

# Metro | Agenda

## 2018 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE

### Regional Transit Providers - Meeting # 2

Date: March 9, 2016  
Time: 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
Place: Metro Regional Center, Room 501  
600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland, OR 97232

#### Getting there



by transit

#### Agenda items

9:30	<b>Welcome, overview, and partner updates</b>	Jamie Snook
9:40	<b>What are we trying to achieve?</b> <i>Review and discuss the purpose of the Regional Transit Strategy and what we are trying to achieve</i>	Jamie Snook, Discussion
10:00	<b>How does our transit system work today?</b> <i>Review and discuss the existing conditions – how our transit system is working today</i>	Jamie Snook, Discussion
11:00	<b>Key take away(s)</b> <i>Discuss existing conditions to highlight key take away(s)</i>	All
11:25	<b>Next steps</b>	Jamie Snook
11:30	<b>Adjourn</b>	

#### Meeting packet:

- Agenda
- Regional Transit Provider Meeting #1 Summary (September 25, 2015)
- Regional Transit Work Group Meeting #1 Summary (January 7, 2016)
- Metro Regional High Capacity Transit System Plan  
<http://www.oregonmetro.gov/sites/default/files/HCT-system-plan-report-2009.pdf>
- Metro Regional High Capacity Transit System Plan System Expansion Policy  
[http://www.oregonmetro.gov/sites/default/files/HCT-System\\_Expansion\\_Policy-2011.pdf](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/sites/default/files/HCT-System_Expansion_Policy-2011.pdf)

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**REGIONAL TRANSIT PROVIDERS WORKSHOP #1**  
**September 25, 2015, 1:00 to 3:00 PM**  
**Metro Regional Center, Room 501**

**ATTENDED:**

- Dan Bower, PSI
- Eric Hesse, TriMet
- Stephan Lashbrook, SMART
- Roger Hanson, C-TRAN
- Steve Dickey, Salem-Keizer Cherriots
- Andi Howell, Sandy
- Jacques Livingston, Mt Hood Express
- Cynthia Thompson, Yamhill County
- Karyn Criswell, ODOT
- Kathy, Woodburn

**INVITED:**

- Julie Wehling, Canby Area Transit
- Cora Potter, Ride Connection
- Shirley Lyons, South Clackamas Transportation District

**DISCUSSION**

- Each of the different agencies has a lot going on: Increases in service, expansion in service, new transit center, funding opportunities and developing short/long term plans
- Transit riders don't care about funding, just getting from point A to point B.
- We should be looking at opportunities to connect
  - We need a coordinated system.
  - There is a need to smooth out connections.
  - E-fare/shared fare system
  - Bus procurement
- This is an opportunity to share ideas and plans
- There should be fairness in the way that transit is funded. There needs to be an increased statewide conversation (beyond Portland) – intercity connections, statewide and how do we fund transit. This should include Washington.
- Define roles and responsibilities
  - What can the state do:
    - Assure permanency in routes
    - Funding
    - Common approaches
    - Commuter rail planning/intercity connections
  - What can Metro do:
    - Coordinate efforts in planning, policy and funding
    - Develop common policy for all transit providers
    - Focus on the land use and transportation connection
    - Define corridors by need

**KEY TAKE AWAY:**

- There are tangible products resulting in the Regional Transit Strategy and non-tangible products resulting in partnerships and future opportunities:
  - Build partnerships
  - Develop shared vision
  - Define roles and responsibilities

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business, Chair Jamie Snook, adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

*Meeting summary prepared by Jamie Snook.*



**Regional Transit Work Group Meeting #1**  
**Thursday, January 7, 2016, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
**Metro Regional Center, Room 401**

**Committee Members**

	<b>Affiliation</b>
Dan Bower	Portland Streetcar
Lidwien Rahman	ODOT
Karyn Criswell	ODOT
Steve Dickey	Salem-Keizer Transit
Roger Hanson	C-Tran
Eric Hesse	TriMet
Andi Howell	City of Sandy / Sandy Transit
Stephan Lashbrook	City of Wilsonville/SMART
Nancy Kraushaar	City of Wilsonville
Jacques Livingston	Clackamas County
Karen Buehrig	Clackamas County
Shirley Lyons	S. Clackamas Transportation District
Steve Szigethy	Washington County
Cynthia Thompson	Yamhill County and BCB Consulting
Andrea Hamberg	Oregon Health Authority
Nancy Kraushaar	City of Wilsonville
Ken Recker	ATP for Beaverton
Denny Egner	City of Milwaukie
Mike Coleman	Port of Portland
Mauricio LeClerc	City of Portland
Alex Page	Ride Connection
Kelly Clark	City of Gresham
Kate McQuillan	Multnomah County
Steve White	Oregon Public Health Institute

**Metro Staff**

Tom Kloster	Metro
Jamie Snook	Metro
Grace Cho	Metro
Janet Toman	Metro

## **I. WELCOME**

Mr. Tom Kloster welcomed meeting attendees. Everyone provided introductions. Mr. Kloster introduced Ms. Jamie Snook who talked about the regional transit strategy, which is part of the 2018 RTP update. This is updated every four years. It was announced this will be the first of additional periodic meetings.

## **II. WHAT ARE OTHER PLANNING EFFORTS OR PROJECTS**

Other planning projects and efforts discussed by the committee included:

- Oregon State transportation plan
- Oregon Rail Plan
- TriMet service enhancement plan

## **III. OVERVIEW OF THE REGIONAL TRANSIT STRATEGY (RTS)**

Ms. Snook provided an overview of the Regional Transit Strategy. Highlights included:

- My Place in the Region
- High capacity transit as a whole
- Transit supportive elements
- Regional Transit Plan History
- Proposed approach
- Key phases
- Schedule and milestones

## **IV. HOW TO GET INVOLVED (PROPOSED WORKING GROUPS/WORKSHOPS)**

- Public engagement opportunities
- Special events
- Regional Transit Providers workshops (this group)
- Transit working group
- TPAC/JPACT
- MTAC/MPAC
- Metro Council

## **V. WHO SHOULD BE ENGAGED**

The work group suggested engaging the state in a statewide conversation including Washington, around coordination and funding.

The attendees discussed who should be engaged in this process. Comments included looking at partnerships, ensuring coordinated vision, building off previous work (Climate Smart) and regional leadership forums.

Other opportunities discussed: We should be looking at opportunities to connect around the need for a coordinated system, smoothing out connections and a coordinated fare system.

**VI. WHAT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE RTS TO ADDRESS (OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES)**

Issues attendees recommended or were important to address include the following:

- Clarifying roles and responsibilities
- Funding / Clarifying capital and operating improvements
- Demand on infrastructure
- Transit connections
- Flexible transit community services

There are tangible products resulting in the Regional Transit Strategy and non-tangible products resulting in partnerships and future opportunities:

- Build partnerships
- Develop shared vision
- Define roles and responsibilities

**VII. ADJOURN**

Ms. Snook provided a quick overview of the meeting. She announced that this work group would meet about 15 times over the next two years. Attendees discussed future meeting formats and preferred to have future meetings with periodic workshops. Ms. Snook said that the next meeting would be in February 2016 and would be focused on the existing conditions and preparing for the first leadership forum. She agreed to send out meeting notes and links to the current HCT Plan and System Expansion Policy.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

*Meeting summary prepared by: Janet Toman, Planning and Development.*

Meeting materials:

Item	Topic	Document Date	Description
1	Agenda	01/07/16	Regional Transit Work Group Agenda
2	PDF	01/07/16	Regional Transit Strategy PowerPoint presentation
3	PDF	8/2015	RTS Approach overview and timeline
4	PDF	9/17/15	RTS_factsheet_FINAL-091715