

Meeting Summary



BMPO Bend Metropolitan
Planning Organization

BMPO Technical Advisory Committee

Location: Baney Conference Room, Building M, ODOT Region 4
63055 N. Highway 97, Bend, Oregon

Date: January 9, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m.

In Attendance

TAC Voting Members

Sharon Smith, Bend-La Pine Schools (BLS)
Henry Stroud, Bend Park and Recreation District (BPRD)
Andrea Breault (alternate for Eric Lint), Cascades East Transit (CET)
Greg Bryant, Citizen
Robin Lewis, City of Bend
Tarik Rawlings, Deschutes County
Dave Thomson, Deschutes County Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
Ken Shonkwiler, ODOT Region 4
Casey Bergh, OSU Cascades

TAC Non-Voting Members

Tyler Deke, BMPO Manager
Angie Brewer, Oregon Department of Land Conservation & Development (DLCD)

BMPO Staff and Other Attendees

Andrea Napoli, BMPO Senior Planner
Kelli Kennedy, BMPO Staff
David Amiton, ODOT Region 4
Aaron Berger, DKS Associates
Chris Maciejewski, DKS Associates
Becky Hewitt, ECO Northwest
Susanna Julber, City of Bend
Jim, public attendee

Agenda Items

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Mr. Deke called the regular meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., with a quorum established.

2. Hybrid Meeting Guidelines

Mr. Deke reviewed the meeting guidelines.

3. Public Comment

None.

TAC Workshop on Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Update

4. Project Status Review

Aaron Berger provided a recap of the project list development process and emphasized the importance of discussing the new and changing needs identified and next steps.

5. Outreach Update

Andrea Napoli presented updates on outreach efforts, including results from the completed Round 1 effort which identified shifted goal priorities since the previous update. The importance of Round 1 results and plans for Round 2 outreach, including timeline and focus, were also noted.

6. Funding Update

Becky Hewitt provided an overview of funding updates covered previously and introduced new information about operations and maintenance. The presentation highlighted adjustments, funding sources, estimated revenue, options, and next steps.

Clarification was provided on the exclusion of BPRD System Development Charges (SDCs) in the revenue forecast, bases for assumptions, and whether a second GO bond was – or could be – assumed. Alternate funding options, project overlaps, and potential impacts and next steps depending on City Council's upcoming decision on the Transportation Utility Fee (TUF) were also discussed.

7. Existing and Future Needs Analysis

Materials referenced: Existing & Future Needs Memo (Attachment A in agenda packet).

Aaron Berger presented the needs summary of each mode of transportation, emphasizing the existing conditions and future conditions identified in previous plans and including changes that occurred since the most recently adopted local plans. The presentation included a high-level detail of trends, key changes, and similarities. Growth trends and projections for the County and City, with a focus on household and employment, were also presented. Context was provided for the 2045 No Build Projects. Future needs for active transportation and motor vehicles were also described, highlighting locations with identified safety issues and river crossings with capacity issues.

CET northeast route status and introduction plans were noted in discussion. Questions related to US20 road congestion and the Neff Road closure, the 2045 population forecast data update, and the project list were answered.

8. Project List Evaluation

Materials referenced: Project List Evaluation Memo (Attachment B in agenda packet).

Aaron Berger presented an overview of the draft MTP Project List, preliminary sources, and estimated cost. It was noted that Kittelson & Associates is updating the cost estimate, which would be presented in the next update meeting. A high-level overview of the preliminary results was provided, including recommendations and key findings on new needs, changing needs, and updated needs. Highlights included the O.B. Riley Road findings which will be open for further discussion as needed, the

recommendation for a more in-depth study to address river crossings, and the need to flag the 27th Street corridor capacity constraints for monitoring.

It was noted that the Deschutes County TSP would be taken into consideration, though discussion highlighted that the timeline for deliberations will need to be extended if the board elects to reopen the record. Also noted in discussion was the exclusion of a project near Deschutes River Woods, which may have been an oversight and will be considered.

Comments on limitations of the modeling tool, specifically related to bicycle and pedestrian data, were acknowledged and it was noted that the primary analytic tool is motor vehicle oriented. Clarifications were provided on transit coverage.

9. Next Steps

Aaron Berger requested TAC members review the Existing and Future Needs and the Draft Project List Evaluation memorandums and provide comments to BMPO staff by January 17. It was noted that the next MTP update meeting with the TAC will include refined project list evaluation results, including updated cost estimates. The initiation of the Climate Friendly Area (CFA) sensitivity scenario, which would provide an added data point for project prioritization, was also mentioned.

There was discussion about future congestion and visionary projects, emphasizing shared mobility and micro-mobility options to reduce demand as well as the importance of highlighting improvements, along with the issues identified. Also discussed was the importance of providing more information on map legends and scales in support of more accurate interpretation was noted.

10. Public Comment

None.

11. Next TAC Meeting

The next meeting of the BMPO TAC is scheduled for February 7, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

12. Adjournment

Mr. Deke adjourned the meeting at 11:59 a.m.



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