## BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CROOK COUNTY, OREGON

Updating the Crook County	)	
Comprehensive Plan's	)	ORDINANCE NO. 354
Transportation System Plan	)	
and Declaring an Emergency	)	

**WHEREAS,** The Crook County Comprehensive Plan's Transportation System Plan (TSP) was last updated in 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, transportation planning is Statewide Planning Goal 12, developed to provide and encourage a safe, convenient, and economic transportation system by establishing land use controls and a network of facilities and services to meet overall transportation needs; and

WHEREAS, Crook County's population growth has accelerated, and recent estimates show that the county is on track to exceed future projections: more people living and traveling in the county, congestion and safety on regional roads and highways, a lack of connections in some areas, and limited options to get around—especially for older adults—have created pressing needs for transportation infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 TSP assesses existing and future conditions to guide decisions and investments concerning issues such as multimodal travel, locations experiencing severe crashes, preferred transportation alternatives to address concerns in the Powell Butte and Juniper Canyon communities, both near and long term projects and programs to and an evaluation system to prioritize projects, and an implementation plan for funding and financing of projects; and

**WHEREAS**, Crook County has undergone extensive public outreach in developing this 2025 TSP, including meetings with a Project Advisory Committee, three open houses, from February 2024 through May 2025, with 90% of survey respondents in support of designated projects.

## **NOW, THEREFORE**, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CROOK COUNTY, OREGON ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** The findings of fact and conclusions of law contained in the recitals above are hereby adopted and incorporated herein.

**Section 2.** The County's Comprehensive Land Use Plan is hereby amended to adopt the 2025 TSP, attached herein as Attachment A.

Section 3: If any court of competent authority invalidates a portion of this Ordinance 354, the remaining portions will continue in full force and effect.

Section 4: This Ordinance 353 being immediately necessary for the health, welfare, and safety of the people of Crook County, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance 354 shall become effective upon signing.

First Reading:				<u> </u>
Second Reading:				<u> </u>
Dated this	day of	, 2	025	
				Commissioner Brian Barney
				Commissioner Susan Hermreck
				Commissioner Seth Crawford
Vote:	Aye	Nay	Excused	
Seth Crawford Susan Hermreck				
Brian Barney				