

# Meeting Summary



## BMPO Technical Advisory Committee

**Location:** Board Room, Bend City Hall  
710 NW Wall, Bend, Oregon

**Date:** November 6, 2024

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.

**Prepared by:** ABC Transcription Services, LLC.

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### In Attendance

#### TAC Voting Members

- Sharon Smith, Bend-La Pine Schools (BLS), left at 11:30 a.m.
- Quinn Keever, Bend Park and Recreation District (BPRD)
- Susanna Julber, City of Bend
- Eric Lint, Cascades East Transit (CET) Program Manager, left at 11:33 a.m.
- Greg Bryant, Citizen Representative
- James Dorofin, Citizen Representative, Envision Bend
- Brian Potwin, Commute Options Executive Director
- Tarik Rawlings, Deschutes County Senior Transportation Planner
- Neil Baunsgard, Deschutes County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
- Ken Shonkwiler, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Region 4

#### TAC Non-Voting Members

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

#### BMPO Staff and Other Attendees

- Andrea Napoli, BMPO Senior Planner
- Kelli Kennedy, BMPO Program Coordinator
- Paul Dean, Bend-La Pine Schools (BLS)
- Don Morehouse, ODOT Region 4

### Agenda Items

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Manager Deke called the regular meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., with a quorum established.

#### 2. Hybrid Meeting Guidelines

Manager Deke reviewed the meeting guidelines.

### **3. Public Comment**

Manager Deke called for public comment. There was none.

### **4. Meeting Summary**

Materials referenced: September 4, 2024, TAC draft meeting summary (Attachment A in the agenda packet)

**Motion 1:** Greg Bryant moved approval of the September 4, 2024, TAC draft meeting summary as presented. James Dorofi seconded the motion which passed 10 to 0.

### **5. Deschutes County Transportation System Plan (TSP) & Tumalo Community Plan (TCP)**

Materials referenced: Tumalo Community Plan (Attachment B in the agenda packet), a link to the [Deschutes County Transportation Planning webpage](#), and a link to download a copy of the [Deschutes County TSP](#).

Tarik Rawlings provided an overview of the updated TSP document and the planned projects in the Bend area, and he shared points of feedback received during public outreach.

Questions from the committee were addressed about the revenue forecast being based on numbers from 2021; flexibility of the project cost estimates and contributions to projects from the County and ODOT; impacts of the County's road moratorium on rural road maintenance and the possibility of the County Commission lifting the moratorium to add certain roads; funding amounts contributed to projects by the County or ODOT being determined individually by project; removing priority status among many of the planned projects due to public feedback; frequency of updating or amending the MPO and County TSPs and possibly amending the TSP in response to projects outlined by the upcoming TSAP update; implications of the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan's findings regarding the Cascadia area; and the seniority of railroad easements.

Tarik Rawlings provided an overview of the amendments made to the updated TCP document and outlined the goals, policies, and planned projects in Tumalo. He shared a summary of the comments received during public outreach efforts, described the results of public hearings held by the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners, and explained the impacts of the small minimum lot sizes in Tumalo.

### **6. ODOT Updates**

Materials referenced: links to the following webpages were provided in the agenda packet:

[Revere Avenue Rail Crossing: Urban Design Verification](#),  
[US20 Facility Plan 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to Powell Butte Highway](#), and [Bend to Lava Butte Multi-Use Path](#).

Ken Shonkwiler outlined the goals and next steps of the Revere Avenue Rail Crossing urban design verification (UDV) study. He also provided a timeline for the Lava Butte Path project, noting the remaining issues to be resolved with the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) in the upcoming application.

Questions from the committee were addressed regarding strategies to reduce car accidents and improve the pedestrian and bicycle rights-of-way around the intersection at Revere Ave and Division St while dealing with constraints such as the inability to purchase the adjacent private property for expansion.

Don Morehouse gave an overview of the US20 Facility Plan's preferred alternative intersection designs to promote bicycle and pedestrian safety where US20 intersects NE 3<sup>rd</sup> St/Greenwood Ave, NE 8<sup>th</sup> St, NE Purcell Blvd, NE 27<sup>th</sup> St, and the roundabout at Hamby Rd.

Questions and comments from the Board were addressed about activating the proposed bicycle priority signal at the NE Purcell Blvd intersection with buttons or sensors; the potential for the northeast side of Bend as a Climate Friendly Area (CFA) candidate; taking action to restrict left turns in the eastbound lane and prevent red-light running at the US20/NE 27<sup>th</sup> St intersection; increasing the use of red-light cameras in Bend; the difficulty in preventing vehicles from parking in or using bicycle lanes as turn lanes; the possibility of using bollards to delineate bicycle lanes at intersections; designating the alignment of lanes at the US20 and 3<sup>rd</sup> St/Greenwood Ave intersection; and reporting back on the timeline for completing the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramp remediation project.

## **7. Bend Transportation Safety Action Plan (TSAP) Update and Status**

Agenda Item 7 was not addressed.

## **8. MPO Boundary Update – Tumalo Outreach**

Materials referenced: Map with FAUB and existing MPO boundary (Attachment C in the agenda packet) and Map with unincorporated Tumalo area and existing MPO boundary (Attachment D in the agenda packet)

Senior Planner Napoli showed a map of the updated MPO Boundary, shared the results of public outreach regarding the possibility of including Tumalo in the MPO Boundary. She noted the MPO Policy Board would finalize the MPO Boundary at the meeting on November 15, 2024.

Questions were addressed about the potential benefits of Tumalo being included in the MPO Boundary and the incorporation of part of the east side of US97 into the new MPO Boundary.

## **9. 2025 TAC Meeting Schedule**

Materials referenced: Proposed 2025 TAC Meeting Schedule (Attachment E in the agenda packet)

Agenda Item 9 was not addressed.

**10. Member and Guest Roundtable**

Agenda Item 10 was not addressed.

**11. Public Comment**

Agenda Item 11 was not addressed.

**12. Next TAC Meeting**

The next meeting of the TAC is scheduled for December 4, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

**13. Adjournment**

Manager Deke adjourned the meeting at 11:47 a.m.



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