



March 12, 2024

To: Transportation Planning Committee
From: Daniel Callister
Subject: Programming of Redistribution Funds

Action Requested: Recommend Funding Proposal to MPC

Issue Statement

The Central Lane Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has received roughly \$1M of federal redistribution Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds and have reviewed proposals to utilize these funds. Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) is responsible for providing a funding recommendation to MPC.

Discussion

The MPO's discretionary federal funds for transportation projects are programmed roughly every three years through a formal project solicitation process. The MPO occasionally receives unanticipated federal discretionary funding outside of the typical MTIP development process. These are referred to as "off-cycle" funds, and usually are of a much smaller amount than the MPO's annual allocation.

Central Lane MPO has received \$1,049,387 of redistribution funding to be obligated to projects before the end of FFY 2025. An additional \$889k of federal funding has been reserved by the MPO for contingencies. Four funding proposals were submitted for consideration. A one-page summary of each of these is provided as Attachment 1. The proposals are:

- [8th Ave Streetscape and Bikeway](#) (City of Eugene)
- [River Rd at Irving Rd/Hunsaker Ln Safety Improvements](#) (City of Eugene)
- [Gilham Rd: Ayers Rd to Mirror Pond Wy Sidewalk/Safety](#) (Lane County)
- [Low/No-Emission Mini Street Sweeper Purchase](#) (City of Springfield) ([full app.](#))

Each of these proposals represent existing projects already funded in the MTIP. The one exception is the Mini Street Sweeper purchase proposal from City of Springfield.

The ultimate funding recommendation of TPC will be based on how well each project supports the regional primary funding considerations (as approved by MPC on May 5, 2022), the federal performance targets, air quality conformity, environmental justice, Title VI, and other considerations.

Public Involvement

TPC approved release of these proposals for public comment from February 15 to March 16, during which time a public hearing was held at MPC on March 7. TPC, having reviewed any comments received, is now requested to make a funding recommendation for MPC to consider. Final action is anticipated by MPC on April 4.

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Attachments:

1 – Funding Request Summaries

8th Avenue Streetscape and Bikeway (Eugene)

Project Visual:



Google Street View image of 8th Avenue before the streetscape and bikeway project. Image is taken immediately west of Oak Street, looking west.

Project Description:

8th Avenue is a key connection in downtown Eugene, linking civic, commercial, and social venues downtown to the Riverbank Path and future amenities that will be developed as part of the EWEB Riverfront Master Plan.

To facilitate transportation between the riverfront and downtown, the street will be redesigned to better fit long-range land use goals and maximize mobility standards for all modes of transportation.

This project redesigns 8th Avenue between Lincoln Street and Mill Street to create a more multimodal street. The project will install protected bike lanes on both sides of the street, widen the existing sidewalk in select locations, relocate street trees, and convert 8th Avenue from a one-way street to a two-way street, convert 3 signals to all way stops, and install stormwater planters.

Project Quick Facts

Location	8 th Avenue		
Project Limits (to/from)	Lincoln Street to Mill Street		
Length in feet	2,724 feet	Estimated Project Cost	
Functional Class	Local	Est. Total Project Cost	\$8,834,147
Completion/Purchase Year	2024	Federal Funds Requested	\$400,000

Contact Information

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River Road at Irving Road/Hunsaker Lane (Eugene)

Project Visual:



Google Street View image of the River Road, Irving Road, and Hunsaker Lane intersection before the project. Image is taken from River Road immediately north of the intersection, looking south.

Project Description:

River Road at the intersection of Irving Road and Hunsaker Lane has a history of vehicle and bicycle crashes. The project seeks to improve safety for all road users by upgrading traffic signal hardware, building a protected intersection for cyclists, and adding left turn lanes on Irving Road approaches.

These safety upgrades will improve the connection to new walking and biking infrastructure on Hunsaker Lane and eventually the West Bank Path.

Project Quick Facts

Location	Intersection of River Road, Irving Road, and Hunsaker Lane		
Project Limits (to/from)	N/A		
Length in feet	100 feet	Estimated Project Cost	
Functional Class	Major arterial (River Road), minor arterial (Irving Road) and major collector (Hunsaker Lane)	Est. Total Project Cost	\$4,193,966
Completion/Purchase Year	2024	Federal Funds Requested	\$400,000

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Gilham Road: Ayers Road to Mirror Pond Way

Project Visual:



Project Description:

Gilham Road is currently in need of safe pedestrian facilities to allow people travel options aside from commuting by car. To respond to this need, continuous sidewalks are proposed for the segment of Gilham Road from Ayers Road to Don Juan Ave along its west side. Funding for this project will result in design and final construction of a sidewalk along this westerly portion of Gilham Road, between Ayers Road to Don Juan Ave. The segment of road proposed for improvements is in the northeast Eugene urban fringe area. Gilham Road is within Eugene's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) and terminates at the UGB at its north end. This segment remains outside Eugene city limits but runs adjacent to several residential areas that are annexed. Along the project area, approximately one half of the land abutting Gilham Road is annexed. Lane County's jurisdiction of Gilham Road begins north of the Gilham/Ayres Road intersection.

Project Quick Facts

Location	Gilham Rd (Eugene)		
Project Limits (to/from)	Ayers Rd to Don Juan Ave		
Length in feet	1,414 feet	Estimated Project Cost	
Functional Class	Urban Minor, Urban Local	Est. Total Project Cost	\$ 2,862,549.35
Completion/Purchase Year	2025	Federal Funds Requested	\$ 400,000

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City of Springfield – Low- or No-Emission Mini Street Sweeper Purchase

Project Visual:



*the shown model and manufacturer above is for reference only; Springfield will purchase a low- or no-emissions street sweeper.

Project Description:

The City of Springfield is actively adding new on-street bike lanes, separated facilities through Franklin Boulevard and planned Mill Street reconstruction, and have miles of multi-use paths throughout the city. However, cleaning and maintaining these facilities are often overlooked, specifically because the city does not have the proper equipment to keep these areas clean and free of debris. In order to continue encouragement of active transportation, the City of Springfield Operations Department has requested funding to purchase a low- or zero emissions street sweeper capable of maintaining our existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities as well as the planned future facilities.

Project Quick Facts

Location	City of Springfield		
Project Limits (to/from)	Springfield Jurisdiction		
Length in feet	n/a	Estimated Project Cost	
Functional Class	n/a	Est. Total Project Cost	\$350,000
Completion/Purchase Year	2025	Federal Funds Requested	\$314,055

Contact Information

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