PLAN AND POLICY REVIEW

Several jurisdictions own, manage, and/or operate the transportation facilities serving the City of Medford. ODOT, which has jurisdiction over the state highway system, has developed statewide plans for specific transportation modes, a statewide transportation improvement program, and specific area studies. The RVCOG is the MPO responsible for regional planning and allocation of federal transportation funds in the Medford-Ashland urban area. The Rogue Valley Transportation District (RVTD) is the major public transportation provider. The following list outlines the plans that were referenced in the development of the TSP to note key findings, identify a list of projects prepared and/or adopted by others, and to identify any project inconsistencies that will need to be reconciled between the plans.

- Airport Master Plan
- The Rogue Valley Commuter Rail Project
- OR 62 Corridor Project
- OR 99 Corridor Plan
- I-5 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan
- Rogue Valley Regional ITS Plan
- Jackson County TSP
- City of Medford Leisure Services Plan
- Phoenix TSP
- Central Point TSP
- University of Oregon Sustainable Cities Initiative Study on Bicycle Transportation in Medford
- Bicycle Task Force Recommendations Priority List

SUMMARY OF POLICY AND PLAN REVIEW

Airport Master Plan

The Airport Master Plan, updated 2013, focuses on the development of the aviation facility and surroundings to accommodate future demands. As discussed in the Air Transportation Plan section, projects in this TSP address the off-site improvement needs identified in the Airport Master Plan.

The Rogue Valley Commuter Rail Project

The Rogue Valley Commuter Rail Project Report, created in March 2007, discusses the opportunity for the CORP facilities to be utilized to expand transportation options in the region.

ODOT Corridor Plans in Medford

The following plans developed by ODOT were referenced and summarized in the Street Plan section of this document:
• OR 62 Corridor Project
• OR 99 Corridor Plan
• I-5 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan

Rogue Valley Regional ITS Plan

The Rogue Valley Regional ITS Plan, adopted December 2016, provides a 10-year road map for improving transportation system operations by enhancing safety, addressing congestion hotspots, providing traveler information, and assisting transportation system operators in implementing traffic management strategies that meet the needs of the region. The Rogue Valley High Priority ITS Projects and Programs identified in the plan that are relevant to the City of Medford are summarized in the Transportation System Management and Operations Plan section of this document.

Jackson County TSP

The Jackson County TSP was adopted in March 2017. The plan guides the management and development of transportation facilities within Jackson County over the next 20 years. The Projects in Incorporated Areas project list identifies the transportation system improvement projects located within incorporated areas that were evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis for the TSP update. The list of projects relevant to Medford is referenced in this document and includes a mix of roadway, pedestrian, bicycle, and intersection projects. The County has set aside approximately 2,000,000 for matching funds for projects in incorporated areas over the next 20 years. Opportunities to implement the projects identified in the Jackson County TSP should be evaluated in coordination with the City of Medford.

City of Medford Leisure Services Plan

The Leisure Services Plan was adopted in April 2017. The plan provides a ten-year forecast for improving park and recreation services in Medford by identifying strategies for providing high-quality, community-driven parks, trails, greenways, and recreational opportunities. The leisure services plan was referenced in the development of the pedestrian and bicycle plan in this document.

Phoenix TSP

The City of Phoenix TSP was adopted in January 2016. The plan provides a 20-year forecast of the City of Phoenix’s transportation network and includes plans and policies for bicycle, pedestrian, auto, freight, and transit. The City of Medford TSP Update is consistent with the City of Phoenix TSP.

Central Point TSP

The City of Central Point TSP was adopted in December 2008. The plan provides a 20-year forecast of the City of Phoenix’s transportation network and includes plans and policies for bicycle, pedestrian, auto, freight, and transit. The City of Medford TSP Update is consistent with the City of Phoenix TSP.
University of Oregon Sustainable Cities Initiative Study on Bicycle Transportation in Medford

The Sustainable Cities Initiative Study on Bicycle Transportation in Medford was prepared by the University of Oregon in partnership with the City of Medford in 2014. The University of Oregon Department of Planning, Public Policy, and Management’s Bicycle Transportation course reviewed Medford’s bicycle network and proposed projects that could promote bicycle ridership and safety. The primary focus of this study was to build connections to the Bear Creek Greenway.

Bicycle Task Force Recommendations Priority List

The Bicycle Task Force identified a list of connections to enhance the bicycle network in Medford. This list was referenced in the development of the bicycle plan and projects in this document.