# Overview of the 2025-27 Budget Development Process

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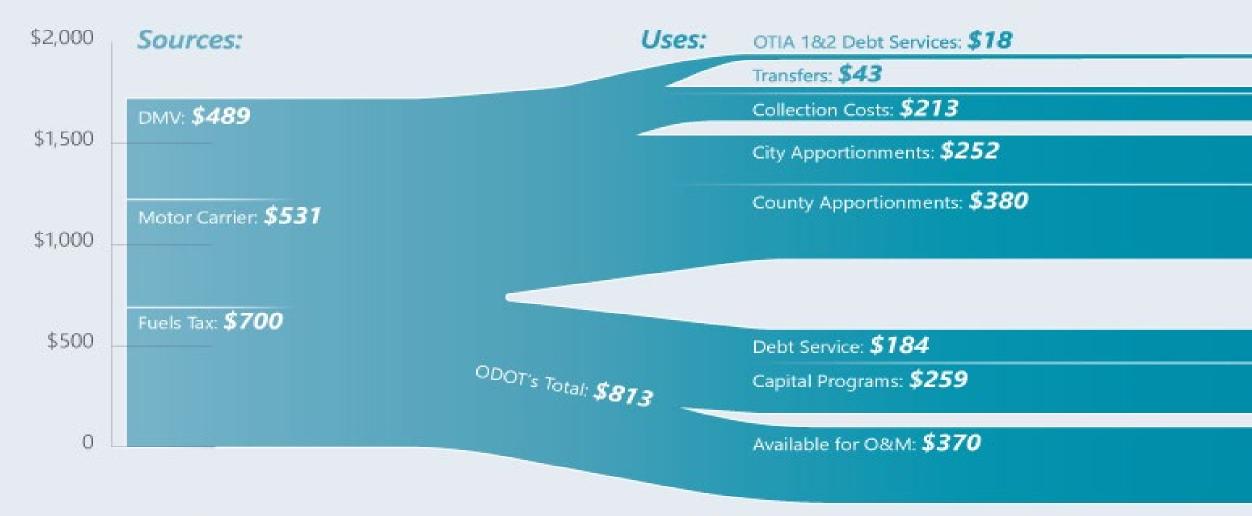
# ROADMAP

- Budget Background/Financial Update
- '25-'27 Agency Request Budget Development
  - Budget Cycle
  - Commission Involvement
  - ARB Development
  - 2025-27 Budget Outlook
  - Next Steps



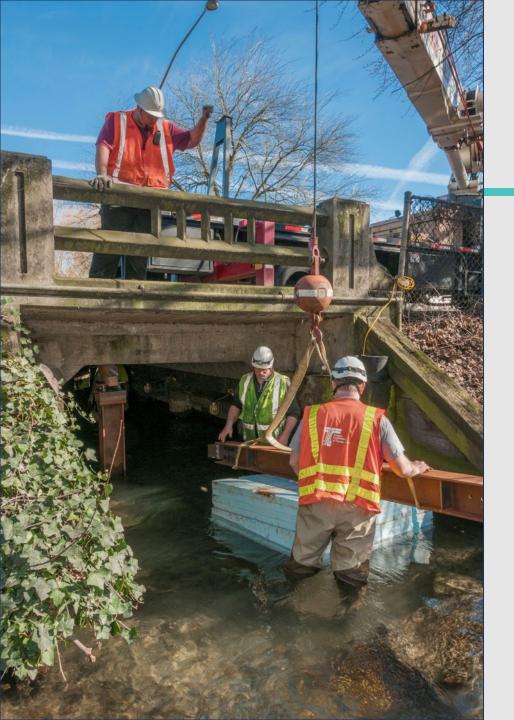
# State Highway Fund Sources and Uses

2023-2025 Annual Average in Millions



Total: \$1,720

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# Actions Taken to Close O&M Budget Gap

#### Federalize O&M costs

Example: Incident response, traffic operations centers

# Preserve resources for O&M by shifting costs to HB 2017 funds

Examples: Local fund exchange, Major Bridge Maintenance

#### Additional revenue

Example: DMV fee bill in 2023

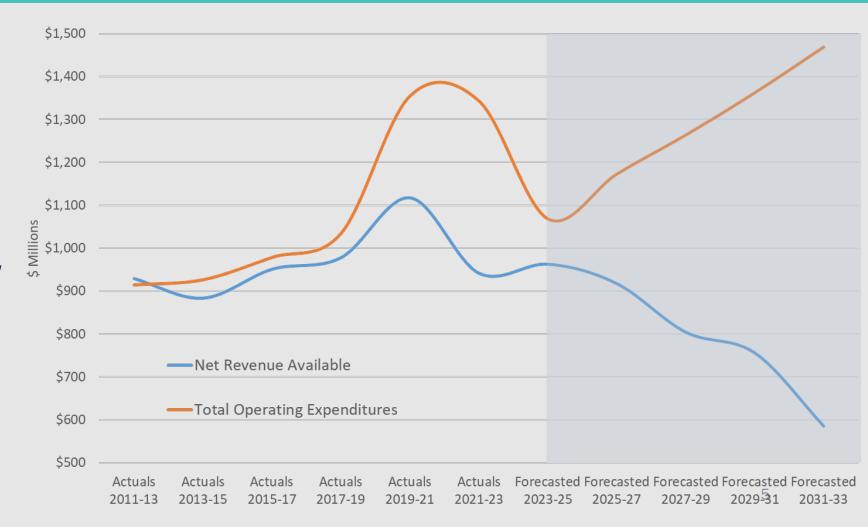
#### **Budget reductions**

 Examples: Absorbing personal services cost increases, budget reductions in '21-'23 and '23-'25

# **Biennial Net Operating Revenue and Costs**

- Revenues have closely tracked expenditures until 2019-21
- Forecasted
   expenditures grow
   while revenue
   declines





# Oregon's Budget Cycle

- Three major phases: Agency Request Budget, Governor's Budget, Legislatively Adopted Budget
- Driven by instructions published by DAS CFO, in conjunction with the governor
- Agency budgets must balance with available revenues

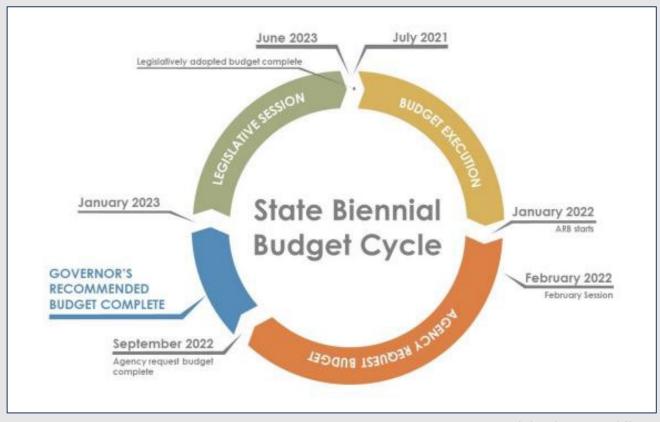


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## Three Major Budget Phases



#### **Agency Request Budget (ARB)**

- Generated by the agency
- Approved by the Commission
- Best opportunity to request new programs or resources



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#### Governor's Budget (GB)

- Generated by the governor and DAS CFO
- More collaborative process with DAS and Governor's Office in 2025-27



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#### Legislatively Adopted Budget (LAB)

- Generated by Joint Ways & Means Committee
- Includes agency presentation and work session
- Post-session changes occur during interim or E Board

### **Commission Involvement**

- OTC is directed by statute to review and approve agency budget prior to submission to DAS
- Agency has usually done this in two stages:
  - Preliminary approval of policy option packages (POPs) March
  - Full, formal approval of Agency Request Budget and TOF allocations June
- We welcome additional guidance/direction from the Commission
- Chair formally certifies the ARB document prior to submission at the end of August

## **ARB Development**

#### BASE BUDGET (April)

- Personal Services adjustments
- Other, less common base adjustments (e.g. debt service and capital construction)
- Budget alignment changes (e.g. minor organization changes)

#### CURRENT SERVICE LEVEL (May-June)

- Vacancy factor
- Program phase-ins/phase-outs
- Inflation and price list adjustments
- Net-zero fund shifts
- Technical adjustments



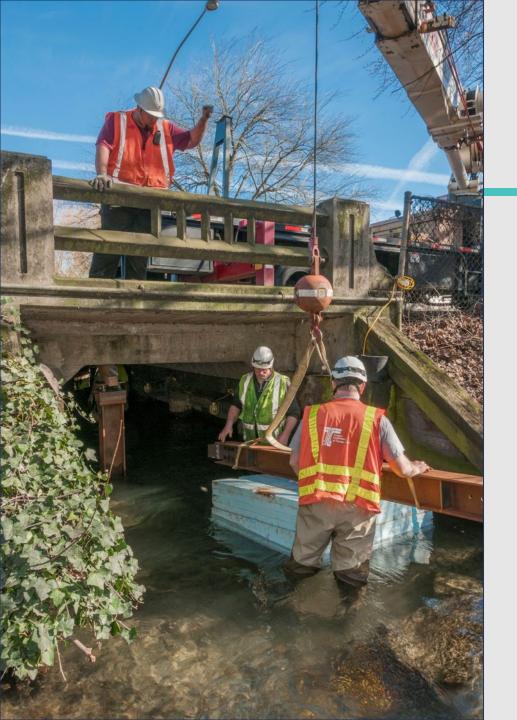
## **Modified CSL**

- If Current Service Level (CSL)
  expenditures exceed available revenue,
  agencies must develop revenue shortfall
  packages to balance
- Commission can provide direction as we develop those packages
- The result is a modified CSL, this is our budget before adding POPs

# **POP Development**

- Programs submitted POP proposals to the Budget Office in December
- Budget Office made recommendations to EST at the beginning of January
- EST prioritized POPs to move forward for further development
- Budget Office will present priority POPs to Commission in March for review and approval





### 2025-27 ODOT Budget Outlook

- Operational expenditures continue to inflate faster than available revenues
- Budget Office anticipates a significant revenue shortfall at CSL
- Shortfall will require development of formal revenue shortfall packages and associated restoration POPs

# **NEXT STEPS**

- Return in March to present POP recommendations and preview CSL revenue shortfall, including high-level plan for shortfall packages
- Commission will review proposals, provide feedback, and determine which POPs will move forward to ARB
- Final versions of POPs, along with full ARB details and TOF allocation recommendations, will be presented to Commission at June meeting for review and approval

