

Forward Together: The Road Ahead & Planning for Service Cuts

Fall 2025 Update to JPACT



Status of Forward Together 1.0

- Forward Together was originally conceived as a financially-constrained service concept, but our financial forecast has changed
- We have implemented many improvements already
- Further service improvements are on hold indefinitely

Clackamas County: Service Improvements Completed since 2023

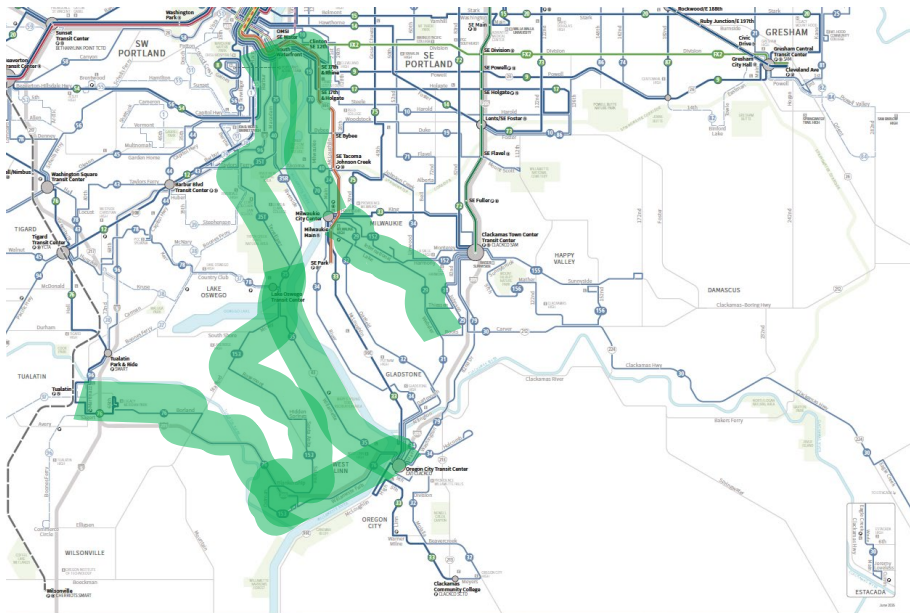
More service on Line 70

More service on Line 35

Added service to Clackamas County Lake Road Health Center

New service between West Linn and Lake Oswego

New service connecting Oregon City to Tualatin



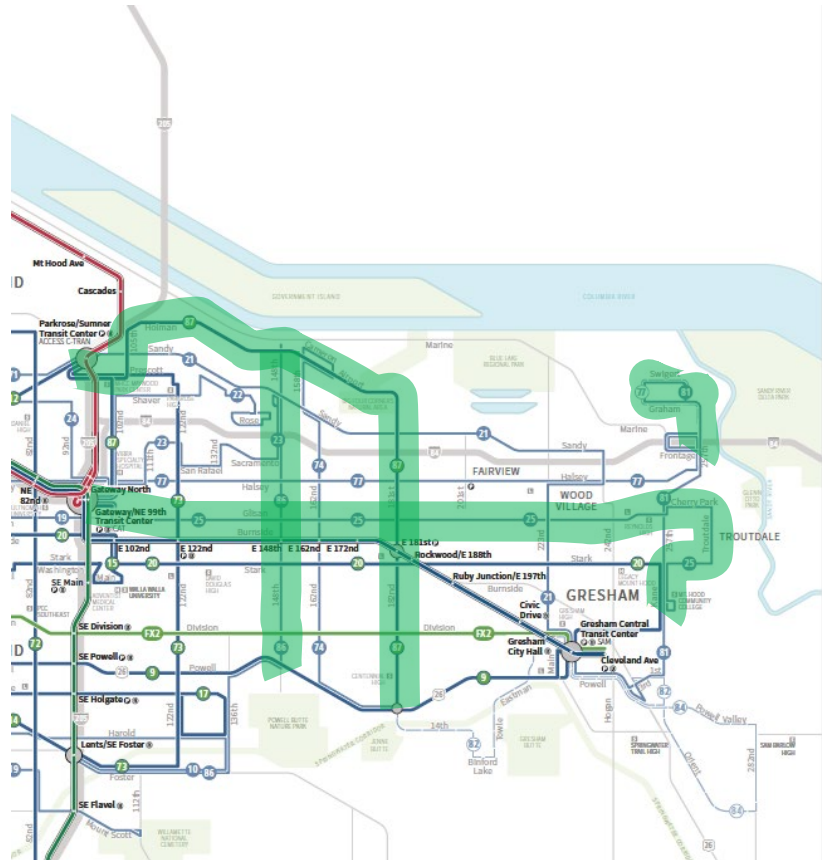
East Multnomah County: Service Improvements Completed since 2023

Upgraded Line 87 to Frequent Service

Created new Line 86 along 148th Avenue

Extended Line 25 to Troutdale

Provided new service to TRIP via Lines 77 and 81



Washington County: Service Improvements Completed since 2023

Upgraded Line 48 to Frequent Service

Upgraded Line 54 to Frequent Service

Connected Line 43 to Marquam Hill

Connected Line 56 to Marquam Hill

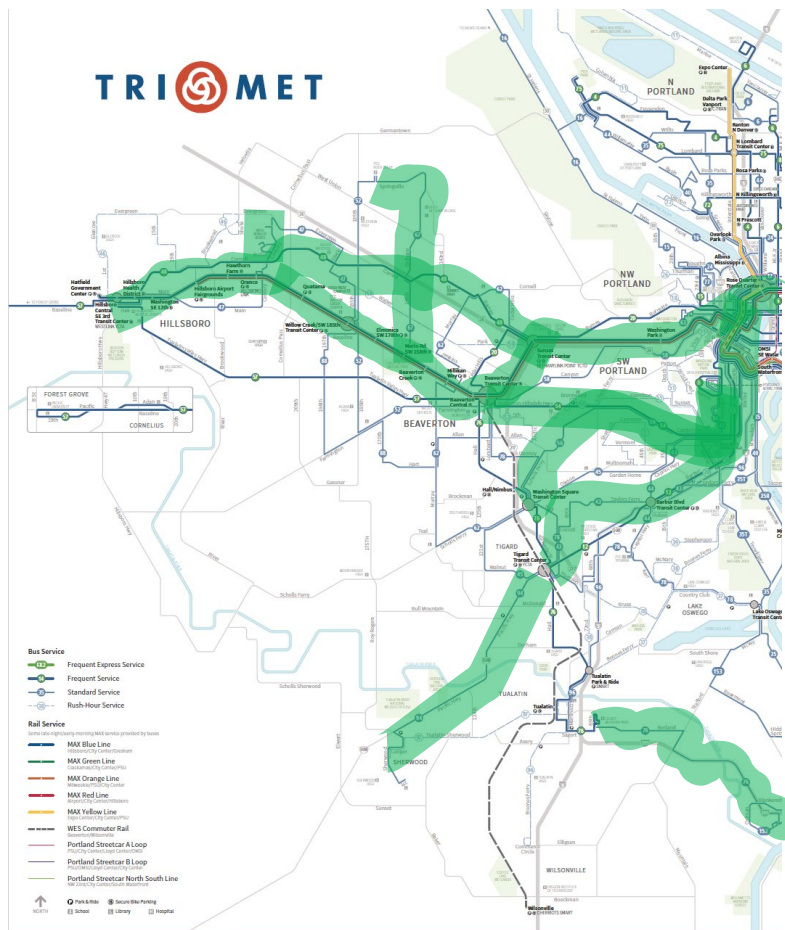
More service between Tigard and Sherwood

New service to Intel Ronler Acres

More service between Bethany and Merlo Rd MAX Station.

New service between Tualatin and Oregon City on Line 76.

Red Line MAX service to Hillsboro
Airport/Fair Complex.



City of Portland: Service Improvements Completed since 2023

Upgraded Line 17-Holgate to Frequent Service

Upgraded Line 54 to Frequent Service

Better connections to Marquam Hill via Lines 43 and 56

More service on Line 19

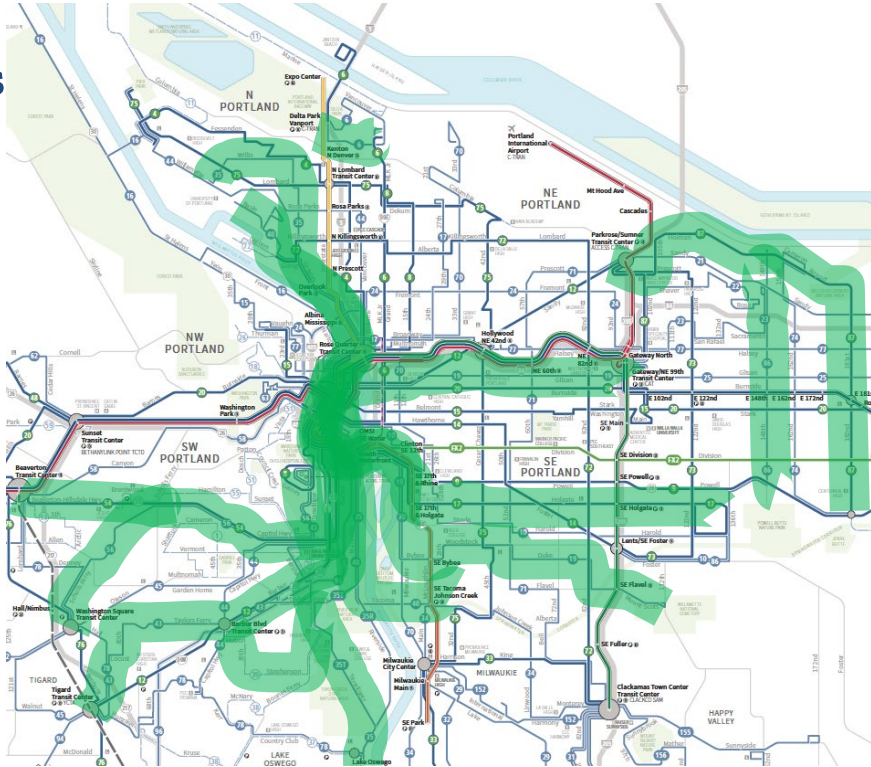
New service to Wells High from Arnold Creek

All day service connecting Sellwood to Swan Island

Service to Amazon facility in Delta Park

Upgraded Line 87 to Frequent Service

New Line 86 on 148th Ave



More service on Greeley and Macadam
including new service to Lewis & Clark College

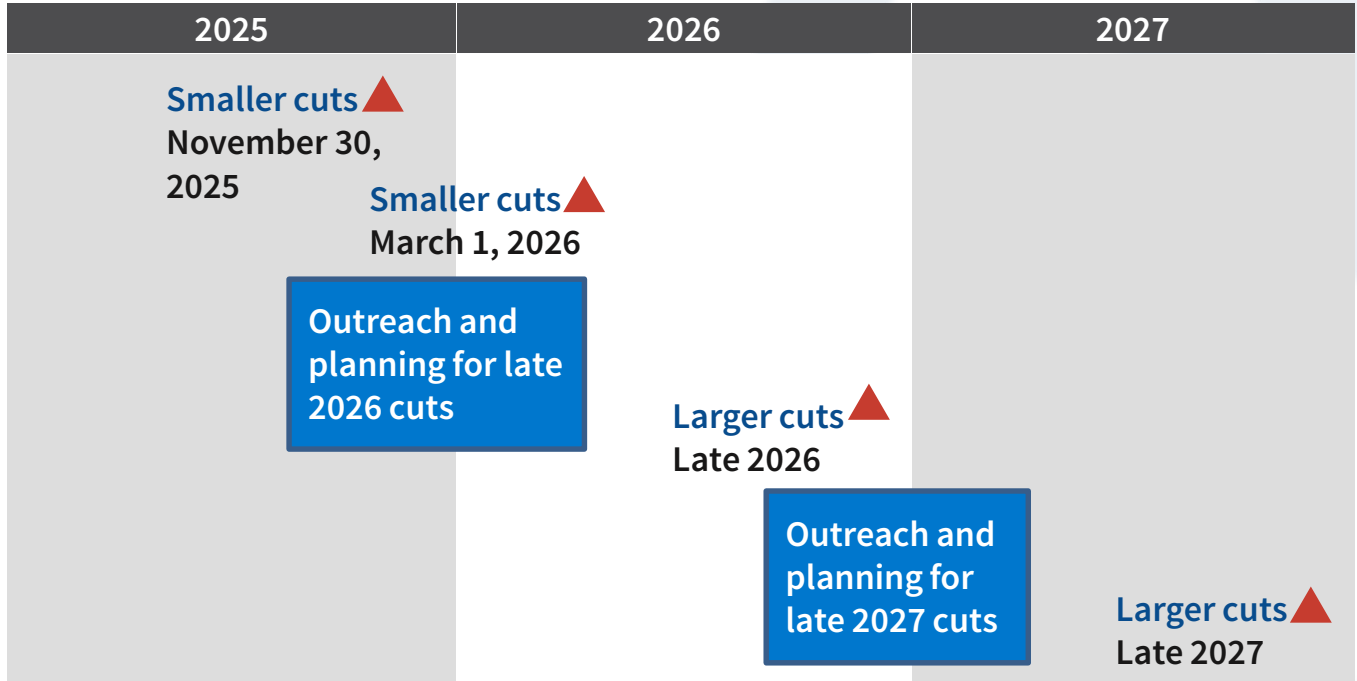


TriMet Budget Forecast and Service Impacts

- TriMet's operating costs have increased 53% since 2019.
- Our fare revenue has not fully recovered.
- The special session transportation bill only increased state transit funding temporarily, so it is not stable revenue that we can rely on for long-term service planning.
- We've been using our reserves to maintain service, but we have to act now to close a \$300 million gap between our annual expenses and revenues.
- We're making significant cuts to our administrative costs, but cuts to our transit service are unavoidable. We must cut at least 10% of service by the end of 2027.

2025-27 service cuts timeline

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Planned service cuts: reduced frequency during lower ridership times

November 30, 2025

FX2-Division buses will arrive every 24–35 minutes before 7 a.m. and after 7 p.m. every day.

35-Macadam/Greeley

52-Farmington/185th

77-Broadway/Halsey

81-Kane/257th

Buses will arrive once an hour after 9 p.m.

March 1, 2026

8-Jackson Park/NE 15th Ave

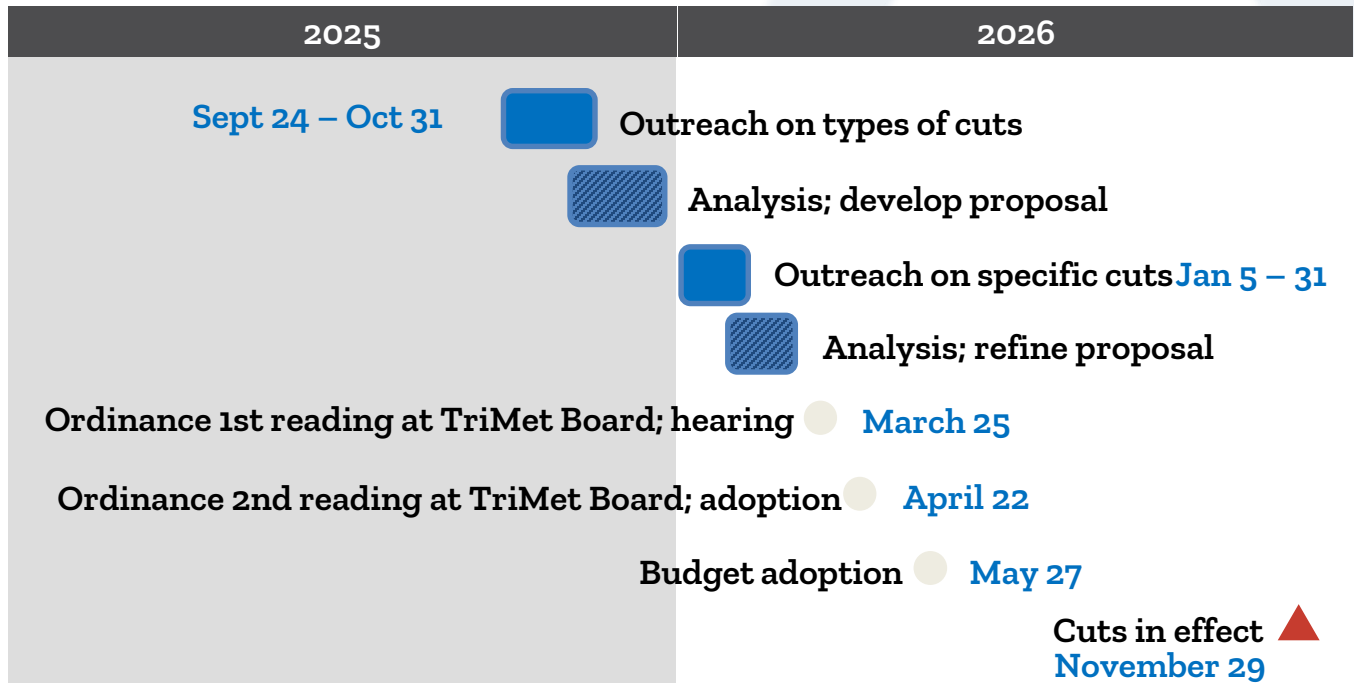
48-Cornell

75-Cesar Chavez/Lombard

76-Hall/Greenburg

Details will be available in January

Decision-making process for 2026 service cuts



Types of service cuts

Rank nine general
types of cuts

Elements of service

- How often buses and trains run (frequency)
- Hours and days of service (span)
- Where service runs (coverage)

Other considerations

- Funding toward partner services
- LIFT service impacts

Comparisons among types of cuts

- Relative savings
- Relative impact on rides

Survey excerpt

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Service Priorities Survey

TriMet must cut service by July 2028, to balance the costs of providing transit service with our revenues. Below are the options for ways to cut service and save money. What priorities do you feel are most important for our service?

Also, please note that reducing bus and MAX service would cut service for some LIFT paratransit riders.

The money symbols show you how much savings we expect from each type of cut:

💰 = small savings
💰 💰 💰 = biggest savings

The human symbols show you how many rides may be impacted:

👤 = small impact
👤 👤 👤 👤 = biggest impact

Rank the types of cuts we're considering by writing numbers 1 through 9 in the boxes by the options below:

1 = I would cut this first
9 = I would cut this last

Shorten the MAX Green Line to run only between Gateway and Clackamas Town Center transit centers.
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Reduce how often buses arrive on Frequent Service lines. Buses may come less often during most of the day (every 17-18

Outreach activities Sept 24 – Oct 31

- Email, social media, news release, interviews
- Web page with survey
- Info with QR code at major stops
- Events: 5 online, 8 in person, all districts; multilingual
- Partner with community-based organizations to host and recruit participants
- Details at trimet.org/servicecuts

Next Steps

- Please give us your thoughts about types of service cuts at trimet.org/servicecuts
- We'll reach back out in January to solicit feedback on specific proposals
- TriMet anticipates a second major round of service cuts: outreach in 2026, implementation in 2027
- TriMet remains committed to implementing three major capital projects: FX on 82nd, FX on TV Highway, and IBR