

SOUTHWEST CORRIDOR LIGHT RAIL PROJECT

Steering Committee July 23, 2019





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Station Access/ Park & Rides



Connected Transportation Choices



- Light Rail
- Bus
- Westside
 Express Service
- Park & Ride



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Image Source: Bruce Forster



Image Source: Mayer/Ilee:



Connected Transportation Choices



Image Source: In the Forster





Connected Transportation Choices

 Electric bikes, scooters & shuttles are being considered for connections to stations.

• Phone apps will make trip planning & fare payments simple & easy to use.



Image Source: TriMet



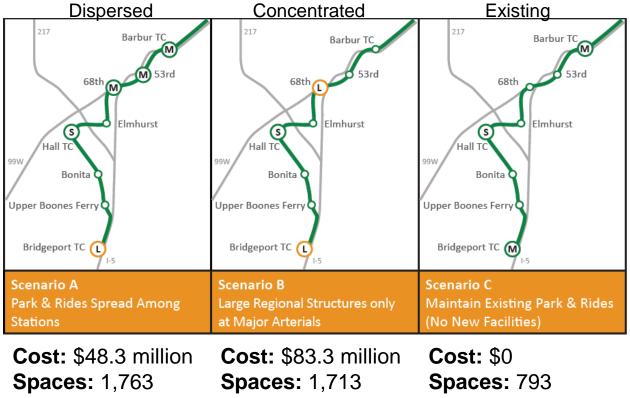


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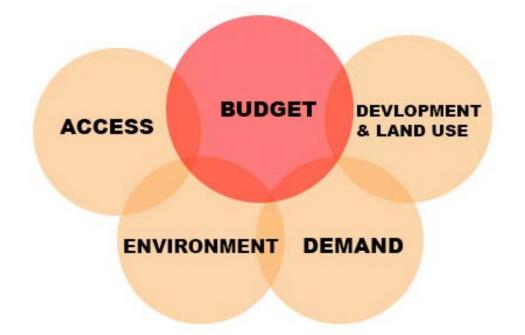


Park & Ride Scenarios





Considerations





STATION ACCESS AND PARK & RIDE ONLINE OPEN HOUSE

- June 10 to June 28, 2019
- Version in English and Spanish
- Promoted through email, social media, signage at P&R
- 569 total responses



STATION ACCESS AND PARK & RIDE ONLINE OPEN HOUSE

Respondents

- Access transit by*:
 - 36% drive
 - 71% bike/walk

5% of TriMet rides originate from Park & Rides

*Is more than 100% because respondents could provide multiple answers.



Key Survey Takeaways

- Priorities for station areas is strongly correlated with how a person accesses transit
- Overall preference for Scenario A Park & Rides spread among stations
- Those who bike and walk prefer less parking
- Most respondents want better bike, walk and bus access



How well does each scenario address the considerations of access, budget, development, environment, and demand?

Rate the scenario from 1-5 stars with 5 being best.

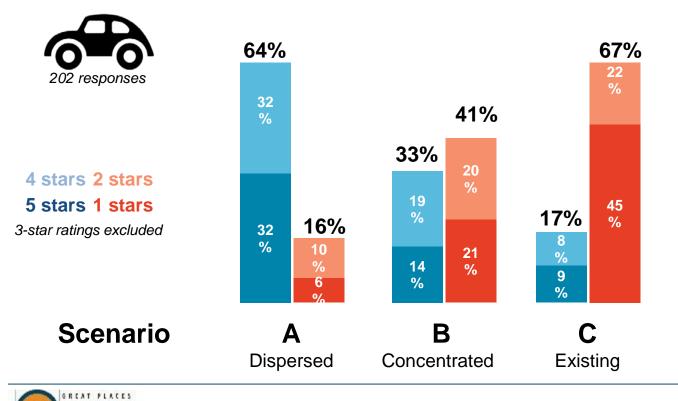




All Respondents

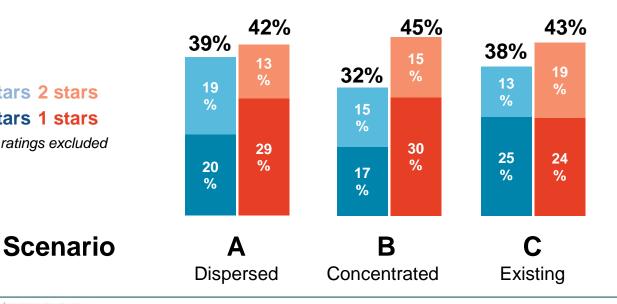
52% 569 responses 48% 44% 24 17 34% 31% 31% 4 stars 2 stars 12 16 5 stars 1 stars % % 3 3-star ratings excluded 1 27 2 24 22 % % 0 % 15 % % % **Scenario** Β С Δ Dispersed Concentrated Existing



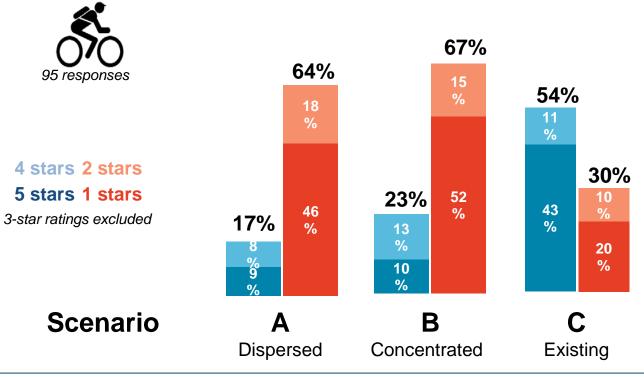




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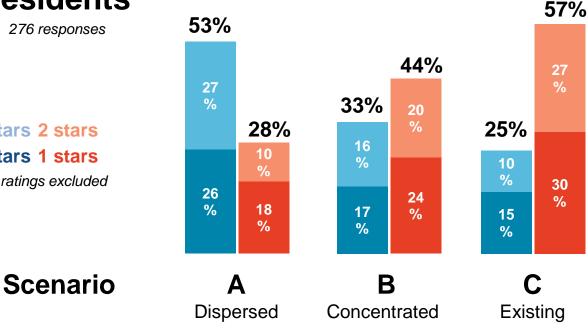


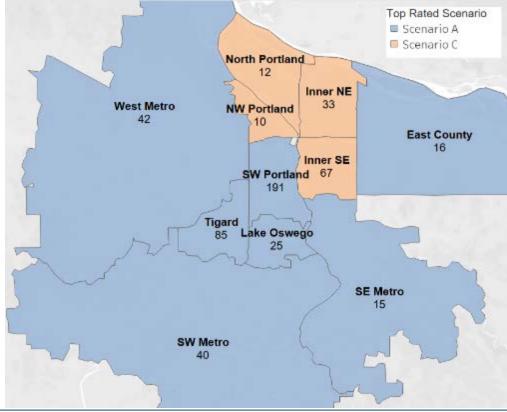




SW Corridor Residents

4 stars 2 stars 5 stars 1 stars 3-star ratings excluded







Considerations (Overall Rankings)

- Rank Consideration
- 1 Access
- 2 Environment
- 3 Demand
- 4 Development
- 5 Budget



Considerations (Top Two)



Access Demand



Environment

Development

Access Environment



Considerations (Top Two)



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Access

Environment

Tigard & Tualatin

Access

Demand



Values (Overall Rankings)

RankValue1Bus Connections

- 2 Bike/Walk Access
- 3 Automobile Parking
- 4 Mobility Hub
- 5 Affordable Housing
- 6 Housing and Shops
- 7 Green Space and Nature
- 8 Public Gathering Space



Values (Top Two)



Automobile Parking Bus Connections



Bike/Walk Access

Bus Connections

Bike/Walk Access Bus Connections



Values (Top Two)

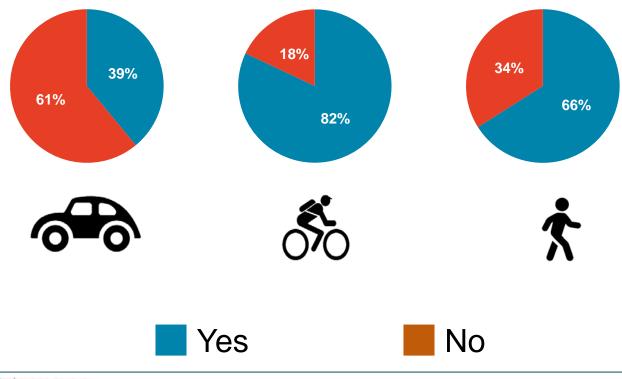


SW Portland Bike/Walk Access Bus Connections

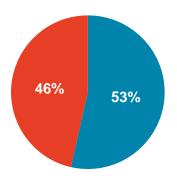
Tigard & Tualatin Bus Connections Automobile Parking

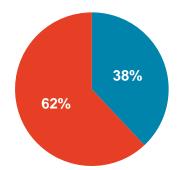


Fee for Parking?



Fee for Parking?





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Tigard & Tualatin







Next Steps

- Define project scope October 2019
- Conceptual Design Report (CDR) Early 2020
- Final Environmental Impact Statement Early 2020 (FEIS)





Conceptual Design Report (CDR) Introduction



Overview

Reference: Portland-Milwaukie Light Rail Transit Project





Purpose

- Communication tool for team, project partners and the public;
- Defines the project vision, principles, goals and objectives;
- Clearly documents the project scope and it's benefits, as well as issues to be resolved during design;
- Identifies partnership opportunities (shared investments);
- Captures public process to date;
- Builds public support for the project.



Timeline

- Draft December
- Public Engagement early 2020
- Final mid 2020



DRAFT-Organization

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Project Purpose and Need
- 1.2 Project Principles and Goals
- 1.3 Project Definition
- 1.4 Project Summary: Issues and Opportunities
- 1.5 Project Budget and Schedule
- 1.6 Next Steps

INTRODUCTION

2.1 Purpose of Conceptual Design Report

- 2.2 Document Mapping
- 2.3 Document Organization

PROJECT PROCESS

3.1 Public Involvement Process

3.2 Project Oversight

PROJECT DESIGN GOALS AND FEATURES

- 4.1 Project Goals and Objectives
- 4.2 Project Requirements
- 4.3 Design Extents
- 4.4 Station Characteristics
- 4.5 Elements of Continuity
- 4.6 Elements of Distinction

DESIGN CONCEPTS: SEGMENT A

- 5.1 Segment A Overview
- 5.2 South Downtown Land Use District
- 5.3 Lair Hill Land Use District
- 5.4 Woods Land Use District



DESIGN CONCEPTS: SEGMENT B

- 6.1 Segment B Overview
- 6.2 Historic Barbur Land Use District
- 6.3 West Portland Town Center Land Use District
- 6.4 Far Southwest Land Use District



DESIGN CONCEPTS: SEGMENT C

- 7.1 Segment C Overview
- 7.2 Tigard Triangle Land Use District
- 7.3 Downtown Tigard Land Use District
- 7.4 Tigard Employment Corridor Land Use District
- 7.5 Bridgeport Village Land Use District



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MOBILITY

MOVE AND CONNECT PEOPLE : *Move people between destinations quickly, conveniently and safely.*

- **Goal 1:** Design and implement a safe, dependable transit project that is competitive for Federal funds.
- **Goal 2:** Provide riders with an attractive and desirable transit experience.
- **Goal 3:** Design for adaptability to future modes and technology.
- **Goal 4:** Support completion of a multi-modal transportation network.







EQUITABLE COMMUNITIES

MAINTAIN AND CREATE EQUITABLE PLACES: Build partnerships to support vibrant and unique places for diverse people living in, and moving to, the Corridor.

- **Goal 1:** Maintain and strengthen existing community and cultural assets.
- **Goal 2:** Promote equitable access to community resources and transit benefits.
- **Goal 3:** Support creation of welcoming and intuitive spaces for users of all abilities to support the well-being of individuals and the larger social fabric.
- **Goal 4:** Inspire equitable economic development.







ENVIRONMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, RESTORATION, AND CONNECTION: Preserve, restore and create natural resources to increase ecosystem benefits and habitat.

- **Goal 1:** Preserve and support wildlife habitat and connectivity within the regional ecosystem.
- **Goal 2:** Design a Project that is ecologically responsive and optimized to support the natural environment.
- **Goal 3:** Provide and maintain access to nature, recreation and green spaces.







RESILIENCE

WALK, BIKE AND TRANSIT IS THE PREFERRED CHOICE: *Maximize the community's physical and social resilience while reducing carbon emissions.*

- **Goal 1:** Promote community sustainability by incorporating flexibility, adaptability, affordability and diversity into the Project to withstand the test of time.
- **Goal 2:** Assist communities with the transition to a low-carbon future.











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Project Cost Update July 23, 2019





June meeting

- Cost gap based on late 2018 estimate
- MOS required for FEIS

Today

- Updated cost estimate with larger gap
- Process to define competitive project to Bridgeport (and MOS) by October



Paradigm shift needed

2019 cost estimate

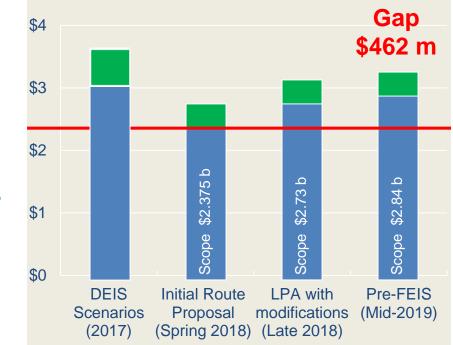
• Larger gap between scope and target

Funding constraints

- Local sources
- Criteria for federal dollars



Cost estimates (billions)



Scope target \$2.375 b

> Finance costs Scope



Cost elements

Scope

• Design, construction, acquisition, relocation, mitigation, vehicles

Escalation: 3.5%

Contingency: 25% overall at entry to engineering phase (required by FTA)

Financing

• Cost of borrowing before funds arrive



Estimate accuracy

TriMet estimators and consultant expertise

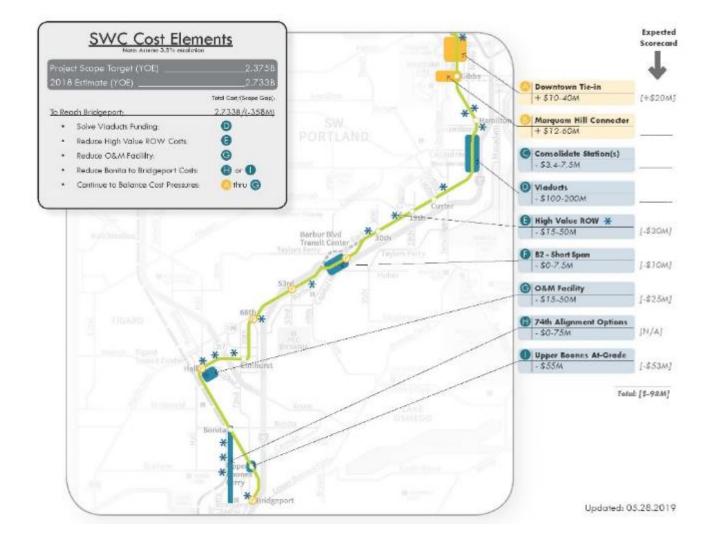
- Industry best practices
- Two independent estimates are within 2% of each other
- Risk assessment: FTA-required analysis of ability to deliver project; contingency
- Market analysis: independent review of materials, contractors, escalation



What Changed? (Late 2018)

- Estimating changes
 - Escalation: $2.75\% \rightarrow 3.5\%$
- Scope
 - Added viaducts
 - Grade separated Upper Boones Ferry Road





What Changed? (Mid-2019)

- Increased costs
 - Stormwater, utilities
 - Property acquisition; relocations
 - Downtown tie-in
- Reduced Costs
 - Light Rail Vehicles
 - Shorter structure over I-5 at BTC
 - Upper Boones at-grade refined



Potential solutions for \$462 m gap

Increase funding

Reduce scope



Funding assumptions

| Partner | Request (\$m) |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| FTA | 1,250 |
| Metro / voters | 850 |
| State of Oregon | 150 |
| TriMet | 75 |
| City of Portland | 75 |
| Washington County | 75 |
| Regional Flexible funds | 50 |
| Total | 2,525 |
| (Interim finance) | (150) |
| YOE Scope Target | 2,375 |



Competitiveness for federal funding

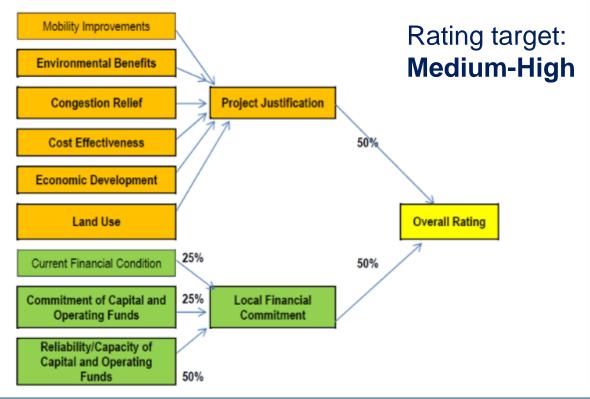
- Competing projects
- Criteria
- Ratings



Current FTA projects

| Current LRT Project | Total cost (b) | FTA share (b) | FTA percent | Overall rating |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| LA regional connector | \$1.4 | \$0.7 | 48% | M-H |
| San Diego Mid-Coast Corridor | \$2.2 | \$1.0 | 48% | M-H |
| Boston Green Line Extension | \$2.3 | \$1.0 | 43% | M-H |
| Maryland Purple Line | \$2.4 | \$0.9 | 37% | M-H |
| TriMet Orange Line | \$1.5 | \$0.7 | 50% | M-H |
| Minneapolis Blue Line (Eng) | \$1.5 | \$0.8 | 49% | M-H |
| Minneapolis Southwest (Eng) | \$1.9 | \$0.9 | 50% | M-H |
| Durham – Orange (Eng) | \$2.5 | \$1.2 | 50% | Μ |
| Lynwood Link (SEA) (Eng) | \$3.1 | \$1.2 | 38% | M-H |

FTA funding criteria





Project justification

- ✓ Mobility improvements
- ✓ Environmental benefits
- ✓ Congestion relief
- Cost effectiveness

(annualized capital cost + operating cost) ridership

✓ Economic development

✓ Land use



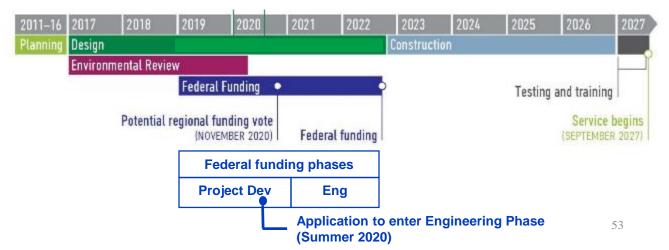
Local financial commitment

- ✓ Current financial condition of agency
- Commitment of capital and operating funds
 - One level higher rating if local partners provide significant additional funds
- Reliability/capacity of capital and operating funds



Conclusions

- The **project scope must be reduced** to maintain competitiveness
- Additional local funds would help the project be competitive for federal funds



Revisit fundamental assumptions to address \$462 m gap

Explore scope reductions over \$100 m

- Narrow Barbur
- Adjacent to Barbur
- Avoid viaduct structures



Additional local funding?

- Add Jurisdictional Transfer \$65 m
 - Increases revenue to \$2.44 b
 - Reduces gap to \$397 m
- Additional funds from local partners



Next steps

- **Summer** Staff develop feasible options
- **September** Review feasible options (full-length and MOS)
- October Select options (full-length and MOS) for FEIS, local funding commitments, continuing design

