CDD Planning Division

Transportation System Plan 2020-2040

File 247-23-000507-PA, 508-TA



Hearing Procedure

The hearing will be conducted in the following order:

- 1. Staff will explain the hearing format and how to testify
- 2. Staff report
- 3. Testimony
 - 1. The Applicant
 - 2. Agencies
 - 3. Persons in support
 - 4. Persons in opposition
- 4. Applicant rebuttal
- 5. Staff closing comments



Notices & Record Materials

Project Website and Full Record

https://www.deschutes.org/cd/page/<u>transportation-system-planupdate-2020-2040-247-23-000507-pa-508-ta</u>



Testifying at Today's Hearing

- In-person and remote participation meeting format
- > Before starting your testimony please provide:
 - 1. First and Last Name
 - 2. Mailing Address
- > Time Limitations
 - Applicant = 30 minutes
 - Agencies/Government Bodies = 10 minutes
 - Other Participants = 3 minutes
 - Applicant Rebuttal = 10 minutes



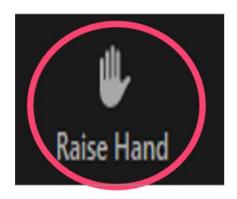
In-Person Participants

- Please fill out a blue sign-up sheet and submit it to the Board's secretary
- Chair DeBone will call up each person to provide their testimony
- Please come up to the table at the front of the room to provide your testimony



Remote Participants

- > To testify remotely you must attend using Zoom
- Chair DeBone will request that all Zoom participants use the "raise hand" feature to notify the Board that you would like to testify
- Computer / Smart Device Raise Hand (Dial-in)
 - Press the Raise Hand button



- - Enter *9 on your keypad





Hearing Procedures

- Written testimony can be submitted to staff
 - In-person Hand to staff
 - Remote Email to staff: <u>Tarik.Rawlings@Deschutes.org</u>

- Orderly & respectful hearing
- > Commissioner disclosures

Objections to hearing format







Staff Report

Deschutes County Transportation System Plan Update







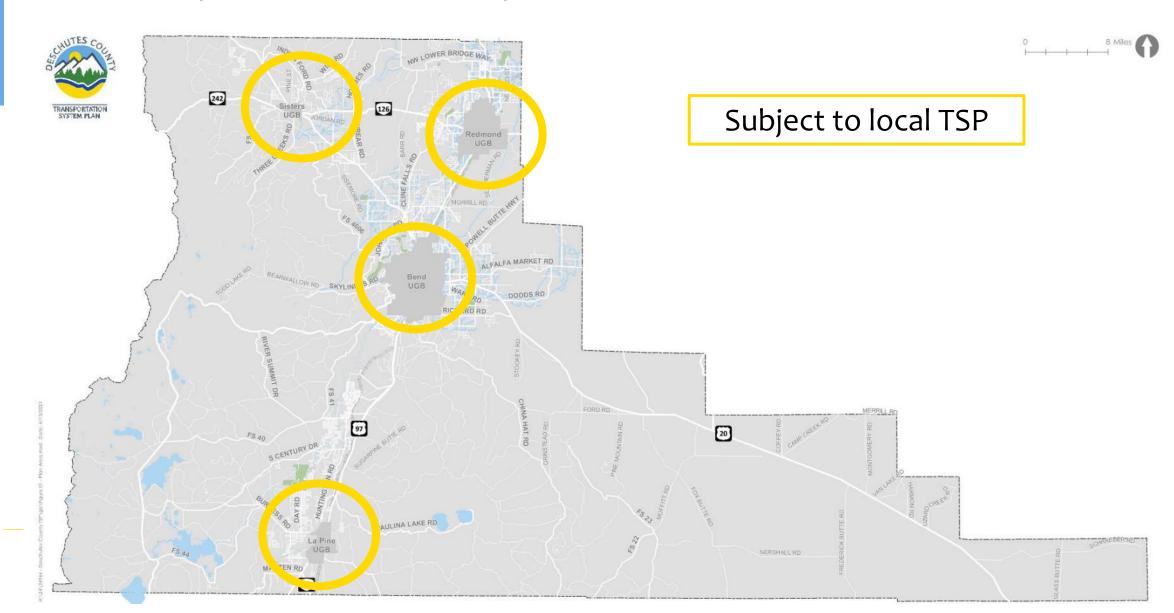
What is a TSP?

- Transportation element of the Deschutes County Comprehensive Plan
- Provides a prioritization of projects that the County can reasonably fund and implement over the next 20 years
- Reflects County's top priority to preserve and maintain existing roadways
- Includes a long-term vision of a transportation system that allows people to travel within the County via driving, riding bikes, walking and transit

Why Update the TSP?

- Reflects the significant growth that has occurred during last 10 years and helps plan for the needs of the unincorporated and rural areas over the next 20 years
- Recognizes the continuing decrease in revenue for "new investments" and provides a prioritization of how the County can make investments in the future
- Reflects County transportation system's crucial role in the event of a Cascadia Subduction Event, aka earthquake
- Incorporates the findings of recently completed plans by the cities,
 ODOT, CET, and other agencies that address transportation needs within the County boundaries
- Evaluated and confirmed need to keep the Roadway Moratorium

County versus City TSPs



Who Helped Shaped the TSP?

- Technical Working Group of County Staff and Consulting team
- 2 Public Open Houses
- Multiple Agency Partner Coordination Committee Meetings
- Broad engagement with partner agencies, including ODOT and other state agencies
- Outreach to County's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) on bicycle facility planning



Public Involvement Process

- First Virtual Open House held in May 2021; minimal public participation
- Second Virtual Open House held in December 2022; 159 people provided input
- Broad support for project list with recommendations for key projects to be prioritized.
- Most open house comments were in response to the following:
 - Sunrise Boulevard Support for project
 - Deschutes River Woods South Interchange Project Both support and concern.
 - Note: Will require further evaluation and coordination with ODOT prior to implementation
 - Sisters to Black Butte Ranch Bike Path Mixed feedback
 - SW Bend Ped/Bike Bridge BPRD project, included in TSP by reference to BPRD Master Plan



Draft TSP Overview

- Chapter 1 Introduction
- Chapter 2 Goals & Policies
- Chapter 3 Needs Assessment and Evaluation
- Chapter 4 Providing Multimodal Systems
- Chapter 5 Transportation Investment Priorities
- Chapter 6 Funding



Summary of Prioritized Investments

Table 1-1: Total Cost of Prioritized TSP Investments

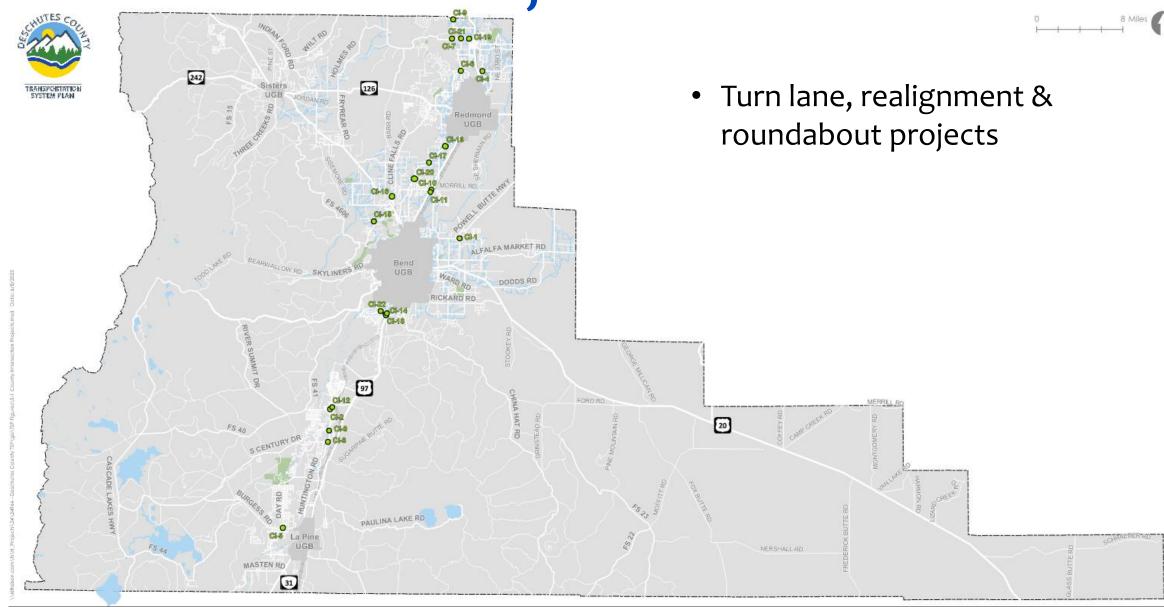
_	Estimated Cost by Priority			
Project Category	High	Medium	Low	Total Cost
Intersection Changes	\$11,530,000	\$14,900,000	\$2,100,000	\$28,530,000
Roadway Changes	\$6,100,000	\$25,000,000	\$57,500,000	\$88,600,000
County Share of ODOT Intersections	\$19,100,000	\$3,000,000	\$19,000,000	\$41,100,000
Pedestrian Facilities	\$600,000	\$3,600,000	\$2,100,000	\$6,300,000
Bridges	\$5,700,000	\$2,400,000	\$7,900,000	\$16,000,000
County Share of FLAP Projects	\$600,000	\$3,700,000	\$4,500,000	\$8,800,000
Total	\$43,630,000	\$52,600,000	93,100,000	\$189,330,000



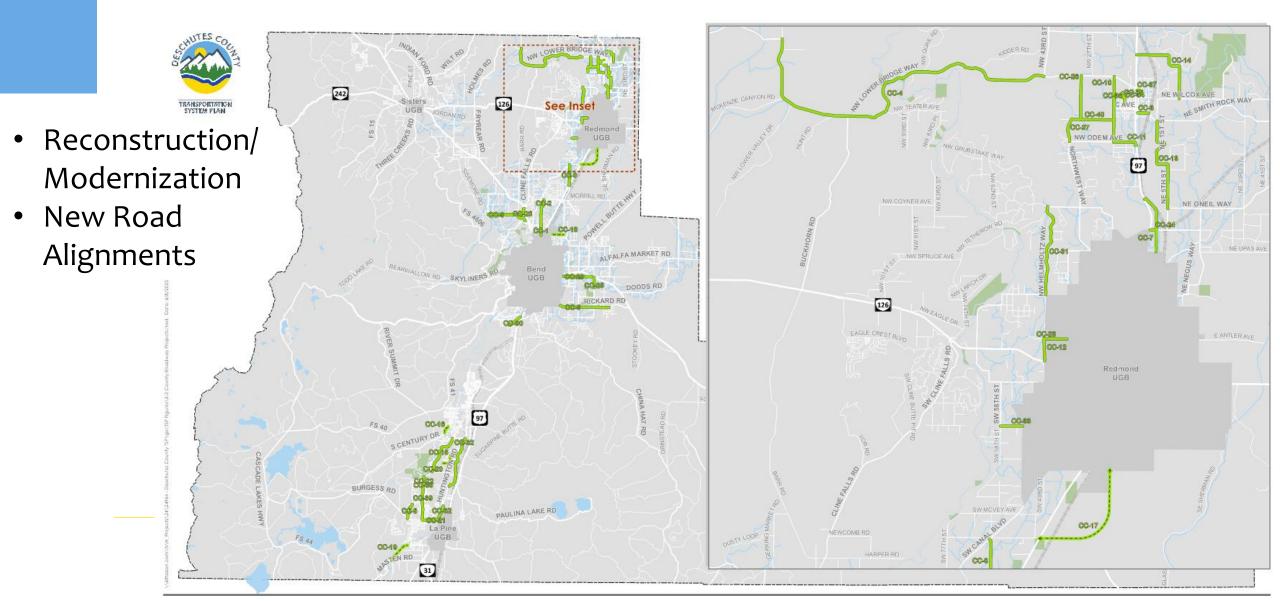
Prioritized Transportation Investments

- All projects include project cost estimates for County planning and budgeting purposes; final costs and designs will be confirmed upon implementation
- Helps County to review and develop Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project lists
- Includes County Transportation Safety Action Plan
- Provides flexibility for future intersection and roadway investments, depending on need and funding

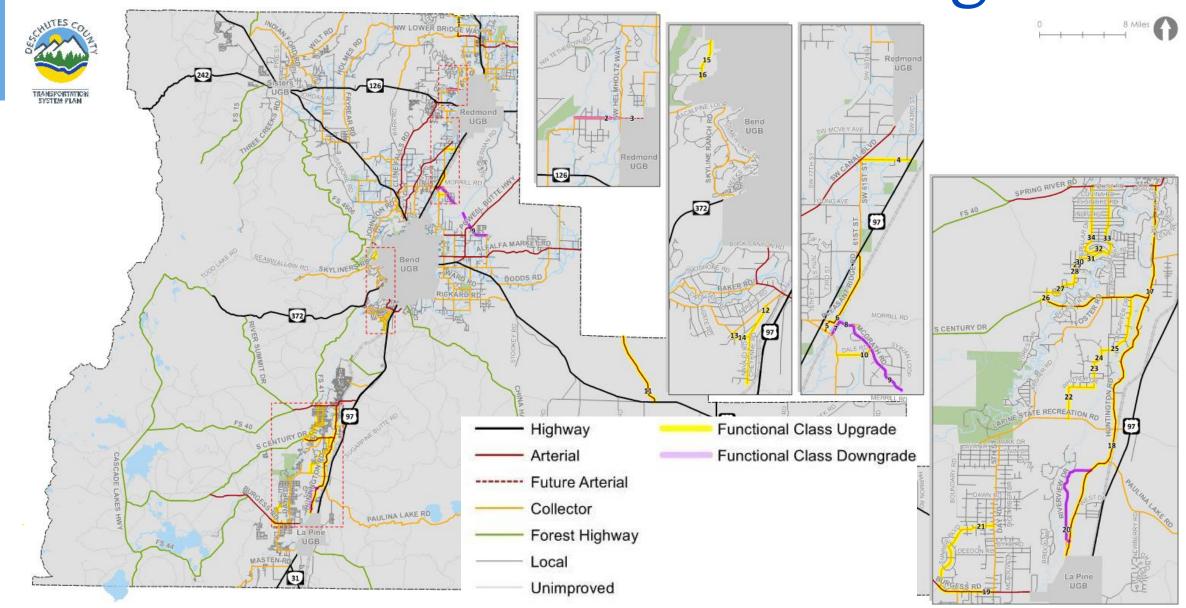
Intersection Projects



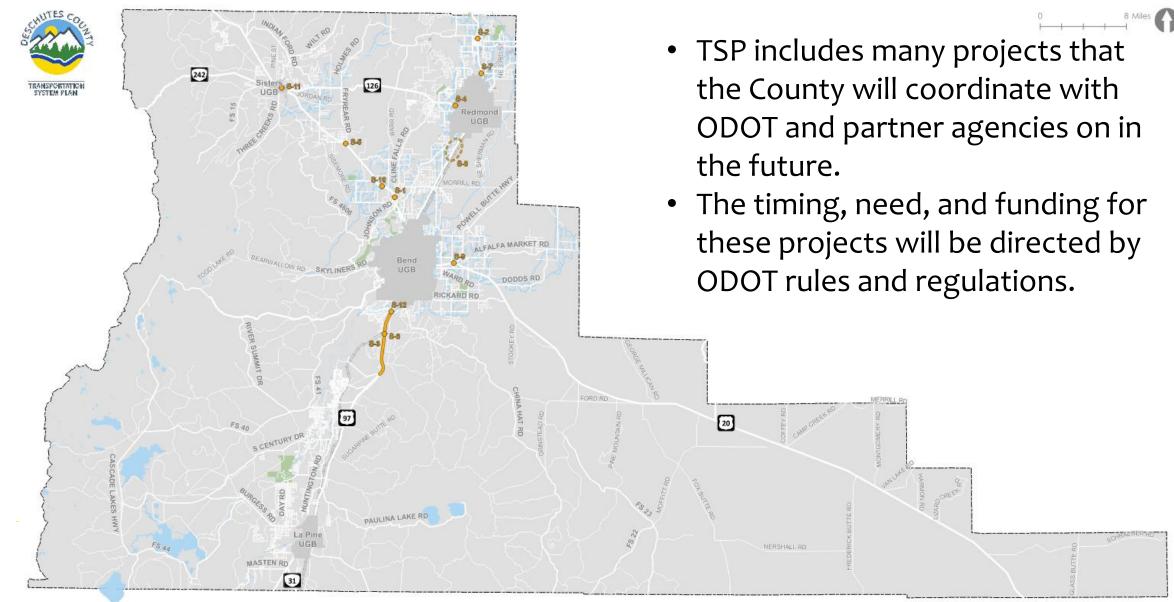
Roadway Projects



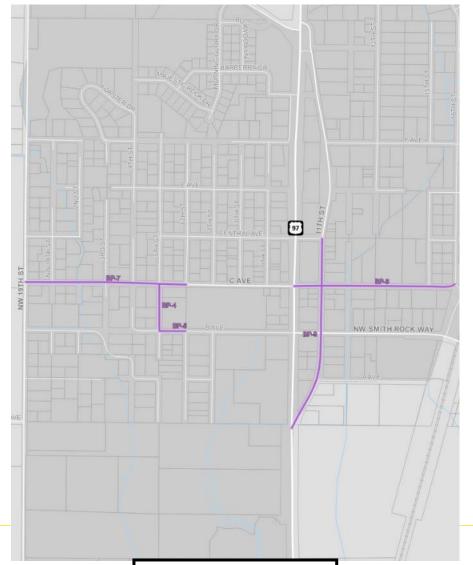
Functional Classification Changes



ODOT Facility Projects



Planned Pedestrian Facilities





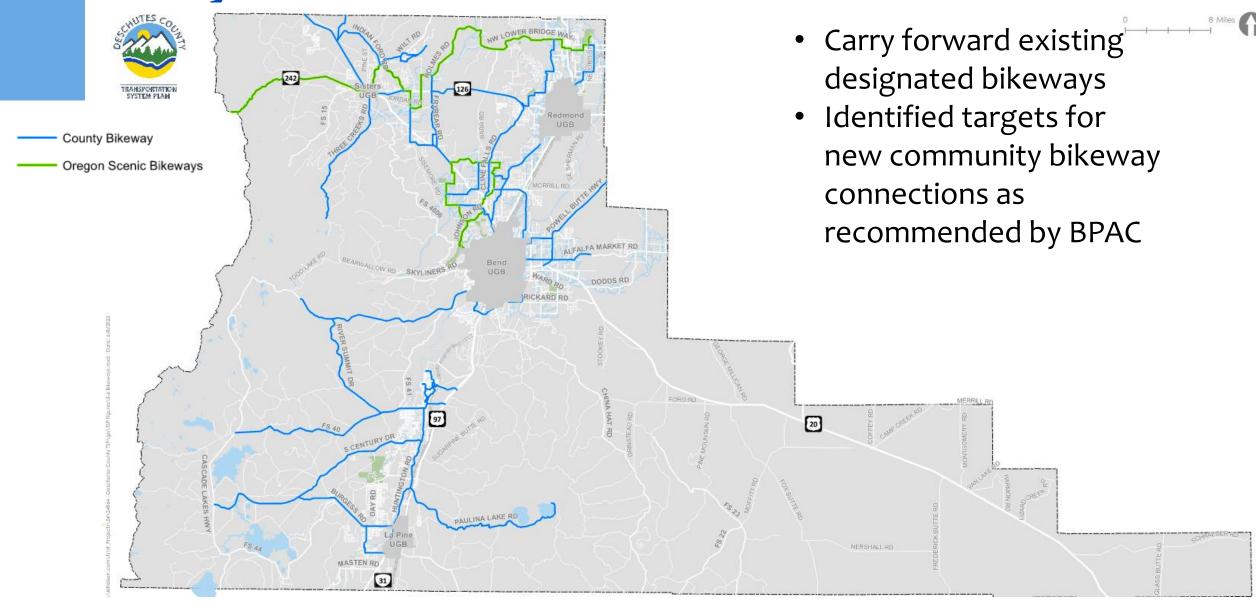
 Filling sidewalk gaps in rural unincorporated communities



Terrebonne Area

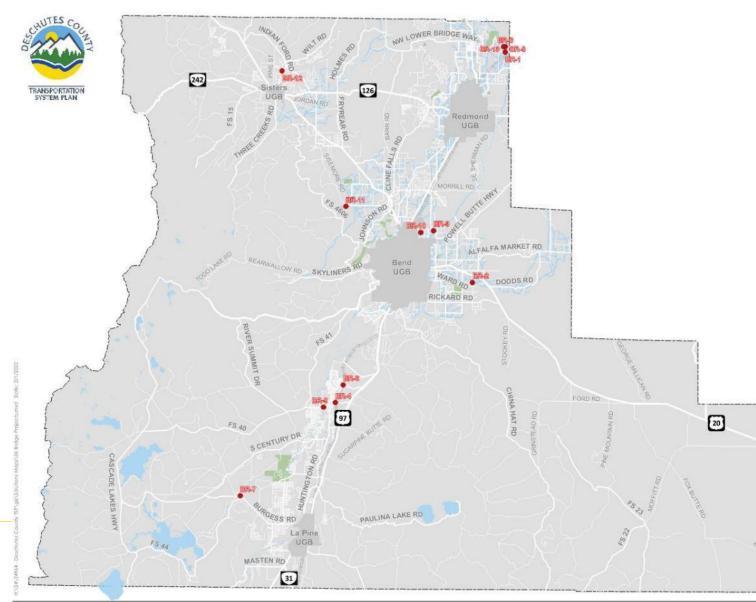
Tumalo Area

Bicycle Facilities



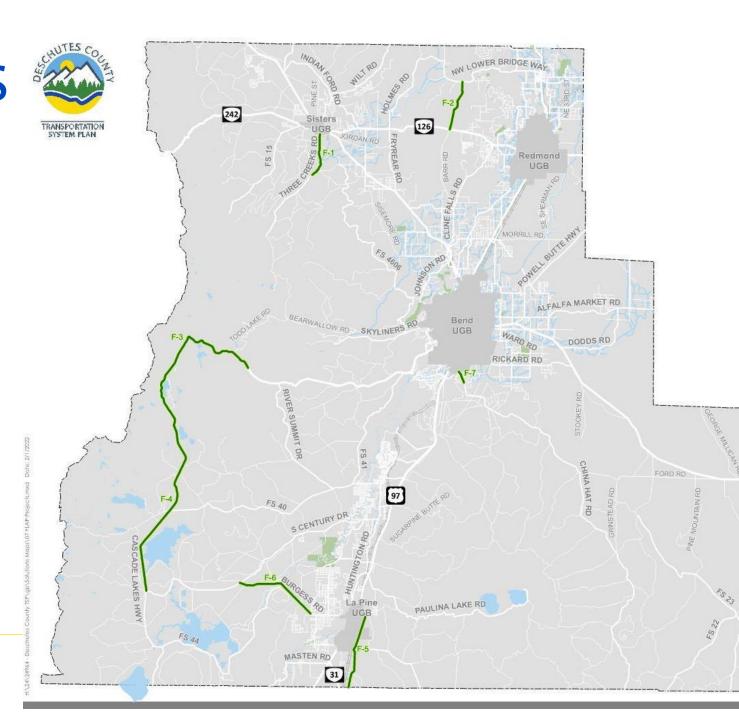
Bridge Projects

- Replacement or rehabilitation of existing County road bridges
- Selections/prioritization based on current bridge conditions



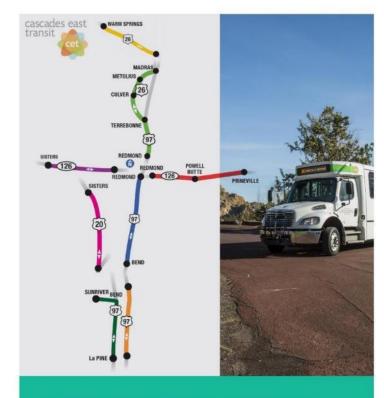
FLAP Projects

- Federal program intended to improve access to Federal lands.
- Projects focus on upgrades to County standards and reconstruction



Transit Facilities

- Close coordination with CET 2040
 Transit Master Plan
 - TSP will adopt Plan by reference
 - Projects can help increase service to unincorporated areas of the County
- Several transit providers today:
 - Cascades East Transit
 - Mostly Dial-A-Ride service within the County
 - Community Connector between communities
 - Various regional services including:
 - Central Oregon Breeze, POINT, Shuttle from Chemult

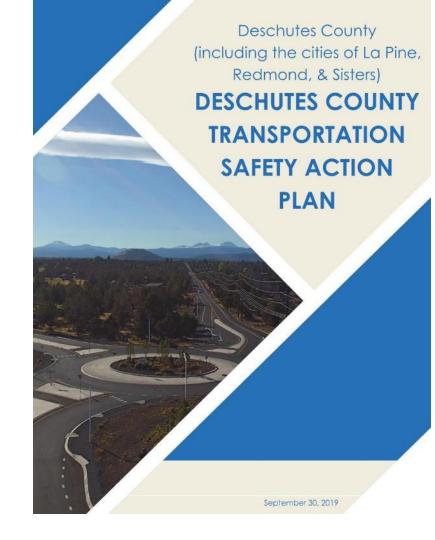


CASCADES EAST TRANSIT (CET)
2040 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN
2020 ADOPTION DRAFT, AUGUST, 2020



Safety

- Deschutes County TSAP
 - Key Countywide document to help identify crash trends and identify solutions to address those trends
 - Focused on fatal and severe crashes
 - TSP project list incorporates Priority Improvement locations





Funding Priorities

- Current maintenance and operational standards remain in place
- County's existing Road Moratorium remains in place.
- Existing funding levels will remain relatively consistent and no major programs (County, State, Federal, etc.) are implemented to significantly change predicted revenues

#1

Maintain the system

- Pavement Management Program: Sustained PCI.
- Signing/Striping
- Vegetation Management
- Shoulder Maintenance
- Bridge Maintenance



#2

Operate the system

- · Snow/lo
- Roadside Hazards
- Event/Incident Response
- Fleet/Equipment



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Improve the system

- Capital Projects
- Major Maintenance
- Safety Improvements
- Modernization





How Will County Use TSP Once Adopted?

- Work with Local, State and Federal Agencies to identify funding for project priorities
- Continued work with partner agencies on prioritizing projects
- Identifying projects for CIP list
- Future public outreach on specific project details when funding is available
- County staff, Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners can use policies goals and priorities to guide land use and transportation decision-making

Staff Report

Background

 Planning Commission public hearing held on August 10, 2023

Open record period extended until August 24 2023

 Planning Commission deliberations held on October 12, 2023



Current Status

- Planning Commission recommends adoption of the TSP including the following amendments:
- 1. Removal of the Conceptual Multi-use Pathway Connection between <u>City of Sisters and Black Butte Ranch</u>. *(6 Commissioners in favor, 1 Commissioner in opposition)*
- 2. Changing the Multi-use Pathway Connection between Baker Road and Lava Butte to be located on the <u>west side of Highway 97</u> rather than the east side. *(7 Commissioners unanimously in favor)*

Current Status

- 3. Changing the priority status for the <u>2nd Street/Cook Ave</u> <u>sidewalks in Tumalo</u> project (Table 5.5 ID BP-3) from Medium to High. (6 Commissioners in favor, 1 Commissioner absent)
- 4. Changing the priority status for the <u>US 20/Powell Butte Highway</u> Roundabout project (Table 5.4 ID S-9) from Low to High. *(6 Commissioners in favor, 1 Commissioner absent)*
- 5. Changing the priority status for the <u>US 20/Locust St Roundabout</u> project (Table 5.4 ID S-11) from Low to High and noting that the project, with contributions from Deschutes County, City of Sisters, and ODOT, is funded for construction in 2024. *Commissioners in favor, 1 Commissioner absent)*

Summary of ~160 written comments

- Allowance/disallowance of multi-use pathways in the rural county related to wildlife values and resource-zoned lands;
- Multi-use pathway connection between the City of Sisters and Black Butte Ranch (BBR);
- Potential development of a footbridge across the Deschutes River near the Brookswood neighborhood of Deschutes River Woods;
- Classification change and improvement of Sunrise Boulevard
- Deschutes River Woods South Interchange Project
- City of Redmond US97 South Interchange (Quarry or McVeigh)



Summary of ~160 written comments

- Concerns regarding local access roads in Special Road District #1, including replacement of the canal crossing (culvert) on Island Loop Way; Three Rivers comprehensive community planning; requests for traffic and infrastructure improvements in Three Rivers
- Concerns with operational aspects of the Bend Municipal Airport;
- Requests to change priority statuses for several transportationrelated projects;
- Designation of bicycle routes;
- Adequacy of County-based public transit;
- Vegetation management practices for County transportation facilities.



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Next Steps

At the conclusion of the Board's public hearing on November 29, 2023, the Board may:

- Hold the oral and written record open and continue the hearing to a date certain
- Close the oral record and hold the written record open to a date certain
- Close both the oral and written record and set a date certain for deliberations
- Close both the oral and written record and begin deliberations



Questions?

Thank you

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