

## SELLWOOD MORELAND IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE 8210 SE 13th AVENUE, PORTLAND, OR 97202 503-234-3570

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TriMet Board of Directors 4012 SE 17th Ave Portland, OR 97202

Dear TriMet board members,

The Sellwood-Moreland Improvement League (SMILE) has followed the progression of Forward Together with interest and are grateful for Senior Planner Grant O'Connell's efforts in communicating to our community about the initiative.

The SMILE Board would like to express our support for the inclusion of Route 40 as proposed, which we understand will stop every 30 minutes between 5:30 AM and 12:30 AM, seven days a week. This will be a great boon to our residents. We understand that Route 40's extension Eastward to SE 82nd Ave has been excluded from TriMet's Proposed 2024-25 service changes, but we hope that an extension could be added in a future year. We also hope that a service upgrade to every 15 minutes along SE Milwaukie Ave and SE Bybee Blvd, originally communicated, will see the light of day.

Thank you for your work in improving the region.

Regards,

David Dugan President, Sellwood-Moreland Improvement League