2023-25 Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund Program Application Instructions

In coordination with the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) Program Guidebook, this step-by-step guide walks users through the web-based STIF Plan.
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STIF Plan Format and Use

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) Plan is a fillable, web-based form that serves as the mechanism for accessing STIF Formula funds. ODOT creates and publishes this form each solicitation cycle and accessing it requires an internet connection.

This resource is a step-by-step guide for completing and submitting the STIF Plan. For more information about the STIF Formula program and a summary of requirements, please see the STIF Program Guidebook.

The STIF Plan can be found online. The form can also be accessed through the STIF Formula section of the Public Transportation Funding Opportunities Page. Chrome, Firefox, and Edge are the recommended web browsers. The form will not function in Internet Explorer since Microsoft has ended support for this browser.

The STIF Plan uses a combination of check boxes, yes or no questions, text boxes, and buttons for uploading documents and adding information. All questions on the form must be answered unless specified as optional. Failure to respond could result in Oregon Department of Transportation’s (ODOT) determination that the STIF Plan is incomplete and re-submittal is required. Some yes or no questions, when checked, generate additional questions from a drop-down menu based on the response. It is very important to answer all questions as they generate additional choices.

When you first access the STIF Plan, select the “Save” button, located in the lower right-hand corner of the form. After pressing “Save,” a window will appear showing a personalized link for your STIF Plan (Figure 1).

**Figure 1: Saving the STIF Plan**
This link can be copied, saved, and then pasted into the search bar of your internet browser to return to the last saved version of the form. You may also enter your email address here and press “Send” to have a link to the form emailed to you.

Always use the “Save” button before closing the form to save data entered during that session. When you have finished entering all STIF Plan information, you will submit the form to ODOT using the “Submit STIF Plan” button. Upon submittal, a copy of the completed form will be emailed to you for your records and to ODOT for processing.

Please do not print and scan your application to us. Printed and scanned forms will only be accepted in extraordinary circumstances. If you would like to print your STIF Plan for use locally, be mindful that you may need to print each section separately as the STIF Plan has been divided into six sections (with tabs at the top for each section).

ODOT has also created an optional form for use by sub-recipients to provide their Qualified Entity (QE) with all of the information required for each project. The Sub-Recipient Project Application form can be found online. When a sub-recipient submits the form, the information is sent to their Qualified Entity who can use it as a reference when submitting the STIF Plan.

Beginning in the 2023-25 cycle, Qualified Entities may choose to upload approved Sub-Recipient Project Applications instead of manually entering the same information on the STIF Plan form. More information about this optional step can be found in Section 6. Use of the Sub-Recipient Project Application form is not a required step in the application process, but is a helpful tool used successfully by most entities in previous STIF Plan cycles.

If you have technical problems using either form, please contact Brian Roth, Web and Forms Developer for ODOT’s Public Transportation Division, at 541-508-9862 or by email at Brian.Roth@odot.oregon.gov. For answers to programmatic or process-specific questions, contact your regional transit coordinator.

**STIF Plan Organization**

The STIF Plan has the following seven sections:

- Qualified Entity
- Advisory Committees
- Local Plan Compliance
- Accountability
- STIF Plan Period and Adoption
- Projects
- STIF Plan Summary

There are tabs at the top of the STIF Plan pertaining to each of those sections except STIF Plan Summary. Once you’re finished entering information on a given page and have moved onto the
next one, you will be able to return to the previous page by clicking the section name at the top. You will be able to toggle between completed pages until you submit the STIF Plan.

**STIF Plan Form**

1. **Qualified Entity Information**

Select the Qualified Entity name from the drop-down menu. Complete each field in this section with the appropriate contact information (Figure 2).

**Figure 2: Qualified Entity Information**

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<td>Will any of the projects in this STIF Plan use funds jointly managed with one or more other Qualified Entities? *</td>
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For the last question, select “Yes” from the drop-down menu if any STIF Plan projects use funds that will be jointly managed by more than one Qualified Entity. Select the “Upload” button to attach documentation of the joint management agreement. Some examples of a joint management agreement include a memorandum of understanding, an intergovernmental agreement, or a Governing Body resolution.
If no STIF Plan projects use funds that will be jointly managed by more than one Qualified Entity, select “No” from the drop-down menu.

1.1 **Sub-Recipients in STIF Plan**

If there are no sub-recipients in this STIF Plan, keep the default response in the first question set to “No” to verify that the Qualified Entity is the only service provider in the STIF Plan.

If there are any sub-recipients in this STIF Plan, select “Yes” in the first question, and complete all fields with the correct information (Figure 3). This setting allows all fields to populate each time the “+Add Provider” button is selected. Continue to add providers to the STIF Plan until all entities have been entered.

**Figure 3: Expanded Form when Sub-Recipients Are in the STIF Plan**
2. Advisory Committees

2.1 Advisory Committee Website

Review all of the Advisory Committee requirements specified in the Advisory Committee section and Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs) 732-040-0030, 732-040-0035, and 732-042-0020 (Figure 4). Check the box to agree that all Advisory Committee requirements have been met before proceeding.

Figure 4: Advisory Committee Information

Enter the Advisory Committee website address in the appropriate field.

Copies of the Advisory Committee bylaws, meeting minutes, and meeting notices must be published by the Qualified Entity and made available for public review in a reasonable and timely manner. If this information is not available on a website, you may upload other documentation that demonstrates how the Advisory Committee requirements have been met and that the information was made publicly available by selecting the “Upload” button.
If the Qualified Entity’s Advisory Committee or Governing Body convened an optional work group as outlined in OAR 732-040-0030, select “Yes.” You may upload the meeting minutes demonstrating that input from the work group was considered as part of the Advisory Committee process by selecting the “Upload” button. If the Qualified Entity’s Advisory Committee or Governing Body did not convene an optional work group as outlined in OAR 732-040-0030, select “No.”

3. Local Plan Compliance

3.1 Existing Local Plans from Which Project(s) Are Derived

Enter the local plan name from which the projects in the STIF Plan were derived (Figure 5). Reference OAR 732-040-0005(18) for the Local Plan definition. Examples of local plans that may meet these requirements include coordinated public human services transportation plans, transportation system plans, transit development plans, and transit master plans. ODOT’s regional transit coordinators can help you identify and evaluate your local plans for compliance with STIF rules.

Figure 5: Existing Local Plans from Which Project(s) Are Derived

Enter the name of the board, council, commission, or other Governing Body that approved the local plan; the adoption date; and the web address where the local plan may be referenced. If
this information is not available on a website, you may upload a copy of the relevant plan or policy. Select “+Add Local Plan” to list additional local plans.

3.2 Local Plan Requirements

Select “Yes” if all local plans are consistent with STIF Rule requirements (Figure 6).

Figure 6: Local Plan Consistency with STIF Rule Requirements

3.2 Local Plan requirements
I agree that all Local Plans are consistent with the STIF requirements specified in OAR 732-040-0005(18) *

☐ Yes
☐ No, one or more Local Plans are not yet consistent with STIF rule requirements.

Select “No” if one or more local plans are not yet consistent with STIF Rule requirements. Describe why a local plan is not compliant with STIF requirements (Figure 7).

Figure 7: Non-Compliant Local Plans

If one or more Local Plans are non-compliant, identify which Local Plan is non-compliant, describe how it is non-compliant, and the schedule to bring it into compliance.

Limit 500 Characters

4. Accountability

4.1 Accountability Methods

Select both boxes to affirm that all of the required policies and procedures are in place (Figure 8). Review OAR 732-040 and OAR 732-042 (paying particular attention to Audit and Compliance Review Requirements) if necessary before agreeing to these statements.
4. Accountability

You may insert a web address in place of a description or document upload, as long as the information is sufficient enough to warrant approval of the STIF Plan and comply with STIF Rule.

4.1 Accountability methods

☐ By checking this box, I affirm that all of the necessary policies and procedures are in place to provide reasonable assurance that compliance with OAR 732, Divisions 40 and 42 is met, and to achieve the goals and outcomes specified in this STIF Plan, including, but not limited to, program and financial management, operations management, procurement, use and maintenance of equipment, records retention, compliance with state and federal laws, civil rights, and compliance with ADA.

☐ By checking this box, I affirm that all of the necessary policies and procedures are in place to provide reasonable assurance that compliance of all Sub-Recipients with OAR 732, Divisions 40 and 42 is met to achieve the goals and outcomes specified in this STIF Plan, address deficiencies in Sub-Recipient performance, and to provide reasonable assurance that the Qualified Entity can accomplish the applicable requirements of these rules, including but not limited to, audit and compliance requirements, accounting requirements, capital asset requirements, and reporting requirements.

4.2 Sub-Allocation Method

Select the box to affirm that all data used to develop the sub-allocation method have been shared with the appropriate parties. Enter a description of your sub-allocation method in the field provided or upload your response (Figure 9). For Qualified Entities that are the only Public Transportation Service Provider within their area of responsibility and where no other potential Public Transportation Service Provider has expressed interest in applying for STIF Formula funding, you may describe these conditions and specify that sub-allocation isn’t possible.

Figure 9: Sub-Allocation Description

4.2 Sub-Allocation method

☐ By checking this box, I affirm that all data used to develop the sub-allocation method was shared with each Public Transportation Service Provider and other potential sub-recipients, as relevant.

Describe the Qualified Entity’s method for sub-allocating STIF Formula Fund moneys and the collaborative process used to work with Public Transportation Service Providers and other potential Sub-Recipients, as relevant, to develop the sub-allocation method.

Limit 1000 Characters

Upload Response

[Upload]

or drag files here.

Limit 100 MB
4.3 High Percentage of Low-Income Households

Enter your explanation in the field provided or upload your response (Figure 10).

Figure 10: High Percentage of Low-Income Households Explanation

5. STIF Plan Period and Adoption

5.1 Period Covered by STIF Plan

Enter the start and end dates for all projects in this STIF Plan (Figure 11). The earliest possible start date for this solicitation cycle is July 1, 2023. A STIF Plan can be for one or two biennia, so the end date for this funding cycle would either be June 30, 2025, or June 30, 2027.

Figure 11: Start and End Dates for All Projects in the STIF Plan

5.2 STIF Plan Adoption

Enter the appropriate dates in the fields provided (Figure 12). Enter the website where the Governing Body adoption document is located or press “Upload” to attach a file if the website is unavailable.
If the Governing Body modified the Advisory Committee’s recommended STIF Plan, select “Yes” from the drop-down menu. Explain why the Governing Body modified the Advisory Committee’s recommended STIF Plan in the text box that appears.

If the Governing Body did not modify the Advisory Committee’s recommended STIF Plan, select “No” from the drop-down menu.

6. Projects

6.1 Project Detail Entry

Beginning this cycle, you may now upload Sub-Recipient Project Applications instead of manually entering the information for each sub-recipient (Figure 13). All uploaded Sub-Recipient Project Applications must be approved by the Qualified Entity’s Governing Body and will be recognized as part of the Qualified Entity’s STIF Plan.

In addition to this, any Qualified Entities with their own STIF Plan projects may enter that information directly into the STIF Plan form, or may choose to upload their own Sub-Recipient Project Application. In all cases, you cannot split information for a single entity between the STIF Plan and an uploaded Sub-Recipient Project Application. All project information for a given
entity must be contained either solely within the Sub-Recipient Project Application or STIF Plan itself.

If you’d like to use this optional upload feature, enter the total amount from each Sub-Recipient Project Application in the conditional boxes that appear in Figure 14 (this information can be found in the last section of the Sub-Recipient Project Application). This will ensure that the sum of all Qualified Entity and sub-recipient projects are included in STIF Plan Section 7 STIF Plan Summary.

**Figure 13: Optional Upload of Approved Sub-Recipient Project Applications**

### 6. Projects

Beginning this cycle, you may now upload Sub-Recipient Project Applications instead of manually entering the information for each sub-recipient. All uploaded Sub-Recipient Project Applications must be approved by the Qualified Entity’s Governing Body, and will be recognized as part of the Qualified Entity’s STIF Plan.

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**Important note:** If you’d like to use this optional upload feature, please enter the total amount from each Sub-Recipient Project Application in the conditional boxes that will appear below (this information can be found in the last section of the Sub-Recipient Project Application). This will ensure that the sum of all Qualified Entity and sub-recipient projects are included in STIF Plan section 7, STIF Plan Summary.

Would you like to upload any approved Sub-Recipient Project Applications for this STIF Plan? *

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
Figure 14: Optional Project Detail Entry for Sub-Recipient Project Applications

6.1 Project Detail Entry

☐ Sub-Recipient 1

Upload Project Application Here *

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* Includes FY 21-23 Unspent Funds, Interest Accrued, Program Reserve

+ Add Sub-Recipient
If you choose not to use this optional upload feature, provide the following for Project 1 (Figure 15):

**Figure 15: Project Detail Entry for Project 1**

- Enter the appropriate Qualified Entity or sub-recipient name.
- Enter a project name in the field provided. ODOT recommends that a project name is concise, similar to names used in Local Plans, and applicable to all project elements. Multi-phase projects will need to use the same name in future STIF Plans. The name is restricted to 50 characters to facilitate data collection and analysis.
- Enter a project description in the field provided. The project description is an opportunity to provide concise information about the project purpose and service elements. Suggested elements include the project location or extent, service span, frequency, stops, intended customers, vehicles, equipment, and marketing or other activities needed to implement service.
- Determine if you plan to expend funding in a future STIF Plan period for this project.
  - If “Yes,” enter information about this project in the fields that appear (Figure 16).
    - This is the last step for a project where funds will be expended in a future STIF Plan period.
▪ If there are other projects on this STIF Plan, select “+Add Project.” Follow the instructions provided for Project 1 for all subsequent projects.

▪ If there are no other projects on this STIF Plan, continue on to Section 7 STIF Plan Summary.
  – If “No,” enter information about this project in the fields that appear (Figure 17).
  ▪ If your answer to the question, “Is your project part of a larger, multi-phase project,” is “Yes,” you must complete the fields (Figure 18). For more information on this requirement, reference OAR 732-042-0015(3).
  ▪ More information is required for projects without funds to be expended in a future STIF Plan period. Continue on to Section 6.1.1 Project Scope.

Figure 16: Funds will be Expended in a Future STIF Plan Period

1 Some major capital public transportation Projects and other types of Projects may be unable to reach completion within a single STIF Plan period. Applicants may have Projects that extend over multiple STIF Plan periods. If your Project is part of a larger multi-phased Project, select “Yes” from the drop-down box.
**Figure 17: Funds will Not be Expended in a Future STIF Plan Period**

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**Project budget share to improve, expand or maintain public transportation service**

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Local Plan from which this project is derived: *

Local Plan page number *

**Multi-Phase Project**

Is your project part of a larger, multi-phase project? *

**Figure 18: Project Is Part of a Multi-Phase Project**

**Multi-Phase Project**

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Total Project Budget (All Phases) *

Other Planned Funding Sources *

- □ STIF
- □ Federal
- □ Other State
- □ Local

Phase represented in current STIF Plan *

Example: This is phase one of the project, which includes service start up and service element refinement.

Limit 200 Characters
6.1.1 Project Scope

Enter a description for this task in the field provided (Figure 19). Use the examples provided when considering the amount of detail to include in this description.

Figure 19: Project Scope Task Description

Choose the category that best describes this task item (Figure 20). Depending on which option you select, new field(s) will appear for you to enter more specific information about the item. Here’s an overview of the extra information asked for each task category:

1. **Equipment, facility, and signs/shelters purchase**: Enter a brief description of the item followed by the quantity and unit cost.

2. **Operations**: Is this for fixed route or demand response service and what is the total cost (Task Category Amount)?

3. **Planning, Preventive Maintenance, Project Administration, Mobility Management, Communications, and Program Reserve**: What is the total cost?

4. **Vehicle purchase**: Is this a replacement, expansion, or other type of capital vehicle purchase?

5. **Capital (Other Capital items)**: What is the total cost and activity type?
6.1.2 **Expenditure Estimates**

If this project is funded solely by STIF, enter the expenditure amounts in the STIF row and select the check box confirming that this is the only funding source (Figure 21). The first column in this section represents the first year of the STIF Plan period (FY 2024), and the second column represents the second year of the STIF Plan period (FY 2025).
Figure 21: Expenditures by Fund Source and Fiscal Year

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If this project will be supported with funds outside of what is requested in this STIF Plan, enter the information about those funds in the boxes provided.

**Note:** If your STIF Plan covers two biennia as detailed in Section 5.1 Period Covered by STIF Plan, two additional columns will appear so that you can estimate expenditures for FY 2026 and FY 2027.

Here is a brief overview of the various funds mentioned in the budget table shown in Figure 21:

1. **STIF:** This value will include the funds requested from the STIF program to support the transportation project activity in this STIF Plan timeframe. You must ensure the total amount of funds entered in this category does not exceed your total allocation. The STIF Plan funding balance will be indicated in the STIF Plan Summary table.

2. **Federal:** This value will include the funds expected from any federal sources to fund the transportation project activity, such as Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Sections 5310, 5311, and 5307. You do not need to input the specific funding program, only the total amount of federal funding expected.
3. **Other State:** This value will include any other state funds expected to fund the transportation project activity.

4. **Local:** This value will include any funds generated or collected by the district, county, city, or other local/special district, to be applied to the transportation project activity. Examples include local tax revenues, service agreements with local agencies, and general funds. It could also include contributions by private organizations to support the project activity, either directly or through the sub-recipient. ODOT suggests you enter only funds you can reasonably assume will be available within the STIF Plan timeframe based on historical trends or commitments based on local budgeting and agreement processes.

5. **Other Funds:** This value will include all other fund sources that are budgeted to fund this project, such as private contributions.

6. **Prior Biennia STIF Funds:** This value will include unspent STIF Formula funds carried over from a previous STIF cycle. All unspent funds should be programmed into the 2023-25 STIF Plan.²

7. **Prior Biennia Interest Accrued:** This value will include interest accrued on unspent STIF Formula funds from a previous STIF cycle.

8. **Prior Biennia Program Reserve:** This value will include program reserve funds from a previous STIF cycle.

**Note:** The “+Add Fund Source” button is a technical error on the form and is not to be selected.

### 6.1.3 Outcome Measures

Qualified Entities are required to include anticipated outcomes for each STIF Plan project (Figure 22). Outcome measures are quantifiable, discrete ways to describe the benefits the provider expects to achieve after implementing each project over the STIF Plan period.

ODOT has identified a number of required outcome measures for certain capital, operations, and communications task categories. For other task categories, you must specify at least one outcome measure that best reflects the benefits of each task. Completing the minimum required outcomes will enable ODOT to compile and report STIF outcomes on a consistent, statewide basis. Qualified Entities should apply the FTA’s National Transit Database (NTD) reporting definitions to the STIF Plan outcomes. The outcomes should fit into standard reporting procedures and methods that will be consistent with future reporting.

The outcome measures listed in this section are tied directly to the task categories chosen in Section 6.1.1 Project Scope. For example, the outcome measures associated with an operations project are shown in Figure 22.

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² For help estimating this amount, please contact Andrew O'Keefe, PTD Financial Manager, at Andrew.S.Keefe@odot.oregon.gov.
The questions presented in Figure 22 are crucial for reporting purposes but would not necessarily apply to all task categories. Figure 23 provides another example, this time of the outcome measures required for a mobility management project.
Some task categories don’t require specific outcome measures as demonstrated in Figure 23. In those instances, please select at least one Outcome Measure from the drop-down list provided (Figure 24) and include the number of units, such as vehicles or signs to be purchased.
Figure 24: Quantifiable Outcome Measures

6.1.3 Outcome Measures

Please select at least one outcome measure that best reflects the benefit of this task.

☑ Outcome Measure 1

All Project Types

Other Measure

Number of Units:

When this step has been completed, determine if there are other tasks to add for this specific project. If there are other tasks for this specific project, press “+Add Task” and follow these same steps starting at Section 6.1.1 Project Scope.

If there are no other tasks for this specific project, continue on to Section 6.2 Allocation of STIF Funds by Project.

6.2 Allocation of STIF Funds by Project

You must specify the amount of Formula funds allocated to the eight STIF criteria listed in Figure 25, as outlined in OAR 732-042-0015. Identify what percentage of a STIF project budget is allocated to each of the criteria listed (e.g., providing transit to students in grades 9 through 12) by fiscal year.
6.2 Allocation of STIF funds by project
Please identify what percentage of this STIF project budget is allocated to each of the criteria listed below by fiscal year.

Note: More information about requirements for criterion #7 can be found in 0AAR 733-042-991528/01. More information about requirements for criterion #8 can be found in 0AAR 733-042-99101611/01.

STIF Criteria

1. Increased frequency of bus service to areas with a high percentage of Low-Income Households.
2. Expansion of bus routes and bus services to serve areas with a high percentage of Low-Income Households.
3. Fund the implementation of programs to reduce fares for public transportation in communities with a high percentage of Low-Income Households.
4. Procurement of low or no emission buses for use in areas with 200,000 or more.
5. The improvement in the frequency and reliability of service between communities inside and outside of the Qualified Entity’s service area.
6. Coordination between Public Transportation Service Providers to reduce fragmentation in the provision of transportation services.
7. Implementation of programs to provide student transit service for students in grades 9-12.
8. Services for older adults and people with disabilities.

FY 2024 STIF Total | FY 2025 STIF Total
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$0.00 | $0.00

Fund Allocation (Must not exceed 100% per criterion per fiscal year)
If some criteria do not apply, fill in with zeros. Do not add or remove additional criteria.

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The total for each criterion in each fiscal year may not exceed 100 percent, but may be a percentage that ranges from 0 to 100 percent. A single project may have benefits that meet more than one criterion. In these instances, use your best professional judgment to specify which percentage of the funding meets each of the applicable criteria. The STIF Plan will auto-calculate the amount of funding allocated to each of the eight criteria based on the percentages you specify. This will enable ODOT to report the amount of funds allocated to each of the eight areas recognizing that many projects will meet multiple criteria.

The percentage entered for criterion seven, which pertains to funding for student transit services for students in grades 9 through 12, is used to calculate whether the Qualified Entity will meet the statutory requirement of spending at least one percent of Formula Fund funds received each year on transportation services for students in grades 9 through 12, if practicable (see definition of Student Transit Services in OAR 732-040-005).

The percentage entered for criterion eight, which pertains to funding for older adults and people with disabilities, is used to calculate whether the Qualified Entity will meet the statutory requirement of allocating funds received via the population-based formula to transit service for older adults and people with disabilities.

### 6.3 Oregon Public Transportation Plan Goals

Qualified Entities are required to identify how each project is consistent with Oregon Public Transportation Plan (OPTP) goals and policies (Figure 26). The OPTP is an essential plan for supporting the development of the statewide public transportation system. The title for each OPTP goal is listed in this section next to a checkbox, and you must select at least one goal that applies to each specific STIF Plan project. To learn more about the intricacies and policies associated with each goal, consult page eight of the OPTP.
### Figure 26: Identify How Projects Are Consistent with OPTP Goals and Policies

#### 6.3 Oregon Public Transportation Plan Goals

Select at least one goal.

For more information about these goals, please refer to page eight of the [Oregon Public Transportation Plan](#).

Select the OPTP goals that apply to your STIF Plan Projects. *

- [ ] Goal 1: Mobility: Public Transportation User Experience
- [ ] Goal 2: Accessibility and Connectivity
- [ ] Goal 3: Community Livability and Economic Vitality
- [ ] Goal 4: Equity
- [ ] Goal 5: Health
- [ ] Goal 6: Safety and Security
- [ ] Goal 7: Environmental Sustainability
- [ ] Goal 8: Land Use
- [ ] Goal 9: Funding and Strategic Investment
- [ ] Goal 10: Communication, Collaboration, and Coordination

### 6.4 Project Summary

The data in this section are auto-calculated based on responses entered about a specific project in previous sections (Figure 27).
### 6.4 Project Summary

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Figure 27: Auto-Calculated Project Summary
In the example provided in Figure 27:

- Project Name is pulled from Section 6.1 Project Detail Entry.
- STIF Project Grand Total is based on Section 6.1.2 Expenditure Estimates.
- FY 2024 STIF Project Total is based on Section 6.1.2 Expenditure Estimates.
- FY 2025 STIF Project Total is based on Section 6.1.2 Expenditure Estimates.
- FY 2024 percent of STIF Funds supporting student transportation is based on Section 6.2 Allocation of STIF Funds by Project.
- FY 2025 percent of STIF Funds supporting student transportation is based on Section 6.2 Allocation of STIF Funds by Project.

**Note:** All of the steps from Section 6.1 Project Detail Entry to Section 6.4 Project Summary are for one project only. If there is only one project total on the STIF Plan, continue to Section 7 STIF Plan Summary. If there are additional projects to be added, select the “+Add Project” button and repeat these instructions starting at Section 6.1 Project Detail Entry.

### 7. STIF Plan Summary

The data in this section will auto-calculate based on the data that have been entered for each project (Figure 28).
This section also summarizes the percentage of STIF Formula funds that will be dedicated to transportation services for students in grades 9 through 12 each year of the STIF Plan. If less than one percent of STIF Plan Formula funds are proposed in any single fiscal year, a text box will appear requiring you to explain why it isn’t practicable to dedicate at least one percent of Formula Fund money for this purpose each fiscal year. Consider the definition of Student Transit Services in OAR 732-040-005 when writing an explanation.

This STIF Plan serves as a legally binding agreement between the Qualified Entity and the State of Oregon, acting by and through its Department of Transportation (Figure 29).
Figure 29: STIF Plan Serves as a Legally Binding Agreement

The person who signs the STIF Plan is certifying that they are authorized to execute this STIF Plan on behalf of their Qualified Entity and at the direction of their Governing Body. They also are legally binding their Qualified Entity and acknowledging and representing on behalf of their Qualified Entity each of the following:

- The Qualified Entity, through its agents, officers, or employees responsible to administer the STIF Plan and oversee completion of the projects included in the STIF Plan, has read and understands ORS 184.751 through ORS 184.766 and OAR chapter 732, divisions 40 and 42.
- The Qualified Entity agrees to be bound by ORS 184.751 through ORS 184.766 and OAR chapter 732, divisions 40 and 42 and any other laws applicable to STIF Formula Fund program administration and to the completion of the projects described in this STIF Plan.
- The STIF Plan is complete and includes all of the required documentation and information.
- The STIF Plan does not contain and is not based on any false or fraudulent information.
- The STIF Plan does not contain any statement or representation that is untrue in whole or part.
- The STIF Plan does not omit information that could have a material effect on the value, validity, or authenticity of the STIF Formula Fund distributions made to the Qualified Entity.
- The Qualified Entity agrees to deliver the projects described in this STIF Plan within the identified timelines.
- The Qualified Entity understands that it may request STIF Formula Fund distributions from ODOT after the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) has approved the STIF Plan but may not make a request prior to July 1, 2023.
- Payments to the Qualified Entity are conditioned on the Qualified Entity satisfying all terms and conditions of this agreement.
• The Qualified Entity is required to repay, in full, any distributions paid to the Qualified Entity if the Oregon Transportation Commission determines that the recipient has failed to meet any terms or conditions of this agreement.

Select the link next to “Download the signature page here” and have an authorized person complete and sign the form (Figure 30). Upload the signed signature page using the “Upload” button.

**Figure 30: Download and Upload the Signature Page**

![Signature page upload](signature_page.png)

When the STIF Plan has been completed, press the “Save” button one last time before selecting the “Submit STIF Plan” button at the bottom of the form (Figure 31).

**Figure 31: Saving and Submitting the STIF Plan**

![Submit and save buttons](submit_save_buttons.png)