

## AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: November 1, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) Update

## **BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

State legislation passed in 2017 created a funding mechanism called the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF). STIF is designed to expand public transportation service in Oregon.

Because we do not have a mass transit district or transportation district, Deschutes County receives STIF revenue directly. STIF is funded through a state payroll tax equal to one-tenth of one percent. The tax is collected by the Oregon Department of Revenue and distributed back to the communities in which it was collected.

Following Board approval in January, staff submitted Deschutes County's proposed STIF projects for the 2021-23 biennium to ODOT. ODOT approved the County's FY 2021-23 STIF application and plan. On Nov. 1, staff from Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council will provide an update on 2021-23 STIF projects. Additional information on those projects is included in the attached staff report.

## **BUDGET IMPACTS:**

STIF revenue estimates were included in the FY 2022 Budget. ODOT estimates that the County will receive \$3,580,322 in FY 2022 and \$ 3,772,946 in FY 2023.

## **ATTENDANCE:**

Andrea Breault, Transportation Director, Cascades East Transit Ashley Mohni (Hooper), Strategic Programs and Partnerships Coordinator, Cascades East Transit Whitney Hale, Deputy County Administrator, Deschutes County