



February 3, 2010

To: Metropolitan Policy Committee
From: Andrea Riner
Subject: MPC 5.d. Requests for Funding

Action Recommended:

1. Hold a Public Hearing for the following three proposals:
 - Middle Fork Willamette River Loop Path
 - Regional Transportation Options Plan
 - Eugene Regional Transportation Planning – 2010
2. Review staff recommendations for funding and provide feedback.
3. Approve Resolution 2010-01 amending the FFY08-11 MTIP for the Middle Fork Willamette River Loop Path

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to request MPC approval regarding three requests for STP-U funds. These relate to previous or current Fiscal Year funds—not for FY 2011-2013 STP-U project funding requests that will be considered following the approval of the 2011-2013 STP-U Framework (MPC Agenda Item 5.b). The following funding requests have been reviewed and approved by TPC for consideration by the MPC:

1. ***Middle Fork Willamette River Loop Path:*** Willamalane Parks and Recreation is requesting MPC approval of \$70,000 in current STP-U funds to support completion of final plans, specifications, and estimates for the continuing project development of Phase 2 of the Middle Fork Willamette River Path. This proposal is described further in Attachment 1.
2. ***Regional Transportation Options Plan:*** point2point Solutions is requesting MPC approval to program \$20,000 in STP-U funds to initiate work on a Regional Transportation Options Plan and to develop grant applications for full project funding. This request for funding is in addition to the FFY 2010 funding for Transportation Demand Management, received by point-2-point in the amount of \$248,000 approved by the MPC in June 2009. This proposal is described further in Attachment 2.
3. ***Eugene Regional Transportation Planning – 2010:*** The City of Eugene is requesting MPC approval to reprogram previously allocated STP-U funds from Eugene's West 11th Corridor Study project to Eugene's regional transportation

planning program as described in the 2010 - 2011 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). This proposal is described further in Attachment 3.

Public Input

The MPC-approved Public Participation Plan recommends a 30-day public comment period prior to the approval of STP-U funding, as well as an MPC public hearing, notice to interested parties, and a web notice. The public hearings for the three projects are scheduled to occur at the February 11th meeting and all projects will be noticed to the public.

For the Middle Fork Willamette River Loop Path proposal, staff is recommending that the MPC take action at the February 11th meeting, before the end of a 30-day public comment period. The notice to interested parties and the web notice for this proposed funding decision was distributed on January 29th.

For the Eugene and Point2point proposals, the public comment period on the proposed funding will begin on Friday, February 5th and run until Monday, March 8th at 5:00 pm. These items will come back to the MPC for final action at the March meeting.

It is not anticipated that the CAC will review and comment on these allocations.

Recommendations

TPC reviewed these three requests for STP-U funding at their January 28, 2010 meeting. TPC unanimously recommended the requests, pending the results of the public comment and MPC review.

Attachments

1. Middle Fork Willamette River Loop Path
 - a. Description of Request
 - b. Resolution 2010-01
 - c. Exhibit A to Resolution 2010-01 (includes project map)
2. Regional Transportation Options Plan
 - a. Description of Request
 - b. MTIP Amendment Information
3. Eugene Regional Transportation Planning – 2010
 - a. Description of Request
 - b. MTIP Amendment Information

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