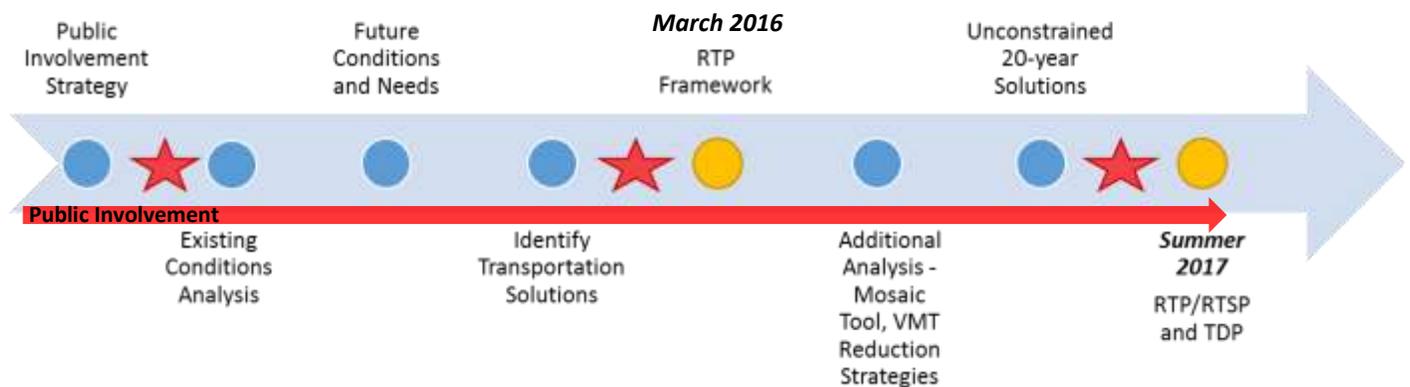## A cornerstone of the MPO planning process

The RTP will build upon policy direction and project priorities from local planning documents to establish a 20-year vision for the regional transportation system.

The RTP will consider what exists today, estimate demand, identify future options, and make recommendations for a balanced and efficient system. The RTP is will consider needs for cars, transit, walking and biking, freight, and even aspects of rail, air and inter-city bus service. A Transit Development Plan (TDP) will be prepared, which will look at needs and provide recommendations for the local transit system over the same 20-year period.

RTP Process

The RTP will be developed in two phases. In the first phase, the MPO will develop an RTP Framework which will include a constrained project list and will meet basic federal requirements. The Framework will serve as a foundation for a broader conversation. In the second phase, the MPO will use ODOT's least-cost as planning tool "Mosaic" to help develop an illustrative project list. The MPO will also identify strategies to comply with Oregon TPR requirements and complete the TDP.

State and Federal Requirements

All MPOs are required to develop a long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) that identifies transportation system needs and projects for implementation over a 20-year period using Federal, State and local funds. (23 CFR 450). Oregon's Transportation Planning Rule (TPR), also requires MPOs to prepare regional transportation system plans (RTSPs) which place a greater emphasis on coordination with land use planning.

Who is Involved?

AAMPO Policy Board

The Policy Board is the decision-making body for the MPO. The Board reviews and considers final documents for adoption by the MPO, including the RTP Framework, RTP/RTSP, and TDP. Board members will be asked to participate in approximately eight meetings related to this effort and are also encouraged to attend public open house meetings.

RTP Technical Advisory Committee

The RTP TAC assists in the preparation of technical reports, ensures consistency with local plans, and develops recommendations for the Policy Board. The RTP TAC includes AAMPO TAC members and additional stakeholders as appointed by the Policy Board. RTP TAC members will be asked to participate in approximately eight meetings and are also encouraged to attend public events.

Project Management Team

The PMT provides project oversight, facilitates meetings, conducts public outreach, completes technical studies, and drafts reports and recommendations for review and consideration by the RTP TAC and Policy Board.

The Public

Input from the community and key stakeholders is integral to crafting a meaningful plan. Opportunities for public and stakeholder involvement include: open houses, online surveys, and talking with staff at public events. Staff will also be conducting stakeholder interviews and active outreach to community organizations.

**Tentative
Board and RTP TAC Meetings:**

#1 - July 2015
#2 – December 2015 / January 2016
Public Meetings January 2016
#3 - April 2016
RTP Framework Hearing - March 2016
#4 - July 2016
#5 - October 2016
#6 - March 2017
RTP Adoption - July 2017