

Premises

Agency

- TriMet vision, mission, and values [for mobility integration](#) continue to guide TriMet
- TriMet will strengthen its culture of safety

Requirements

TriMet will meet or exceed all regulatory obligations at federal, state, and local levels

Cost Effectiveness

All proposed actions will be informed by the need to ensure cost effectiveness and risk mitigation

Growth

Population and employment growth continues in the same general pattern using Metro's projections
Service needs and expectations of the region and employers are that annual service growth will average about 2.1 percent or more plus additional HB2017-funded service, with modest LIFT growth of two percent or less

Economy

Regional growth will continue

Fuel/energy prices will stay relatively stable over the five-year horizon

No major increases in the unemployment rate

Financial

TriMet will continue to use state funding provided by HB2017 to provide for the Low-Income Fare program, expand service (especially to low-income communities), buy battery electric buses, assist in building needed facilities to support growth, and facilitate Community/Job Connectors

Emphasis on State of Good Repair needs to continue

Federal and state funding and oversight will remain relatively constant

TriMet maintains its excellent bond rating

Strategic Financial Plan Guidelines remain in force

Sustainability

[Increasingly urgent need to reduce carbon emissions](#)

Service

Service will grow and respond to changing demographics in various communities in the region

TriMet continues to focus on its vital culture of safety as well as on-time performance for rail and bus

Vehicle Technology

Fleet mix – TriMet continues to operate mostly 40-foot buses. TriMet will add articulated buses for the Division Transit Project and will consider articulated buses for other lines

TriMet [continues under](#) Non-Diesel Bus Plan¹ [toward electrification of the bus fleet](#)

Autonomous vehicle technology offers some opportunities and potential challenges which require more exploration

¹ <http://trimet.org/electricbuses/pdf/TriMet-Non-Diesel-Bus-Plan-September-2018.pdf>