

### **Year-End 2021 Actuarial Valuation Results**

# OREGON PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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#### **Executive Summary**

- Average collared base employer contribution rates will increase 1.07% of pay starting July 2023
  - Collared base employer rates are paid by new employer contributions and/or side account transfers
- Average collared net employer contribution rates will increase 0.68% of pay starting July 2023
  - Collared net rates are paid by new employer contributions
- Factors affecting this valuation's July 2023 June 2025 contribution rate calculations:
  - Decrease in the investment return assumption to 6.9% since last biennium increased normal cost rates
  - Actual 2021 investment returns of +20% decreased uncollared UAL rates that amortize unfunded liability
  - Updated rate collaring policy adopted mid-2021 led to no decrease in average collared base UAL rates
  - Larger 2023-2025 side account offsets from strong 2021 returns lessened the net contribution rate increase
- Year-end 2021 funded status is 80% excluding side accounts, up from 71% at year-end 2020
- Year-end 2021 funded status is 86% including side accounts, up from 76% at year-end 2020
  - Funded status increase primarily due to strong 2021 investment returns



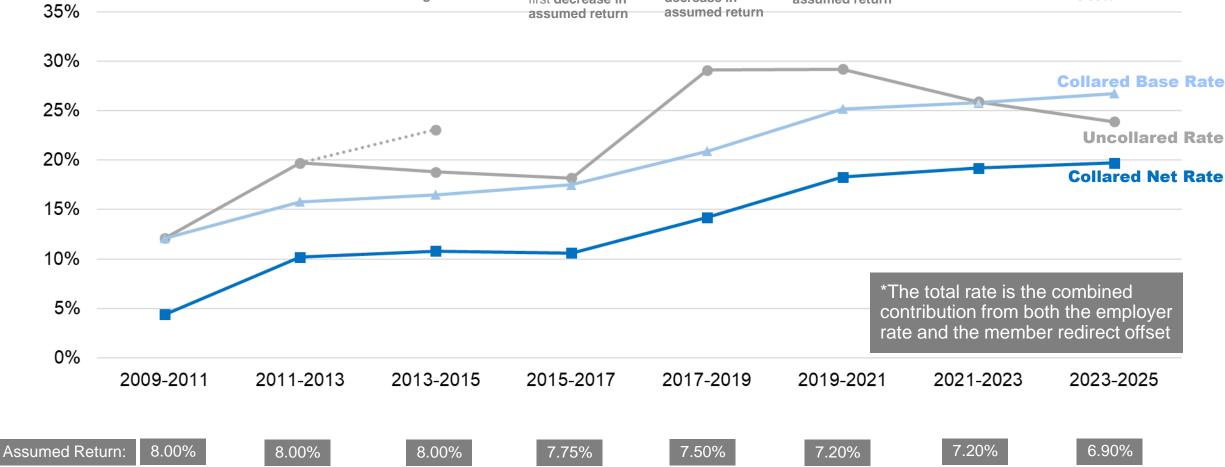
#### System-Average Weighted Total\* Pension-Only Rates

2009-2011 rates set prior to economic downturn 2011-2013 rates first to reflect -27% return in 2008 2013-2015 shown before (dotted line) and after (solid line) legislated changes

2015-2017 set pre-Moro reflecting 2012 (+14.3%) & 2013 (+15.6%) returns, first decrease in assumed return

2017-2019 set post-Moro, reflecting 2015 return (+2.1%) and second decrease in 2019-2021 reflects +15.4% return in 2017 and third decrease in assumed return **2021-2023** reflects **+0.48%** return in 2018 and **+13.6%** return in 2019

2023-2025 rates reflect decrease in assumed return to 6.90% and 2021 actual return of +20.05%





#### Funded Status & Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL)

System-Total Pension Funded Status (\$ billions)								
Valuation date:	12/31/2019	12/31/2020	12/31/2021					
Assumed return:	7.20%	6.90%	6.90%					
Actuarial liability	\$ 89.4	\$ 95.3	\$ 98.4					
Assets (excluding side accounts)	64.8	67.3	78.4					
UAL (excluding side accounts)	\$ 24.6	\$ 28.0	\$ 20.0					
Funded status (excluding side accounts)	72%	71%	80%					
Side account assets	<u>\$ 5.5</u>	<u>\$ 5.1</u>	\$ 6.6					
UAL (including side accounts)	\$ 19.1	\$ 22.9	\$ 13.4					
Funded status (including side accounts)	79%	76%	86%					



#### **Overview**

- Today we will review summary valuation results as of December 31, 2021 for:
  - Tier One/Tier Two & OPSRP retirement programs
  - Retiree Health Insurance Account (RHIA), and
  - Retiree Health Insurance Premium Account (RHIPA)
- Formal, detailed results will be presented in our forthcoming December 31, 2021 System-Wide Actuarial Valuation Report
  - All work is based on asset levels and member demographics at year-end 2021
- This valuation will be the basis for 2023-2025 employer contribution rates presented for adoption at the September 30, 2022 Board meeting:
  - Employers' individual rates will be in the September meeting materials
- PERS will deliver employer-specific reports after the rates are adopted



#### **Valuation Process and Timeline**

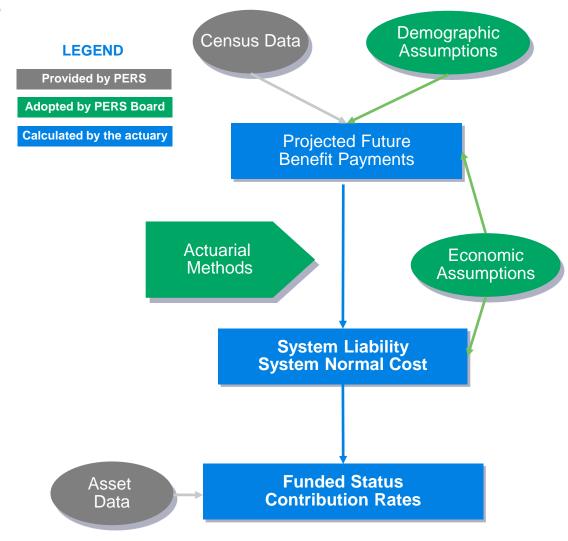
- Actuarial valuations are conducted annually
  - Alternate between "rate-setting" and "advisory" valuations
  - This valuation as of 12/31/2021 is <u>rate-setting</u>
- Board adopts contribution rates developed in rate-setting valuations, and those rates go into effect 18 months after the valuation date

Rate-Setting Valuation Date	Employer Contribution Rates
12/31/2019	→ July 2021 – June 2023
12/31/2021	→ July 2023 – June 2025
12/31/2023	→ July 2025 – June 2027



#### **Two-Year Rate-Setting Cycle**

- July 2021: Assumptions & methods adopted by Board in consultation with the actuary
- October 2021: System-wide advisory 12/31/20 actuarial valuation results
- December 2021: Advisory 2023-2025 employer-specific contribution rates
- July 2022: System-wide 12/31/21 rate-setting actuarial valuation results
- September 2022: Presentation and adoption of employer-specific
   2023-2025 contribution rates





#### **Guiding Objectives - Methods & Assumptions**

- Transparent
- Predictable and stable rates
- Protect funded status
- Equitable across generations
- Actuarially sound
- GASB compliant

Some of the objectives can conflict, particularly in periods with significant volatility in investment return or projected benefit levels. Overall system funding policies should seek an appropriate balance between conflicting objectives.



#### **Changes Since the Last Rate-Setting Valuation**

- The 12/31/2019 rate-setting actuarial valuation developed 2021-2023 employer contribution rates, which were adopted by the Board in 2020
- Since the 12/31/2019 rate-setting valuation:
  - The PERS Board adopted new assumptions and methods from the 2020 Experience Study, including reducing the investment return assumption from 7.2% to 6.9%
  - 2021 asset returns exceeded assumed level, with an actual single-year return of +20.05%
    - Actual returns during 2022 will be reflected in next year's advisory valuation
  - Cumulative system payroll increase of nearly 10% over the two-year period between ratesetting valuations



#### **Changes Since the Last Advisory Valuation**

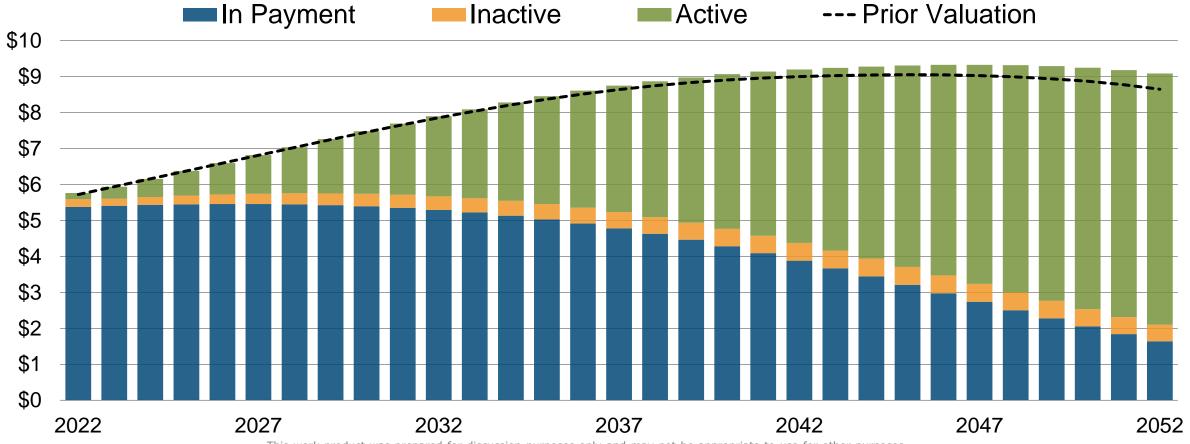
- The 12/31/2021 rate-setting valuation will develop final 2023-2025 rates and reflects the following changes since the 12/31/2020 advisory valuation:
  - 2021 OPERF regular account return of +20.05%, which produced a single-year actuarial investment gain of \$8.6 billion
  - System payroll increase of 5.3% from 12/31/2020 to 12/31/2021
- The 12/31/2020 advisory actuarial valuation already reflected:
  - Updated assumptions and methods from the 2020 Experience Study
  - Investment experience during 2020, which at +7.18% was very close to the assumed rate of 7.20% for that year



#### Projected Benefit Payments for Members as of 12/31/2021

Does Not Include Projected Benefit Payments for Anyone Joining OPSRP After 12/31/2021

# Tier One/Tier Two & OPSRP Expected Benefit Payments by Status as of 12/31/2021 (in \$ billions)

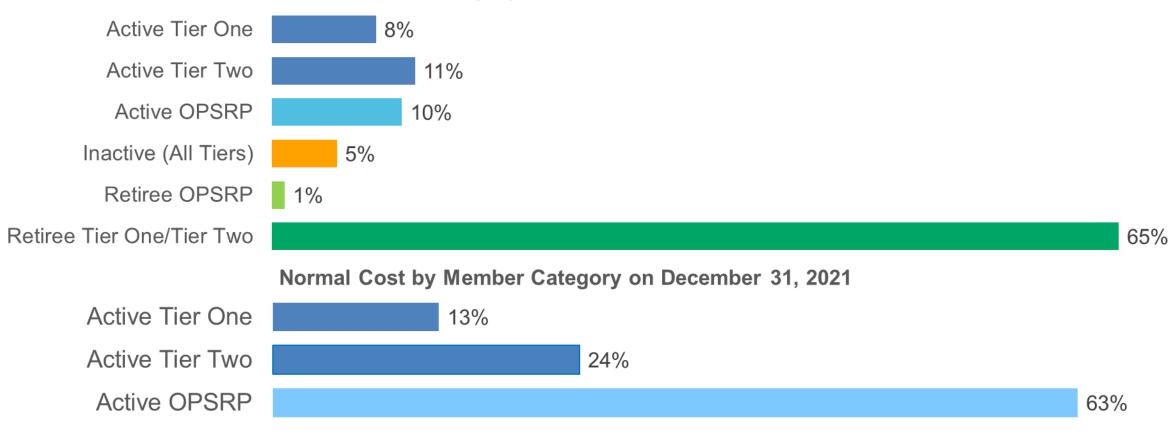




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# Actuarial Accrued Liability and Normal Cost by Category 12/31/2021 Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP Actuarial Accrued Liability and Normal Cost

Actuarial Accrued Liability by Member Tier and Status on December 31, 2021



Accrued Actuarial Liability is the value of benefits allocated to service prior to 2022 Normal Cost is the value of benefits allocated to projected service during 2022



### Sources of 2021 UAL (Excluding Side Accounts) Change

(\$ billions)	UAL Increase
Expected UAL increase/(decrease) during 2021	\$ 0.0
2021 actual investment performance	(8.6)
Actual demographic experience different than assumed	0.6
Actual UAL increase/(decrease) during 2021	(\$ 8.0)

- The expected UAL increase/(decrease) is the UAL change, based on 12/31/2020 valuation results, projected to occur during 2021 if actual 2021 experience followed that valuation's assumptions; for several years prior to 2020 there was an expected increase, but there was essentially no expected change in 2021
- The 2021 investment gain (i.e., actual versus assumed return) reflects actual 2021 OPERF returns of +20.05% compared to the assumed 6.90% return
- The increase from actual demographic experience different than assumed was primarily due to individual member salary increase experience during 2021 higher than the long-term assumption; this was partially offset by higher mortality experience than assumed during the year



## Tier One/Tier Two Rate Pool Funded Status and UAL

**Amounts Shown as of December 31, 2021** 

(\$ billions) Totals may not add due to rounding	SLGRP	School Districts
Tier One/Tier Two actuarial liability	\$ 47.2	\$ 31.9
Tier One/Tier Two assets (excluding side accounts)	36.3	<u>26.2</u>
Tier One/Tier Two UAL (excluding side accounts)	\$ 10.8	\$ 5.7
Tier One/Tier Two funded status (excluding side accounts)	77%	82%
Projected 2022 Tier One/Tier Two + OPSRP payroll	\$ 7.4	\$ 4.1
Assets to payroll ratio (excluding side accounts)	4.9x	6.3x
UAL to payroll ratio (excluding side accounts)	1.5x	1.4x
Side account assets	\$ 2.8	\$ 3.7
Tier One/Tier Two UAL (including side accounts)	\$ 8.0	\$ 2.0
Tier One/Tier Two funded status (including side accounts)	83%	94%



#### Comments on 2023 – 2025 Rates

- No single employer pays the system-wide average rate
  - Individual employer rates reflect either rate pool or independent employer-specific results, not the systemwide average
  - Relative proportion of Tier One/Tier Two vs. OPSRP payroll also varies by employer
- Employers in a rate pool do not pay the pool average rate
  - Actual rates reflect employer-specific side account rate offsets and/or any remaining SLGRP charges/offsets
  - SLGRP normal cost rates are specific to an employer's workforce mix of member tier and job classification
- Rates shown on the next several slides do not include the effects of:
  - Individual Account Plan (IAP) contributions
  - Rates for the RHIA & RHIPA retiree healthcare programs
  - Debt service payments on pension obligation bonds

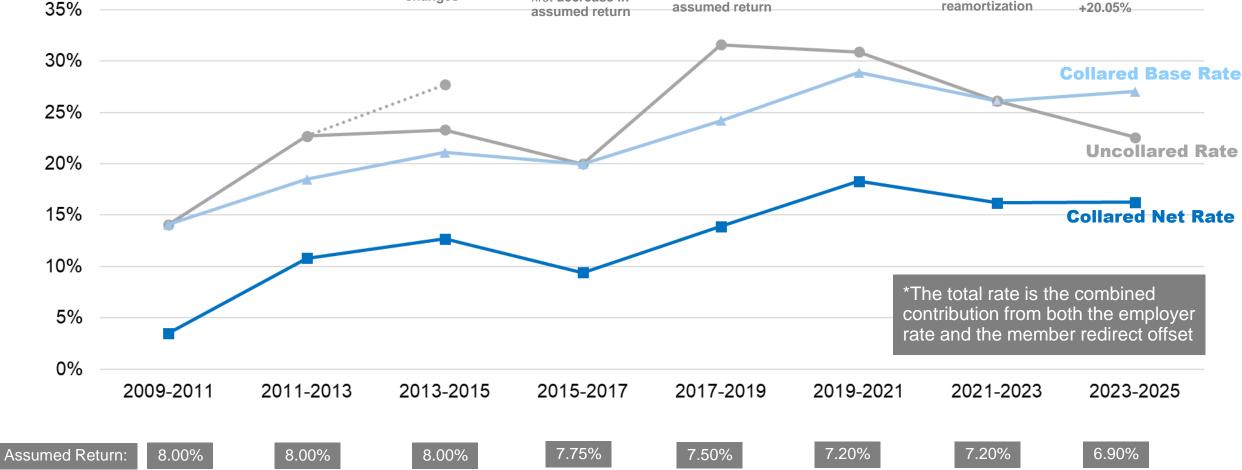


#### School District Weighted Total\* Pension-Only Rates

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#### **Uncollared Total Pension Rates – School Districts**

**Excludes Retiree Health Care, IAP Contributions, Rate Collar, Side Accounts** 

	12/31/2019 Valuation 2021 – 2023 Final Rates			12/31/2021 Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates			
	Payroll			Payroll			
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>		Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>
Total Normal Cost	13.45%	8.64%	10.35%		14.48%	9.89%	11.24%
Tier One/Tier Two UAL	14.09%	14.09%	14.09%		9.63%	9.63%	9.63%
OPSRP UAL	1.69%	1.69%	1.69%		<u>1.51%</u>	1.51%	<u>1.51%</u>
Uncollared Total Rate	29.23%	24.42%	26.13%		25.62%	21.03%	22.38%
Increase/(Decrease)					(3.61%)	(3.39%)	(3.75%)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Weighting based on pool payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date

The pool-average collared base and net rates for 2023-2025 are shown on subsequent slides

Rates shown on this slide are "total" rates and include the member EPSA contribution component of the normal cost



#### Effect of Rate Collar – School Districts

	12/31/2021 Valuation <u>Uncollared</u> Rates				12/31/2021 Valuation Collared Base Rates		
	Payroll				Payroll		
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>	
Total Normal Cost	14.48%	9.89%	11.24%	14.48%	9.89%	11.24%	
Tier One/Tier Two UAL	9.63%	9.63%	9.63%	14.10%	14.10%	14.10%2	
OPSRP UAL	<u>1.51%</u>	<u>1.51%</u>	<u>1.51%</u>	<u>1.69%</u>	1.69%	1.69%	
Total Rate	25.62%	21.03%	22.38%	30.27%	25.68%	27.03%	
Effect of Rate Collar				4.65%	4.65%	4.65%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Weighting based on pool payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date

Funded status of School District Pool and OPSRP are both below 87%, so rate collar does not allow UAL Rates to decrease from current levels



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes 0.01% of payroll increase for Multnomah Fire District #10 UAL, which is not subject to rate collar

#### **Collared Total Pension Base Rates – School Districts**

**Excludes Retiree Health Care & IAP Contributions, Side Account Offsets** 

	12/31/2019 Valuation 2021 – 2023 Final Rates				12/31/2021 Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates		
	Payroll			Payroll			
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>		Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>
Uncollared Total Rate	29.23%	24.42%	26.13%		25.62%	21.03%	22.38%
Effect of Rate Collar	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		<u>4.65%</u>	4.65%	<u>4.65%</u>
Collared Total Base Rate	29.23%	24.42%	26.13%		30.27%	25.68%	27.03%
Increase/(Decrease)					1.04%	1.26%	0.90%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Weighting based on pool payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date

The 2023 – 2025 collared total base rates increased due to the combined effects of the reduction in the assumed return from 7.20% to 6.90% and the rate collar's restriction on collared UAL rate decreases prior to satisfaction of funded status thresholds

The increase in the 2023 – 2025 collared total base rates was less than shown in the 12/31/2020 advisory valuation due to the investment gain from actual returns during 2021

Rates shown on this slide are "total" rates and include the member EPSA contribution



#### **Collared Employer Pension Rates – School Districts**

#### **Excludes Retiree Health Care & IAP Contributions**

	12/31/2019¹ Valuation 2021 – 2023 Final Rates			12/31/2021¹ Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates		
		Payroll		Payroll		
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>2</sup>	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>2</sup>
Collared Total Base Rate	29.23%	24.42%	26.13%	30.27%	25.68%	27.03%
Member Redirect Offset	(2.45%)	(0.70%)	(1.25%)	(2.40%)	(0.65%)	(1.10%)
<b>Collared Base Employer Rate</b>	26.78%	23.72%	24.88%	27.87%	25.03%	25.93%
Side Account Rate (Offset)	<u>(9.93%)</u>	(9.93%)	(9.93%)	(10.77%)	(10.77%)	(10.77%)
Collared Net Employer Rate	16.85%	13.79%	14.95%	17.10%	14.26%	15.16%
Increase/(Decrease)				0.25%	0.47%	0.21%

- For this exhibit, adjustments are assumed not to be limited due to an individual employer reaching a 0.00% contribution rate
- Weighting based on pool payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date, OPRSP's payroll weighting increased between valuation dates

Rates vary by employer, as only some employers have side accounts

Weighted-average net employer rates increased less than collared base employer rates, due to an increase in the average side account offset as an outcome of strong actual returns during 2021 and new side account deposits



#### **School Districts Rate Summary**

Weighted Average Total Rates (Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP)

	Final 2021 - 2023	Final 2023 - 2025	Increase/ (Decrease)
Uncollared Total Base Rate	26.13%	22.38%	(3.75%)
Collared Total Base Rate	26.13%	27.03%	0.90%
Collared Base Employer Rate	24.88%	25.93%	1.05%
Collared Net Employer Rate	14.95%	15.16%	0.21%

- The uncollared total base rate decrease was primarily due to investment gains, partially offset by the reduction in the assumed return from 7.20% to 6.90%
- The collared total base rate for School Districts is greater than the uncollared total base rate because the collar does
  not allow the UAL rate to decrease when the rate pool funded status excluding side accounts is less than 87%
- The collared base employer rate increase was larger than the increase in the collared total base rate due to the reduction in assumed member EPSA redirect contributions based on the provisions of HB 2906 and the continued increase in the percentage of actives that are in OPSRP



#### **SLGRP Rate Summary**

Weighted Average Total Rates (Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP)

	Final 2021 - 2023	Final 2023 - 2025	Increase/ (Decrease)
Uncollared Total Base Rate	25.54%	23.89%	(1.65%)
Collared Total Base Rate	25.54%	26.41%	0.87%
Collared Base Employer Rate	24.29%	25.31%	1.02%
Collared Net Employer Rate	18.61%	19.51%	0.90%

- The uncollared total base rate decrease was primarily due to investment gains, partially offset by the reduction in the assumed return from 7.20% to 6.90%
- The collared total base rate for the SLGRP is greater than the uncollared total base rate because the collar does not allow the UAL rate to decrease when the rate pool funded status excluding side accounts is less than 87%
- The collared base employer rate increase was larger than the increase in the collared total base rate due to the reduction in assumed member EPSA redirect contributions based on the provisions of HB 2906 and the continued increase in the percentage of actives that are in OPSRP



#### **System-Wide Rate Summary**

Weighted Average Total Rates (Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP)

	Final 2021 - 2023	Final 2023 - 2025	Increase/ (Decrease)
Uncollared Total Base Rate	25.91%	23.73%	(2.18%)
Collared Total Base Rate	25.82%	26.74%	0.92%
Collared Base Employer Rate	24.57%	25.64%	1.07%
Collared Net Employer Rate	17.93%	18.61%	0.68%

- System-wide rates are the payroll-weighted average of rates for School Districts, the SLGRP, and independent employers that do not pool their Tier One/Tier Two liability experience
- At a system-wide level, the uncollared total base rate of 23.73% is 3.01% of pay lower than the collared total base rate of 26.74%, reflecting that for most employers the rate collar prevents a decrease in the 2023-2025 UAL rate that would otherwise have occurred due to 2021 investment gains



#### Projected 2023-2025 Total (Employer + Member) Contributions

(\$ millions)	Projected 2021-23 Payroll*	(A) Projected 2021-23 Total Contribution	Projected 2023-25 Payroll*	(B) Projected 2023-25 Total Contribution	(B - A) Projected Total Contribution Increase / (Decrease)
State Agencies	\$ 7,820	\$ 1,560	\$ 8,360	\$ 1,740	\$ 180
School Districts	8,285	1,320	8,860	1,420	100
All Others	9,270	1,900	9,910	2,115	215
Total	\$25,375	\$ 4,780	\$27,130	\$ 5,275	\$ 495

- Collared net rates are used to project 2023-2025 contributions
- Last year's advisory valuation projected a total contribution increase of \$1,175 million between the 2021-23 and 2023-25 biennia, compared to a projected \$495 million increase in this valuation
- Projected 2021-23 contributions increased by \$85 million compared to prior estimate (based on the 12/31/2020 advisory valuation) as a result of a larger-than-expected increase in system payroll

<sup>\*</sup> Assumes total payroll grows at 3.40% annually based on 12/31/2021 active member census. The collared net rate applied to this payroll reflects the projected change over time in payroll composition as new OPSRP members are hired to replace retiring Tier One/Tier Two members



#### Factors Driving the Projected Contribution Increase

- The projected \$0.5 billion 2023 2025 total contribution increase consists of:
  - \$0.2 billion due to system-wide average increase in collared net employer contribution rates
    - Primarily driven by the decrease in the assumed return from 7.2% to 6.9% and rate collar policy not allowing 2021 investment gains to reduce collared UAL Rates at the current funded status
    - Includes impact on average contribution rate of projected change over time in payroll distribution between Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP
  - \$0.3 billion due to projected system payroll growth between 2021-2023 and 2023-2025
    - Assumed system payroll growth of 3.4% per year / 6.9% per biennium means the collared net employer rate increase is applied to a larger payroll base in non-inflation-adjusted dollars
    - Does not reflect projected change in payroll distribution between Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP
- In 2023-2025, redirected member EPSA contributions will continue to pay a portion of total contribution rates
  - An estimate of this effect is shown on the next slide



#### **Projected Split of 2023-2025 Total Contributions**

(\$ millions)	Estimated 2021-23 Member Redirect Contributions*	Estimated 2023-25 Member Redirect Contributions*	Projected 2021-23 Employer Contribution	Projected 2023-25 Employer Contribution
State Agencies	\$ 90	\$ 85	\$ 1,470	\$ 1,655
School Districts	100	95	1,220	1,325
All Others	110	<u>105</u>	1,790	2,010
Total	\$ 300	\$ 285	\$ 4,480	\$ 4,990



<sup>\*</sup> Reflects member redirect offset of 2.40% of payroll for Tier One and Tier Two, and 0.65% for OPSRP for 2023-25 (2.45% and 0.70% for 2021-23); the statutory 2.50% and 0.75% redirection levels were adjusted downward to estimate the anticipated effect of members below the statutory pay threshold who will not have contributions redirected

#### 12/31/2021 Retiree Health Care Valuations

- Cumulative retiree health liabilities are less than 1% of the pension liability
- Two separate retiree health care benefit subsidies are valued:
  - RHIA provides a \$60 per month subsidy toward healthcare premiums for Medicare-eligible Tier One/Tier Two retirees
  - RHIPA provides Tier One/Tier Two state employees who retire prior to age 65 with an alternative to PEBB coverage until they reach Medicare eligibility
- OPSRP retirees are not eligible for either subsidy
- The combination of a shortened UAL amortization period and recent experience has improved both RHIA and RHIPA funded status to over 100%
- With the 2020 Experience Study, the Board adopted a new amortization policy for when these programs are over 100% funded
  - Amortizes the actuarial surplus over Tier One/Tier Two payroll using a rolling 20-year amortization, and allows the subsequent negative UAL rate to offset the normal cost, but not below a total contribution rate of 0.0%



#### 12/31/2021 Retiree Health Care Valuations

#### **UAL and 2023-25 Contribution Rates**

	RI	HIA	RHIPA*			
(\$ millions)	12/31/2020	12/31/2021	12/31/2020	12/31/2021		
Actuarial Liability	\$ 384	\$ 369	\$ 48	\$ 46		
Assets	660	<u>763</u>	_64	83		
UAL	\$ (277)	\$ (394)	\$ (16)	\$ (37)		
Funded Status	172%	207%	133%	180%		
Normal Cost Rate (Tier One/Tier Two payroll only)	0.05%	0.04%	0.09%	0.09%		
UAL Rate applied to Tier One/Tier Two payroll**	(0.05%)	(0.04%)	(0.09%)	(0.09%)		
Total Rate	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		

<sup>\*</sup> State Agencies, OUS, and State Judiciary are the only employers who pay RHIPA rates



<sup>\*\*</sup> UAL Rate applied to OPSRP payroll is limited to a minimum of 0.00%

#### **Valuation Next Steps**

- Between now and the September 30, 2022 meeting we will:
  - Prepare listings of employer-specific 2023-2025 contribution rates for adoption at the meeting
  - Issue system-wide December 31, 2021 actuarial valuation report
  - Prepare employer-specific rate-setting December 31, 2021 actuarial valuation reports
    - PERS to distribute to employers after the September meeting



#### **Contribution Rate & Funded Status Projections**

- In December, we will return with contribution rate and funded status projections based on this valuation
  - That analysis will use the latest year-to-date investment return information at the time the projections are made
- Projections will be developed using two types of models
  - Steady return
    - Straight lines reflecting steady future actual investment returns
  - Variable return
    - Probability distributions reflecting a wide variety of noisy scenarios for possible actual future investment returns
    - The modeling will include updates to the risk metrics we have used in projection studies conducted in previous years





## **Appendix**

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This presentation summarizes key preliminary results of an actuarial valuation of the Oregon Public Employees Retirement System ("PERS" or "the System") as of December 31, 2021, for the Plan Year ending December 31, 2021. The results are preliminary in nature and may not be relied upon to, for example, prepare the System's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. The reliance document will be the forthcoming formal December 31, 2021 System-Wide Actuarial Valuation Report.

In preparing this report, we relied, without audit, on information (some oral and some in writing) supplied by the System's staff. This information includes, but is not limited to, statutory provisions, employee data, and financial information. We found this information to be reasonably consistent and comparable with information used for other purposes. The valuation results depend on the integrity of this information. If any of this information is inaccurate or incomplete our results may be different and our calculations may need to be revised.

All costs, liabilities, rates of interest, and other factors for the System have been determined on the basis of actuarial assumptions and methods which are individually reasonable (taking into account the experience of the System and reasonable expectations); and which, in combination, offer a reasonable estimate of anticipated experience affecting the System. The valuation results were developed using models intended for valuations that use standard actuarial techniques.

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Due to the limited scope of our assignment, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of future measurements. Our annual financial modeling presentation to the PERS Board should be referenced for additional analysis of the potential variation in future measurements. Our forthcoming December 31, 2021 Actuarial Valuation Report will provide additional discussion of the System's risks. The PERS Board has the final decision regarding the appropriateness of the assumptions.

Actuarial computations presented in this report are for purposes of presenting advisory contribution rates consistent with the adopted funding policy the System. The computations prepared for other purposes may differ as disclosed in our report. The calculations in the enclosed report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of the System's funding requirements and goals. The calculations in this report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of the plan provisions described in the appendix of this report. Determinations for purposes other than meeting these requirements may be significantly different from the results contained in this report. Accordingly, additional determinations may be needed for other purposes.



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On the basis of the foregoing, we hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and accurate and has been prepared in accordance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices which are consistent with the principles prescribed by the Actuarial Standards Board and the Code of Professional Conduct and Qualification Standards for Actuaries Issuing Statements of Actuarial Opinion in the United States of the American Academy of Actuaries. We are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards to render the actuarial opinion contained herein. Assumptions related to the claims costs and healthcare trend (cost inflation) rates for the retiree healthcare program discussed in this report were determined by Milliman actuaries qualified in such matters.



#### **Data Exhibits**

	December 31, 2021					December 31, 2020			
	1	Tier One		Tier Two		OPSRP	Total		Total
Active Members									
Count		12,225		27,975		137,539	177,739		180,685
Average Age		57.7		53.0		43.6	46.0		46.0
Average Service		27.7		20.6		7.5	11.0		10.8
Average prior year Covered Salary	\$	91,245	\$	85,536	\$	62,523	\$ 68,120	\$	63,741
Inactive Members <sup>1</sup>									
Count		9,517		13,546		27,678	50,741		48,180
Average Age		61.8		55.5		48.4	52.8		53.0
Average Monthly Benefit	\$	2,323	\$	965	\$	487	\$ 959	\$	972
Retired Members and Beneficiaries <sup>1</sup>									
Count		129,796		20,163		9,626	159,585		156,156
Average Age		73.7		68.8		68.3	72.8		72.5
Average Monthly Benefit	\$	3,184	\$	1,323	\$	628	\$ 2,795	\$	2,743
Total Members		151,538		61,684		174,843	388,065		385,021

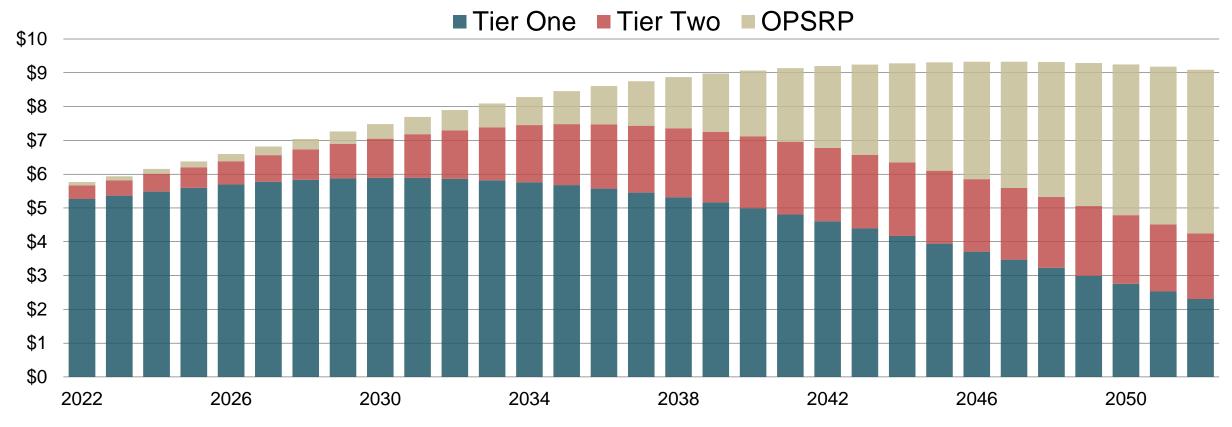
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Inactive and Retiree counts are shown by lives within the system. In other words, a member is counted once for purposes of this exhibit, regardless of their service history for different rate pools. This contrasts with the method used to count inactive participants in some of the later exhibits.



#### Projected Benefit Payments by Tier for Members as of 12/31/2021

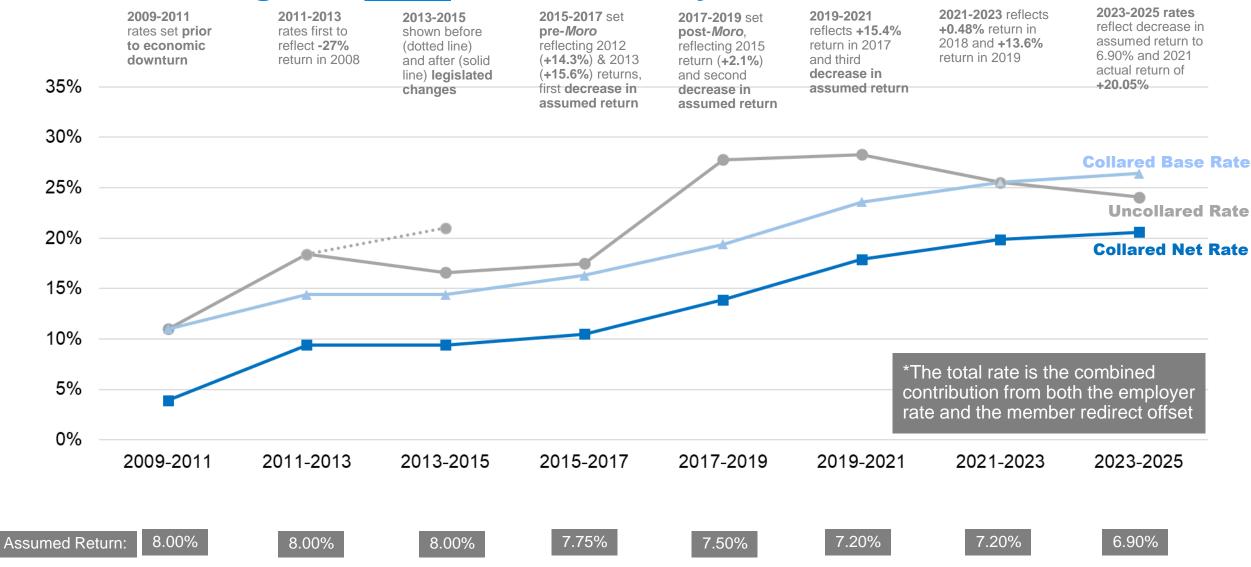
Does Not Include Projected Benefit Payments for Anyone Joining OPSRP After 12/31/2021

Tier One/Tier Two & OPSRP Expected Benefit Payments by Tier as of 12/31/2021 (in \$ billions)





### **SLGRP Weighted Total\* Pension-Only Rates**





## **Funded Status and UAL by Program**

Pension Funded Status (\$ billions) at 12/31/2021 totals may not add due to rounding								
	Tier One/ Tier Two	OPSRP	Combined					
Actuarial liability	\$ 86.6	\$ 11.8	\$ 98.4					
Assets (excluding side accounts)	\$ 68.1	\$ 10.3	<u>\$ 78.4</u>					
UAL (excluding side accounts)	\$ 18.5	\$ 1.5	\$ 20.0					
Funded status (excluding side accounts)	79%	87%	80%					
Side account assets			<u>\$ 6.6</u>					
UAL (including side accounts)			\$13.4					
Funded status (including side accounts)			86%					



## **Uncollared Total Pension Rates – SLGRP Average**

**Excludes Retiree Health Care, IAP Contributions, Rate Collar, Side Accounts** 

		2019 Valua 2023 Final			12/31/2021 Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates			
		Payroll			Payroll			
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>		
Normal Cost	15.41%	9.16%	11.18%	16.35%	10.47%	12.04%		
Tier One/Tier Two UAL	12.67%	12.67%	12.67%	10.34%	10.34%	10.34%		
OPSRP UAL	1.69%	1.69%	1.69%	<u> 1.51%</u>	1.51%	1.51%		
<b>Uncollared Total Rate</b>	29.77%	23.52%	25.54%	28.20%	22.32%	23.89%		
Increase				(1.57%)	(1.20%)	(1.65%)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Weighting based on pool payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date.

The pool-average advisory collared net rates which employers would be charged are shown on subsequent slides
Rates shown on this slide are "total" rates and include the member EPSA contribution component of the normal cost
Rates vary, sometimes widely among employers in the SLGRP



### **Collared Total Pension Base Rates – SLGRP Average**

**Excludes Retiree Health Care & IAP Contributions, Side Account Offsets** 

	12/31/2019¹ Valuation 2021 – 2023 Final Rates				12/31/2021¹ Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates		
	Payroll				Payroll		
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>2</sup>	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>2</sup>	
Uncollared Total Rate	29.77%	23.52%	25.54%	28.20%	22.32%	23.89%	
Effect of Rate Collar	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.52%	2.52%	2.52%	
Collared Total Base Rate	29.77%	23.52%	25.54%	30.72%	24.84%	26.41%	
Increase				0.95%	1.32%	0.87%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For this exhibit, adjustments are assumed not to be limited due to an individual employer reaching a 0.00% contribution rate.

Rates shown on this slide are "total" rates and include the member EPSA contribution



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Weighting based on pool payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date

#### **Collared Employer Pension Rates – SLGRP Average**

**Excludes Retiree Health Care & IAP Contributions** 

	12/31/2019¹ Valuation 2021 – 2023 Final Rates			12/31/2021¹ Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates			
		Payroll			Payroll		
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>2</sup>	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>2</sup>	
Collared Total Base Rate	29.77%	23.52%	25.54%	30.72%	24.84%	26.41%	
Member Redirect Offset	(2.45%)	(0.70%)	(1.25%)	(2.40%)	(0.65%)	(1.10%)	
Collared Base Employer Rate	27.32%	22.82%	24.29%	28.32%	24.19%	25.31%	
Side Account (Offset)	(4.99%)	(4.99%)	(4.99%)	(5.14%)	(5.14%)	(5.14%)	
SLGRP Charge/(Offset)	(0.69%)	(0.69%)	(0.69%)	(0.66%)	(0.66%)	(0.66%)	
Collared Net Rate	21.64%	17.14%	18.61%	22.52%	18.39%	19.51%	
Increase				0.88%	1.25%	0.90%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For this exhibit, adjustments are assumed not to be limited due to an individual employer reaching a 0.00% contribution rate.

Rates vary by employer, sometimes significantly, as only some employers have side accounts and the SLGRP charge/(offset) varies by employer



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Weighting based on pool payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date

# **Uncollared Total Pension Rates – System-Wide**

**Excludes Retiree Health Care, IAP Contributions, Rate Collar, Side Accounts** 

	12/31/2019 Valuation 2021 – 2023 Final Rates				12/31/2021 Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates			
	Payroll				Payroll			
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>		
Normal Cost	14.92%	9.16%	11.09%	15.91%	10.47%	11.98%		
Tier One/Tier Two UAL	13.13%	13.13%	13.13%	10.24%	10.24%	10.24%		
OPSRP UAL	1.69%	1.69%	1.69%	1.51%	1.51%	1.51%		
<b>Uncollared Total Rate</b>	29.74%	23.98%	25.91%	27.66%	22.22%	23.73%		
Increase				(2.08%)	(1.76%)	(2.18%)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Weighting based on system-wide payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date.

Rates shown on this slide are "total" rates and include the member EPSA contribution component of the normal cost



# **Collared Total Pension Base Rates – System-Wide**

**Excludes Retiree Health Care & IAP Contributions, Side Account Offsets** 

		/2019 Valu 2023 Final			12/31/2021 Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates			
	Payroll				Payroll			
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>1</sup>		
<b>Uncollared Total Rate</b>	29.74%	23.98%	25.91%	27.66%	22.22%	23.73%		
Effect of Rate Collar	(0.09%)	(0.09%)	(0.09%)	3.01%	3.01%	3.01%		
Collared Total Base Rate	29.65%	23.89%	25.82%	30.67%	25.23%	26.74%		
Increase				1.02%	1.34%	0.92%		

Weighting based on system-wide payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date.

Rates shown on this slide are "total" rates and include the member EPSA contribution.



# **Collared Employer Pension Rates – System-Wide**

**Excludes Retiree Health Care & IAP Contributions** 

	12/31/2019¹ Valuation 2021 – 2023 Final Rates			12/31/2021¹ Valuation 2023 – 2025 Final Rates		
	Payroll			Payroll		
	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>2</sup>	Tier One / Tier Two	OPSRP	Weighted Average <sup>2</sup>
Collared Base Rate	29.65%	23.89%	25.82%	30.67%	25.23%	26.74%
Member Redirect Offset	<u>(2.45%)</u>	(0.70%)	(1.25%)	(2.40%)	(0.65%)	(1.10%)
Collared Base Employer Rate	27.20%	23.19%	24.57%	28.27%	24.58%	25.64%
Side Account (Offset)	(6.24%)	(6.24%)	(6.24%)	(6.64%)	(6.64%)	(6.64%)
SLGRP Charge/(Offset)	(0.40%)	(0.40%)	(0.40%)	(0.39%)	(0.39%)	(0.39%)
Collared Net Rate	20.56%	16.55%	17.93%	21.24%	17.55%	18.61%
Increase				0.68%	1.00%	0.68%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For this exhibit, adjustments are assumed not to be limited due to an individual employer reaching a 0.00% contribution rate.

Rates vary by employer, as only some employers have side accounts

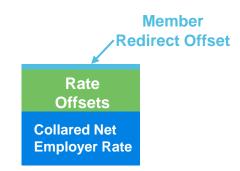
Changes in side account offsets are not collared



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Weighting based on system-wide payroll levels (Tier One/Tier Two, OPSRP) as of the valuation date

#### **Overview of Rate Calculation Structure**





- The uncollared total rate is the theoretical contribution rate to reach 100% funded status over a specified amortization period if:
  - Contributions at that rate started on the actuarial valuation date, and
  - Actual future experience mirrors the actuarial valuation's assumptions, and
  - The normal cost rate does not change in subsequent years
- The rate collar sets a biennium's *collared total base rate*, limiting the base rate change for a single biennium when there is a large change in the uncollared rate
- Member redirect offset reflects estimated portion of collared total base rate paid by redirected member contributions
- Employers pay the collared net employer rate, which reflects the member redirect offset and any rate offset adjustments from:
  - Side account rate offsets for employers with side accounts
  - SLGRP charges/offsets (e.g., Transition Liability/Surplus)

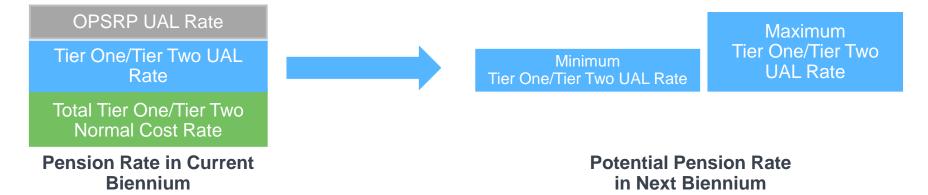


## Rate Collar Design

The rate collar structure was revised with the assumptions and methods adopted for the 2020 Experience Study

- Rate collar focuses on the biennium-to-biennium change in the UAL Rate component
  - Normal Cost Rate component is always paid in full and is not subject to a rate collar limitation
- The maximum biennium to biennium change in UAL Rate permitted by the rate collar is:
  - SLGRP and School District Pools Tier One/Tier Two UAL Rates: 3% of pay
  - OPSRP UAL rate: 1% of pay
  - Tier One/Tier Two UAL Rates of Independent Employers: greater of 4% of pay or 1/3rd of the difference between the collared and uncollared Tier One/Tier Two UAL Rates at the last rate-setting valuation
- UAL Rate is not allowed to decrease at all unless funded status excluding side accounts is at least 87%, and a full collar width decrease is not allowed unless funded status is at least 90%

Illustration of Rate Collar for Tier One/Tier Two UAL Rate





### **Retirement System Risks**

- Oregon PERS, like all defined benefit systems, is subject to various risks that will affect future system liabilities and contribution requirements, including:
  - Investment risk: the potential that investment returns will be different than assumed
  - **Demographic risks**: the potential that mortality experience, retirement behavior, or other demographic experience for the system membership will be different than assumed
  - Contribution risk: the potential that actual future contributions will be materially different than expected, for example if there are material changes in the system's covered payroll
- The results of an actuarial valuation are based on one set of reasonable assumptions, but it is almost certain that future experience will not exactly match the assumptions.
- Further discussion of system risks and historical information regarding system experience are shown in our annual actuarial valuations. In addition, our annual financial modeling presentation to the PERS Board illustrates future outcomes under a wide range of future scenarios reflecting variation in key risk factors.



#### **Actuarial Basis**

#### Data

We have based our calculation of the liabilities on the data supplied by the Oregon Public Employees Retirement System and summarized in the data exhibits on the preceding slides.

Assets as of December 31, 2021, were based on values provided by Oregon PERS reflecting the Board's earnings crediting decisions for 2021.

#### **Methods / Policies**

Actuarial Cost Method: Entry Age Normal, adopted effective December 31, 2012.

*UAL Amortization:* The UAL for OPSRP and Retiree Health Care as of December 31, 2007 were amortized as a level percentage of combined valuation payroll over a closed 16 year period for OPSRP and a closed 10 year period for Retiree Health Care. For the Tier One/Tier Two UAL, the amortization period was reset at 20 years as of December 31, 2013. Senate Bill 1049 was signed into law in June 2019 and requires a one-time re-amortization of Tier One/Tier Two UAL over a closed 22 year period at the December 31, 2019 rate-setting valuation which will set actuarially determined contribution rates for the 2021-2023 biennium. Gains and losses between subsequent odd-year valuations are amortized as a level percentage of combined valuation payroll over the amortization period (20 years for Tier One/Tier Two, 16 years for OPSRP, 10 years for Retiree Health Care) from the odd-year valuation in which they are first recognized.

For the Retiree Health Care programs (RHIA and RHIPA), beginning with the December 31, 2021 rate-setting valuation the amortization policy when a program is over 100% funded status will be to amortize the actuarial surplus over Tier One/Tier Two payroll using a rolling 20-year amortization basis. The resulting negative UAL Rate will offset the normal cost rate for the program, but not below 0.0%. If either program subsequently fell below 100%, the UAL would be amortized over combined payroll following the 10-year closed, layered amortization policy.



#### **Actuarial Basis**

#### Methods / Policies (cont'd)

Contribution rate stabilization method: The UAL Rate contribution rate component for a rate pool (e.g. Tier One/Tier Two SLGRP, Tier One/Tier Two School Districts, OPSRP) is confined to a collared range based on the prior biennium's collared UAL Rate contribution rate component (prior to consideration of side account offsets, SLGRP transition liability or surplus rates, or pre-SLGRP liability rate charges or offsets).

<u>Collar Width</u>: the rate pool's new UAL Rate contribution rate component will generally not increase or decrease from the prior biennium's collared UAL Rate contribution rate component by more than the following amount:

- Tier One/Tier Two SLGRP and Tier One/Tier Two School District Pool: 3% of payroll
- OPSRP: 1% of payroll
- Tier One/Tier Two rates for independent employers: greater of 4% of payroll or one-third of the difference between the collared and uncollared UAL Rate at the prior rate-setting valuation. In addition, the UAL Rate will not be allowed to be less than 0.00% of payroll for any Tier One/Tier Two independent employer with a funded status (excluding side accounts) less than 100%.

<u>UAL Rate decrease restrictions</u>: the UAL Rate for any rate pool will not be allowed to decrease if the pool's funded status is 87% (excluding side accounts) or lower; the allowable decrease will phase into the full collar width from 87% funded to 90% funded.

**Expenses**: System-wide administration expenses are assumed to be equal to \$59.0M. The assumed expenses are allocated between Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP based on projected payroll and are added to the respective normal costs.

Actuarial Value of Assets: Equal to Market Value of Assets excluding Contingency and Tier One Rate Guarantee Reserves. The Tier One Rate Guarantee Reserve is not excluded from assets if it is negative (i.e. in deficit status). The Actuarial Value of Assets includes the value of Employee Pension Stability Accounts (EPSA).

#### **Assumptions**

Assumptions for valuation calculations are as described in the 2020 Experience Study for Oregon PERS and presented to the PERS Board in July 2021.

#### **Provisions**

Provisions valued are as detailed in the forthcoming 2021 Valuation Report.

