

RVACT *Rogue Valley Area Commission on Transportation*

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Resolution

Whereas, the Rogue Valley Area Commission on Transportation (RVACT) was formed as an advisory committee to the Oregon Commission on Transportation; and

Whereas, the RVACT is comprised of various cities, counties, agencies and districts within Jackson and Josephine counties; and

Whereas, the RVACT represents both public and private sector interests with the Rogue Valley area; and

Whereas, the RVACT provides a forum for communication among the various governmental agencies and private interests in the review of local transportation plans and projects;

Whereas, the RVACT provides a forum and process to prioritize the funding of state transportation infrastructure improvements throughout the two-county region;

Now, therefore, it is hereby resolved that RVACT shall have as its goal, that the allocation of funds for *modernization projects*, as that term is defined in the most recent *Oregon Highway Plan*, will be equitably distributed between Jackson and Josephine counties on the following basis:

The *approximate average* of the following factors shall be used to compute equity for Jackson and Josephine counties:

1. Total population counts based upon the decennial U.S. Census of Population and, between census years, *Population Estimates for Oregon*, prepared by the Center for Population Research and Census, Portland State University.
2. Vehicle miles traveled as computed by the Oregon Department of Transportation.
3. Ton miles traveled as computed by the Oregon Department of Transportation.
4. Vehicle registrations as computed by the Oregon Department of Transportation.

Membership:

Public Sector: Ashland • Butte Falls • Cave Junction • Central Point • Eagle Point • Gold Hill • Grants Pass • Jackson County
Jacksonville • Josephine County • Medford • MPO • ODOT • Phoenix • Rogue River • RVTD • Shady Cove • Talent

Private Sector: Reeve Hennion • Jeff Hunter • Mike Montero • Richard Smith • Craig Stone • David Straus • Gordon Anderson

5. Modernization needs as established in the Oregon Highway Plan.

The statistical mean average for these five measures of equity, based upon the previous twenty-year period, now supports an equitable distribution of funds amounting to seventy (70) percent to Jackson County and thirty (30) percent to Josephine County — a Jackson to Josephine County distribution ratio of 70:30. Therefore and based upon these factors, the goal for the foregoing ten year period shall be a distribution of funds on that same 70:30 Jackson/Josephine ratio.

It is further resolved that:

1. This Resolution only applies to funding for those projects which are reviewed by and for which a formal recommendation is tendered to the Oregon Transportation Commission by the RVACT.
2. The RVACT's determination of equitable distribution shall be averaged on a ten-year period.
3. Each five years, beginning July 1, 2007, ODOT will supply RVACT with updated statistics which shall be used to reassess the equity distribution ratio between Jackson and Josephine counties. A new Resolution, amending or replacing this Resolution shall be adopted by RVACT if the said calculation of equity distribution, under the terms herein set forth, changes by more than three (3) percentage points.
4. To enable the equitable distribution of funds in accordance with the Resolution, it shall be the continuing obligation of the various local government jurisdictions to recommend projects that are consistent with the current STIP criteria as set forth by the Oregon Transportation Commission and that pass threshold criteria on RVACT's priority ranking.

Adopted by the RVACT this 13th day of September, 2002.

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By: Michael A. Montero, Co-Chairperson



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