

Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation
Thursday, June 23, 2016
5:00-7:00 p.m.

Meeting held at
Cascades West Center
1400 Queen Ave SE
Albany

Videoconference at
OCWCOG Offices
203 N. Main
Toledo

AGENDA

1. **5:00 Welcome and Introductions** **Chair Jaramillo**

2. **5:05 Approve Minutes from 4/28/16 meeting (Attachment 1)** **Chair Jaramillo**
 ACTION: Approval of minutes

3. **5:10 Public Comments** **Chair Jaramillo**
 This time is reserved for members of the public to comment on issues related to the CWACT's activities (limited to three minutes per comment).

4. **5:15 Consent Calendar** **Phil Warnock**
 a) Approval of support letters for FLAP grant applications

5. **5:20 Transportation Safety Action Plan (Attachment 2)** **Nancy Murphy**
 Nancy Murphy, Principal Planner for the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Transportation Development Division (TDD) will provide an update on the Transportation Safety Action Plan. The Plan is one of several statewide transportation mode and topic plans that further define and implement the Oregon Transportation Plan's goals, policies, strategies, and key initiatives.

6. **5:45 Hwy 20 Corvallis to Albany Safety Study** **Scott Mansur**
 Scott Mansur, DKS consultant will provide a presentation on the Hwy 20 Safety Study. The Study will investigate the safety and operational performance of the section of US 20 between Corvallis and Albany.

7. **6:15 Hwy 34 ODOT Projects** **Frannie Brindle**
 Frannie Brindle, Region 2 Project Manager for the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) will give a presentation on ODOT projects along Hwy 34.

The Cascades West COG facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. If you will need any special accommodations to attend the meeting contact Emma Chavez at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. She can be reached at 541-967-8551 (TTY/TTD 711)

8. **6:30 Bikeshare Program** **Tarah Campi**
Tarah Campi, Planner with Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments (OCWCOG) will present on the Corvallis bikeshare project, a Non-Emergent Medical Transportation pilot project.

9. **6:45 ConnectOregon VI Update** **Chair Jaramillo**
Cascade West Area Commission on Transportation Chair, Commissioner Jaramillo will provide an update on Connect OR VI.

10. **6:50 Area Manager's Report** **Frannie Brindle**
 - *Pioneer Mountain Eddyville and Hwy 20 Closures*
 - *Construction Updates*
 - *Planning Updates*

11. **7:00 Adjournment**

DRAFT MINUTES

Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation (CWACTION)

Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments, Albany

April 28, 2016 – 5:00 pm

CWACTION Members Present:

Zachariah Baker, City of Corvallis
Walter Chuck, Port of Newport
Doris Johnston, Linn County Private Sector
Janet Steele, Linn County Private Sector
Roger Nyquist, Linn County
Frances Brindle, ODOT Region 2
Doug Hunt, Lincoln County
Darrin Lane, City of Millersburg
Michael Kriz, Port of Toledo (via video)
Robert Gambino, City of Depoe Bay (via video)
Dean Sawyer, City of Newport (via video)
Cody Gray, Lincoln County Private Sector (via video)

Alternates Present:

Valerie Grigg Devis, ODOT Region 2
Pam Barlow-Lind, Confederated Tribes of Siletz
Ron Irish, City of Albany
Rob Emmons, City of Lebanon
Brian Latta, City of Harrisburg
Lee Ritzman, City of Toledo (via video)

Ex-Officio:

Ali Bonakdar, CAMPO
Theresa Conley, AAMPO

Guests:

Chuck Knoll, Linn County
Lance Vanderbeck, City of Newport
Jae Pudewell, ODOT, Regional Solutions
Jeff Gaines, Oregon Department of Aviation
Joe Graybill, City of Sweet Home
Kevin Greenwood, Port of Newport
Aja Vickers, Port of Toledo
Bud Shoemaker, Port of Toledo
Lisa Scherf, City of Corvallis
Dan Mason, City of Corvallis
Greg Gescher, City of Corvallis

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Doug Cooper, Hampton Affiliates
Nancy McDaniel, ODOT
Russ Galscode, Member of the Public (via video)
Roy Kinion, Lincoln County Public Works (via video)
Rosie Shatkin, State Senator Arnie Roblan (via video)

OCWCOG Staff Present:

Phil Warnock
Tarah Campi
Emma Chavez
Mary Kay Fitzmorris (via video)

1. **Meeting called to order at 5:03 p.m. by the Commissioner Hunt in the absence of Chair Jaramillo.**

Members and guests introduced themselves.

2. **Minutes from the February 25, 2016 meeting**

Correction to Commissioner Doug Hunt's name, Bill Bain is the Lincoln County Private Sector representative; also Cody Gray and Frannie Brindle were present at the meeting.

ACTION: By consensus, the February 25, 2016 meeting minutes were approved with corrections.

3. **Public Comment**

Doug Cooper with Hampton Affiliates provided public comment. Mr. Cooper noted that he provided public comment and submitted a letter to the CWACT Technical Committee at their April 13 meeting. Mr. Cooper's private company, Hampton Affiliates is headquartered in Portland Oregon. The business has saw mills in NW Oregon, Western Washington and British Columbia. Mr. Cooper indicated that he would like the Commission to consider whether the Port of Newport International Terminal Shipping Facility project provides economic benefits to the State that are worthy of the Connect Oregon funding. From Hampton's point of view, the project is primarily designed and intended to export logs. Hampton's concern is that State money should not go to support the export of logs which could be processed domestically and provide more benefits to the urban and rural communities in the State of Oregon. Mr. Cooper asks that the Commission consider his comments.

Via video conference, Russ Galscode provided public comment. Mr. Galscode indicated that he is a third generation tree farmer. His family company began exporting logs in Newport in the 80s to help pay taxes. Mr. Galscode stated that he believes the Port of Newport International Terminal Shipping Facility project is very important. Mr. Galscode also stated that he believes this terminal could have prevented the closing of Mary's River Lumber and that it will help him save in transportation costs.

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4. Connect Oregon VI Presentations and Review

Staff, Phil Warnock advised that on April 13 the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) received presentations from COVI Region 2 applicants in the CWACT area. The following five applications were submitted for COVI funding: City of Corvallis - Rehabilitation Runway 9-27; Port of Toledo - Boatyard Environmental Building; City of Newport - Newport Communications Groundlink and AWOS System Update; Port of Newport - International Terminal Shipping Facility; and City of Harrisburg - Harrisburg Boat Landing.

After the applicants' presentations, the TAC ranked the projects using a process in which each TAC member was given three colored "dots," one for High, one for Medium, and one for Low. The project titles were displayed for members to place their dots according to their priorities. Each High dot was worth 3 points, Medium was worth 2 points, and Low dot was worth 1 point.

In conclusion of the prioritization exercise, the TAC recommends the following ranking be approved by the Commission:

1. City of Corvallis – Rehabilitate Runway 9-27, install perimeter fence (CO grant funds requested: \$642,222)
2. Port of Toledo – Boatyard environmental work building (CO grant funds requested: \$2,013,900)
3. City of Newport – Newport Communication Groundlink and AWOS system update (CO grant funds requested: \$25,000)
4. Port of Newport – International Terminal Shipping Facility (CO grant funds requested: \$4,000,000)
5. City of Harrisburg – Harrisburg boat landing (CO grant funds requested: \$315,000)

TAC members present at the April 13 meeting: Ali Bonakdar, Chuck Knoll, Derrick Tokos, Greg Gescher, Joe Graybill, Josh Wheeler, Pam Barlow-Lind, Rob Emmons, Ron Irish, Roy Kinion, Theresa Conley, and Dan Fricke (for Valerie Grigg Devis)

Each of the applicants in the CWACT area again provided a brief presentation of their projects to the full Commission and answered questions from members. After a brief discussion the CWACT reached consensus and approved the CWACT TAC's recommendation as submitted.

No later than May 25 the Region Review Committee (aka Super ACT) will meet and develop a prioritized list of all the Connect Oregon applications in the Region. The Statewide Final Review Committee (with Chairs of all ACTs, Chairs of all statewide modal advisory committees and other stakeholders) will meet in June to make a recommendation to the Oregon Transportation Commission. After holding a public hearing in July the Oregon Transportation Commission will make a final project selection decision in August

5. Winter Operations Debrief

Kendal Weeks, ODOT's Assistant District Manager gave a presentation on the 2015-2016 Winter Operations. One of the biggest issues this winter has been keeping the sink holes north of Newport passible. The first major damage occurred at Hwy 22 between Depoe Bay and Grand Ronde. A sinkhole opened up over one of the culverts closing the road for about a week. Landslides in-between Depoe Bay and Otter Crest were also a challenge. ODOT is trying a new method for slide repairs called soil nails. Soil nailing is used to stabilize landslides by drilling rods into a slope and placing concrete on the outside of the hillside, increasing the shear strength of the overall soil mass and holding slopes in place.

This summer, ODOT will be focusing on sealing, asphalt, and open graded mix that is falling apart. They will chip seal at a couple of locations on Hwy 34; between Waldport and Alsea Mountain and on Hwy 228 between Alsea and the freeway. Apply fog sealing on Hwy 20 between Albany and Lebanon and on Hwy 34 between Albany and the freeway.

Frannie noted that maintenance workers are out at all different hours of the night to deal with issues and they are very much appreciated.

6. Area Manger's Report

- Median Barrier on Hwy 34
Project team is working on the project scope. ODOT will be getting rumble strips in place before getting guard rails, guard rails will come in 2017.
- Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) Update
The OTC met in April along with the Regional Solutions Team of Central Oregon. They discussed job retention, Region four project update, TIGER funding, the Historic Columbia River Highway, transportation safety projects, and the Rainier Rail project.
- Construction Projects
US101 NE East Devils Lake Road project – adding left turn lane off of US101 for south bound traffic. It is in construction and will be completed at the end of August. Have occasional night single lane closures and delays of up to 20 minutes.

US101 Cook's Chasm to Big Creek – paving a bridge membrane, resurfacing two bridges and building two retaining walls. Retaining wall work will include curve corrections so that longer trucks can use route. Project will have local lane closures and 24 hour flagging as well as delays of up to 20 minutes. It will be completed at the end of August.

Pioneer Mountain Eddyville – K&E Excavating has been selected as the contractor. This will be phase 4, the final phase of the project which includes straightening

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the sharp curve on the west end. The notice to proceed will go out May 19 and project completion is expected in October or November. ODOT is working on alerting all the communities and is meeting with a group of stakeholders in regards to the public outreach for this work.

- Hwy 20 Sheep Creek Bridge – bids opened today. Notice to proceed will be at the end of May with construction starting in August. Full road closure is scheduled from August 2 for eight weeks. The contractor had to go through a thorough prequalification process for ODOT to make sure they could complete the project on track.

7. Oregon Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP)

The Western Federal Lands Highway Division of the Federal Highway Administration is soliciting for capital improvement, enhancement, surface preservation, transit, planning, and research proposals to receive funds through the Oregon FLAP program for fiscal years 2019, 2020, and 2021. The program provides better access to and through Federal Lands for visitors, recreationists, and resource users.

Applicants must create a joint submittal together with one or more of the Federal Land Management Agencies that they would be providing access to as the transportation provider. Proposals are due July 1, 2016 and must be email to Western Federal Lands Highway Division of FHWA. For questions, ODOT Region 2 staff Valerie Grigg Devis advised members to contact George Fekaris the Transportation Planner of the Western Federal Lands.

Devis notified members that the TGM grant deadline is June 10. Also, an open house was held at the Farm School for the Hwy 20 Safety Project. There was a big turnout with very good feedback. The information gathered was entered into the counter measures for solutions for that corridor for possible projects and it is being technically reviewed. The next steps include project advisory and technical advisory committee meetings to review those proposals and an additional public meeting later in the summer.

Other Business: Chuck Knoll with Linn County advised members that the County is submitting applications for TGM funding and as in the past, they are requesting letters of support from the CWACT. Members agreed for Mr. Knoll to contact staff for the letter of support.

8. Adjournment

Next meeting is scheduled for June 23.

Minutes recorded by Emma Chavez

MEETING ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

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Alternate	Gourley	Jim	City of Sweet Home
Alternate	Edwards	Georgia	City of Tangent
Alternate	Ritzman	Lee	City of Toledo
Alternate	Gates	Pauline	City of Waldport
Alternate	Barlow-Lind	Pam	CTSI
Alternate	Thompson	Terry	Lincoln County
Alternate	Lindsey	John	Linn County
Alternate	Grigg Devis	Valerie	ODOT
Alternate	Jincks	David	Port of Newport
Alternate	Shoemake	Bud	Port of Toledo

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June 13, 2016

TO: Transportation Safety Stakeholders

FROM: Nancy Murphy, TSAP Update Project Manager
Walt McAllister, Safe Communities and Project Information Program Manager

SUBJECT: Oregon Transportation Safety Action Plan (TSAP) Update

PURPOSE: The state of Oregon is required to create a strategic highway safety plan and update it on a five-year cycle to meet federal planning requirements that qualify the state for funding for transportation safety projects and programs. The TSAP is that federally required plan for Oregon. The current project is a five-year update of the previous plan that was adopted in October 2011. The updated plan also serves as a 20-year policy level topic plan that is an element of the multimodal Oregon Transportation Plan.

ODOT has worked over the last twenty months with a broad range of stakeholders to update the TSAP.

Public review of the draft plan will begin June 17, 2016 and run through August 1, 2016.

Background: Transportation safety is a critical balance between well-designed, constructed and maintained facilities, weather and other variable conditions, and the choices and behaviors of system users. In Oregon, two decision-making bodies have responsibility for the TSAP. The governor-appointed Oregon Transportation Safety Committee oversees safety programs for the whole state including several state agencies, regional, tribal and local governments, public interest organizations, and other safety partners. OTSC also advises the Oregon Transportation Commission on safety matters. The OTC adopts the plan as a part of the Oregon Transportation Plan, which is the state transportation system plan (TSP).

The Long-Range Planning Element

VISION: Oregon envisions no deaths or life-changing injuries on Oregon's transportation system by 2035.

GOALS:

Safety Culture: Transportation system owners and system users all contribute to the safety of the whole system by responding appropriately to conditions.

Safer Infrastructure: Roads and other physical elements of the transportation system should minimize safety risks for all users.

Healthy, Livable Communities: Safe connections between system users and multiple modes of transportation support healthy, livable communities.

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Emerging Technologies: Technological changes, from incremental improvements to proven technologies to new ideas that may change transportation systems in radical ways, are on the horizon.

Collaboration and Communication: All Oregonians are stakeholders in transportation safety and many public and private organizations are actively working toward safer transportation outcomes. Cooperation among them is the key to success.

Strategic Investments: Investments can be targeted to proven solutions and to pilot testing promising new solutions: system investments should include a focus on safety in design and construction decisions.

POLICIES AND STRATEGIES intended to meet the Goals and achieve the Vision were also developed.

The Strategic Highway Safety Plan Element

The SHSP element is a five-year, action-oriented plan. This element is required by federal programs (the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Federal Highway Administration) to be data-driven, though other information can be considered. Some of the subareas included as the result of anecdotal information (e.g. distracted driving had been observed as a significant problem in all areas of the state) and existing policy and/or a high level of stakeholder concern (bicycle serious and fatal injury data are not comparable to other numbers or rates, but local policies, increasing casualties and public interest statewide were considered). This element is organized around “Emphasis Areas,” topical subareas of the Emphasis Areas, and Actions:

EMPHASIS AREAS and SUB-AREAS

Infrastructure: Roadway (and Lane) Departure, Intersections

Risky Behaviors: Impaired Driving, Occupant Protection, Speeding, Distracted Driving

Vulnerable Users: Pedestrians, Motorcyclists, Bicyclists, Older Drivers and Older Pedestrians

Improved Systems: Commercial Vehicles, Emergency Medical Services, Data Systems, and Training

The Planning Process

The Planning Process included two rounds of public meetings statewide: to get local input on the range of issues of public concern in the first round, and a second round for an overview of the long-range policy element and a second gauge of priority actions. In conjunction with each round of meetings an online survey was made available and over 300 interested parties participated in each survey.

A Policy Advisory Committee comprising eighteen members from various stakeholder groups was convened in October 2014 and met 12 times to develop the draft plan. A Plan Coordination Team of ODOT staff whose program has some transportation safety responsibilities met five times to keep the project work in clear context and to maintain consistency with their regulated activities.

The next phase of the update project is public review of the plan. The 45-day public review period will run from June 17, 2016 to August 1, 2016. An OTC public hearing is planned for July 21 at its regularly scheduled meeting in Salem.

Formal approval of the plan by the Oregon Transportation Safety Committee is anticipated in early August, with referral to the Oregon Transportation Commission for adoption in October.

To receive direct notice of the public review release, please sign up on the project website:

<http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TP/Pages/tsap.aspx>. The draft plan and other materials will be available at that web location once it is released by OTC.