

Summary

This report is Volume II of a new Transit Master Plan for the City of Canby.

Volume I of the Plan was called the “Choices Report.” It summarized how existing Canby Area Transit (CAT) services are working, and it described a key choice for Canby’s transit stakeholders and decision-makers:

If additional funding becomes available, which should CAT do first: add more frequency to Route 99 (to Oregon City and Woodburn/Salem), or add a small local circulator route within Canby?

There is no technically correct answer to this question. It is a choice that relates to people’s needs and values. To answer this question, CAT and its transit planners turned to the community.

The community was consulted through:

- Direct outreach at events, local businesses and on buses
- Paper and web surveys, in English and Spanish
- A bilingual stakeholder workshop at the library, attended by a diverse group of community members

- Meetings with the City’s Transit Advisory Committee
- Meetings with City Council

Based on the guidance received in these ways, plus the technical knowledge of the transit planning team, this Plan recommends the following changes to CAT services, in priority and chronological order:

PHASE 0

Make dial-a-ride and ADA paratransit services more efficient, so that the same number of people can be served at slightly lower cost to the City. This phase is already underway.

PHASE 1

Add some frequency to Route 99, using funds saved in Phase 0. It may also be appropriate at this time to add structure to the premium paratransit service between Canby and Oregon City.

PHASE 2A

Add Saturday trips on Route 99.

PHASE 2B:

Add a local circulator route within Canby, on weekdays.

PHASE 3

Add more weekend service on Route 99 (e.g. Sunday and/or holiday service). OR,

add weekend service within Canby (as general public dial-a-ride service, or a local circulator with ADA paratransit).

New Funding

When we began this Plan in 2016, we assumed that no additional transit funding would be available in the next few years. This meant that Canby would have to improve efficiency in order to add either Route 99 or local circulator service.

Since then, the Oregon Legislature established a new statewide fund for transit. Canby expects to start receiving this funding in 2018, though the amount and the requirements that come with it are not yet known. New funding will allow CAT to move through the phases of this Plan more quickly than originally thought.