 and 5 Transportation Options FFY24-FFY27.</b> Commute Options funding to promote and encourage the use of alternative transportation options in Regions 4 and 5 during federal fiscal years 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027.	\$1,141,541	<b>Add project.</b> Create new Transportation Options project, moving \$456,604.66 from project key 23147, \$285,848.71 from project key 23048, and \$399,088.00 from project key 23397.

# 2024-2027 MTIP Full Amendments (cont.)

- 21-day public comment period opened on June 27.
  - 1 comment received, pertaining to the amendment to project #23861, Update of Bend Transportation Safety Action Plan:

*The Transportation Safety Action Plan needs to include an on-going program that facilitates reflection and documentation of fatal and serious-injury crashes within Bend. The most effective way to prevent crashes is to move from blaming victims to understanding the many and various environmental and design factors that coincided to create dangerous situations. We as a community must have the courage and grace to analyze traumatic events and document the many potential factors that could have contributed to the fatality or serious injury. We can no longer continue to accept transportation related deaths as part of the status quo. Please update the Transportation Safety Action plan and provide funding for a program that is able to collate a handful of transportation and land use professionals who have the credibility to discuss fatal crashes publicly and to answer one simple question: "What are the design factors that may have contributed to the incident?"*

- **Action requested:** review and consider approval of the proposed amendments.
  - Recommended language for motion: *I move approval of the proposed amendments to the 2024-2027 MTIP, as presented.*

# 2024-2027 MTIP Administrative Amendments

- Review of administrative amendments following ODOT STIP rebalance.

Project No.	Project Name	Funding Total	Amendment Action
20073	US20 (Greenwood Ave): 1 <sup>st</sup> St to 6 <sup>th</sup> St.	\$562,800	Slip construction phase from 2025 to 2026
20378	Archie Briggs Rd bridge	\$5,062,200	Slip ROW phase from 2024 to 2025, the utility relocation phase from 2024 to 207, and construction phase from 2024 to 2027
20391	US20: Empire-Greenwood	\$150,000	Slip ROW and utility relocation phases from 2025 to 2026
20714	US97: Multi-use trail (Baker Rd – Lava Butte)	\$4,772,661	Slip ROW, utility relocation and construction phases from 2024 to 2025
21756	US20: Central Oregon Hwy Culverts	\$32,916	Slip utility relocation phase from 2024 to 2026
22442	Sisters and Bend Curb Ramps	\$12,044,277	Slip construction phase from 2024 to 2026
22791	US20 (3 <sup>rd</sup> St) at Empire	\$250,000	Slip the preliminary engineering phase from 2025 to 2026
23071	US97 Culvert Corridor Phase 2	\$468,430	Slip the preliminary engineering phase from 2025 to 2027

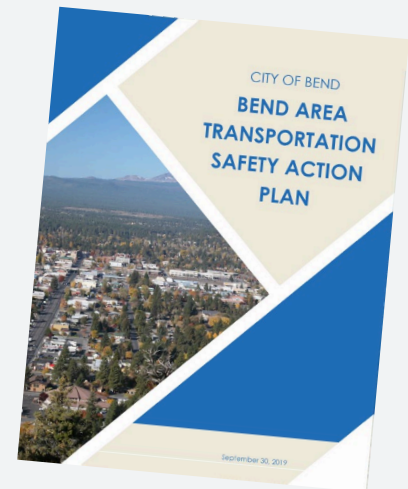
- Action requested: *None. Information item.*

# TSAP Implementation – MPO Funding Support

MPO Staff

# TSAP Implementation – Background

- Bend and Deschutes County Transportation Safety Action Plans (TSAPs) completed in 2019
- Both TSAPs identified several behavioral issues as major contributors to crashes, including:
  - Intoxicated driving
  - Speeding
- Some behavioral issues can be addressed with infrastructure improvements but will be costly and take years to implement
- Education, outreach and messaging campaigns may improve & modify behavior



# TSAP Implementation – Background

- Bend MPO received ODOT grant funding for education & outreach the past 3 years
  - Initially focused on Deschutes County
  - Expanded to Central Oregon counties
  - Other work and staffing commitments made it challenging to fully implement outreach
- Transition to COIC
  - Summer 2024: MPO assisted COIC to submit grant application for FFY25 and FFY26
  - If awarded funding, COIC would hire Regional Safety Coordinator and continue outreach and education
  - Grant funds require local match
  - COIC seeking match contributions from regional partners



# TSAP Implementation – Background

- **Action requested:** consider MPO funding support for the safety grant.
  - Recommended language for motion: *I move the MPO provide \$\_\_\_ to COIC for the safety grant local match requirement.*

# Federal COVID Relief Funding – Remaining Funds

MPO Staff

Eric Lint, CET

David Abbas, City of Bend

Sharon Smith, BLS

# COVID Funding – Overview

- COVID Funding Background
- Existing City of Bend award
  - Review project costs and approve variances
- COVID Funding Balance
  - Presentations from CET, Bend La Pine Schools and City of Bend
- Review TAC Funding Recommendation
- Policy Board vote funding recommendation

# COVID Funding – Background

- **December 2020** – Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 approved
- **March 2021** – Bend MPO notified it will receive about \$1.5M
- **June 2021** – ODOT announces unrestricted use of funds
  - MPOs to allocate funds by Sept. 2024, complete projects/programs by 2029
- **2021-2022** – Tracked NE Bend bike/ped bridge planning process, deemed not feasible
- **Spring/Summer 2023** – Policy Board awarded funding to the following projects
  - Danish Cycling Workshop: \$8,500 (Summer 2023)
  - Kor & Housing Works Simpson Avenue housing projects: \$589,370.16
  - Cascades East Transit Bus Shelters: \$300,000
  - City of Bend bicycle & pedestrian facilities maintenance equipment: \$320,000

# COVID Funding – Background (cont.)

- **Spring 2024** – Policy Board directed staff to solicit project proposals from partner agencies for balance of funding
- **Summer 2024** – review and select projects
- **Project Proposals**
  - *Cascades East Transit: transit stop improvements - \$257,275*
  - *Bend La Pine Schools: multi-use path - \$345,000*
    - *Planning & design - \$50,000*
    - *Segment 4 construction - \$220,000*
    - *Segment 2A construction - \$75,000*
  - *City of Bend: Cooley Road sidewalk - \$60,000*
- **Funding**
  - *Balance: \$298,186.84 (includes small amount of unspent City \$)*
  - *Requests: \$662,275.00*
  - *Gap: **\$364,088.16***

# COVID Funding – Existing City of Bend Awards

	Project	Award Amount	Actual Cost
1.	1.5 yard mini sweeper	\$200,000.00	\$181,714.46
2.	Toolcat w/attachments	\$90,000.00	\$96,561.00
3.	Snowgate	\$30,000.00	\$24,400.00
4.	Transport trailer for Toolcat	\$18,285.54	\$11,724.54
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$320,000.00*</b>	<b>\$312,400.00</b>

\*Total original award of \$320,000 for items 1-3

- Policy Board approved item 4 after sweeper cost was lower than expected
- 2 requests
  - Authorize reimbursement for full cost of Toolcat (+\$6,561)
  - Authorize balance of funding (\$7,600) for distribution among new project applications
- **Recommended language for motions**
  - *I move approval to authorize reimbursement for the full cost of the Toolcat.*
  - *I move approval to authorize the balance of COVID funding for distribution among the new project applications.*

# COVID Funding – Project Proposals

- Cascades East Transit – Eric Lint
- Bend La Pine Schools – Doug Pigman
- City of Bend – David Abbas

# CET Funding Request

- Bend Fixed-Route System includes 216 stops
- Request will fund at least minor improvements at all 216 stops
- More significant upgrades at 30-50% of stops



# CET Bus Stop Improvement Project

Projected costs, Bend only

Overall project cost \$ 257,275

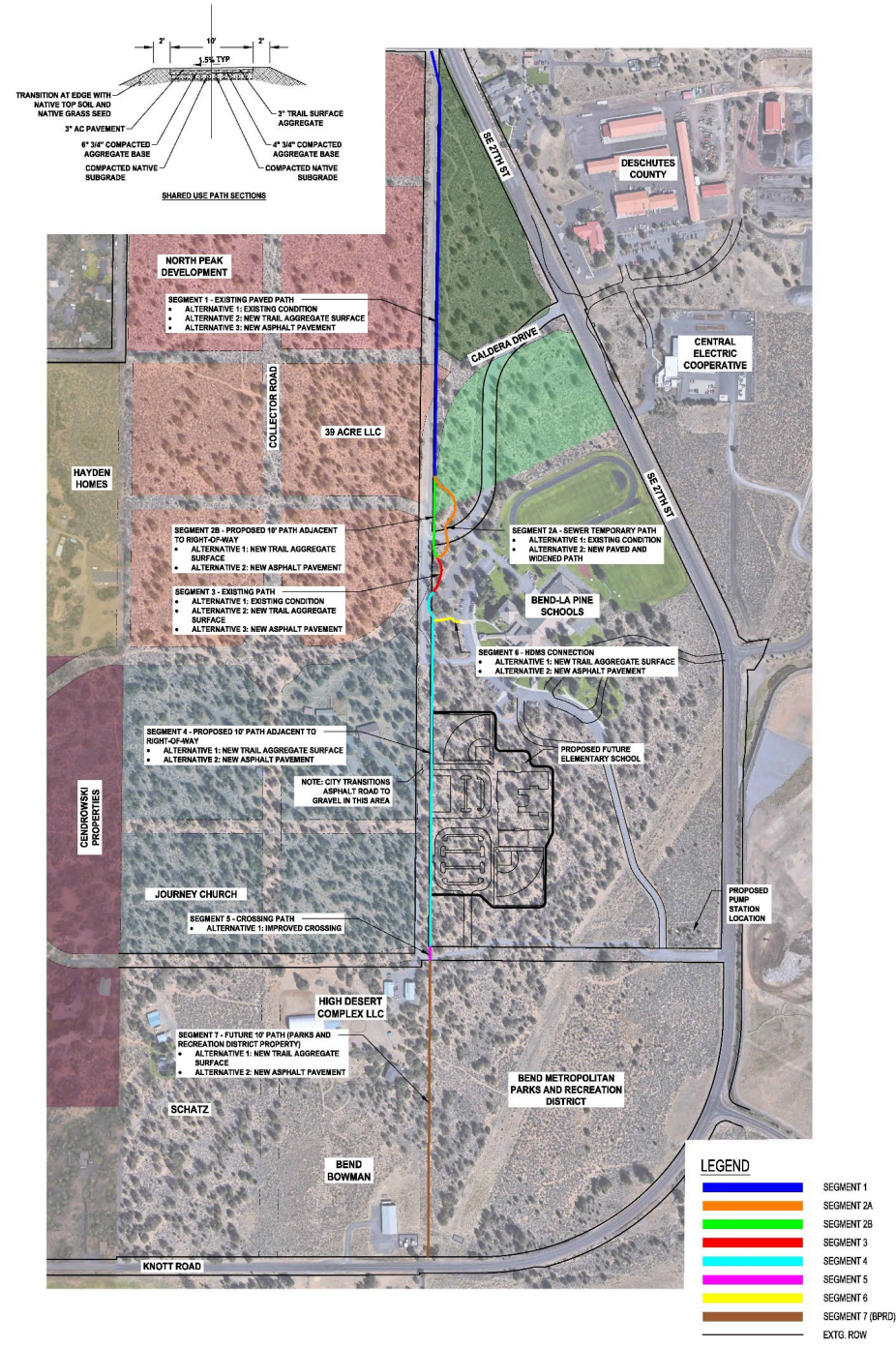
Project	Qty	Expected unit cost	Expected total cost	Notes
Bus stop bench, small	75	\$ 275.00	\$ 20,625.00	Goal to equip one third of stops with seating; cost is for materials only.
Bus stop flag sign improvements	250	\$ 55.00	\$ 13,750.00	Upgrade all signs to new standard. Materials and printing cost included.
Bus stop schedule holder improvements	100	\$ 254.00	\$ 25,400.00	Replace broken holders at nearly a third of stops
Bus stop signposts	50	\$ 150.00	\$ 7,500.00	Install permanent posts where existing hardware is temporary, above surface post; replace damaged posts
Bus stop miscellaneous hardware	--	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	Fasteners, replacement parts, etc
Bus stop pad/site rehabilitation	--	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	Improve concrete pads where appropriate for bench installation, ADA standards
Real-time signage	4	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 120,000.00	Install modern, kiosk-style RTS at key locations

# Bend La Pine Schools Funding Request

- Multi-use Trail Planning and Construction near High Desert Middle School

<b>Project</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Funding Request</b>
Planning & Design	\$50,000	\$50,000
Construct Segment 2A	Estimate: \$72,000- \$154,000	\$75,000
Construct Segment 4	Estimate: \$218,000- \$467,000	\$220,000

# High Desert Middle School/SE Area Multi-Use Trail





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# **Bend MPO COVID Funding Project Request**

**David Abbas, PE**

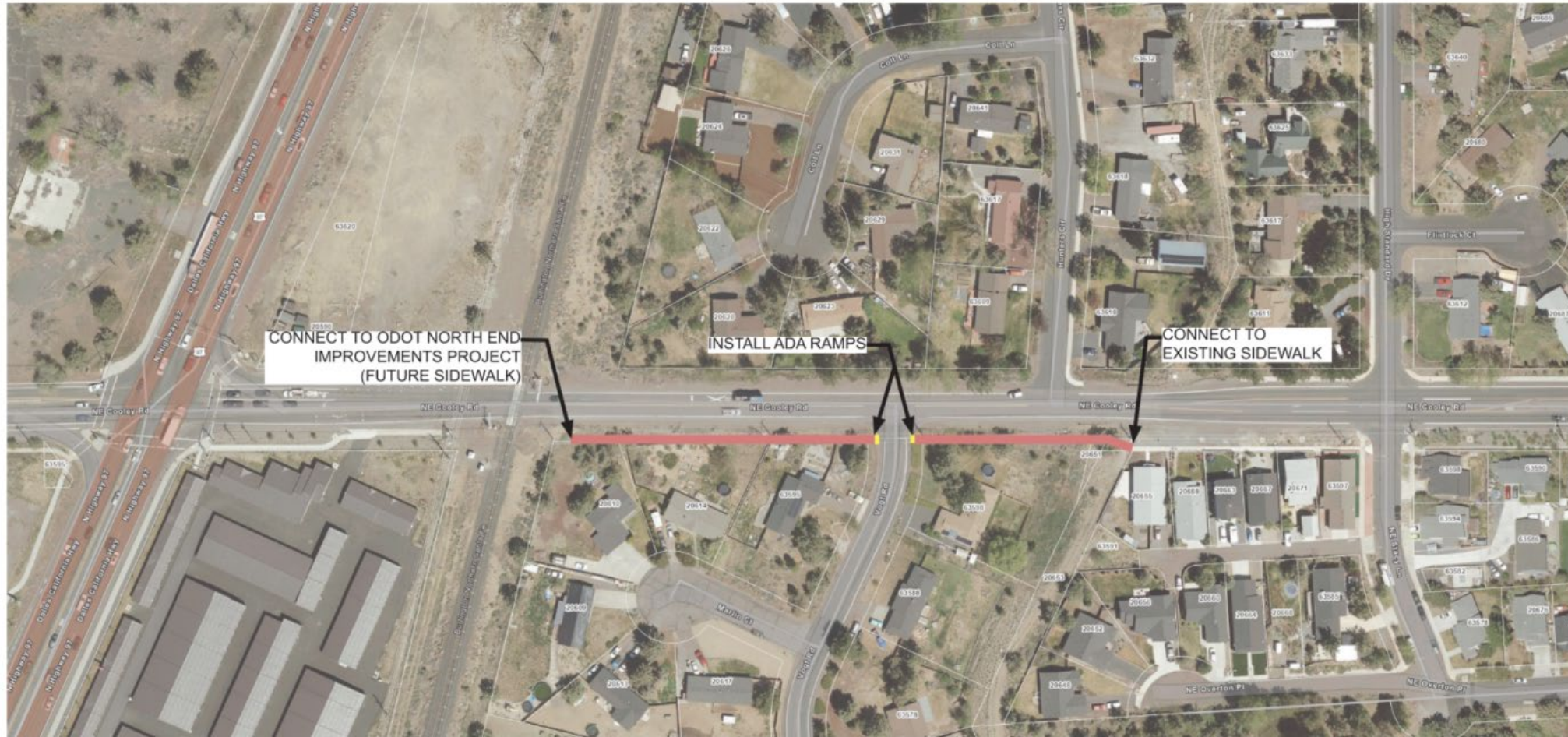
**City of Bend Transportation & Mobility Department**

July 9, 2024

# Cooley Road Pedestrian Enhancement Sidewalk Infill Project

# Project Location

NE COOLEY ROAD  
PEDESTRIAN MOBILITY ENHANCEMENTS  
PROPOSED SIDEWALK CONNECTION WITH FUTURE ODOT SIDEWALK



# Project Location



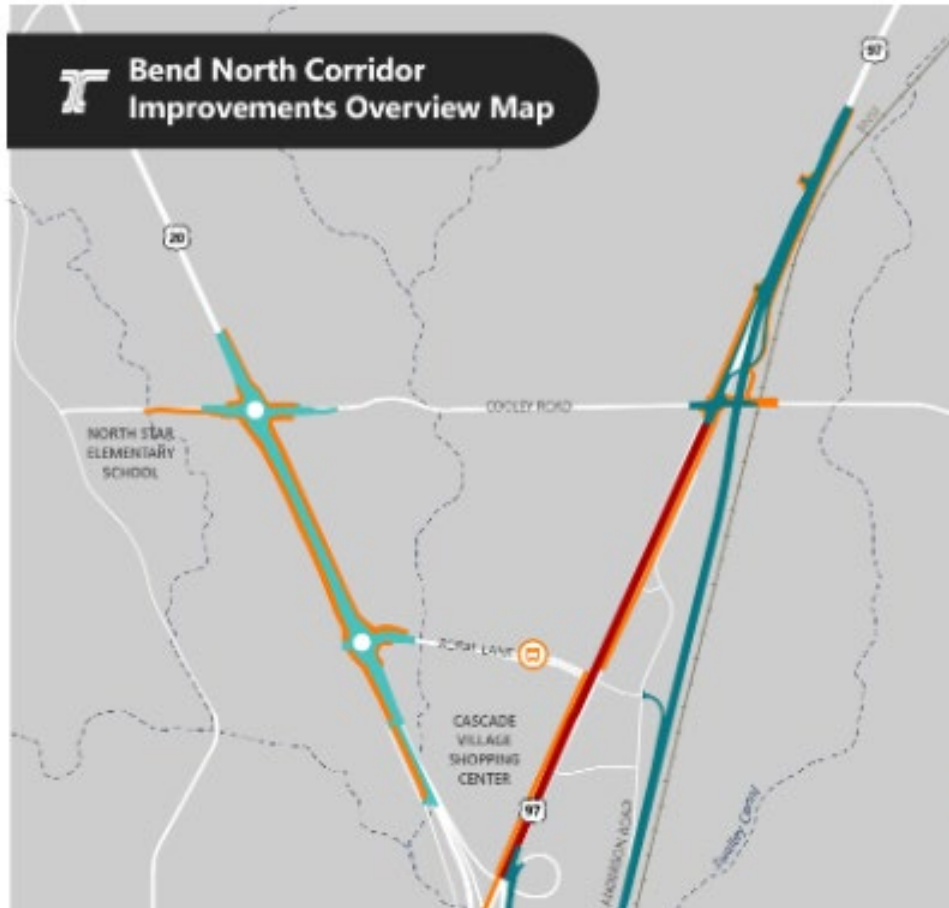
# ODOT North Corridor Project

Exhibit ES-5 FEIS: Preferred Alternative (Map 3)





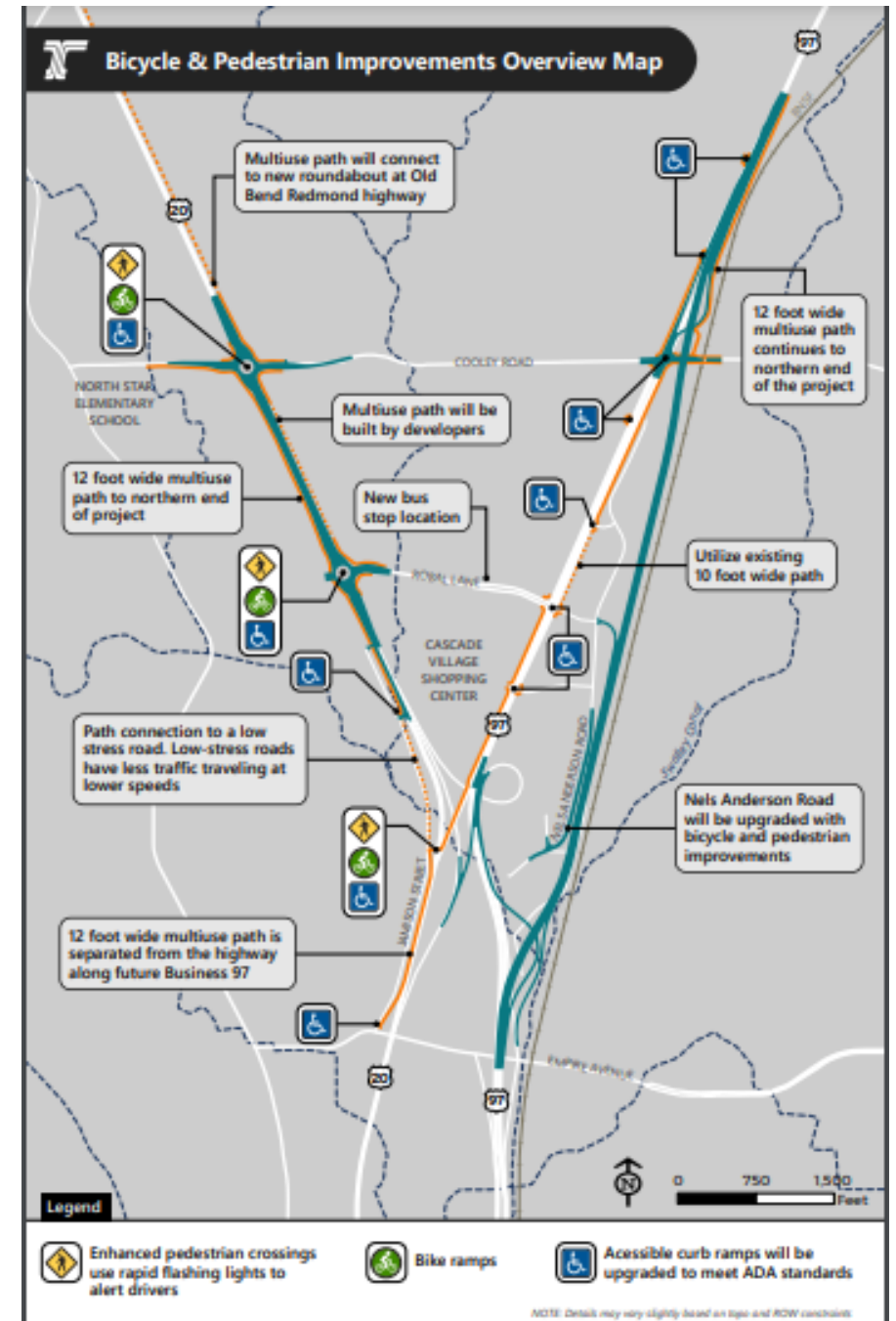


# ODOT North Corridor Project



## BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN AND ADA IMPROVEMENTS

-  Construct multi-use paths and sidewalks, including a 12 foot wide path from Empire to Cooley Road
- Construct new marked pedestrian crossings including raised medians and Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB)
- Upgrade all ADA curb ramps
- Add, upgrade, and widen bike lanes
-  Add a new transit stop along Robal Lane

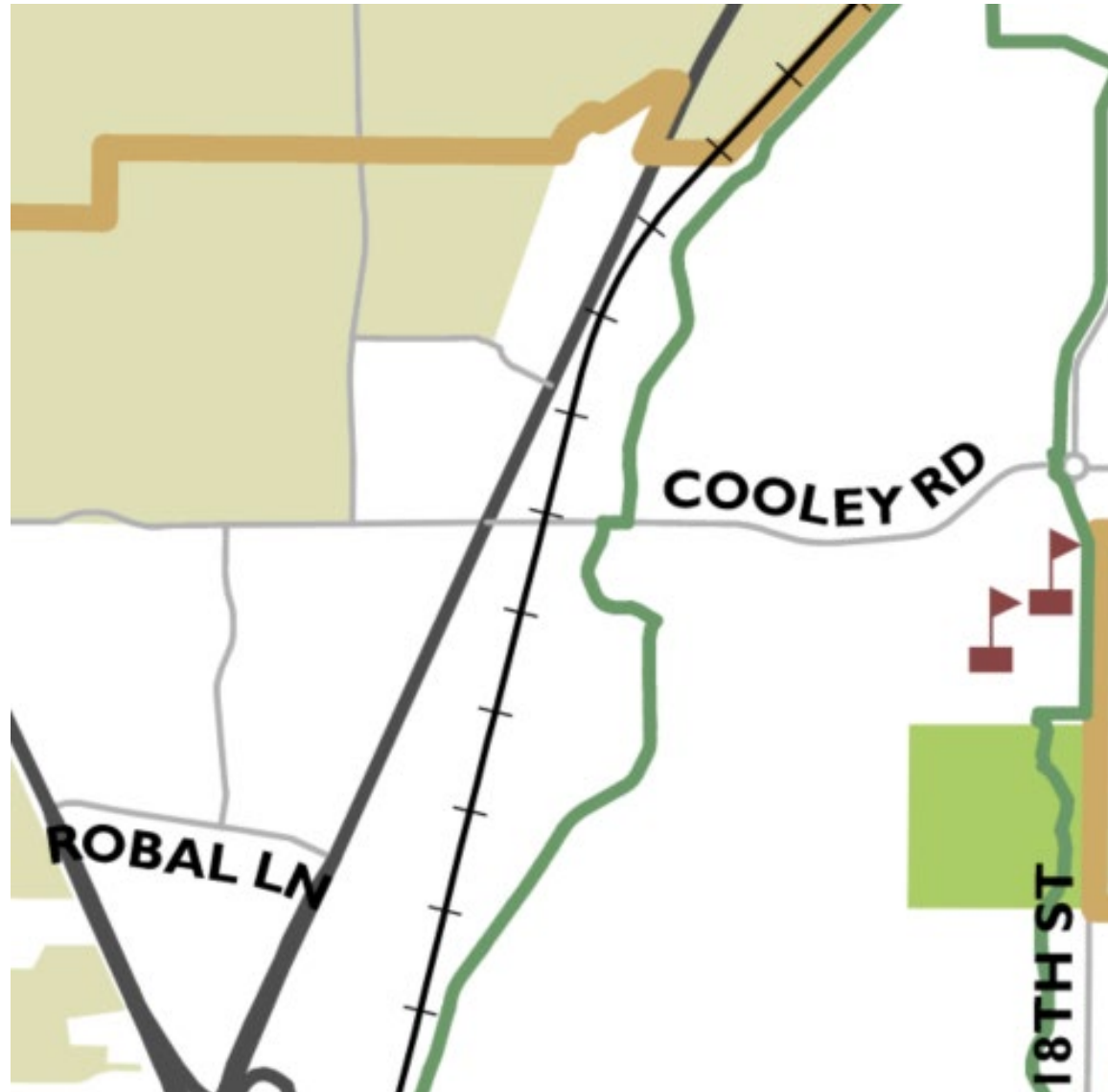


# ODOT North Corridor Project





# Key Walking and Bicycling Routes



# Questions



# Accommodation Information for People with Disabilities



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# COVID Relief Act Funds – Request Summary

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# TAC Recommendation

Agency	Proposal	Funding Recommendation
Cascades East Transit	Bus stop improvements	\$105,586.84
Bend La Pine Schools	Multi-use path planning/design	\$50,000.00
	Multi-use path (2A) construction	\$75,000.00
City of Bend	Cooley Rd sidewalk	\$60,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$290,586.84</b>



# COVID Relief Act Funds

- **Action requested:** review project proposals and TAC recommendation. Consider awarding remaining COVID funding.
  - Recommended language for motion: *I move approval of the Technical Advisory Committee COVID funding recommendation as presented (or with modifications).*
- **Next Steps**
  - Late summer/fall: develop funding agreements with funding recipients.

# MPO Boundary

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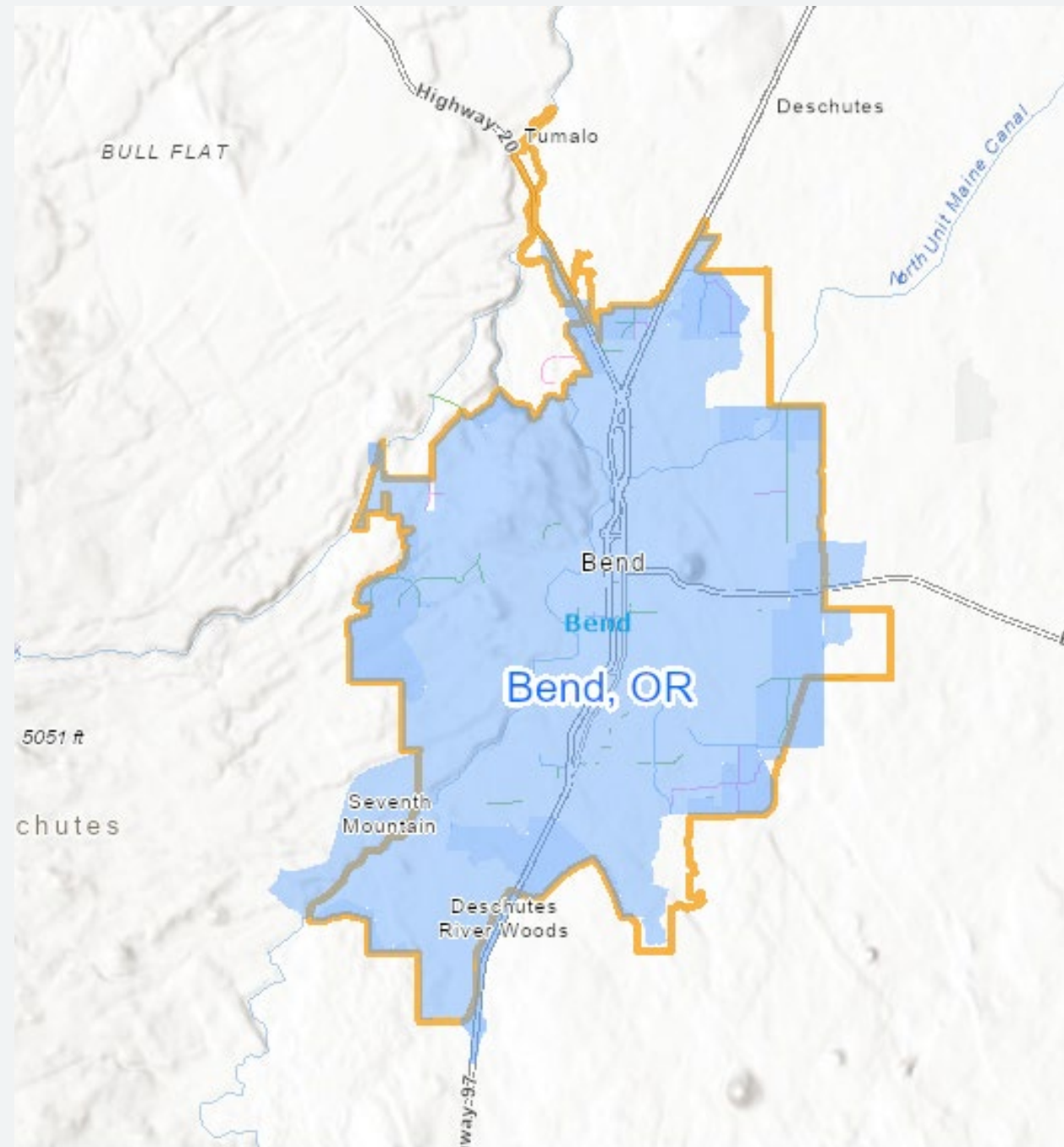
# MPO Boundaries – Background

- MPO boundaries\* reviewed after each decennial Census
  - Must include lands identified by the Census Bureau
  - Include lands expected to urbanize within 20 years (e.g. UBG expansion areas, Stevens Road Tract)
  - Make other adjustments to foster an effective planning process
    - Ensure connectivity between modes
    - Promote efficient overall transportation planning
- Timeline: Need to finalize edits by September
- MPO boundary is approved by Governor

\*Boundaries include Federal Aid Urban Boundary and MPO Boundary

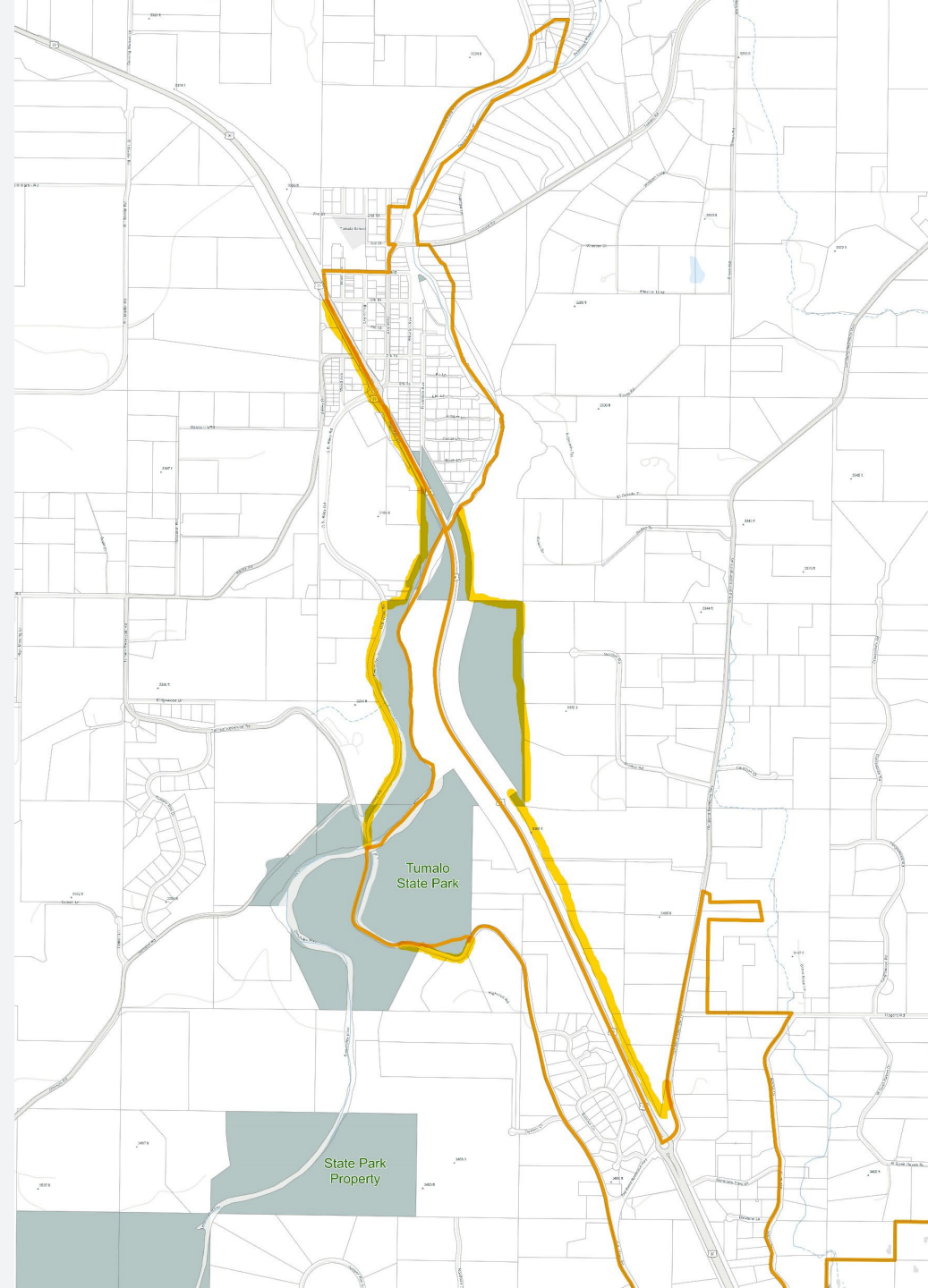
# Policy Board Actions August 2023

- 1) Include all Bend UGB expansion areas
- 2) Include Stevens Road Tract
- 3) Adjust boundary around US97/Baker Rd interchange
- 4) Add ODOT ROW along US97 and potential southern interchange area
- 5) Include area bordered by US20, OB Riley Rd, Cooley Rd and Old Bend Redmond Hwy
- 6) And Widgi Creek - Seventh Mountain Resort area and solar farm (required additions)



# MPO Boundary Remaining Work

- Determine if additional boundary edits along US20 are wanted
- Staff is proposing a few minor edits
  - Include some State Park lands
  - Include the full ODOT ROW along US20
- Purpose of proposed edits
  - Include areas for potential bicycle and pedestrian connectivity along US20 and to Tumalo State Park
  - Allow access to discretionary funding



# Proposed Changes: Actions To-Date

- Met with Commissioner Chang and County staff to review proposed edits
- Contacted ODOT and State Parks
- Other possible steps
  - Local engagement of some type
  - Meetings with other County Commissioners

# Next Steps

- Two options
  - Leave boundary as is
  - Modify boundary as proposed (or with edits)
- Request
  - Provide direction to staff on how to proceed

# Other Business

Chair Campbell & Staff



# Other Business

- Policy Board agenda item requests
- 2045 MTP update – public engagement
- The next meeting of the BMPO Policy Board is scheduled for August 16, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Topics will include:
  - MTP Update – Draft 2045 MTP

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# Adjourn

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