

# Planning and Sustainability Commission Work Session

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# Transportation Hierarchy

## Climate Action Plan 2009

- Hierarchy Concept introduced

## Portland Plan 2012

- Emphasis on active transportation and mode split targets



# Hierarchy Policy

## Working Draft Comp Plan 2013

- Comments and concerns related to freight and separating the movement of goods and people.

## Proposed Comp Plan Draft June 2014

- Proposed Comp Plan Draft released with changes to the policy reflecting comments and concerns, separating the movement of goods and people.
- New version still had internal and external concerns about the policy and implementation.



# Summer 2014 - Spring 2015

## CH2M HILL Contract

- Took feedback and hired CH2M HILL to do additional analysis and work.

## Modal Committees & Transportation Expert Group

- TSP TEG had robust discussions and recommendations, as did the Bicycle, Freight, and Pedestrian committees.
- In addition, a Joint Modal Committee comprised of chair and co-chairs of the modal committees, the modal coordinators, and TSP staff meet to make recommendations.



# Next Steps

- Implementation of the policy still a conversation.
- Additional work during **Task 5 in 2015** and in **2016** to assist implementation of the policy including classification review, classification modifications (street design), and modification of project design guidance and process.



# Right-of-way Vacations

## Original Proposed Draft Language

**Policy 8.43**    **Right-of-way vacations.** Adopt and maintain City code that identifies when street vacations are appropriate. That code should:

- Maintain existing rights-of-way unless there is no existing or future need for them.
- Require pedestrian or bicycle facilities, if needed.
- Preserve existing and abandoned rail rights-of-way for future rail or recreational trail uses.
- Consider appropriateness of other public uses.
- Require preservation and/or maintenance of existing view corridors, easements, and viewpoints.



# Right-of-way Vacations

On January 27<sup>th</sup>, the PSC ‘approved’ a staff recommendation to:

- Amend Policy 8.43 Right-of-way vacations to be a clear policy statement rather than an action, and
- Include creation of ROW vacation approval criteria as a TSP Task 5 item (Title 17).
  - In implementing code, clarify definition of “need” for bike and pedestrian facilities.

This recommendation is intended to make sure the Comp Plan provides guiding policy (rather than actions or approval criteria). Street vacations are currently evaluated directly against Comp Plan policies, and do not have a clear set of approval criteria in the Zoning Code.



# Right-of-way Vacations

For the redline draft – recommendations are to:

1. Change **policy 8.43** to a Right-of-way preservation policy, with some edits:

**Policy 8.43**      **Right-of-way preservation.** Maintain existing rights-of-way if there is an established existing or future public need for them, such as for transportation facilities or other public uses.

2. Add a **new policy** address **abandoned rail rights-of-way**, using existing language.

**Policy 8.xx**      **Rail rights-of-way.** Preserve existing and abandoned rail rights-of-way for future rail or recreational trail uses.





# Right-of-way Vacations

3. **Delete scenic-related** portions of Proposed Draft Policy 8.43. These issues are already covered by Policies 4.30, 4.33, and others.
4. **Develop clear approval criteria** for right-of-way vacations and add to **Title 17 as a PBOT-led Task 5 project**. These approval criteria would have their policy basis in Comp Plan Policies 4.30, 4.33, 8.33-39, 8.43, 8.xx, and any other applicable policies.



# TSP Project Question Responses

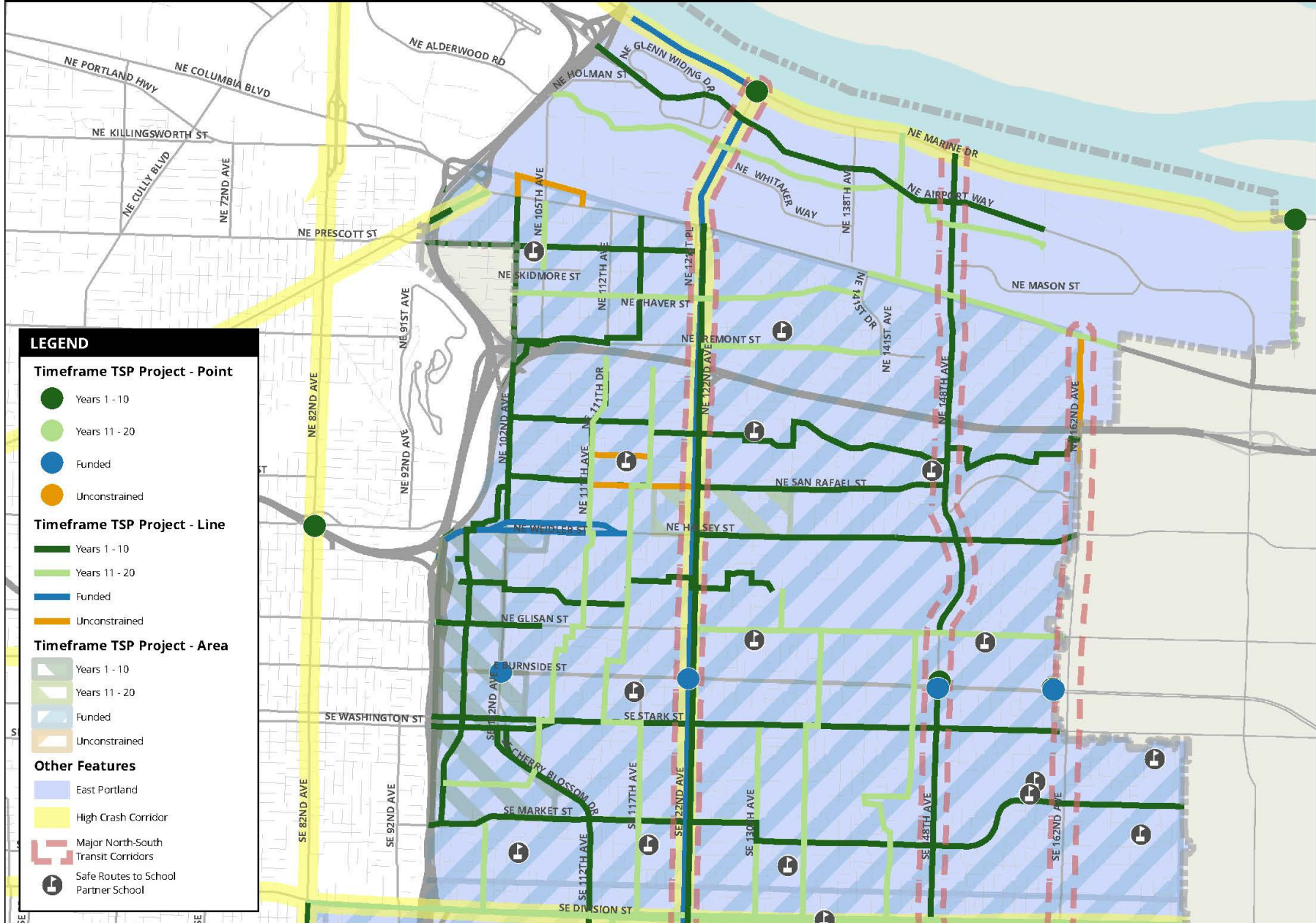
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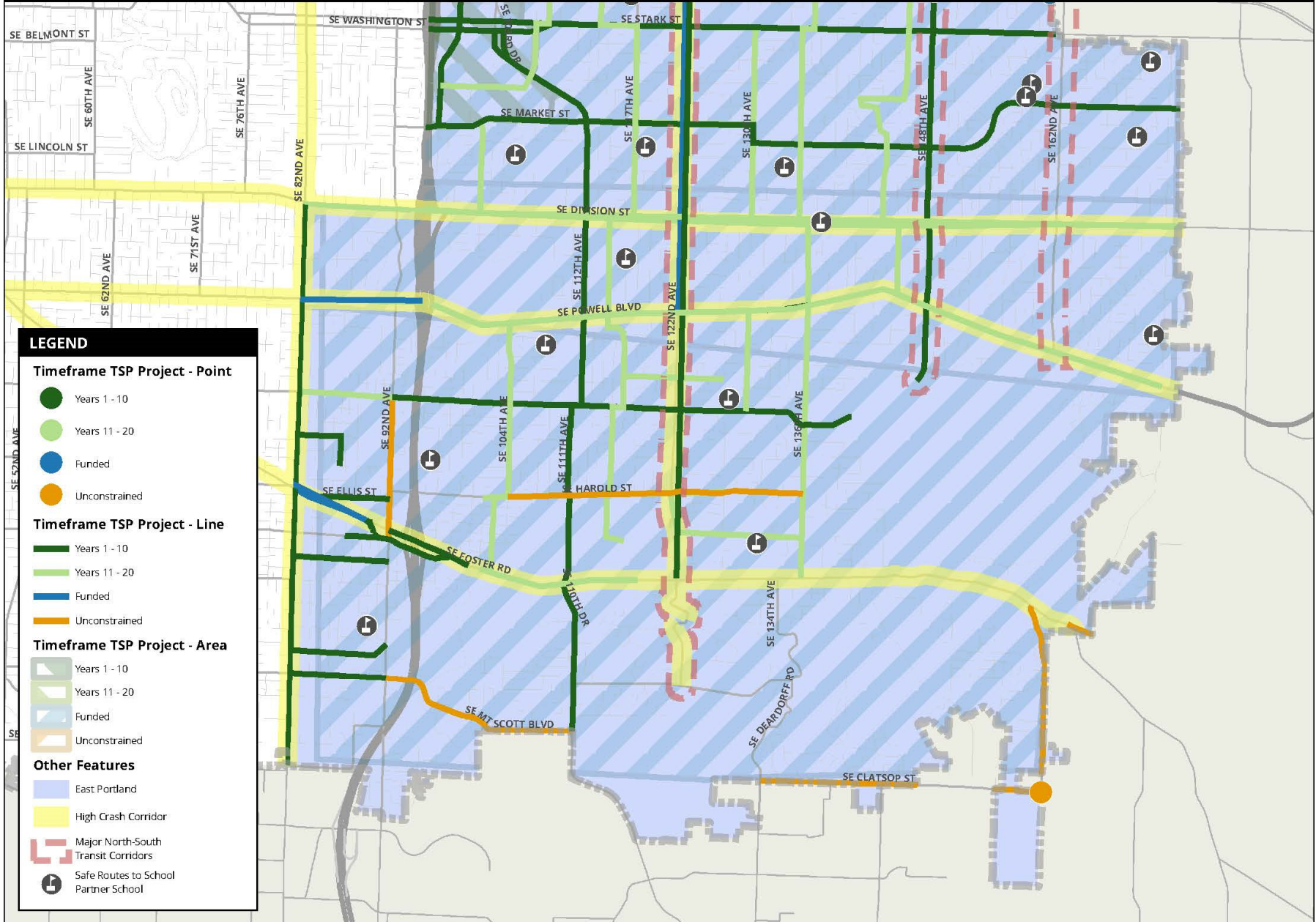
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# EAST PORTLAND (NORTH) TRANSIT-SUPPORTIVE TSP INVESTMENTS



# EAST PORTLAND (SOUTH) TRANSIT-SUPPORTIVE TSP INVESTMENTS



# 116390 Johns Landing Streetcar Extension

90047 SW Macadam Ped/Bike  
Improvements

90046 SW Macadam ITS (traffic  
signal communication and  
control)

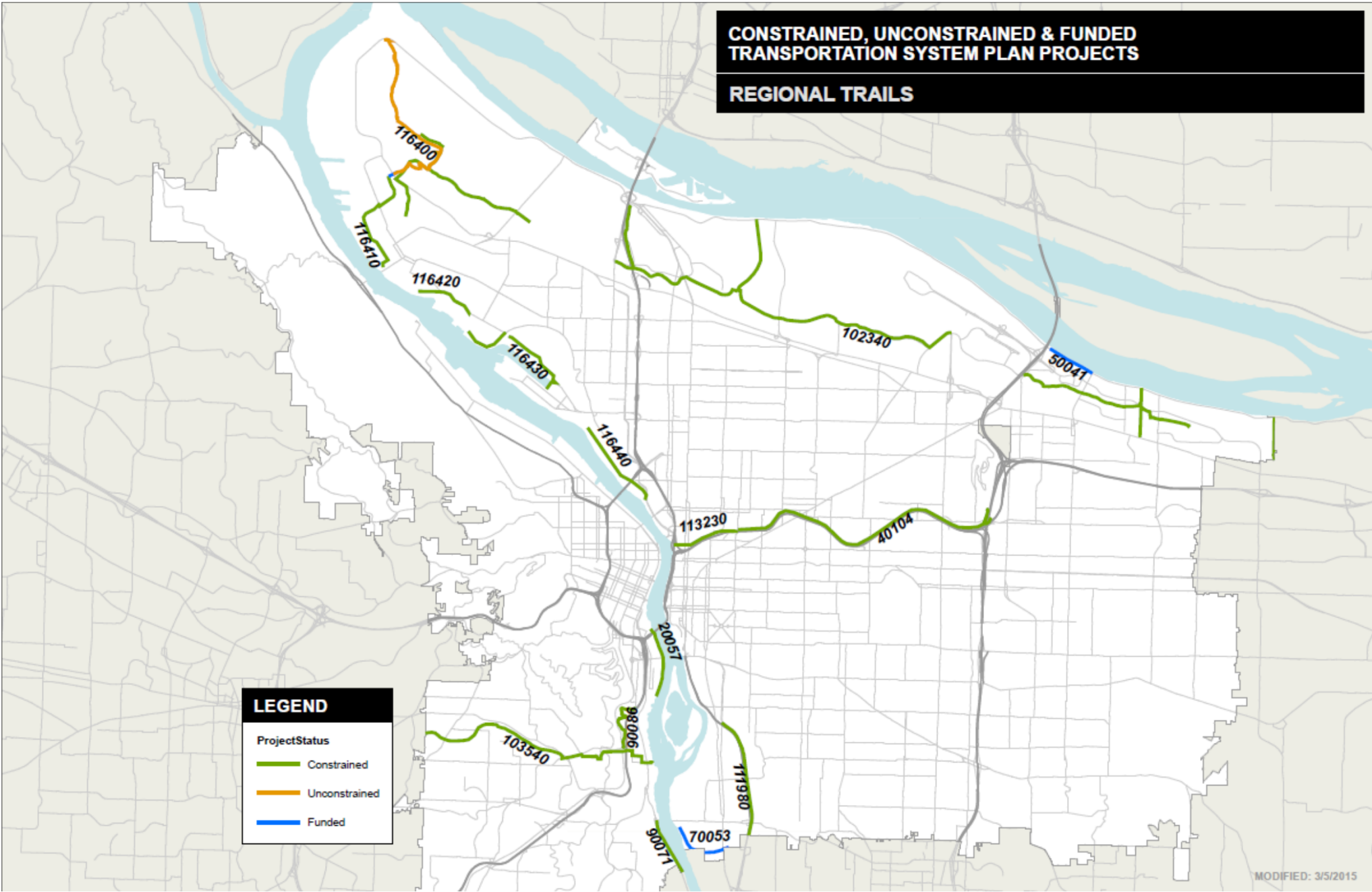


**CONSTRAINED, UNCONSTRAINED & FUNDED  
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN PROJECTS**

**REGIONAL TRAILS**

**LEGEND**

- ProjectStatus
- Constrained
  - Unconstrained
  - Funded



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# Proposed: Alternative Street Design Program



**CONSTRAINED, UNCONSTRAINED, FUNDED, & OTHER AGENCY  
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN PROJECTS**

**HAYDEN ISLAND AREA**



**LEGEND**

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# Other Projects

Streetcar

Green Loop





# Thank You

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