



September 26, 2022

To: Metropolitan Policy Committee  
From: Daniel Callister  
Subject: Funding Request for Electronic Transportation Improvement Program

**Action Recommended:** Approve programming up to \$40,000 Urban STBG funds for Electronic Transportation Improvement Program

### **Issue Statement**

The Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) recommends approval of request for MPO federal discretionary funding not to exceed \$40,000 for electronic Transportation Improvement Program licensing and implementation.

### **Discussion**

A portion of the MPO's discretionary federal funds is set aside each year to support ongoing regional programs including the MPO's regional planning work, Safe Routes to Schools, and Transportation Demand Management programs. One of these programs is the implementation and ongoing licensing of an electronic Transportation Improvement Program (eTIP).

Since 2017, Central Lane MPO has been leading a statewide effort to implement an online platform in which Oregon's MPOs can house and maintain their MTIPs in a unified, consistent, transparent, and public facing way that would reduce human errors, communicate with ODOT's Statewide TIP in real time, and provide workflow efficiencies for all agencies involved in the programming and project delivery process.

A third party developer is being contracted through a thorough RFP vetting process and ODOT, Portland Metro, the Salem-Keizer MPO, and Central Lane MPO are currently negotiating and finalizing the terms and conditions including each agency's share of the financial responsibility of the eTIP service.

In August, TPC was able to approve programming savings from CLMPO's Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds as a no-risk security guarantee that allowed the lengthy procurement process to proceed while each of the involved agencies secures final spending approval from their respective boards.

### **Public Involvement**

This item was published for public review for 14 days (July 19 – August 2, 2022) on the MPO's website and was advertised through the MPO's social media during that

period. TPC recommended approval of this project at their August 18 public meeting and again recommended approval at their September 15 meeting with a request for expedited MPC approval in October due to the cancellation of the regular September MPC meeting and the urgency of the request. No comments from the public have been received.

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