

RVACT *Rogue Valley Area Commission on Transportation*

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Summary Meeting Minutes

DATE | TIME: Tuesday, September 9, 2025 | 9:00 – 10:04: a.m.

LOCATION: Online Via Microsoft Teams

The following attended:

VOTING MEMBERS		
DESIGNATED	Organization	Phone Number
Mike Quilty	Central Point	541-664-7907
Nick Card	Medford	541-774-2000
Eleanor Ponomareff	Talent	541-535-1566
Scott Chancey	Transit Manager	
Brian Gebhard	Aviation	
Elijah Oberlander	ODOT	541-890-2601
Denise Krause	RVTD	
VOTING MEMBERS		
OTHER STAKEHOLDERS (Modal + Private)	Organization	Phone Number
Lesley Orr	Bicyclists/Pedestrians	707-218-4025
Mike Montero, Chair	JxCo Private Sector	779-0771
Justin Gerlitz, Vice Chair	JoCo Private Sector	244-2617
Tom Bradbeer	JoCo Private Sector	
Mark Gibson	Trucking	

ALTERNATE VOTERS PRESENT		
Alternate Voters Present	Organization	Phone Number
Lily Morgan	Gold Hill	
Dan Worth	Medford	
Steve Lambert	Jackson County	
Jeremiah Griffin	ODOT	
Wade Elliott	Grants Pass	
Paige West	RVTD	
INTERESTED PARTIES		
Name	Organization	Phone Number
Mary Dillinger	ODOT	
Darrin Neavoll	ODOT	
Lisa Cornutt	ODOT	
Jennifer Boardman	ODOT	
Laura Cole	ODOT	
Michael Baker	ODOT	
Ian Horlacher	ODOT	
Julee Scruggs	ODOT	
Patti McGuire		
Naomi Birch	ODOT	
Nick Fahey		
Julie Denney	ODOT	
Peggy Nichols	ODOT	

1. Welcome / Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

9:00 a.m. | Chair Mike Montero called the meeting to order; roll was called, and a meeting quorum was not reached at 9:05 am. Prior to the roll call it was stated that if we needed quorum, we could reach out to Mike Quilty, whom would have the ability to only call in by phone. Mike Quilty called in and quorum was confirmed at 9:07 am

2. Review Meeting Agenda

3. Public Input

No public input at this time.

Consent Calendar

4. Review/Approve Previous Meeting Minutes 8:39

Mike Quilty moved to approve the May 13, 2025, meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Nick Card.

No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote, Steve Lambert abstained from vote, as he was not present at the May 13, 2025 meeting.

Action Items

5. Critical Oregon Airport Relief (COAR) 9:25

Select RVACT Candidate to be on the Aviation Review committee.

Mike Quilty – is willing to serve in this capacity and was appointed to be on the committee.

Lilly Morgan volunteers to be a back up committee member, behind Mike Quilty.

Scott Chancey made motion to approve the candidates, Tom Bradbeer second the motion to approve. All in favor with no opposition.

Discussion Items

6. Local Construction Project Updates 16:10-23:15 Presenter: Mary Dillinger, ODOT

The Jackson County ADA projects have begun. There will be ADA ramps installed in various locations over Jackson County, throughout the rest of the year.

The Big X (OR238, OR99, and Hwy62) construction will be nightwork for the next few months. Improvements include pavement and bridge preservation, and bike/pedestrian/ADA ramp upgrades, this projects has 88 ADA ramp within the project. Completion is nearing.

The Foothill Rd Improvement project has been broken into different sections. The Jackson County section, Delta Waters to Dry Creek has been completed. The City of Medford section, Delta Waters, is an active construction zone, and is closed, with detours expected to reopen September 19th with local access only. The expected completion date is in 2026.

The Glenwood to Coleman project is part of the Alameda Fire rebuilding process. Construction began In November 2024, improving safety for pedestrians and cyclists. Expected to continue through 2025. Lane Shifts and closures to happen.

Wrong Way Driver, Quick moving project, Gage-it Construction doing work. Tasks, applying low-cost treatments, such as reflectors, and updated signage. Resuming September 15, 2025.

UPCOMING PROJECTS

Barnett and Highlight (Exit 27)

OR 99 – Gold Hill Bridge – Kick off in 2026, after Gold Dust Days

OR 99- Glenwood to Matt loop, goes to bid end of 2025

I-5 Monument Drive to N. Grants Pass – starting soon

HWY 62 and OR 234 Roundabout -Open house end of July Successful, 50 attendees. Kick off in 2027.

OR 140 and Leigh Way, adding a right Turn Lane. 2027 project.

7. **Region and Budge Updates** 23:17-1:03:27 Presenter: Darrin Neavoll, Region 3 manager, ODOT

Darrin Presented on the current special sessions bill and timeline of events.

- House approved HB3991 and HB3992: Revenue increases include, 6 cent/gallon gas tax going from \$.40 to \$.46 effective Jan 1, 2026
- List of annual registration fees includes passenger vehicles, utility vehicles, light trailers, low speed vehicles and medium speed electric vehicles, along with mopeds and motorcycles.
- Title fees for passenger vehicles also increase
- Increase in registration surcharges for electric and highly fuel-efficient vehicles
- Phasing in a mandatory road usage charge program by 2031 – required for all EV and hybrid vehicles
- Increase in payroll tax (0.1% to .02%) for public transportation effective Jan 1, 2026, to Jan 1, 2028 when it would revert to the 0.1%

Darrin also spoke of the impacts of the passing bill and the downfalls should it not pass in the senate. Provided what that would look like for road maintenance and winter impacts and service levels.

8. **Agenda Build/Future Meetings**

9. **Adjournment**

10:04 am

- **The November 2025, Jackson County RVACT meeting will be Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. In person at Jackson County Auditorium, 200 Antelope Rd., White City**