

**ALBANY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
POLICY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015  
2:30 – 4:30 pm**

Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments  
Upstairs Conference Room / 1400 Queen Ave. SE, Albany

**Policy Board Members Attending:** Amy Ramsdell, Annabelle Jaramillo, Darrin Lane, Dave Beyerl, and Roger Nyquist

**Alternates:** Georgia Edwards and Valerie Grigg Devis

**Members Absent:** Floyd Collins and Gary Powell

**Staff Attending:** Charlie Mitchell, Theresa Conley, and Emma Chavez

**Guests:** Chris Baily, Ron Irish, Bruce Clemetsen, and Lee Lazaro

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>DECISION / CONCLUSION</b>
I. Call to Order and Introduction	The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm.	
II. Agenda Review		<b>Changed agenda to: VIII. Hwy 34 Safety IX. Future Meeting Dates X. Jurisdictional Updates</b>
III. Public Comment		<b>There were no comments from the public.</b>
IV. Minutes of August 26, 2015 Meeting		<b>Consensus from the Policy Board to approve the August 26, 2015 meeting minutes as written.</b>

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<p>V. STIP Enhance Prioritization of AAMPO Area Projects</p>	<p>Through the CWACT-AAMPO Coordinated Protocol, AAMPO is able to prioritize projects within the MPO boundary and submit the ranking to the ACT. The protocol states that the list will must retain its prioritization during the CWACT’s own prioritization process. The AAMPO TAC, at its last meeting, reviewed the AAMPO area project proposals and ranked them. Since then one of the projects was dropped and two remained. The Policy Board was requested to consider the TAC’s recommended prioritization for approval. The projects are (prioritized):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SR2S Improvements – Sunrise Elementary (City of Albany)</li> <li>2. Linn-Benton Community College Public Transportation Hub (LBCC)</li> </ol>	<p><b>Consensus from the Policy Board to approve the prioritized list of projects as recommended.</b></p>
<p>VI. Draft AAMPO STP Project Prioritization Criteria</p>	<p>AAMPO currently has a two year Interim TIP and is beginning development of its first four-year TIP. AAMPO must develop an allocation policy and ranking criteria for project selection. The TAC has been working on a draft STP allocation policy and related prioritization criteria. The TAC used considerations of keeping a simple process, equitability and fairness, and the importance of preservation and maintenance projects. The TAC has submitted a Draft Surface Transportation Program (STP) Policy and Criteria for the Policy Board’s approval.</p>	<p><b>Consensus by the Policy Board to approve the STP Policy and Criteria presented by the TAC.</b></p>
<p>VII. AAMPO Interim TIP Amendments</p>	<p>Staff advised that this is an informational item of Administrative Amendments made to the AAMPO Interim TIP. Staff reviewed the changes with members.</p>	
<p>VIII. AAMPO Interim TIP – Amendment to include Hwy 34 Safety Improvements</p>	<p>This project was approved by the HB5005 and OTC in August of this year. The project will implement various safety improvements on Hwy 34 within and adjacent to the AAMPO planning area. ODOT staff reviewed the various improvements to be made during the project,</p>	<p><b>Consensus by the Policy Board to approve amending the AAMPO Interim TIP to include</b></p>

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	<p>advising that this is a \$3 million project. Because this is a new project in the Interim TIP, it requires approval by the Policy Board.</p>	<p><b>Hwy 34 Safety Improvements.</b></p>
<p>IX. Future Meeting Dates</p>	<p>The November and December meetings fall during the holidays. Staff advised that the Policy Board will need to meet due to decision items that will need to be made. The Chair suggested for the November and December meetings to be combined into one.</p>	<p><b>Staff will email a Doodle Poll to members to find a meeting date to replace the November and December meetings.</b></p>
<p>X. Jurisdictional Updates</p>	<p><u>ODOT Bridge Report</u> – this report summarizes bridge condition ratings on state highways and performance measures based on National Bridge Inventory and ODOT data. The report outlines structurally deficient bridges, and those with other deficiencies. ODOT continues to identify actions to repair and maintain older bridges. There are many bridges in Region 2 that are listed with deficiencies, however; there have been many bridge projects as well. The report shows that there are not enough funds to replace all bridges.</p> <p><u>Hwy 20 Safety</u> – ODOT will be implementing a fifteen-month study along this corridor, with local jurisdictions.</p> <p><u>TSP Updates</u> – ODOT is busy assisting with TSP updates for many jurisdictions, including the cities of Millersburg, Philomath, Lebanon, Linn County and Benton County. Amy advised that the Benton County TSP update is a good place to look into long term solutions for Hwy 20 safety.</p> <p><u>Park &amp; Ride</u> – the COG will be working on a Park &amp; Ride Study.</p> <p>Commissioner Jaramillo indicated that it would be helpful to have a list of ODOT projects. Valerie stated that she would email out that list.</p>	

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	<p><u>North Albany Ovalabout</u> – The Albany City Council and Benton County Board of Commissioners have received additional feedback from community members regarding the temporary roundabout (or ovalabout) in North Albany at Quarry and Spring Hill. The temporary roundabout may not be retained, based on this input. The final decision lies with Benton County.</p> <p><u>Third Bridge in Salem</u> – ODOT is completing preliminary work for a third bridge in Salem, which has run into some issues during the Environmental Impact stage. Amy advised that she will make a request for additional information.</p>	
XI. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 3:15.	