

ODOT Innovative Mobility Program Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting 2 - Wednesday, May 24, 2023
2pm-4pm PST

Present: Dorian Pacheco, IMP Manager / Bridgette Bottinelli, IMP Coordinator
Casi Brown, Kathy Fitzpatrick, Emma Land, Marne Duke, Michael Walker, Weite (Lu), Edem Gomez, Justin Sandoval

Time	Topic	Meeting Materials	Expected Outcome
2:00 (15 min)	Ice breaker		
2:15 (5 minutes)	TAC administrative updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review TAC Charter and send us any comments or questions. Meeting #3 we would like to have everyone onboard to approve. 	Meeting 1 Minutes Draft Charter	Action
2:20 (25 minutes)	IMP funding State of Oregon Transportation Operating Fund (TOF) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ORS 184.646 Statute • Flexible funds for non-highway funds Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Surface Block Transportation Grants (STBG) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11109; 23 U.S.C. 133 • 2015 Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (FAST) • 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill • Not discussing projects that do not fit well within the IMP scope, such as bridges, tunnels, highways, barges, etc. • Discussed different project buckets that we could potentially fund such as bikes, other public and active transportation, streets, sidewalks, trails, innovation, software, data, and planning. • Dorian is looking into Buy America requirements for bike-related projects. • FHWA definition of micromobility: “any small, low-speed, human or electric-powered transportation device, including bicycles, scooters, electric-assist bicycles (e-bikes), electric scooters (e-scooters), and other small, lightweight, wheeled conveyances.” Group Questions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the parameters around capacity building in the planning category? What does that mean? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Researching this! 2. What does staff time look like with these projects? How can we support staff time? 	Meeting 2 PowerPoint	Inform

	<p>a. Researching this!</p> <p>3. Can these funds help with launching bikeshare service area expansion? What about e-scooter share?</p> <p>a. No bikeshare operations. Scootershare operations unclear.</p> <p>4. Will the applicant know which pot of money they are receiving? Will all projects be a combination of state and federal?</p> <p>a. Federal funds require a state match. Federal reporting requirements are pretty strict. We would like to support a wider range of projects with only state funds to make it more accessible.</p> <p>5. Has the match amount already been decided?</p> <p>a. 10.27%. That amount is already set in stone.</p> <p>6. Do we have a contact at FHWA to help with clarification?</p> <p>a. Yes. We also have ODOT staff who can advise.</p> <p>b. Group comment: It would be great to have someone give clarity to CBO's.</p>		
<p>2:45 (15 minutes)</p>	<p>Lessons learned from ODOT interviews</p> <p>Applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sometimes divided into 2 parts or include a pre-application. • What varies: minimum \$ needed to complete projects and letters of support. Oregon Community Paths (OCP) require letters of support from community leaders. Other programs have them as optional but recommended. <p>Review & scoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some programs have internal review process where ODOT staff review first or are the only ones reviewing and scoring. Others have external committees that provide input. OCP and SRTS are statutorily required to have committees. • Equity is scored and considered differently in each program. For example, OCP ties equity back to the Transportation Disadvantaged Index (TDI). Safety and multimodal access are also high priority categories. <p>Timeline considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being aligned, or misaligned with the STIP cycle can vastly impact funding timelines. • It will take at least 7 months to get a large grant agreement executed. 	<p>Meeting 2 PowerPoint</p>	<p>Inform</p>

	<p>Federal funding considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 entities in Oregon are currently certified to deliver federally funded projects. If they are not certified, ODOT will have to deliver the project on their behalf. If that happens, then we must include ODOT’s delivery costs in the total project costs. • Staff have yet to find large grant programs that allow non-profits to apply or encourage them to apply. <p>Grants vs. discretionary funds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are items at ODOT that look like grants but are not actually grants where there is an open call for applications, etc. Discretionary funds have calls for projects, but they might only be open to ODOT or specific regions. <p>Group Questions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does the Transportation Options program fit within these programs? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The TO program is small sponsorships not a grant. There are also programmatic differences between TO program and the IMP microgrants. 2. Did you receive reasoning why applications received for the large grants program should go to the OTC? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Staff received a request to factor this into the timeline. We can look more into this. <p>DP will share summary document when it is ready.</p>		
3:00 (5 minutes)	Break		
3:05 (30 minutes)	<p>Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does a partnership look like to you? • How do you think ODOT could incentivize partnerships? <p><i>See screenshot attachment of Mural board.</i></p>	Meeting 2 PowerPoint	Discuss
3:35 (10 minutes)	<p>Next steps, agenda build</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doodle poll for Meeting 3 • Charter review • Funding questions • External programs <p>Agenda ideas for next meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of what consultant has done so far. • What could our grant program look like? 		Discuss

3:45 (10 minutes)	Close and adjourn		
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What does partnership look like to you?



How do you think ODOT could incentivize partnerships?



MURAL board with comments with TAC participants