

Memo

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To: TriMet Board of Directors

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Subject: TriMet Regional Transportation Plan Project List

At the February 22, 2023 TriMet Board of Directors meeting, we will be providing a board briefing on TriMet's proposed list of projects for the 2023 Regional Transportation Plan Update. Metro updates the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and list of projects every five years. In order to receive most forms of federal funding, projects must be included on the RTP project list, so this update comes at a critical time for the region to be able to take advantage of new federal infrastructure funding opportunities.

We are providing this update to the board because a new step in the RTP update process this year is that each jurisdiction must submit a letter of support from their governing body with their final project list, which is due by May 24th.

The project list below is a summary of all the projects and programs on TriMet's 2023 project list. These projects are informed by TriMet's and other local agency revenue forecasts. Projects on the constrained project lists are those which we have identified reasonably expected revenue, often in partnership with other agencies, to include on the list. Strategic projects are those that are important to the agency and region, but there is not expected revenue to include at this point in time.

The list below is a summary of TriMet's 2023 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) project list. This proposed project list will be submitted to Metro for review and analysis on Tuesday, February 21st. There may be further refinements to this list, and project lists submitted by other local jurisdictions, over the next few months before the Draft RTP and project list are shared with the public this summer.

We will discuss the RTP Project list development and refinement process, as well as more information about the projects listed below, at the Board briefing.

TriMet 2023 Regional Transportation Plan Project List

Operating, Maintenance and State of Good Repair Constrained list:

- Preventative maintenance and expansion/enhancement of system assets, organized in programmatic buckets for:
 - Safety & Security: Safety enhancements, CCTV
 - HCT State of Good Repair and improvements: Signals, switches, stations, track, optimization, operational and reliability improvements
 - IT/Communication systems
 - o Equipment and Facilities
- TriMet Operating costs through 2045 (reflect full Forward Together implementation plus modest annual service growth after 2027)
- TriMet Maintenance costs through 2045
- Willamette Shore Line State of Good Repair improvements NEW
- Blue Line Station Rehabilitation NEW
- Programmatic buckets:
 - o STIF Regional coordination and streetcar "pass-through" funds NEW
 - o Park and Rides and Bike and Rides
 - o Fare discount programs NEW

Operating Capital Constrained List

- Bus Operating Facilities/ Zero Emission Bus facilities
 - Columbia Bus Base
 - Merlo, Center, Powell Bus Bases (renovations and charging infrastructure Phase 2 in long-term constrained)
 - o 5th Bus Base Site Acquisition (long-term constrained)
- Transit Centers and layover improvements
 - o North Downtown Transit Mall terminal for bus layover
 - o Beaverton Transit Center NEW
 - Oregon City Transit Center NEW
 - o Transit Centers and Layover improvements bucket NEW
- Fleet Replacement/refurbishment of buses, articulated buses, light rail and LIFT vehicles
- Park Avenue Park and Ride Construction NEW
- Programmatic buckets
 - Better Bus/ETC NEW
 - o Transit-Oriented Development NEW

o Bus Stops and Access to transit improvements

2023-2030 High Capacity Transit (HCT) Constrained List

- 82nd Avenue and TVH FX (BRT) projects ¹
- Better Red Construction (remaining to be spent)
- Montgomery Park Streetcar²
- SW Corridor Project Development (not full costs)
- Enhanced Transit Corridor (ETC)/Better Bus corridor transit priority projects on frequent service bus lines and a program bucket for future investments

2031-2045 HCT Constrained List

- SW Corridor Project Development, Engineering and Right of Way
- Steel Bridge Transit Bottleneck Improvement Project Development
- Project Development for future FX corridors
- ETC/Better Bus bucket for corridor transit priority projects on frequent service bus lines

2031-2045 HCT Strategic List

- SW Corridor Construction (moved from 2018 constrained)
- Steel Bridge Transit Bottleneck Construction (moved from constrained)
- Johns Landing Streetcar extension
- HCT Tier 2 Small Starts Projects (costs and project descriptions aligned with Metro HCT Plan Update)
 - Hollywood Streetcar (moved from constrained to strategic)
 - Burnside/Stark
 - o MLK
 - o Cesar Chavez/Lombard to Milwaukie
 - SW 185th
 - o Beaverton Hillsdale Highway

2024-2045 Operating Capital Strategic List

- Bus and rail system expansion
 - o 5th Bus base design and construction
 - o Fleet expansion to support service growth
- Strategic service increases funding for operations for service growth beyond projected revenues

¹ All HCT projects assume local match contributions from partners

² City of Portland to cover capital cost match.

2018 RTP TriMet projects to delete or combine with other projects:

- HCT Portland to Vancouver: Moved to part of larger IBR project
- HCT WES Double-tracking and frequency improvements: Ranked low in HCT Plan analysis removed from list
- HCT I-205 Capital construction: Ranked low in HCT Plan analysis removed from list
- MLK streetcar delete, future HCT project not mode-specific
- Move to City of Portland List:
 - o ETC corridors that are Portland Central City only
- Bus: Columbia to Clackamas Delete as project because new TriMet route is included in 2027 bus service network
- Zero Emission Bus Phase 1 and 2: Zero Emission Bus improvements have been incorporated into TriMet bus facility projects and fleet replacement projects, rather than general buckets of funds.