



# Executive Committee Meeting Agenda Packet

**October 26, 2017, 9:00 a.m.**

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

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### ***Cascades West Ride Line***

On October 5th, *Ride Line* submitted a grant proposal to the National Center for Mobility Management (NCMM) for the Health Care Access Design Challenge. The focus of the proposal is to address rural coastal community dialysis access. The grant will provide up to \$30,000 for planning and technical support to seven chosen communities, to design a sustainable, customer-responsive solution for access to care. Requirements for this opportunity include developing and strengthening a broad-based coalition to better link health care and transportation access, engaging community stakeholders in design solutions, and preparing a business plan for implementation of the solution, including a recommendation for a sustainable funding model. NCMM is currently reviewing proposals, and will submit recommendations to the Federal Transit Administration on October 24th for approval.

### ***Cascades West Economic Development District (CWEDD)***

OCWCOG hosted a viewing of BroadbandUSA's Practical Broadband Conversations webinar, titled *Understanding the Role of Broadband in Regional Economic Development*. With access to broadband as a driver of economic development, many communities are working together in their approach to providing broadband access within their regions. This webinar discussed the importance of broadband, as well as how regions can encourage economic development, growth, and innovation through providing adequate access in communities.



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