



Metro

2025-2027 Regional Funding Outcomes Evaluation Report

**Regional Flexible Funds
Parks & Nature Trails Bond**

Presentation to JPACT

May 19, 2022

Today's discussion

1. Introduce the Outcomes Evaluation report
2. Review process and timeline
3. Prepare for upcoming discussions and decision

Two funding sources = \$67.3 million

(Federal)
RFFA:
\$47.3 million

(Local)
Trails bond:
\$20 million

29 applications submitted

Funding category	Number of applications	Amount requested
RFFA	14	\$79,642,888
Trails Bond	7	\$9,611,010
Either	8	\$26,526,615
Total	29	\$115,780,513*

RFFA Program Direction

- Statement of intent to target regional funds to achieve regional priorities
- Defines RTP based criteria used to measure project outcomes



2025-2027 Regional
Flexible Funds Allocation
Program Direction

(Resolution 21-5194)

Adopted by Metro Council: September 9, 2021

RFFA funding criteria

2018 Regional Transportation Plan Priorities	Outcome(s) Being Measured (Project Criteria)
Equity Reduce barriers and disparities faced by historically marginalized communities, particularly for communities of color and people with low income.	Increased accessibility Increased access to affordable travel options
Safety Reduce fatal and severe injury crashes to move the region as quickly as possible toward Vision Zero, particularly for communities of color and other historically marginalized communities.	Reduced fatal and serious injury crashes for all modes of travel
Climate Change Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from cars and small trucks to reduce the impacts of climate change, particularly for communities of color and other historically marginalized communities.	Reduced emissions from vehicles Reduced drive alone trips
Congestion Relief Manage travel demand and increase use of travel options to make travel more reliable on the region's busiest roadways, particularly for communities of color and other historically marginalized communities.	Increased reliability Increased travel efficiency Increased travel options Reduced drive alone trips

Trails Bond funding criteria

- Provide people access to streams, rivers and wetlands.
 - Include connections to or partnerships with trails of statewide significance.
 - Close a gap in existing trail segments or a gap between major destinations.
 - Demonstrate that trail acquisition or development has a high level of readiness (e.g. existing master plan, completed land acquisition, completed design work and local agency leadership).
 - Leverage other public, private or non-profit investments in the surrounding community.
 - Focus on closing gaps and completing ready-to-build projects that fulfill the
- Regional Trails Plan, including land and water trails, particularly those identified as priorities by communities of color, Indigenous communities, low-income and other historically marginalized communities.
- Consider proximity to affordable housing and transit and connections to regional or local parks, local streams and rivers.
 - Prioritize trails likely to be used by communities of color, Indigenous communities, low-income and other historically marginalized communities.
 - Include universal design for people of all abilities.

How criteria areas were used

Both

- Equity
- Safety
- Climate

RFFA

- Congestion

Trails Bond

- Trails

Four project categories: funding source + project phase

RFFA

- Planning/Project Development
- Construction

Trails Bond

- Planning/Project Development
- Construction

Project ratings example

DRAFT 25-27 Project Ratings				Legend:	BEST	BETTER	GOOD			
Project	Applicant	Fund Source	Requested amount	Equity	Safety	Climate	Con. Rel.	Trails	Overall	
RFFA Planning/PD projects										
Emerald Necklace Trail	Forest Grove	Either	\$ 200,000					N/A		
Tigard-LO Trail	Tigard	Either	\$ 245,000					N/A		
Brookwood Ped Overpass	Hillsboro	Either	\$ 4,500,000					N/A		
Allen Blvd	Beaverton	RFFA	\$ 723,670					N/A		
Fanno Ck Trail	Tigard	RFFA	\$ 1,606,705					N/A		
I-205 MUP	Clackamas Co	RFFA	\$ 935,884					N/A		
Lakeview Blvd	Lake Oswego	RFFA	\$ 450,036					N/A		
Troutdale Rd	Multnomah Co	RFFA	\$ 1,720,000					N/A		

Developing proposals for discussion

- Incorporating additional information:
 - Risk Assessment, Public Comment, Coord. Comm. Priorities
- Focus on certain criteria areas or look at overall outcomes?
- Consider funding source for “Either” projects
- Balancing to available funding

Funding decisions: JPACT's role

RFFA

Approves list of projects to receive federal funds, Council adopts or remands

Trails Bond

Provides input to inform staff-recommended project list for Council consideration

Next steps

- Public comment: May 20 – June 21
- July 21: Next JPACT discussion
- July 22: Coordinating Committee input due
- TPAC recommendation, JPACT approval,
Council adoption: Sept, Oct

Thank you

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