



# Meeting minutes

Meeting: **Metro Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC) meeting**

Date/time: Wednesday Sept. 15, 2021 | 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Place: Virtual video conference call meeting via Zoom

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## **Members Attending**

Tom Kloster, Chair  
Carol Chesarek  
Tom Armstrong  
David Berniker  
Laura Weigel  
Anna Slatinsky  
Adam Barber  
Matt Hermen  
Shelly Parini  
Jeannine Rustad  
Cindy Detchon  
Tom Bouillion  
Jeff Owen  
Darci Rudzinski  
Ramsay Weit  
Ryan Makinster  
Mike O'Brien  
Andrea Hamberg

## **Affiliate**

Metro  
Multnomah County Citizen Representative  
Largest City in Region: Portland  
Largest City in Multnomah County: Gresham  
Clackamas County: Other Cities, Milwaukie  
Second Largest City in WA County: Beaverton  
Multnomah County  
Clark County  
Clackamas County Water Environmental Services  
Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District  
North Clackamas School District  
Service Providers: Port of Portland  
Service Providers: TriMet  
Private Economic Development: EMEA, CCBA & WEA  
Housing Affordability Organization  
Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland  
Green Infrastructure, Design/Sustainability: ESC  
Public Health & Urban Forum: Multnomah County

## **Alternate Members Attending**

Dan Rutzick  
Joseph Briglio  
Kevin Cook  
Andrew Speer  
Brendon Haggerty

## **Affiliate**

Largest City in WA County: Hillsboro  
City of Happy Valley  
Multnomah County  
Service Providers: Private Utilities - PGE  
Public Health & Urban Forum: Multnomah County

## **Guests Attending**

Barbara Fryer  
Will Farley  
Schuyler Warren  
Fiona Lyon  
Aaron Ray  
Adriana Britton

## **Affiliate**

City of Cornelius  
City of Lake Oswego  
City of Tigard  
TriMet  
Port of Portland

## **Metro Staff Attending**

Lake McTighe, Transportation Planner  
Chris Johnson, Research Manager  
Matthew Hampton, Sr. Transportation Planner  
Molly Cooney-Mesker, Communications  
Grace Cho, Senior Transportation Planner  
Marie Miller, TPAC & MTAC Recorder

## Call to Order, Quorum Declaration and Introductions

Chair Tom Kloster called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. Introductions were made. A quorum was declared. Zoom logistics and meeting features were reviewed for online raised hands, finding attendees and participants, and chat area for messaging and sharing links.

## Comments from the Chair

- **Committee member updates from Metro and Region** (all)  
Jeff Owen announced he is leaving TriMet at the beginning of October and will start his new position at HDR in November. Mr. Owen introduced Fiona Lyon with TriMet attending the meeting. TriMet has updated their bus line schedules for fall, with the full listings found on their website.
- **Fatal crashes update** (Lake McTighe) Ms. McTighe noted the memo in the meeting packet with preliminary data on fatal crashes in the region provided by ODOT as of August 2021. In 2021, in the three Metro counties, 82 people have been killed, an average of 10 people a month, 1 person every 3 days; many more have been seriously injured. At the upcoming JPACT meeting the Safety Progress Report will be presented. The link to the 2-Year Progress Report document was provided to the committee: <https://www.oregonmetro.gov/regional-transportation-safety-plan>
- **Regional Mobility Policy Update Schedule** (Kim Ellis) The Regional Mobility Policy Update Updated Project Timeline and fall 2021 Engagement Schedule in the meeting packet was noted. The project timeline has been extended from March to June, 2022. Currently, case study analysis is underway and will reported at the Oct. 20 MTAC/TPAC workshop. For more information the committee can contact Ms. Ellis directly.
- **DLCD Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities rulemaking** (Kim Ellis) Ms. Ellis provided an update on the Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities (CFEC) rulemaking draft efforts this fall. Margi Bradway who serves on the Advisory Committee for Metro for this project, has called a Metro sponsored meeting for regional partners Sept. 22 from 8-9 a.m. to further discuss issues and gain more input. The link to the draft rules was shared: <https://www.oregon.gov/lcd/LAR/Pages/CFEC.aspx>

In addition, DLCD is hosting a meeting for the Portland area Oct. 28 from 11-12:30 p.m. On Dec. 15 MTAC and TPAC will hear more from DLCD at the joint committee workshop. When asked how committee members should provide input on either or both transportation and land use issues regarding these rule drafts, Ms. Ellis recommended comments sent to her so that follow up could be provided by Ms. Bradway and Metro staff working in these areas.

## Committee and Public Communications on Agenda Items - none

**Minutes Review from MTAC July 21, 2021 meeting.** No additions or corrections to the minutes.

**Household Travel Survey Update** (Chris Johnson, Metro) A presentation on the Oregon Travel and Activity Survey was given by Chris Johnson. A brief introduction on the survey basics and background included household recruitments, demographic data, daily travel diaries, and collaborative approach. The project goal in this statewide effort is for 27,700 household participants that come from Oregon's

MPOs and Clark County, Washington. 4,500 are planned for surveys in the Metro region. Funding for the project is shared by all MPOs and all regions of ODOT.

Mr. Johnson chairs the Travel Survey Subcommittee charged with gathering information, experiences, and lessons learned from national peers, and working collaboratively to prepare for the next Oregon Household Activity Survey. The Subcommittee representatives include MPOs, ODOT, OHA, OHCS, TriMet, FHWA and academics.

The project phases and timeline were discussed. The scoping and design phase is summer 2021 – summer 2022, with the implementation phase fall 2022 – spring 2024. Potential scoping topics:

- Outreach
- Contingencies
- Privacy
- Frequency
- Big Data
- Special Markets
- Oversampling
- Under Reporting
- Incentives
- Recruitment
- Fatigue
- E-Commerce
- Non-Motorized
- Passive Data
- Cross-Sectional
- Continuous
- Weekend Travel
- Long Distance Trips
- Emerging Modes

Scoping, design and implementation deliverables include a detailed work plan, state of the practice, partner agency work sessions, sampling/recruitment approach, weighting/stratification/sample size recommendations, instrument testing and outreach. Chair Kloster added this survey work would be the data basis for the RTP update model and next MTIP cycle. Committee workshops and meetings are planned with member participation.

Comments from the committee:

- Cindy Detchon noted in the presentation the possibility of purchasing or using integrated technology for travel data. What has the outreach with this possibility delivered? Mr. Johnson reported past research on a product that wasn't quite the right fit with concerns on dependability and privacy. However, many other products are in the market that will be evaluated and discussed moving forward.

**PDX Next and PDX Master Plan Update** (Aaron Ray, Port of Portland) The presentation provided an update on pandemic recovery and trends, the PDX Next project, and what's ahead with the PDX Master Plan. Highlighted with the pandemic recovery:

- Current passenger volumes down 28%, recovered from 95% down in April 2020
  - Forecast return to pre-pandemic in ~2024
  - Variants introducing significant uncertainty
- Domestic leisure travel leading recovery
  - New mid-continent, recreational destinations
  - Transoceanic service: Spring 2022
  - No significant return in business travel yet
- Challenge: Revenues.
- Opportunity: Construction optimization

The PDX Next capital projects were described with Concourse B, Concourse E, Quick Turn Around Facility, and Rental Car facility completed or near completion. The new main terminal is due to be completed in 2025. The design includes an open and spacious new main terminal with expanded security checkpoints, seismic resiliency upgrades and the flexibility to adapt to new airline technology and ways people travel.

Planning for PDX Next started with Airport Futures (2011 PDX Master Plan). The next steps in the PDX Master Plan will include:

- Sustainability as a guiding principle.
- Detailed forecasting to maximize use of existing facilities.
- New plan district and land use processes to better engage partners and the community
- Programmatic investment in habitat restoration and enhancement.
- Foundation for continual refinement and improvement.

The PDX Master Plan project will kick off in 2023 and will address terminal capacity through 35 million passengers, shifting questions to how to manage airfield and non-terminal assets and land in the most sustainable way, how to maximize the effectiveness of our landside transportation networks and connections, and how to build in flexibility for emerging trends and technology.

Several industry trends to analyze in the next phases were highlighted. It was noted that delivering shared prosperity is the Port's vision they aim to achieve. Methods to achieve this include maximize benefits to Black, Indigenous, people of color, low-income workers, and people with disabilities, – identify new opportunities for engagement with our community, and create a financially sustainable path for the Port. The presentation concluded with the Master Plan Update Timeline described.

Comments from the committee:

- Chair Kloster noted different changes in airline capacity in the presentation. Mr. Ray reported several pandemic lessons airports are learning. They are seeing new entrance carriers not necessarily establishing daily presence in Portland, but more transactional relationship for short-term market return. The potential for rapid changes in service is occurring with airlines now selling tickets for flights, but if not enough tickets are sold to be profitable they will cancel

flights. They are also looking at leased gates by airlines reserved for certain days and times for common use gates, rather than branded gates per airline.

- Jeff Owen appreciated the presentation, noting the great partnership with the Port and work on multi-modal transportation plans in the region. Mr. Ray acknowledged Mr. Owen's work as Chair of the PDX CAC Advisory Committee and others at the meeting.
- Anna Slatinsky noted the Hillsboro Council asking about regional mobility concepts and regional airport planning in the context of possible resiliency issues. Mr. Ray noted the Port approaches all three airports in the region as a complete portfolio with aviation demand. The Master Plan for the Hillsboro airport was completed in 2018. Regional needs and resiliency issues were included in the plan, but would have less impact on runways and consequent flights than those expected at PDX and Troutdale. Little industrial freight travel between Hillsboro and PDX is done and is not expected for changes for redevelopment plans on these issues another 20 years.
- It was asked what changes to the platforms would be affected with changes to the Red Line service. Mr. Ray noted there were no changes to the locations of the platforms but better support for double tracked service in the future. The proximity to the terminal remains the same. Mr. Owen added a planned multi-modal path adjacent to the station for new light rail service is planned. It was noted that our PDX airport is only one of a few airports that have a bike/ped Master Plan that include these plans.

#### **Adjourn**

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned by Chair Kloster at 11:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marie Miller, MTAC Recorder

Attachments to the Public Record, MTAC meeting Sept. 15, 2021

Item	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOCUMENT DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
1	Agenda	9/15/2021	9/15/2021 MTAC Meeting Agenda	091521M-01
2	MTAC Work Program	9/8/2021	MTAC Work Program, as of 9/8/2021	091521M-02
3	Memo	8/24/2021	TO: MTAC members and interested parties From: Lake McTighe, Regional Planner RE: Monthly Fatal crash update	091521M-03
4	Handout	9/2/2021	REGIONAL MOBILITY POLICY UPDATE UPDATED PROJECT TIMELINE AND FALL 2021 ENGAGEMENT SCHEDULE	091521M-04
5	Handout	N/A	Climate-Friendly and Equitable Communities Rulemaking	091521M-05
6	Meeting minutes	7/21/2021	Draft minutes from MTAC July 21, 2021	091521M-06
7	Presentation	9/15/2021	Oregon Household Travel Survey Update	091521M-07
8	Handout	N/A	If you love PDX Now, wait till you see PDX Next	091521M-08
9	Slide	09/15/2021	August 2021 traffic deaths in Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties	091521M-09
10	Presentation	9/15/2021	PDX Next and PDX Master Plan Update	091521M-010