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Choices for Livability

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❖ Approach

Transit Choices for Livability is designed to involve the community in deciding what kind of transit service is appropriate and how much is needed to help the Portland region hold on to its high quality of life in the face of dramatic growth. Citizens will be asked to help design transit service that fits the future of their local community and the region. Tri-Met will offer transit tools and options from which to choose, including innovative new ways to deliver transit service. The planning effort will be accomplished through community workshops and other activities guided by a 30-member regional advisory committee.

❖ 3 Phases

Phase One -- *Defining the Choices* -- September 1996 through January 1997

The planning effort will initially focus on four regional centers faced with tremendous growth pressure: Hillsboro, Gresham, Beaverton, and Oregon City. Individual transit strategies will be developed for each of these centers.

Phase Two -- *Strategy for the Future* -- January - July 1997

The transit strategies for the regional centers will be expanded into a Transit Livability Strategy for the Portland region, assuming support for new revenues. The strategy will be forwarded to the Tri-Met Board for consideration.

Phase Three -- *Strategy Adoption* -- August 1997

The Tri-Met Board adopts a final regional strategy for transit expansion and considers referral of revenue measure to voters.

❖ Partnerships

Local jurisdictions point to the need for transit expansion to meet growth management strategies. Tri-Met will work with these entities to define the type of service necessary to help preserve the region's livability. Questions? Call 239-6412 July 16, 1996



TRANSIT Choices for Livability

C o m m i t t e e C h a r g e

☐ Starting Assumptions:

- Building on existing community plans and goals, and the results of the workshops, Transit Choices is designed to involve citizens in customizing the kind of transit service appropriate for their community.
- The need for transit expansion as part of the regions growth management strategy has been clearly established. The Tri-Met Strategic Plan, Metro's Regional Transportation Plan, and the Region 2040 Growth Concept all assume significant transit expansion.
- The Governor's Transportation Initiative (GTI) has identified the need for additional funding for transit. The Transit Choices Committee will not address the question of how to pay for expanded transit.
- Tri-Met's system needs to do a better job of serving the needs of suburban to suburban travel. The regions travel needs have changed and so must Tri-Met. Suburban transit needs and destinations other than downtown Portland is a priority for expanding transit service.

☐ Expected Results:

The committee will develop a "sketch plan" with individual strategies and an action agenda for transit expansion customized for each of the four centers. The sketch plan will be presented to the legislature as an illustration of what you get by expanding transit in support of the GTI. Assuming support for new revenues, Tri-Met will develop a Transit Livability Strategy for the region drawing on the work of the committee.

☐ Committee Charge:

Using the regional centers of Hillsboro, Gresham, Beaverton and Oregon City as initial examples, describe how transit should be used and expanded to respond to dramatic growth in the region over the next ten years. Identify a full range of strategies for transit to help assure mobility and reenforce community growth management goals.

22 August

SCHEDULE AND AGENDA

Revise 8/28/96

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| September | 16, noon | Kick-Off Committee Meeting State Office Build
Walsh: Opening remarks and presentation of the Charge
Board Member Paul Kreider
Chair Steve Clark remarks
Introduction of Members and Sub-committee chairs |
| September | 24, 7:30 a.m. | First Committee Meeting-- Portland Building Room c
What are the growing areas' new transit needs?
Review upcoming workshops
Review tool box |
| September | 25 | Oregon City Workshop , 6:00 to 6:30 registration
Oregon City High School, 1306 Twelfth St. |
| September | 26 | Gresham Workshop , 6:00 to 6:30 registration
Gresham High School, 1200 North Main Street |
| September | 30 | Hillsboro Workshop , 6:00 to 6:30 registration
Glencoe High School, 2700 NW Glencoe Rd. |
| October | 2 | Beaverton Workshop , 7:00 p.m.,
Beaverton High School, 13000 SW 2nd. |
| October | 21, 7:30 a.m. | Second Committee Meeting
Review results of workshops
Prioritize transit solutions for each region |
| October | 26 | Community Workshop - Benson High School, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. |
| November | 25, 7:30 a.m. | Third Committee Meeting -- State Office Building Room 120c
Refine the common solutions
Begin drafting recommendations |
| December | 16, 7:30 a.m. | Forth Committee Meeting -- State Office Building Room 120c
Conclude the draft report
Adoption of Sketch Design and Recommendations |

NOTE: Sub-committee meetings will happen in the regional centers between committee meetings. They will identify regional differences and unique needs to be presented at the regularly held meetings.



TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN
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August 14, 1996

To: Metropolitan Policy Advisory Committee

At MPAC we've been having a fruitful discussion on how the region can move ahead with early implementation of the Region 2040 Growth Concept and avoid unnecessary expansion of the UGB. Throughout that process the question has come up -- "will the transit service be there to support the planned land use?" Tri-Met is committed to being a full partner in the implementation of 2040. As many of you have pointed out, doing that is going to require additional revenues.

I'm writing you today to let you know what we are doing to follow through on our commitment to help implement 2040. In September, Tri-Met will launch a major outreach and planning effort to involve citizens in preparing a strategy for transit expansion over the next 10 years. Transit Choices for Livability will give the public an opportunity to design and shape transit service in their community. The strategy will guide Tri-Met in developing service to meet the needs of growing areas outside of downtown Portland.

Transit Choices for Livability is designed to involve the community in deciding what kind of transit service is appropriate and how much is needed to help the Portland region hold on to its high quality of life in the face of dramatic growth. Citizens will be asked to help design transit service that fits the future of their local community and the region. Tri-Met will offer transit tools and options from which to choose, including innovative new ways to deliver transit service.

We know that Tri-Met's system needs to do a better job of serving the needs of suburban to suburban travel. The best solution to those problems may be a transit system that looks and operates differently than today's Tri-Met system. If that is what comes out of the process we are very open to making it work. Whatever approaches come out of the Transit Choices work you can count on us being there as a long term partner to help solve your mobility needs. Tri-Met is committed to working with you to come up with the strategies that best meet your needs and implement 2040.

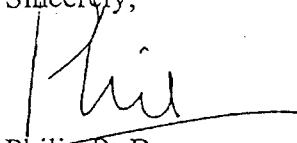
Initially, we will start by looking at a handful of regional centers -- Hillsboro, Gresham, Beaverton and Oregon City. We need to start with a small number of places so people can feel a sense of ownership in what they define, to see what it means to their communities. The planning effort will be accomplished through community workshops and other activities guided by a 30-member regional advisory committee. The expected product from the workshops and citizens committee is a series of individual strategies for transit expansion in each of the four centers. The strategies will paint a direction for how to proceed.

The strategies will be packaged and presented to the Oregon Legislature as an illustration of what you get from the transit funding elements of the Governor's Transportation Initiative. We intend to expand the Transit Choices work to the rest of the region if things proceed well in Salem. The transit strategies for the regional centers can serve as a starting point to develop a region wide strategy. We want to be in a position to refer a measure to the voters as soon as November of 1997 depending on what emerges from the legislature.

The challenge for all of us is very clear, we don't have any other choice but to succeed. As the *Valley Times* put it in it's August 1 editorial "Both Tri-Met and all suburban communities have a tremendous amount at stake here. If Tri-Met does not succeed in better serving the suburbs, it will fail as a regional transit agency. And if the suburbs don't receive better transit service in their battle against congestion, the livability and vitality of these communities will suffer immeasurable harm."

We look forward to working with you on this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Phil", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Philip R. Bogue
President, Board of Directors

Attachment

cc: JPACT
Metro Council
Regions' Mayors

Beaverton Valley Times
August 1, '96

Tri-Met, suburban partnership worthy

Tri-Met is wise to reach out and ask the suburbs to participate in, if not lead, a major planning effort that will help shape expanded transit services for the next decade or more.

Without suburban input, leadership and acceptance, Tri-Met's efforts to serve the suburbs will continue to fall far short of what these communities and their citizens need and deserve. And Tri-Met's future as an effective regional transit agency would be in question.

And as a result, metropolitan efforts to plan for and manage growth over the next 40 years will be imperiled. After all, much of the growth that the region expects to see will occur in the suburbs.

History should concur that the transit agency needs help in achieving a broader perspective.

Tri-Met has largely been oriented to delivering commuters to downtown Portland. To get from here to there, suburban bus riders most often had to follow a path into Portland.

Even Tri-Met staff will admit the problem. "What we don't do well is get people around in the suburban areas," said K.C. Cooper, light rail community relations coordinator.

Over the years, suburban residents and business people have resented the Portland influence in shaping transit service. And with frequent frustration they have pointed out the often painful limitations of bus service in the suburbs.

We hope all of this will change.

The new planning effort, which has been called Transit Choices for Livability, will involve citizens, community leaders and business people from communities such as Beaverton, Hillsboro, Gresham and Oregon City. Efforts should be taken to include Tigard, Washington Square and Wilsonville in the process.

The yearlong effort calls on citizens and Tri-Met to work together to establish plans and the ability to fund transit needs outside of downtown. Suburban leaders also must shoulder some of the burden and put aside old feelings of distrust.

The transit agency has admitted that it doesn't have all the answers. And it admits that most solutions will come with a price tag that suburban communities will have to help fund.

If the right solutions are to be discovered and implemented, then new partnerships based on trust, cooperation and commitment to get the job done must have a fair opportunity to succeed.

Both Tri-Met and all suburban communities have a tremendous amount at stake here. If Tri-Met does not succeed in better serving the suburbs, it will fail as a regional transit agency. And if the suburbs don't receive better transit service in their battle against congestion, the livability and vitality of these communities will suffer immeasurable harm.

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Chasing buses

Tri-Met will ask suburbanites what transit they need, but the big search will continue to be for money to pay for it

People who live and work in the suburbs here have been complaining for years that they can't catch a bus. At last, Tri-Met's getting around to asking them if they're serious.

The agency intends to conduct workshops in Beaverton, Hillsboro, Oregon City and Gresham in the next several weeks to find out what kind of transit service people in those communities want. It's an important question that is overdue. But so is the follow-up question: How do you want to pay for the transit you want?

Tom Walsh, general manager of Tri-Met, responds, "Why don't we first figure out if this is a system that works. Then we'll figure out what it will cost. That will work better than saying 'Give us a bunch of money and we'll decide what to do.'"

We agree, but the people who deliver their transit wish lists to the workshops need to recognize that price tags accompany new service.

One price tag could read, "Less service somewhere else." Another, and the more likely one, would read:

"More taxes." Tri-Met could, for example, seek additional money from its payroll tax or some other source, such as a regional increase in the state vehicle registration fee.

The agency's timing actually isn't too bad, despite the years of complaints about the lack of suburban service. Density, which makes transit more cost-effective, is increasing rapidly in this region. And it will increase even more — and space for auto parking will decrease — as Metro defends the urban growth boundary.

Tri-Met is right to try measuring each community's particular transit needs. Shuttle service to light rail might serve one community best; a fareless square might make sense for another; express buses fit still another.

It's nice to be asked, of course; but it's nicer to get answers. The agency would be remiss if people walked away from the workshops excited about prospects for better transit service without a clear understanding of the cost, how it could be paid and who might pay it.

System Component

ID	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Q3 '96			Q4 '96			Q1 '97			Q2 '97		
					Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
	2015 Base Model Runs (AD/SH)	12w	Aug 5 '96	Oct 25 '96												
	1995 RTP Committed Network (AD)	4w	Aug 5 '96	Aug 30 '96												
3	1995 Financially RTP Constrained Network (AD)	6w	Aug 5 '96	Sep 13 '96												
4	1995 RTP Preferred Network (AD)	8w	Aug 15 '96	Oct 9 '96												
5	Targets (RL/BB)	12w	Aug 5 '96	Oct 25 '96												
6	RTP Classification Systems (functional) (TK)	20w	Sep 9 '96	Jan 24 '97												
7	Motor Vehicle Classification (BB)	12w	Sep 9 '96	Nov 29 '96												
8	NHS Classification (BB)	12w	Sep 9 '96	Nov 29 '96												
9	Transit Classification (RL)	12w	Sep 9 '96	Nov 29 '96												
10	Freight Classification (CD)	12w	Sep 9 '96	Nov 29 '96												
11	Pedestrian Classification (AD)	12w	Sep 9 '96	Nov 29 '96												
12	Bicycle Classification (BB)	12w	Sep 9 '96	Nov 29 '96												
13	Street Design Classification (TK)	20w	Sep 9 '96	Jan 24 '97												
14	System-wide Measures (BB)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
15	Performance Measures & Standards (BB/SH)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
16	Motor Vehicle Measures (BB)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
17	NHS Measures (BB)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
18	Transit Measures (RL)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
19	Freight Measures (CD)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
20	Pedestrian Measures (AD)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
21	Bicycle Measures (BB)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
22	Street Design Measures (TK)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
23	Parking Measures (RL)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
24	TDM Measures (RL)	16w	Sep 9 '96	Dec 27 '96												
25	Alternative Systems Analysis (TK/SH)	28.6w	Aug 19 '96	Mar 5 '97												
26	Identify Performance Criteria (BB)	8w	Sep 16 '96	Nov 8 '96												
27	Alternatives Discussion (PP)	12w	Aug 19 '96	Nov 8 '96												
	Low Alt. Mode/Medium Motor Vehicle (TK)	12w	Oct 7 '96	Dec 27 '96												
	Medium Alt. Mode/Low Motor Vehicle (TK)	12w	Oct 7 '96	Dec 27 '96												
30	Medium Alt. Mode/Medium Motor Vehicle (TK)	12w	Oct 21 '96	Jan 10 '97												
31	Medium Alt. Mode/High Motor Vehicle (TK)	12w	Oct 21 '96	Jan 10 '97												
32	High Alt. Mode/Medium Motor Vehicle (TK)	12w	Oct 21 '96	Jan 10 '97												
33	Alternatives Evaluation Report (PP)	4w	Feb 6 '97	Mar 5 '97												
34	Develop New Preferred System Alternative (TK)	8w	Dec 2 '96	Jan 24 '97												
35	Refine and Model Networks (TK)	6w	Dec 2 '96	Jan 10 '97												
36	Refine Model Targets (BB)	8w	Dec 2 '96	Jan 24 '97												
37	Cost Estimates (AD)	4w	Dec 2 '96	Dec 27 '96												
38	Financial Forecasts (AD)	10w	Aug 5 '96	Oct 11 '96												
39	Review Methodology (AD)	8w	Aug 5 '96	Sep 27 '96												
40	State Forecasts of Revenue (state, federal) (AD)	4w	Sep 16 '96	Oct 11 '96												
41	Local Forecasts of Revenue and Costs (AD)	4w	Sep 16 '96	Oct 11 '96												
42	Financial Peer Review (PP)	4w	Sep 16 '96	Oct 11 '96												
43	Funding Alternatives (AD)	30w	Aug 12 '96	Mar 7 '97												
44	Committed (AD)	2w	Aug 12 '96	Aug 23 '96												
45	Preferred (20 year) (AD)	12w	Dec 2 '96	Feb 21 '97												
46	Strategic (5, 10 & 20 year) (AD)	12w	Dec 9 '96	Feb 28 '97												
47	Constrained (5, 10 & 20 year) (AD)	12w	Dec 16 '96	Mar 7 '97												
48	Review of Modal Systems & Policies (AD)	4w	Feb 3 '97	Feb 28 '97												
49	Implementation (KW)	4w	Feb 28 '97	Mar 27 '97												
50	Authority and Coordination (KW)	1w	Feb 28 '97	Mar 6 '97												
51	Amendments (KW)	2w	Feb 28 '97	Mar 13 '97												
52	Implementation (including TIP criteria) (KW)	4w	Feb 28 '97	Mar 27 '97												
53	Outstanding Issues/Further Study (KW)	4w	Feb 28 '97	Mar 27 '97												
54	Definitions (KW)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												

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					Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
	Appendices (KW)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												
	16 Planning Factors (AD)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												
57	Air Quality Conformity (TW/SH)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												
58	Project Lists (KW)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												
59	Parking Inventory (RL)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												
60	CMS (BB)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												
61	Street Design Handbook (RL)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												
62	Public Involvement Policy (PP)	2w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 20 '97												
63	Glossary (KW)	1w	Mar 7 '97	Mar 13 '97												
64	Public Involvement (PP)	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
65	Citizens Advisory Committee	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
66	Public Meetings	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
67	RTP Document Style and Format	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
68	"2040 on the Move" PI Materials	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
69	2040 Framework Newsletter ("2040 on the Move" u	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
70	2040 Educational Outreach	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
71	Jurisdictional and Elected Official Briefings	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
72	Media Briefings	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
73	Outreach to Underserved	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
74	MILT (mobile information system)	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
75	Monthly Local Newspaper Articles	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
76	RTP Mailing List	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
77	Transportation Hotline	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
78	Public Comment Reports	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												
79	Review & Adoption Process (TK)	48w	Jul 16 '96	Jun 16 '97												



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RTP Alternatives Analysis

1 Motor Vehicle Level of Service Alternatives

MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE LEVEL				
SCENARIO	PM Peak - First Hour	PM Peak - Second Hour	Off-Peak 1 Hour	
	A (baseline)	Level of Service F	Level of Service E	Level of Service D
	B (better)	Level of Service E	Level of Service D	Level of Service C
	C (best)	Level of Service D	Level of Service C	Level of Service C

2 Transit & Pedestrian Level of Service Alternatives

TRANSIT SERVICE LEVEL				
SCENARIO	TRAVEL TIME - PTN	COVERAGE - STN	PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT	
	A (baseline)	1.5x off-peak auto to MAJOR centers/corridors	high density areas	high PEF in MAJOR centers/corridors
	B (better)	1.5x off-peak auto to MANY centers/corridors	moderate and high density areas	high PEF in MANY centers/corridors
	C (best)	1.5x off-peak auto to ALL centers/corridors	all areas	high PEF in ALL centers/corridors

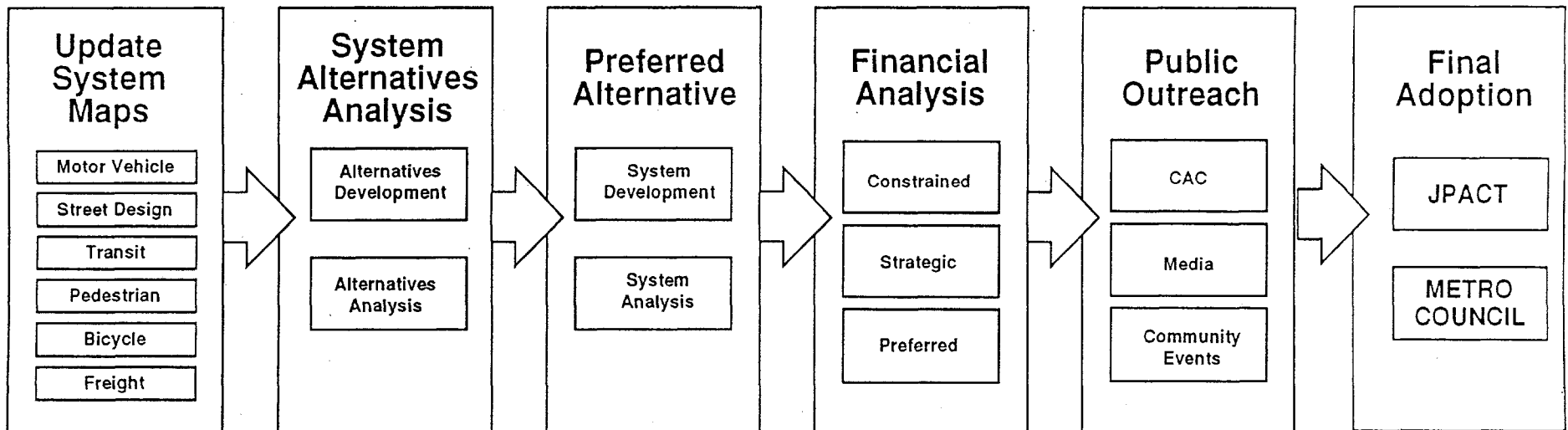
3 RTP Modeling Scenarios

		AUTO/FREIGHT		
		A (baseline)	B (medium)	C (best)
TRANSIT	A (baseline)		✓	
	B (medium)	✓	✓	✓
	C (best)		✓	

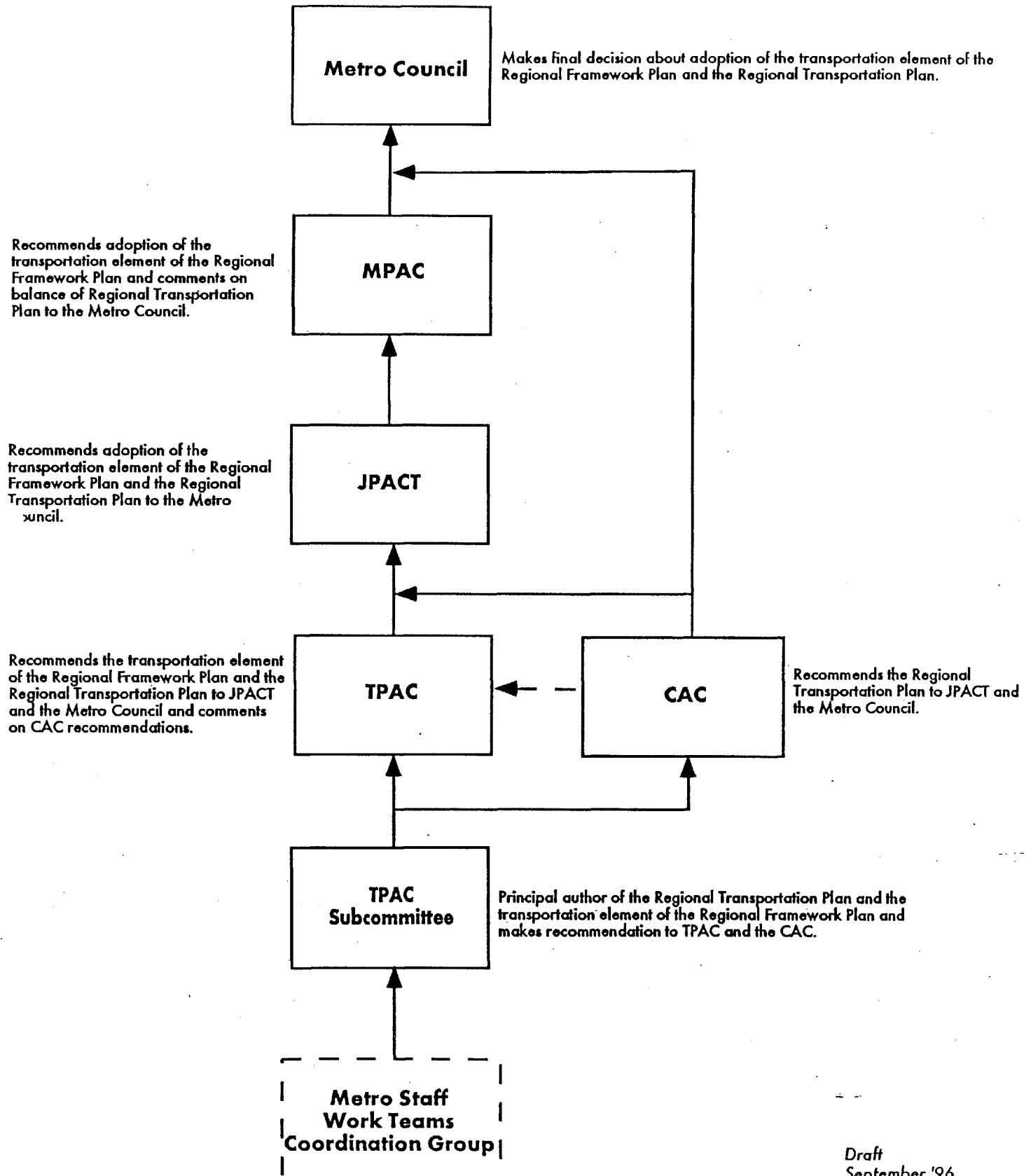


RTP UPDATE

Major Steps in the System Component



Regional Transportation Planning Process



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Date: September 4, 1996

To: JPACT

From: *AK* Andy Cotugno, Transportation Director

Subject: 1998-2001 STIP/MTIP Update

Enclosed for your review prior to the September 12 meeting are the following items related to the 1998-2001 joint State Transportation Improvement Program/Metro Transportation Improvement Program (STIP/MTIP) update:

- A copy of a proposed schedule which integrates a metro area process with the state process.
- A copy of a public meeting notice which was mailed to over 1100 interested neighborhoods, businesses, and individuals who have or might have an interest in the update process. Metro's public involvement procedures require notification of interest groups when a planning or programming activity is initiated. Given the potential complexities of this particular update, the kick-off public meeting has been scheduled in order that the process be clear to the public with regard to general ground rules, expectations, and key decision points.
- Updated tables showing anticipated revenues for the STIP/MTIP period of 1998-2001 and the status of projects included in the current STIP/MTIP. The tables will provide the basis for JPACT and Metro Council discussions on the potential use of any anticipated new transportation revenues. Decisions will need to be made on how to cover current project shortfalls and slippage and whether to retain a flexible category to fund new projects or those identified, but not recommended for funding, from past STIP/MTIP activities.

Metro staff will provide JPACT with an overview of the MTIP/STIP process and funding considerations at the September 12 meeting.

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**1998-2001 MTIP/STIP DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE
Metro/ODOT Region 1**

Milestones

AUGUST 1996	45-day public notification of update start; finalize revenue forecasts
SEPTEMBER 1996	Begin update; kick-off and public comment meeting (September 19, 6:30 p.m., see reverse for schedule)
SEPTEMBER/ OCTOBER 1996	Approval of Draft State Modernization Program for public comment; approval of selection criteria for flexible funding allocation - TPAC September 27 - JPACT October 10 - Metro Council October 17
NOVEMBER 1996	Deadline for jurisdictions/agencies to submit projects (November 15)
DECEMBER 1996	Complete technical ranking of projects
JANUARY 1997	<i>Public workshops (Priorities '97)</i>
FEBRUARY/ MARCH 1997	Adoption of Final State Modernization Program and Flexible Funding Allocation - TPAC February 28 - JPACT March 13 - Metro Council March 20
APRIL-JUNE 1997	Conduct air quality conformity analysis
JULY 1997	<i>Public review of conformity (30 day)</i>
AUGUST 1997	JPACT/Metro Council adoption of Final MTIP/STIP, including conformity
SEPTEMBER	OTC adopts joint MTIP/STIP

Note: Action items shown in bold typeface require public hearings and result in adoption actions by JPACT and the Metro Council. Other public involvement activities are shown in italics.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING



What: STIP '98 kickoff and public comment meeting

When: Thursday, September 19, 6:30 p.m.

Where: Council Chamber
Metro Regional Center
600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland

Background

ODOT is beginning a year-long process to update the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The STIP will list projects selected to receive state and federal funding during the four-year period of October 1997 through September 2001 (i.e., federal fiscal year 1998 through 2001).

The Metropolitan TIP (MTIP) will serve as the Metro area element of the FY '98 STIP and will be updated jointly by ODOT, Metro and the region's local governments. A schedule for MTIP/STIP development and adoption is included on the back of this flier.

Anticipated revenue

Due to upcoming state and federal actions, the actual amount of funding available for transportation system *expansion* during the four-year period will not be known until well into the 1997 calendar year. However, **preliminary estimates indicate annual revenue during FY '98-2001 may be as much as 30 percent less than current funding levels.** This is due to expected reductions in federal appropriations, increasing costs of *preserving* Oregon's aging highway system, and reduction of gas tax revenue going into the State's Highway Trust Fund because of increasing vehicle fuel efficiency relative to growth and inflation.

Current commitments vs. new projects

The current STIP establishes funding commitments for a number of highway projects that cannot be met by the end of FY' 97. Honoring these commitments will require using a significant amount of FY 98-2001 revenues. Also, if future revenue is as limited as it appears likely to be, there may be a need to defer some projects beyond 2001.

However, the Region directly receives certain types of federal funds that are referred to as "Regional Flexible Funds". These funds could be used to help pay for the increased costs of currently approved projects, or to fund new projects. Deciding the best uses of these funds and developing criteria to be used in such a process are integral to the public process outlined in the MTIP/STIP Development Schedule.

For more information call:

Pamela Peck, Metro, (503) 797-1866, regarding the public involvement process
Terry Whisler, Metro, (503) 797-1747, for project information

Please attend to review and provide comment on the following:

- ⇒ existing project commitments
- ⇒ revenue and cost estimates
- ⇒ prospect of identifying new projects for funding
- ⇒ criteria for selecting new projects

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ESTIMATED MODERNIZATION FUNDS FOR REGION 1 URBAN AREA: FY 98-2001

	1998	1999	2000	2001	TOTALS
Urban STP	7,664,150	7,402,200	7,140,250	6,878,300	29,084,900
Minimum Allocation	589,550	569,400	549,250	529,100	2,237,300
SUBTOTAL	8,253,700	7,971,600	7,689,500	7,407,400	31,322,200
S/N Downstate Transfer (en lieu of Funding to Tri-Met) *		(1,500,000)	(6,000,000)	(6,000,000)	(13,500,000) *
TOTAL REGIONAL STP	8,253,700	6,471,600	1,689,500	1,407,400	17,822,200
CMAQ	3,809,400	3,679,200	3,549,000	3,418,800	14,456,400
Enhancement	1,088,400	1,051,200	1,014,000	976,800	4,130,400
SUBTOTAL MPO FUNDS	13,151,500	11,202,000	6,252,500	5,803,000	36,409,000
Construction Inflation Factor **	0.950	0.922	0.892	0.861	
TOTAL MPO FUNDS	12,493,925	10,328,244	5,577,230	4,996,383	33,395,782
 Reg. 1 State Mod (100%)	 19,722,000	 19,722,000	 19,722,000	 19,722,000	 78,888,000
80% to MPO Area	15,777,600	15,777,600	15,777,600	15,777,600	63,110,400
Construction Inflation Factor **	0.950	0.922	0.892	0.861	
TOTAL REG 1 URBAN MOD	14,988,720	14,546,947	14,073,619	13,584,514	57,193,800
TOTAL MPO FUNDS	12,493,925	10,328,244	5,577,230	4,996,383	33,395,782
 GRAND TOTAL	 27,482,645	 24,875,191	 19,650,849	 18,580,897	 90,589,582

* The Bill states "In each fiscal year during the period beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30 ... \$6 million shall be [provided from] ... STP Flexible Funds made available to the Portland metropolitan region through state or regional transportation improvement programs [e.g. 33C or 33D fund code] for capital projects that would otherwise have been requested by or received by Tri-Met." The period July 1 to September 30, 1999 equals 1/4 of federal fiscal year 1999. On a pro rata basis, 1/4 of the \$6 million transfer would occur in FFY 99; \$6 million would be provided in FFYs that follow. In all instances, funds transferred could consist of either MPO or State formula STP funds.

** 2.5% FY 96-98; 3% FY 99; 3.25% FY 2000; 3.5% FY 2001

Source: Don Aman, ODOT Financial Services

STATE PROGRAM FY 96 -98		PROGRAMMED YEAR			FY 97 INTO FY 98+	EXTRA FUNDS NEEDED
		FY 96	FY 97	FY 98		
85	TOD REVOLVING FUND (Metro)	3.00				
154	BUS PURCHASES	5.07				
452	SPECIAL NEEDS/ALTERNATIVE SERVICE MINIBUSES	1.25				
270	METRO ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS - VAR HWYS	1.02				
272	METRO AREA FRWY DETECTION SYSTEM - VAR HWYS	0.17				
273	MOTORIST INFORMATION SYSTEM	0.60				
326	TMOC & INCIDENT RESPONSE FUNDING	1.25				
158	ALBINA RAILROAD OVERCROSSING (Portland)	0.36				
86	CIVIC NEIGHBORHOOD N/S COLLECTOR (Gresham)	1.84				
90	238TH AND HALSEY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT (Mult)	0.13	0.25			
96	SPRINGWATER CORRIDOR ACCESS AT 190TH (Gresham)	0.04	0.17			
108	BARBUR BLVD BIKE LANES (ODOT)	0.08	1.36			
142	LOMBARD/BURGARD INTERSECTION REALIGNMENT	0.30	0.86			
152	HILLSDALE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT - PHASE 1 (pe)		0.06			
159	HAWTHORNE BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT (Mult)	0.75	2.38			
177	I-5/I-84 RAMP METER INFILL-6 LOCATIONS (ODOT)	0.05	0.40			
181	FRONT ST/SB I-5 RAMP METER INFILL (ODOT)	0.08				
230	US-30B - SANDY BLVD MACS IMPLEMENTATION		3.50			
254	US-26-CAMELOT - SYLVAN (PH 1)		8.50			
922	I-84: 223RD AVENUE TO TROUTDALE	22.22				
112	N. LOMBARD RAILROAD OVERCROSSING (PE ONLY)		0.25			
150	LOVEJOY RAMP REPLACEMENT (PE ONLY)	0.60				
226	TAYLOR'S FERRY RD: NEW CONTROLLER	1.11				
	OR43: SIGNALS @ NB I-205 RAMPS		0.18			
172	99W/TUALATIN RD. INTERSECTION REALIGNMENT - PH. 1	0.46	1.34			
186	SIGNAL INTERCONNECT: MURRAY - FARMINGTON/MILIKAN		0.03			
188	BEAVERTON CENTAL TOD	0.11	0.70			
240	OR-8 TV HWY: HWY 217 TO 117TH		2.43			
934	OR10- 172ND - MURRAY (ALL STATE \$\$: PH. 2 ROW: \$7.87)		6.49			
944	I-5: WILSONVILLE INTRCHNG WIDENING (PH. 1) (ROW: \$2.75M)		5.20			
	SUBTOTAL OF PROJECTS W/ NO FY 98+ ELEMENT	40.49	34.10	0.00		
154	BUS PURCHASES (TRI-MET)			10.76		
168	SUNNYSIDE RD WIDENING: SUNYBROOK TO 122ND (FY 99)			2.00		
	OR43 @ WEST A		0.79		0.79	
	OR 43 @ McVEY		0.90		0.90	
182	GREENBURG RD/HWY 217 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT		0.36		0.36	
184	PACIFIC AVE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT (Forest Grove)		0.08		0.08	
	SUBTOTAL OF FY 98+ 2040 FUNDED COMMITMENTS	0.00	2.13	12.76	2.13	
346	EASTBANK ESPLANADE			1.62		
254	US-26-CAMELOT - SYLVAN (PH 2)		28.00		4.00	8.00
865	I-205: SUNNYBROOK INTERCHANGE			13.40		6.00 *
893	I-5/ HWY 217/KRUSE WAY INTERCHANGE			13.12		23.00
441	OR-47: COUNCIL CREEK-QUINCE (HWY 47 BYPASS)			3.70		1.40 **
	SUBTOTAL OF FY 98+ STATE COMMITMENTS	0.00	28.00	31.84	4.00	38.40
	SUBTOTAL OF PROJECTS W/ FY 98+ ELEMENT	0.00	30.13	44.60	6.13	38.40
	TOTAL STATE PROGRAM FY 96 - 98+	40.49	64.23	44.60	6.13	38.40
	EXPECTED SLIPPAGE FROM FY 97 TO FY 98+		-6.13		44.60	6.13
	EFFECTS OF UNPROGRAMMED COSTS					44.60
	ADJUSTED TOTAL OF OBLIGATIONS	40.49	58.10	44.60	50.73	89.13
	ANTICIPATED REGION 1 URBAN MOD FUNDS (FY 98-01)			57.19	57.19	57.19
	MOD FUNDS BALANCE		12.59		6.46	-31.94

* State/local cost allocation in dispute

** ODOT's 50 percent cost share

REGIONAL FUND SOURCE	PROGRAMMED YEAR			FY 97 INTO FY 98+
	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	
IX & FAU/STP				
WARNER PARROTT RD - OREGON CITY BYPASS	0.40			
OTHER IX	0.99	2.57		
CITY OF PORTLAND F/STP	1.54	1.67		
MULTNOMAH COUNTY F/STP		0.10		
CLACKAMAS CO F/STP		0.82		
WASH CO F/STP	0.10			
ODOT F/STP		0.09		
METRO RESERVE F/STP		0.09		
TRI-MET F/STP		0.02		
REGIONAL STP				
864 SANDY TO GLISAN ST - 207TH/223RD CONNECTOR	3.29			
613 REGIONAL RIDESHARE/TDM PROGRAM (TRI-MET)		0.11		
142 LOMBARD/BURGARD INTERSECTION REALIGNMENT	0.10			
152 HILLSDALE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT - PHASE 1		0.46		
156 FRONT AVE RECONSTRUCTION AND BIKE LANE		1.81		
157 WOODSTOCK PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT (Portland)		0.20		
158 ALBINA RAILROAD OVERCROSSING (Portland)	0.24			
172 99W/TUALATIN RD. INTERSECTION REALIGNMENT - PH. 1		1.20		
168 SUNNYSIDE RD: SUNNYBROOK TO 122ND) pe/98 con/FY 99			3.00	
CMAQ				
609 TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT RESERVE (DEQ)	1.46			
612 SUNSET T.C. PED & BICYCLE BRIDGE (TRI-MET)		0.42		
613 REGIONAL RIDESHARE/TDM PROGRAM (TRI-MET)		0.26		
604 WILLAMETTE RV BRDGS ACCESS STUDY (MULT)	0.37	0.50		
615 PEDESTRIAN/BIKE ACCESS FOR MAX (MULT)		0.83		
619 KELLY PT PK RD BIKEWAY- RIVERGATE/LOMBARD (POP)		0.30		
620 PED/BIKE XING ON STEEL BRIDGE (PORTLAND)	0.30	0.98		
629 EASTSIDE BIKEWAY TRAIL LOOP (OMSI-SPRINGWATER)		0.58		
605 COURTNEY AVE BIKE/PEDESTRIAN LINK (CLACKAMAS)	0.14			
610 PED ENHANCE FAC/TRANSIT ACCESS STUDY (WASH)	0.17			
637 CEDAR HILLS BLVD: BOWMONT/BUTNER BIKE LN & SDWAL	0.07	0.28		
188 BEAVERTON CENTRAL TOD	0.14	0.30		
640 185th: TV HWY TO KINNAMAN BIKEWAY	0.20	0.28		
606 PED TO TRANSIT ACCESS STUDY (PORTLAND)		0.90		0.90
633 STRAWBERRY LANE BIKE LANE (CLACKAMAS)		0.21		0.21
639 HALL BLVD: SPRR/RIDGECREST BIKE LANE	0.05	0.29		0.29
TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT				
275 OREGON ELECTRIC RIGHT OF WAY (WASHINGTON)		0.04		0.04
274 COLUMBIA RIVER HWY INTERPRETATIVE PANELS		0.05		
277 SOUTH TROLLEY EXTENSION PROJECT (LAKE OSWEGO)		0.20		
287 FANNO CREEK TRAIL		0.25		
302 EASTBANK TRAIL: STEEL BRIDGE TO OMIS		0.86		
311 COMPLETE CEDAR CREEK TRAIL (SHERWOOD)		0.07		
316 ROCK CREEK BIKE/PED PATHWAY (HILLSBORO)		0.21		
318 INTERMODAL TRANSFER PARK (TROUTDALE)		0.07		
321 112TH LINEAR PARK PATHWAY (WASHINGTON)		0.12		
SUBTOTAL	6.53	11.78	3.00	1.44
EXPECTED SLIPPAGE FROM FY 97 TO FY 98		-1.44		3.00
ADJUSTED TOTAL OF EXPECTED OBLIGATIONS	6.53	10.34	3.00	4.44
ANTICIPATED MPO FLEXIBLE FUNDS (FY 98-01			33.40	33.40
MPO FLEXIBLE FUNDS BALANCE		30.40		28.96

STATEWIDE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM BUDGETS

(FY 02-03 construction costs for which design funds are allocated FY 98-01)

	2002	2003	TOTALS
EIS PHASE	\$100,000,000	\$100,000,000	\$200,000,000
FINAL PLAN	\$100,000,000	\$100,000,000	\$200,000,000
TOTALS	\$200,000,000	\$200,000,000	\$400,000,000

REGION 1 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM BUDGETS

AT 34 PERCENT OF STATE RESOURCE

	2002	2003	TOTALS
EIS PHASE	\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000	\$68,000,000
FINAL PLAN	\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000	\$68,000,000
TOTALS	\$68,000,000	\$68,000,000	\$136,000,000

MPO DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM BUDGETS

AT 80 PERCENT OF ODOT REGION 1 RESOURCE

	2002	2003	TOTALS
EIS PHASE	\$27,200,000	\$27,200,000	\$54,400,000
FINAL PLAN	\$27,200,000	\$27,200,000	\$54,400,000
TOTALS	\$54,400,000	\$54,400,000	\$108,800,000

Scheduled Final Plan Funding During FY 98 - 2001

PROJECT	CONSTR EST.	FINAL PLAN TARGET DATE			
		98	99	00	01
I-5/Wilsonville Interchange (Unit 2)	5.784			X	
I-5/217/Kruse Way Unit 2	11.234		X		
U.S. 26: Murray Blvd - 217	10.693			X	
U.S. 26: Hwy 217 - Camelot EB	7.342		X		
U.S. 26: Camelot - Sylvan (Ph 3)	20.224		X		
Farmington Rd: 209th - 172nd	11.481		X		
Hwy 217 NB: Sunset to TV Hwy	23.654				X
Hwy 217 NB Off Ramp at Scholls	0.281	X			
Subtotal	90.693				
FY 02-03 CONSTRUCTION COST BUDGET	<u>54.4</u>				
FINAL PLAN OVERPROGRAM	36.293				

Scheduled EIS Funding During FY 98 - 2001

PROJECT	CONSTR EST.	EIS/RECON TARGET DATE			
		98	99	00	01
<i>EIS Milestone</i>					
I-5: E. Marq. Intch-Grand/MLK Blvd Ramps	56.026			X	
I-5: Greeley Ramp-N. Banfield Intch	125.137			X	
Hwy 217: TV Hwy-72nd Ave Intch	45.877		X		
Mt. Hood Parkway	129.776		X		
I-205 @ Clakamas Hwy (Sunrise)	65.180	X			
U.S. 26 (Sunrise Corridor): I-205-Rock Cr. Jct.	<u>80.741</u>	X			
Subtotal	502.737				
FY 02-03 CONSTRUCTION COST BUDGET	<u>54.400</u>				
EIS OVERPROGRAM	448.337				

Scheduled Reconnaissance Activity in FY 98 STIP

PROJECT	CONSTR EST.
Tualatin-Sherwood Expressway	150.000

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Introduction to the 1998-2001 STIP/MTIP Process

This booklet is intended to provide general background information for interested members of the public on the issues and process associated with the development of the 1998-2001 joint State/Metro Transportation Improvement Program (referred to as the 1998-2001 STIP/MTIP). As noted in the enclosed fact sheet, Metro and the Oregon Department of Transportation are required by federal law to develop and/or update a transportation improvement program every two years.

In general, a transportation improvement program identifies a four-year schedule of projects to be constructed or programs to be funded which utilize federal transportation revenues. The program also identifies and funds project design and development for projects that are likely to be built after 2001 (as information, the program also includes other significant regional projects which do not utilize federal funds). As seen in the fact sheets, the eligible projects range from roads and highways to bicycle lanes, bus purchases, and transportation demand management programs.

In developing a transportation improvement program, public involvement must begin early and continue throughout the process. The 1998-2001 STIP/MTIP process is in its very early stages. The September 19 meeting is intended as an informational and procedural "kick-off" for public activities. The intent of the meeting and testimony is not to weigh the advantages of individual transportation projects. That will happen in early 1997.

For now, the Metro Council, the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT), and Metro staff are interested in public comment in the three following areas:

- 1) How should the region balance funds between the "state" system and the "regional flexible" system? (see fact sheet #1)
- 2) What should be the focus of the STIP/MTIP program?
- 3) What criteria should be used to prioritize projects?

The remainder of this packet provides general information on the issues at hand. Included is more information on what is a STIP/MTIP; what is the range of potential transportation dollars available during the 1998-2001 timeframe; what is the status of current project commitments; what will be the format and schedule for the rest of the process; when will key decisions be made; and an "issues guide" to assist the public on testimony or written comments submitted at this time.

To remain involved, please be sure to sign in at the September 19 meeting, include your name and address in any written comments, or call the Metro Transportation Hotline at 797-1900 or 797-1804 T.D.D.



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MEETING: 1998 – 2001 STIP/MTIP kick-off and public comment meeting

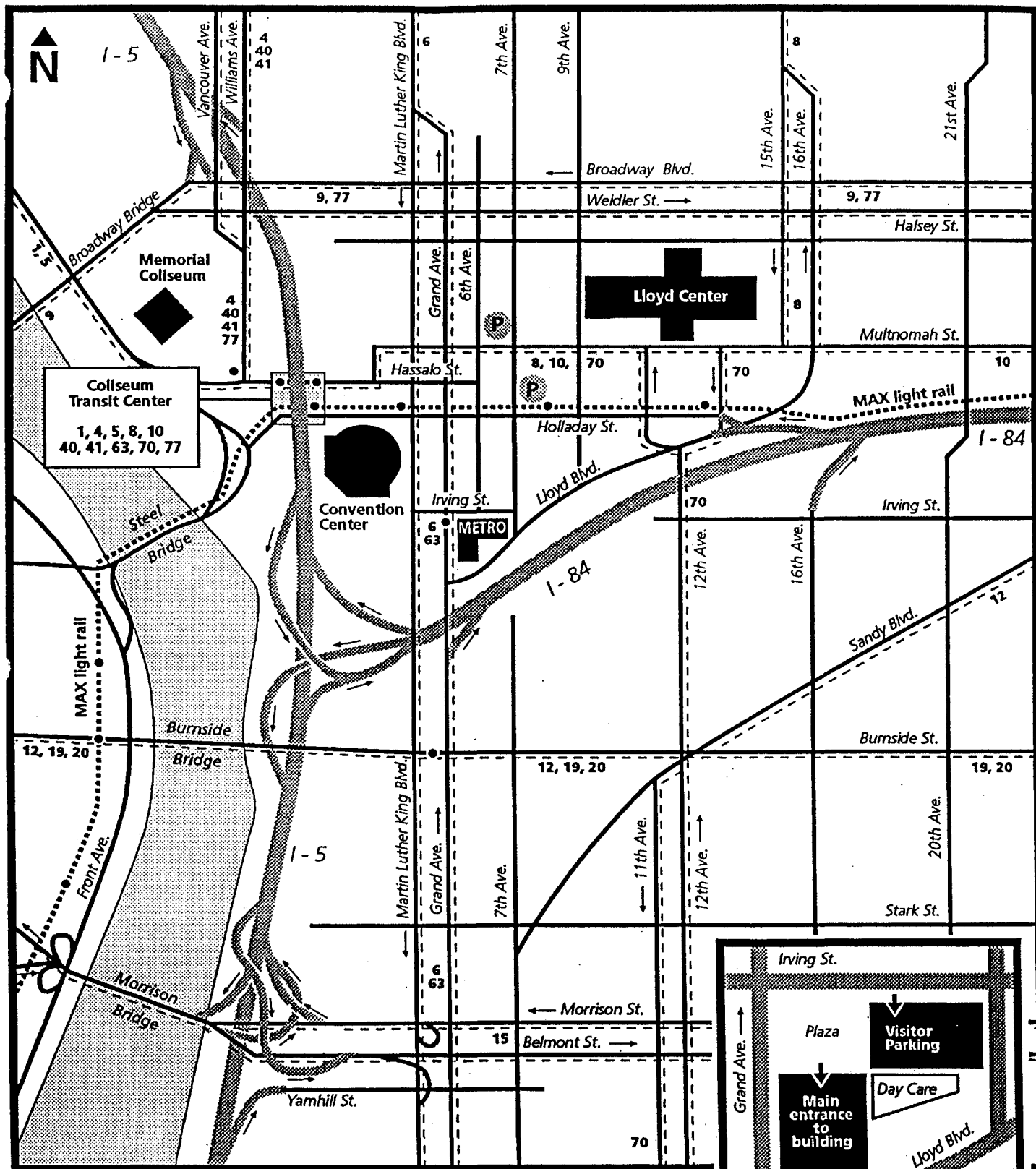
DATE: Thursday, September 19

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chamber
Metro Regional Center
600 NE Grand Ave., Portland
(see reverse for transit and parking information)

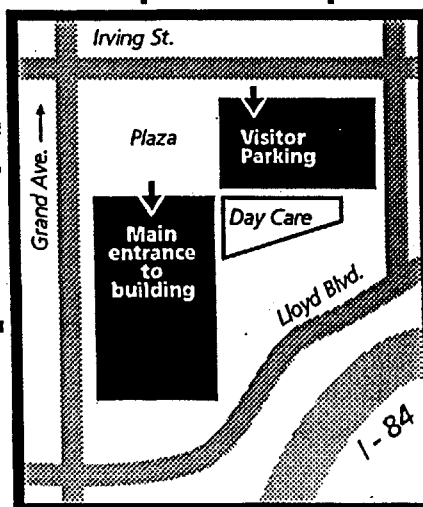
AGENDA

- 6:30 p.m. Arrival
Information and displays, as well as staff to answer questions, will be available in the adjoining Council Annex throughout the meeting.
- 6:45 p.m. Presentation
1. Welcome
 2. STIP/MTIP background
 3. Overview of statewide funding picture
 4. Impact on regional program
 5. Process overview
- 7:05 p.m. Q & A
- 7:15 p.m. Public comment (3 minutes per person)



Legend

- = bus route
- 70 = bus number
- = street
- = bus/max stop
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- ▨ = freeway
- = max



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COOPERATIVE STATE AND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

How do the state and region work together to make transportation decisions?

Congressional approval of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991 resulted in significant changes to the transportation planning process in our region. The act places significant emphasis on increased cooperation between the local, regional and state jurisdictions that own and operate our region's transportation system and gives them more flexibility when making transportation funding decisions. These partners include the cities and counties of the region, Metro, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), the Port of Portland and Tri-Met.

Specifically, the act requires that these bodies cooperatively develop statewide and metropolitan transportation plans that forecast future growth, identify needed transportation investments to meet this growth and ensure the maintenance and efficient operation of existing transportation systems over a 20-year time frame. The statewide plan is called the Oregon Transportation Plan and the plan for our region is called the Regional Transportation Plan.

Projects identified in these plans are then prioritized and scheduled for funding based on revenues expected to be available over a four-year time period in *Transportation Improvement Programs* (TIPs). At the regional level these TIPs are called Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs (MTIPs) and are consolidated throughout the state in a State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) which must reflect the priorities identified in the MTIPs. Since passage of ISTEA in 1991, state and regional cooperation in both the STIP and the MTIP processes have resulted in a program of projects that respond to the needs of our region's transportation system, and includes freeway, arterial, public transportation, pedestrian, bicycle and freight-related elements.

What are state and regional funding responsibilities?

A key ODOT statewide role is to plan for, modernize and maintain the system of Interstate and limited-access freeways, and the system of state highways built to connect towns and cities in Oregon. ISTEA did not diminish this important role for ODOT. In fact, a number of ISTEA funding categories specifically target these needs and supplement an even larger source of state highway revenues that are also dedicated to these types of projects (see Table 1).

Table 1: State and Regional Funding Responsibilities

	Revenue Sources	Project Type
State	State Gas Tax Interstate Maintenance Program State Surface Transportation Program National Highway System Program	Interstate and State Limited-Access Freeways State Highways State Bridges
Regional	Regional Surface Transportation Program Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality Program Transportation Enhancement Program	Arterials Collectors Bridges Bicycle Facilities Pedestrian Facilities Transit Facilities and Vehicles Transit-Oriented Development Transportation System Management Transportation Demand Management Planning

About Metro

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The impact of ISTEA on ODOT has been to integrate the needs of these types of highway facilities with the wide variety of transportation needs that characterize more densely populated metropolitan areas. To address urban congestion, accessibility and mobility issues, ODOT works with Metro to evaluate not only highway improvements, but also the relative benefits of improving arterials and collectors, freight routes and investment in alternative travel modes such as walking, biking and transit.

To implement these diverse types of projects, ISTEA created new *regional flexible funding* sources that are generally distributed through Metro in cooperation with its regional partners. In the past, these funds have been used to finance portions of the Westside/Hillsboro light rail project as well as to build local sidewalks, critical links to the regional bike system, innovative transit-oriented development projects, and improvements to local arterials and signal systems.

How has this region blended state and regional responsibilities under ISTEA?

In 1994, Metro worked with its regional partners to create a \$16 million fund of state revenues that would be used to fund projects that helped to implement the 2040 Growth Concept. Regional Surface Transportation Program funds contributed an additional \$12 million to this program. In January 1996, the \$28 million Region 2040 Implementation Program was approved by JPACT and the Metro Council, and subsequently by the Oregon Transportation Commission. This program integrated state and regional funding sources and scheduled the funds to be spent on a mix of highway, arterial, pedestrian, bicycle, freight, public transportation and transportation demand management projects.

Will integrated programs continue under the next ISTEA?

The current ISTEA authorization will expire at the end of September 1997. By that time, a new bill must be approved by Congress to establish the upper range of federal transportation funding that will be made available the following four to six years. These authorization bills are typically used by Congress to modify broad policy objectives of federal transportation funding programs. This is precisely how ISTEA was used when it was adopted in 1991. The law not only

specified program funding levels but also transformed the previous federal emphasis on *building* the Interstate freeway system. It established new programs and funding eligibility rules that emphasize *managing increasing congestion* of regions that are connected by the now complete Interstate system. A key to this transformation of priorities was the increase of authority provided Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to plan and fund projects responsive to urban congestion.

Who should I contact for more information?

Metro is planning a number of activities to hear your opinions on this and other regional transportation issues. To tell us what you think, to have your name added to the transportation mailing lists, to request more information or to find out about upcoming meetings, call Metro's transportation hotline (503) 797-1900 or T.D.D. (503) 797-1804.



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WHY IS LESS TRANSPORTATION FUNDING EXPECTED TO BE AVAILABLE IN THE FUTURE?

Background

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) was passed by Congress in December 1991. ISTEA set the upper limit of federal funds that could be appropriated by Congress over the next six years to support transportation projects. ISTEA also required that state and regional Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) meet stringent "fiscal constraint" requirements: TIPs may only program projects for which it is reasonably anticipated that funding will be available.

In 1990, ODOT began a two-year process which culminated with adoption of the FY 1993-1998 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This STIP update included commitments to construct a number of projects in the Portland metropolitan area. Despite adoption of conservative revenue assumptions, actual federal and state funding over the following four years was significantly less than ODOT's projections. However, ODOT's project commitments have continued, in large measure, to stand firm. Beginning in FY 1998, a number of factors will further reduce funds available to support transportation projects in the Portland area. This will bring increasing pressure on both ODOT and regional project commitments.

Reduced federal and state funds

The current ISTEA expires at the end of 1997 and federal transportation funding is anticipated to decrease year by year in the next ISTEA as part of deficit reduction measures. Also, Oregon's fuel taxes have not been increased since the 1991 legislative session, yet improved fuel efficiency is reducing their revenue-raising potential and inflation is reducing their purchasing power.

Limits on access to federal funds

Congress appropriates transportation funds to the states each year. Over the past 10 years, Congress has prohibited the states from "spending" approximately 10 percent of each year's appropriation until the following year. This restriction is referred to as an "obligation ceiling." Over the past five years, this obligation ceiling has built up a tremendous backlog of appropriated funds that cannot be spent on projects to which the funds have been committed. However, ODOT has always considered the funds "reasonably anticipated" and has included projects that rely on them in the STIP.

Beginning in FY 1998, newly adopted federal accounting procedures will no longer allow ODOT to assume availability of this revenue under the logic that funds that cannot actually be spent — even if they are appropriated for the State's use — cannot be considered "reasonably anticipated." This will have the effect of spreading into the future a number of projects currently programmed for near-term construction. It has not yet been decided which projects to delay.

Increased preservation needs

The Oregon Transportation Commission gives first funding priority to the state's operations, maintenance and preservation (OM&P) needs, which is the State's largest commitment of transportation funds. During the period FY 1998-2001 these needs will be nearly 20% more — on an annual basis — than was required in the prior four-year period. For this reason, remaining funds available for modernization projects are reduced.

FY 1998 funds already committed

Roadway modernization commitments have been made by ODOT in the current STIP through FY 1998. Therefore, the first year of the new STIP (i.e., FY 1998) is

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already committed and does not account for prior year carryover commitments. The region, on the other hand, has only dedicated funds expected through FY 1997. Therefore, new regional flexible funds expected for FY 1998 will be available for new projects.

How will reduced transportation funds affect state and regional cooperation?

The region's modernization commitments in the current STIP reflect both ODOT and local agency *project priorities* as well as state and regional *funding sources*. However, ODOT funds that will actually be available through FY 1998, and regional flexible funds available through FY 1997, will not be sufficient to build these projects as planned. This will occur for the reasons discussed above, and especially because "carryover" funds can no longer be assumed under the new federal fiscal constraint rules.

For instance, approximately \$51 million of ODOT project commitments are now scheduled in FY 1998 as a result of intentional programming and project deferrals (see attached "Commitments" bar, Figure 1, and Table 1). The new STIP, must demonstrate that these projects will be paid for only with appropriated funds that are allowed to be obligated during FY 1998-2001. No carryover funds from previous years can be relied on to demonstrate that the FY 1998 projects actually have funding. ODOT will only be able to meet these commitments by using virtually all the \$57 million it expects to receive during FY 1998-2001 (see Figure 1).

ODOT's FY 1998 commitments are comprised of nearly \$15 million of "locally-oriented" projects derived from the 1996 Region 2040 Allocation. Another \$36 million are "traditional" freeway/highway improvement projects derived from prior ODOT programs (see Table 1). However, meeting ODOT's highway improvement *dollar* commitments (see Table 1) is only one issue. To complete construction of these large projects will require more dollars than are currently committed to the projects. To meet the total estimated construction cost of all the projects to which ODOT has made specific dollar commitments will require \$89

million — \$32 million more than ODOT expects to receive during FY 1998-2001 (see "Revenue" bar, Figure 1, and Table 2).

The region on the other hand expects to meet its blended project commitments and have about \$29 million of regional flexible funds left to spend during FY 1998-2001 (see Figure 2 and Table 3).

What do you think should be done?

ODOT would need all anticipated regional flexible funds through FY 2001 to meet construction costs of its currently committed projects. As Metro and ODOT work to update the STIP and MTIP, this critical question must be resolved:

Should the region dedicate all, some or none of its regional flexible funds to meet ODOT's project commitments and needs?

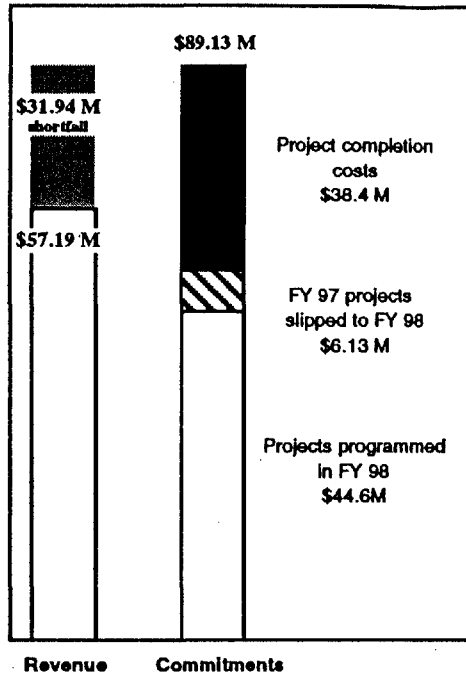
If all flexible funds are dedicated to complete construction of ODOT projects, there will be no funds left for new "locally"-oriented projects before 2002.

Would it be preferable to have new locally-oriented projects or to complete several important projects on critical regional freeways and highways?

Who should I contact for more information?

Metro is planning a number of activities to hear your opinions on this and other regional transportation issues. To tell us what you think, to have your name added to the transportation mailing lists, to request more information or to find out about upcoming meetings, call Metro's Transportation Hotline (503) 797-1900 or T.D.D. (503) 797-1804.

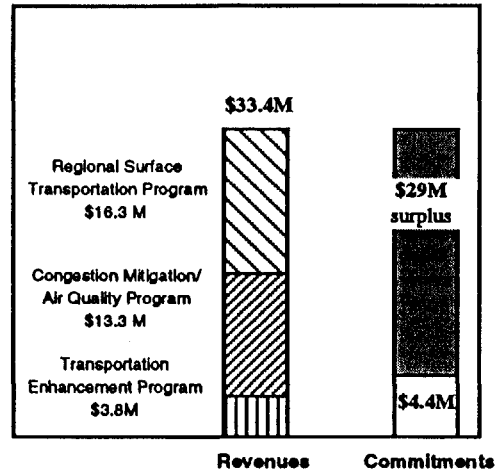
Figure 1: Funding versus Commitments



State Modernization Program
FY 98-2001

* dollars represented in millions

Figure 2: Projected Regional Flexible Funds



Regional Flexible Funding Program
FY 98-2001

Table 1: State Modernization Commitments (in millions)

Derived From:	FY '98	Defer to '98	Completion Costs	Totals
Region 2040 Allocation				
Bus purchase	\$10.76			
Sunnyside Road	\$ 2.00			
Highway 43 @ West A Street		\$.79		
Highway 43 @ McVey		\$.90		
Highway 217/Greenberg		\$.36		
Pacific Avenue		\$.08		
Sub Total	\$12.76	\$ 2.13		= \$14.89
Highway Improvements				
Eastbank Esplanade	\$ 1.62			
Sunset Highway - Phase 2		\$ 4.00	\$ 8.00	
I-205/Sunnbrook	\$13.40		\$ 6.00	
I-5/217/Kruse Way	\$13.12		\$23.00	
Highway 47 Bypass	\$ 3.70		\$ 1.40	
Sub Total	\$31.84	\$ 4.00	\$38.40	= \$74.24
Grand Total	\$ 44.6	\$ 6.13	\$38.40	= \$89.13

Table 2: Regional Flexible Funding Program Commitments (in millions)

	FY '98	Defer to '98	
Ped to transit - Portland		\$.90	
Strawberry Lane Bikeway		\$.21	
Hall Boulevard Bike Lane		\$.29	
Oregon Electric Right-of-Way		\$.04	
Sunnyside Road	\$ 3.00		
Total	\$ 3.00	\$ 1.44	= \$ 4.44

Issue Guide for Public Testimony

1998-2001 STIP/MTIP

September 19, 1996

Format

Public testimony will be accepted and is encouraged at the September 19, 1996 meeting on the 1998-2001 STIP/MTIP. Invited Metro Councilors will accept testimony from the general public. As proposed, members of the public will be called to testify at designated speaker tables. **Each speaker will have approximately three minutes to offer comments.** At the conclusion of the testimony, the Metro Councilors may ask follow-up questions or clarifications. This format is tentative and may be changed by Metro Councilors dependent upon factors such as time constraints.

For those wishing to comment, but not wanting to testify, comment cards will be available for written comments or the public may wish to provide other written testimony. In order for the Council and the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT, comprised of local elected officials and agency heads) to review testimony prior to their October decisions, **please submit written comments by Thursday, September 26, to:**

Councilor Rod Monroe, Chair
JPACT
c/o Pamela Peck
Metro Transportation Department
600 NE Grand Avenue
Portland, OR 97232

Issues

As noted in the Introduction, the Metro Council and staff are interested in comments in three areas at this time:

- 1) How should the region balance funds between the "state" system and the "regional flexible" system? (see fact sheet #1)
- 2) What should be the focus of the STIP/MTIP program?
- 3) What criteria should be used to prioritize projects?

The following are a number of questions or statements that have been developed to assist you when thinking about the above issues. Please feel free to use them to guide your testimony. Also, please consider the limited funds available. The maximum available will be around \$29 million, and is likely to be less once final estimates are completed. Comments on other regional transportation issues are welcome. But remember, testimony will be limited to three minutes. Also, please note that staff will be available prior to and during the meeting to help explain any of the issues you may have questions about.

Balancing Funds

- Based on the information provided in the fact sheet, should funding be limited to the "state" system, to the "regional flexible" system, or to both?
- Should available revenue be used to ensure that previous commitments are constructed? Note, some projects in the current STIP/MTIP have slipped in schedule or now have higher estimated costs. (see fact sheet #2)

Program Focus

- Should the program focus upon or emphasize a particular program, goal, or objective?
- If so, what particular objective? Consider the following:

Modal objective – such as highways, arterials, bicycle facilities, sidewalks, freight access, system operations, demand management (flextime, carpool programs, etc.).

Geographic or corridor objective – for example, putting all or most of the money towards one project or corridor.

Equity objective – meaning a little money for all modes and/or for all areas of the region.

Land use objectives – for example, projects that serve community retail or projects that serve industrial areas.

Prioritization Criteria

Metro “technically” ranks projects against general criteria that match regional objectives contained in Metro’s Regional Transportation Plan and the Region 2040 Growth Concept. The specific criteria vary slightly by project type (new or expanded road, bicycle, pedestrian, freight, etc.). Similar project types are then evaluated against each other. After being technically ranked, final priorities are based on public comment on the projects and decisions made by JPACT and the Metro Council.

Please give us your thoughts on prioritization criteria. Currently, technical criteria relate to the following five categories:

- 1) Consistency with the Region 2040 Concept for Growth
 - 2) Project use or effectiveness
 - 3) Safety
 - 4) Cost-effectiveness
 - 5) Multi-modal aspects of the project.
- Do you agree with these categories? What others might you suggest?
 - Given the above categories, are there two or three that should be weighted higher than the others?
 - In the category of Region 2040, the Central City, Regional Centers, and Industrial Areas have traditionally received high points. Do you agree?
 - Are there other areas you think should get high, medium, or low points? Please consider LRT station communities, Town Centers, Main Streets, Residential Districts, Employment Districts, other.

Response

Metro staff will summarize and provide a written response for each of your comments. The written responses will become part of the public record and will be provided to JPACT and the Metro Council for their consideration. Copies of the September 19 testimony responses will be available by calling the Metro Transportation Hotline, (503) 797-1900 or (503) 797-1804 T.D.D.



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1998-2001 MTIP/STIP DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE
Metro/ODOT Region 1

Milestones

AUGUST 1996	45-day public notification of update start; finalize revenue forecasts
SEPTEMBER 1996	Begin update; kick-off and public comment meeting (September 19, 6:30 p.m., see reverse for schedule)
SEPTEMBER/ OCTOBER 1996	Approval of Draft State Modernization Program for public comment; approval of selection criteria for flexible funding allocation - TPAC September 27 - JPACT October 10 - Metro Council October 17
NOVEMBER 1996	Deadline for jurisdictions/agencies to submit projects (November 15)
DECEMBER 1996	Complete technical ranking of projects
JANUARY 1997	<i>Public workshops (Priorities '97)</i>
FEBRUARY/ MARCH 1997	Adoption of Final State Modernization Program and Flexible Funding Allocation - TPAC February 28 - JPACT March 13 - Metro Council March 20
APRIL-JUNE 1997	Conduct air quality conformity analysis
JULY 1997	<i>Public review of conformity (30 days)</i>
AUGUST 1997	JPACT/Metro Council adoption of Final MTIP/STIP, including conformity
SEPTEMBER	OTC adopts joint MTIP/STIP

Note: Action items shown in bold typeface require public hearings and result in adoption actions by JPACT and the Metro Council. Other public involvement activities are shown in italics.

Schedule

SEPT 19, 1996 - 6:30 p.m. - Kick-off Public Workshop

SEPT/OCT '96 - Approve Draft STIP/MTIP

NOV '96 - Deadline for Flex Funding Solicitation
(if any)

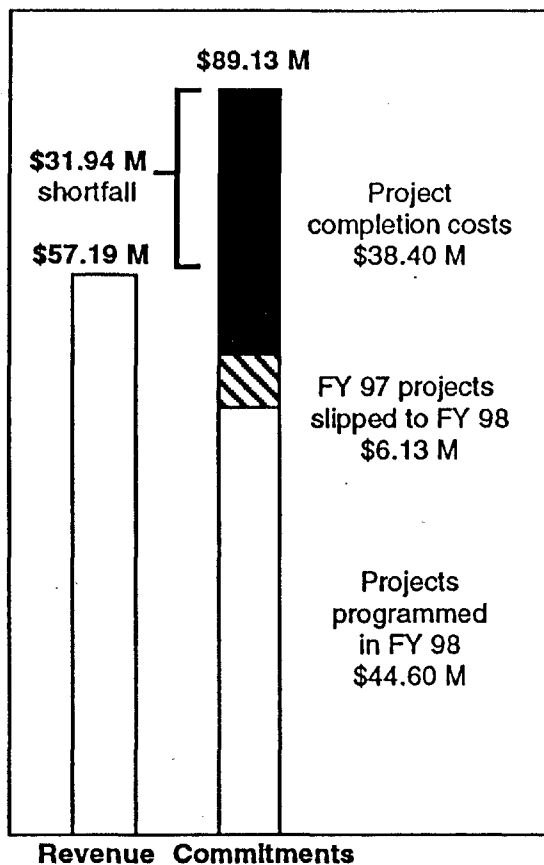
JAN '97 - Public Workshops on Draft STIP/MTIP

FEB/MARCH '97 - Adopt Final STIP/MTIP

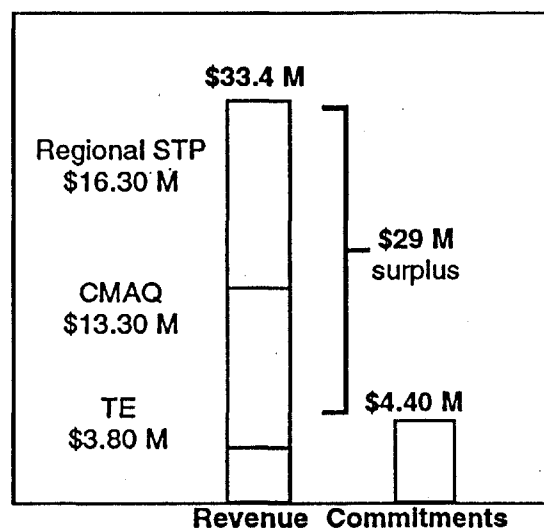
Anticipated Funding Shortfall
1998-2001

- Federal funding down due to budget cuts
- Limit to 100% of federal spending authority - don't program carryover
- Gas tax receipts down
- Greater emphasis on maintenance
- Factor in inflation @ 2.5 - 3.5%
- State Modernization already committed thru 1998
- Flex Funds only committed thru 1997

Revenue versus Commitments



**State Modernization Program
FY 98-2001**



**Regional Flexible Funding Program
FY 98-2001**

State Modernization Commitments

Region 2040 Allocation	'98	Slip to '98	Cost Increases	Total
Bus Purchases	\$10.76			
Sunnyside Rd.	\$2.00			
Hwy 43/West A		\$0.79		
Hwy 43/McVey		\$0.90		
Hwy 217/Greenburg		\$0.36		
Pacific Ave.		\$0.08		
	\$12.76	\$2.13	\$0.00	\$14.89

Highway Improvements	'98	Slip to '98	Cost Increases	Total
Eastbank Esplanade	\$1.62			
Sunset Hwy - Phase II		\$4.00	\$8.00	
I-205/Sunnybrook	\$13.40		\$6.00	
I-5/Hwy 217/Kruze Way	\$13.12		\$23.00	
Hwy 47 Bypass	\$3.70		\$1.40	
	\$31.84	\$4.00	\$38.40	\$74.24

Flex Funding Commitments

	'98	Slip to '98	Cost Increases	Total
Ped to Transit		\$0.90		
Strawberry Lane Bikeway		\$0.21		
Hall Blvd. Bike Lane		\$0.29		
Or. Electric ROW		\$0.04		
Sunnyside Rd.	\$3.00			
	\$3.00	\$1.44	\$0.00	\$4.44

Potential State Modernization Projects that could be
funded with CMAQ/Enhancement/Regional STP Funds

Hwy 43/West A	\$0.79
Hwy 43/McVey	\$0.90
Pacific Ave.	\$0.08
Eastbank Esplan	<u>\$1.62</u>
	\$3.39

Buses	\$10.76
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Sunnyside Rd.	<u>\$2.00</u>
	\$16.15

Region 2040 Projects

Roadway

- Lovejoy Ramp
- 238th/Halsey
- Johnson Creek Blvd. - Phase II
- Hwy.43/Willamette Falls Dr.
- Hwy.99W/Tualatin Rd.
- Signal interconnects - Sandy, Powell, Division, T.V. Hwy.

Freight Projects

- Albina O'Xing
- N. Lombard/Rivergate Dr. O'Xing

TDM Projects

- Regional Rideshare Program - 1998-2001
- Swan Island TMA

Bike Projects

- Hawthorne Bridge
- Halsey St.
- Springwater Access Points
- Walker Rd.
- Gateway/Hollywood Bike Access

Pedestrian Projects

- A Avenue - Lake Oswego
- Cully Blvd.
- Ped. to MAX

TOD Projects

- TOD Revolving Fund
- Beaverton Central - Mill/Henry St. - Phase II
- Gresham Civic Neighborhood - Phase II

Planning

- Metro on-going transportation planning - 1998-2001
- Freight Planning

**Current 2040 Implementation Program
Project Selection Criteria**

	Current	Proposed
ROAD EXPANSION	12040 25 points	
	2Multi-modal 15 points	
	31990 VC (15)/2015 VC (10) 25 points	
	4Cost per VHD ↓ 15 points	
	5Safety 20 points	
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	12040 25 points	
	2Multi-modal 15 points	
	31992 Pavement Rating/2002 Rating 25 points	
	4Cost per VMT ↑ in 2015 15 points	
	5Safety 20 points	
FREIGHT	12040 25 points	
	2Multi-modal 10 points	
	3System Connectivity 25 points	
	4Cost per VHD ↓ 15 points	
	5Safety 25 points	



Current 2040 Implementation Program Project Selection Criteria

	Current	Proposed
PEDESTRIAN	①2040 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	②Multi-modal 10 points	<input type="text"/>
	③Mode Share ↑/VMT ↓ 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	④Cost per VMT ↓ 15 points	<input type="text"/>
	⑤Safety correction 25 points	<input type="text"/>
BICYCLE	①2040 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	②Connectivity of Regional System 20 points	<input type="text"/>
	③Ridership (Usage) 15 points	<input type="text"/>
	④Cost per VMT ↓ 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	⑤Safety 15 points	<input type="text"/>
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	①2040 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	②Multi/intermodal 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	③Mode Share ↑/VMT ↓ 30 points	<input type="text"/>
	④Cost/new rider in 2015/VMT ↓ 20 points	<input type="text"/>
TDM	①2040 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	②Multi-modal 20 points	<input type="text"/>
	③Mode Share ↑ 30 points	<input type="text"/>
	④Cost per VMT ↓ 25 points	<input type="text"/>
TOD	①2040 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	②Multi-modal 10 points	<input type="text"/>
	③Mode Share ↑ 25 points	<input type="text"/>
	④Cost per VMT ↓ 15 points	<input type="text"/>
	⑤Density ↑ w/in ¼ mile of transit 25 points	<input type="text"/>

2040 Transportation Prioritization Criteria

Project Types	Central Cities Regional Centers on LRT	Indus. Sanctuaries	Main Streets Town Centers LRT Stations Bus Corridors Reg. Ctrs. not on LRT	"Inner" Neighbor- hoods Type I	Mixed Employ. & "Outer" Neighbor- hoods Type II
Freeways Arterials & Collectors (to & within)	H	H	M	M	L
Transit Facilities (to & within)	H	L	M	M	L
Regional Freeways (to & within)	H	M	M	M	L
Local Circ. Streets Bikeways (within)	H	L	M	M	L
Sidewalks (within)	H	L	H	M	L

High = 25 points
Medium = 13 points (13)
Low = 0 points

Potential Expanded 2040 Considerations

Road Expansion Criteria

2040 (25) Multi-modal (15) Congestion (25) Cost-Benefit (15) Safety (20) (current point scheme)	→ 1. Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central City, Regional Centers on LRT, Industrial Sanctuaries Regional Centers with no LRT, Station Communities, Town Centers, Main Streets Outer neighborhoods, Employment Areas 	points
	→ 2. 2040 Target Density	<div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1992 Density <div> <div>1/3 1/3 1/3</div> <div>}</div> <div>% ↑/↓ average present density</div> </div> </div>	1992
		<div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2015 Density <div> <div>1/3 1/3 1/3</div> <div>}</div> <div>% ↑/↓ average 2040 density</div> </div> </div>	2015
	→ 3. Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to (<i>delta of household access to total employment - '92/2015</i>) Access within (<i>per functional plan performance standard: ratio of local to regional traffic on regional facilities</i>) 	
	→ 4. Street Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TSM Treatment (<i>access control & consolidation, signal intertie/timing, channelization</i>) Multi-modal Boulevard Treatment (<i>pedestrian amenities, bikeway, transit amenities, etc.</i>) 	

Decisions for October Draft STIP/MTIP

- Should existing State Modernization Resources (\$57 m.) First Fund Existing Commitments (\$50.7 m.) before Funding Cost Increases (\$38.4 m.)?
- Should Any (all, part or none) of the Flex Funds be used to fund past State Modernization Commitments?
- Should Any (all, part or some) of the Flex Funds be retained to consider allocating to projects?
- What should be the criteria for project solicitation?

Restrict to projects previously considered?

Retain past criteria? Broaden 2040 Criteria?



WASHINGTON
COUNTY,
OREGON

September 9, 1996

To: Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT)

From: Roy Rogers, Chair *RR*
Washington County Coordinating Committee

Subject: **FY1998-2001 STIP Commitments**

The Washington County Coordinating Committee strongly reaffirms its support for providing adequate funding in the upcoming *FY1998-2001 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)* to complete all project commitments contained in the current STIP. These projects represent long standing commitments by ODOT, the region, and local jurisdictions which must be honored before considering the addition of any new projects to the STIP.

In a number of cases, these commitments were made as part of voter approved transportation programs at the local and regional levels (i.e., Westside Light Rail, MSTIP). Current commitments include the Hwy. 26 projects identified in the final environmental impact statement for westside light rail, the Hwy. 47 Bypass project, and the I-5/Hwy. 217/Kruse Way interchange.

In the previous FY1995-1998 STIP, the region cut or deferred to development a total of \$173 million. Of this regionwide total cut/deferral, \$81 million (approximately 47% of the total) was from projects in Washington County -- most of these on U.S. 26 and at I-5/Hwy. 217! The U.S. 26 projects, originally called for in the *Westside Corridor Project Final Environmental Impact Statement*, have been limited to no more than \$50 million as a result of the FY1995-1998 STIP cut process. In light of delays, project rescoping, and increased costs for these projects it is highly probable that additional funding will be needed to complete these projects as originally intended. The I-5/Hwy. 217/Kruse Way project has suffered similar problems and is also in need of additional funding. The state highway system in Washington County absorbed the lion's share of the cuts in the previous STIP, and should not be expected to take further cuts on these critical regional projects.

Additional state funds are also needed on the Hwy. 47 Bypass project. Washington County voters have funded almost \$250 million in improvements to the state and local transportation system through the MSTIP program, yet the Hwy. 47 Bypass project is



METRO

Date: September 10, 1996
To: JPACT Finance Committee
From: *EL* Ed Lindquist, Chair
Re: JPACT Finance Committee Meeting Schedule

As per discussion at the September 5 JPACT Finance Committee meeting, the following meetings are being scheduled at the Metro Regional Center:

Thursday, 9-19-96. . . .	7:30 a.m. . . .	R. 270
Thursday, 10-3-96. . . .	7:30 a.m. . . .	R. 270
Thursday, 10-17-96 . . .	7:30 a.m. . . .	R. 270
Thursday, 10-31-96 . . .	7:30 a.m. . . .	R. 370A
Thursday, 12-5-96. . . .	7:30 a.m. . . .	R. 270
Thursday, 12-19-96 . . .	7:30 a.m. . . .	R. 270

Please mark your calendar accordingly.

EL:lmk

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9-12-96

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