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Date: Thursday, July 11, 2026
To: Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT)
From: Kate Freitag, TransPort Chair, ODOT Region 1 Traffic Engineer
Bikram Raghubansh, TransPort Vice Chair, City of Portland Engineering Supervisor
Caleb Winter, TSMO Program Manager, Metro Principal Transportation Planner
Subject: Comment from the Chair: 2028-30 TSMO Recommended Projects

Purpose

To inform JPACT of project funding recommendations for the Transportation System Management & Operations (TSMO) Program, made possible by 2028-30 Regional Flexible Funds Allocation (RFFA) through Step 1B: Region-wide Program Investments, Planning. TransPort, a subcommittee of the Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee (TPAC), made a recommendation to allocate \$7.3 million in program funds to six projects, consistent with the regionally adopted [2021 TSMO Strategy](#) that helps coordinate technology deployment and operations to achieve regional policy.

No action is requested at this time. TPAC, JPACT and the Metro Council will take action on TransPort's recommendation in fall 2026 through a Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) amendment request to program funding for the six projects.

TSMO Recommended Projects

Projects are listed below with title, lead agency and TSMO Program funds (federal portion). The TSMO program funds require a minimum 10.27% local match.

- **Cornell Road Safe & Smart Corridor**, Washington County, \$1,751,258 (funding for design and construction)
- **Beaverton Multimodal Safety and Traffic Signal Management**, City of Beaverton \$1,845,746 (funding for design and construction)
- **Inner SE Powell Blvd. (Hwy 26) Safer Signals and Transit Signal Priority: Milwaukie Ave - 82nd Ave**, City of Portland, \$2,453,881 (funding for design and construction)
- **Smart 185th Ave.**, Washington County, \$567,850 (funding for design only)
- **Gresham/Multnomah County Intelligent Transportation Systems Plan**, City of Gresham & Multnomah County, \$340,974 (funding for planning)
- **Regional Pedestrian Estimated Volumes Using Signals Data**, Portland State University, \$356,615 (funding for Intergovernmental Agreement supporting research and data analytics)

TSMO Call for Projects Timeline

Metro staff engaged TransPort throughout the Call for Projects process. The key milestones included:

Fall 2025	Developed project evaluation criteria
Dec. 2025-Feb. 2026	Conducted Call for Projects

March 2026	Convened reviewer team to score TSMO projects. Reviewer team was composed of three public agency technical experts and three community-based organization representatives.
April 2026	Shared project scores and preliminary funding scenarios with TransPort
May 2026	Refined the funding scenarios and TransPort action

About TransPort

TransPort is the Subcommittee of TPAC that plays a key role in advancing TSMO projects, including making recommendations to fund projects. TransPort's core membership comprises seven agencies: Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), TriMet, Metro, Clackamas County, Multnomah County, Washington County and the City of Portland, represented by their lead transportation systems engineers and planners. Attendance from other TPAC and JPACT-member agencies is encouraged and meetings are open to all. For more information, please visit [TransPort | Metro](#).

Next Steps

Following TransPort's action and recommendation, Metro staff are working with the lead agencies and ODOT to reach milestones ahead:

June – Dec 2026	Award letters sent and action on MTIP/STIP amendments
October 2027	Funds start to become available in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY28)

TSMO staff thanks regional partners for engaging over the past eight months, contributing to the successful outcome of the TSMO Call for Projects process.

Please email any questions you have for TSMO staff to tsmo@oregonmetro.gov.

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