

VIII. District Governance and Organization



The Rogue Valley Transportation District is an Oregon Special District governed in accordance with the provision of the Oregon Revised Statutes 267.510 through 267.650, “Transportation Districts.”

Summary of Federal and State rule conformity requirements

The following is a list of the Oregon Regulatory Statutes that govern RVTD’s operations and authority. A full text description is provided in Appendix I.

267.510 Definitions for ORS 267.510 to 267.650

267.515 Application of ORS chapter 255 to district

267.517 Use of alternative fuels for certain district vehicles; exceptions; annual report; application to all district vehicles

267.520 Method of forming district

267.530 Establishment of permanent tax rate limit at time of formation

267.540 Governing body; term; vacancies; chairperson; rules of procedure; report to legislature.

267.550 Status of district

267.560 General powers

- 267.570** Powers relating to public transportation
- 267.575** Preparation of public transit system plan; contents; revision
- 267.580** Employees
- 267.590** Interagency agreements
- 267.600** [1974 c.9 §3; repealed by 1983 c.350 §331a]
- 267.610** Exemption from public utility regulation
- 267.615** Financing methods
- 267.620** Power to levy taxes
- 267.622** Filing boundary change with county assessor and Department of Revenue
- 267.630** Issuance of bonds
- 267.640** Refunding bonds
- 267.650** Finance elections
- 267.990** Penalties

Board Governance

The District is governed by a seven-member board of directors elected to four-year terms. RVTD currently has approximately eighty staff members including the General Manager, Department Managers, Administrative and Accounting staff, Planning and Marketing staff, Bus Operators, Customer Service Dispatchers, Mechanics and Valley Lift Agents.

In recent years, RVTD has decreased its staff levels by more than 30% to minimize labor costs. Although the Board has inadvertently decided to decrease staff levels to maintain service levels, it is apparent that the number of employees is less than adequate to provide quality service. If new service is added, restoring the appropriate staffing to complement the service should be a first priority. An organizational chart is provided in Figure 8.1, below.

Figure 8.1 RVTD Organizational chart

