MAX Red Line Extension and Reliability Improvements Project

TriMet Board Meeting

April 24, 2019
Why This Project?

• Addresses largest systemwide bottleneck that we have on MAX
• Adds substantial new service on West side
• Improves service reliability systemwide
• Leverages up to $100M in federal funds
• Allows MAX service to grow in the future
• Part of a larger set of initiatives to improve reliability and to speed up MAX for all lines and all customers
Project Elements

- Trackwork and operator break facility
- Red Line extended 10 stations
- Double-track at PDX
- Double-track at Gateway
- New light rail vehicles and storage track at Ruby Junction
Project Goals

1. **Extend Red Line** west of Beaverton Transit Center
   - Provide more service to Hillsboro (Fairplex) and Beaverton
   - Fulfill community desires for direct connection to Airport

2. Allows MAX system to operate **reliably** and reduce travel times
   - Removes system wide scheduling constraint resulting from single track segments
   - Allow TriMet to increase service in the future
   - Allows for more flexibility in scheduling and other system connections
Project Resolutions

- TriMet Board Members are asked to consider two resolutions:
  1) Adopting the Locally Preferred Alternative
  2) Authorizing TriMet to enter into an IGA with the Port of Portland that commits TriMet funding to the project