



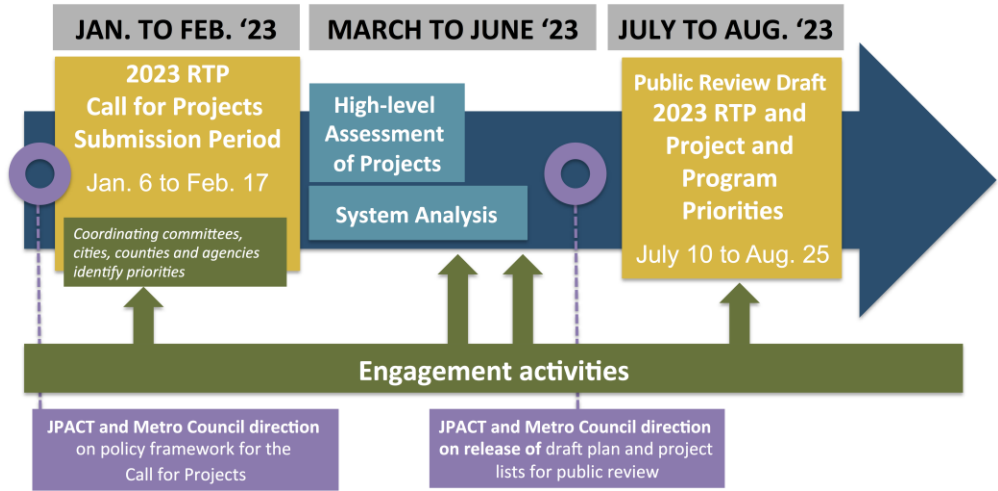
2023 Regional Transportation Plan

Call for projects overview

This document describes the call for projects process and the role of elected officials and other decision-makers in developing the draft project lists.

What is the call for projects?

The 2023 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) will include an updated list of transportation investment priorities for the greater Portland region. This list will include investments such as transit, sidewalk, bridge, bikeway and roadway projects as well as transit service and road maintenance and operations. Among these projects, some will be prioritized for funding within the next seven years, by 2030, and others for the next 22 years. A third list of projects will include additional priorities that advance RTP goals or need further study but that do not fit within the financial budget of the plan. The 2023 RTP policy framework will guide the development of the project list.



Where do the project priorities come from?

Cities, counties and other transportation providers work together through coordinating committees to prioritize projects. The City of Portland, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), the Port of Portland, TriMet and SMART work individually to develop project lists. All projects submitted to the RTP must come from adopted plans or strategies that were developed with public input.

When do jurisdictions' draft project lists need to be submitted?

Each jurisdiction needs to submit its draft project list and project information during the call for projects submission window, which is from January 6 to February 17, 2023.

How many projects are on each jurisdiction's list?

It will vary. Each city and county, ODOT, TriMet, SMART and the Port of Portland have worked with Metro to develop a forecast of revenues expected to be available. The cost targets for each coordinating committee (and its cities), the City of Portland, ODOT, TriMet, SMART and the Port of Portland reflect the revenues expected to be available. Cost targets vary by coordinating committee and agency for a variety of reasons.

Do jurisdictions need to include ALL the final information for each project in the draft list?

Yes. All project information must be submitted by the call for projects deadline on February 17, 2023.

What if jurisdictions want to make changes to the project list after reviewing project list assessments and receiving community input?

Refinements to the draft project list may be identified between the end of February and May 24, 2023. Refinements are anticipated to be limited to the prioritization of projects, including changes to strategic vs. constrained lists, project timing, project scope/description, and project cost. Proposed refinements to the project list must be communicated to Metro no later than May 24.

By May 24, all agencies must submit a letter from their governing body endorsing the projects submitted during the call for projects and documenting any refinements proposed to the submitted draft list. These refinements will be presented to JPACT and the Metro Council in June. At that point, no other changes can be made to projects or supporting information, pending the 45-day public comment period.

When do decision makers provide input on the draft project list?

December 2022 - February 2023: Connect with jurisdictional and agency staff. Staff are reviewing projects and working through county coordinating committees to prioritize projects for the 2023 RTP draft project list. ODOT, TriMet, SMART and the Port of Portland have been asked to work with county coordinating meetings during this time.

April - May 2023: The draft project list and assessment results will be discussed at Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC), Joint Policy Advisory Committee (JPACT) and Metro Council meetings. In June 2023, JPACT and Metro Council will be asked to consider public input and technical analysis and provide direction on release of the draft RTP and list of project and program priorities for public review.

When and how can members of the public give input on the project list?

All projects come from previously adopted local transportation system plans or studies and strategies that have been developed with public input.

In April 2023, Metro will share the draft project list and high-level assessment for feedback from community members and other stakeholders including businesses and public agencies. Engagement on the draft project list will include an online public survey, engagement led by community organizations and other engagement activities.

Stakeholders will have an opportunity to provide input on the revised project list and public review draft 2023 Regional Transportation Plan during a 45-day public comment period in mid-to-late summer 2023.