



Executive Committee Meeting Agenda Packet

February 23, 2017, 9:00 a.m.

Cascades West Center
1400 Queen Avenue, SE
2nd Floor, Large Conference Room
Albany, OR 97322

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Regional Park and Ride Plan

OCWCOG is working on a two-year *Regional Park and Ride Plan* that will support and advance Transportation Demand Management in Linn, Benton, and Lincoln Counties. The *Plan* will foster a multi-modal transportation system, connecting communities and local/regional transit, while supporting economic development. The need for new and expanded park and ride sites has been identified in many local transportation planning documents in our Region, as well as the need to coordinate with adjacent areas.

An initial stakeholder meeting for Linn and Benton Counties will be held at OCWCOG's Cascade West Center in Albany on Thursday, March 30th, 2017. A Lincoln County meeting will be announced soon. More information is available at www.ocwco.org/transportation/park-and-ride.

Community Development Planning

OCWCOG will be providing planning support to the City of Monroe, through an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA). Planning services will include development code review and adherence, permit assistance, facility and infrastructure issues, and general planning support. Additional activities may be identified by the Planning Commission and City Manager; OCWCOG will provide support on a flexible, as-needed basis.

Community Bike-Share: *Pedal Corvallis*

OCWCOG recently signed an IGA with Oregon State University (OSU) to bring bike-share stations and bicycles to campus in spring of 2017. Bike-sharing is a network of bicycles available for short-term use. The addition of two stations and eight bicycles on the OSU campus will bring the total *Pedal Corvallis* system up to eight stations and 43 bicycles. Additional stations are expected to be added to grow the OSU portion of the system later in the year.

As of February 6, *Pedal Corvallis* has 90 active members, and 215 all-time members, who have taken a combined 1,136 bike-share trips. Total registrations are slightly lower than comparable cities, however utilization by members is higher. About 1/3 of participants are Medicaid members. A neighborhood-focused outreach campaign is in planning for spring/summer 2017, to further increase participation by Medicaid members and the community as a whole.

Cascades West Economic Development District

As previously reported, on behalf of Cascades West Economic Development District (CWEDD) and other local and regional partners, the Community Service Center (CSC) at University of Oregon submitted an Economic Resilience Grant Application to the Oregon Office of Emergency Management through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. It has recently been reported that the application will be submitted to FEMA by the State Review Board as the priority planning project in the State.

Historically, FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs have required funds to be used for updating an existing Hazard Mitigation Plan relating specifically to emergency preparedness and disaster response. However, the grant's post-disaster planning funds have been newly changed to include a range of other activities, such as enhanced regional risk assessment and recovery planning, provided there is nexus back to the original mitigation plans. The FEMA Grant proposal submitted by CSC would be the first in Oregon to enhance, integrate, and leverage both local hazard mitigation and economic development planning activities, focusing specifically on economic recovery in a post-disaster situation.



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