

Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation
Thursday, October 17, 2019
5:00 - 7:00 pm

Meeting held at:
Cascades West Conference Room
1400 Queen Ave SE, Albany

Videoconference at:
OCWCOG Toledo Office
203 North Main Street, Toledo

AGENDA

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| 1) | 5:00 | Welcome and Agenda Review | Chair
Annabelle Jaramillo |
| 2) | 5:05 | Approve Minutes of August 22, 2019
(Attachment A)
<i>ACTION: Approval of minutes</i> | Chair |
| 3) | 5:10 | Public Comments
<i>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).</i> | Chair |
| 4) | 5:15 | Regional Housing and Travel Collaboration
<i>Discussion of upcoming regional projects on housing and travel patterns.</i>
<i>ACTION: Information Only</i> | Nick Meltzer,
CAMPO |
| 5) | 5:35 | DAS Training
<i>Complete mandatory DAS discrimination and sexual harassment, and information security training.</i>
<i>ACTION: Complete Training</i> | Steph Nappa,
OCWCOG |
| 6) | 6:55 | Other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Memo from Governor Brown on GHG Reductions | Chair |
| 7) | 7:00 | Adjournment
<i>Next meeting date Thursday, December 12th. Please note this date differs from the regularly scheduled meeting date.</i> | Chair |

**CASCADES WEST AREA COMMISSION ON TRANSPORTATION
FULL COMMISSION DRAFT MINUTES**

Thursday, August 22, 2019

5:00 – 7:00 pm

Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments
OCWCOG Toledo Office /
Video Conference, Albany Upstairs Conference Room

Members Attending: Josh Smith, City of Toledo; Dick Anderson, City of Lincoln City; Susan Woodruff, City of Waldport; John Huestis, ODOT; Doug Hunt, Lincoln County and **Via Video:** Mary Steckle, City of Corvallis; XXX, XXX.

Alternate Members: James Feldmann; ODOT, and Pam Barlow-Lind; Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.

Ex-Officio Members: Dana Nichols; AAMPO, and Nick Meltzer; CAMPO.

Guest Present: Jenna Berman, ODOT; Rebecca Lewis, University of Oregon.

OCWCOG Staff: Phil Warnock, Stephanie Nappa, Katie Trebes

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	DECISION / CONCLUSION
1. Welcome and Agenda Review		Meeting started at 5:02 pm
2. Approve Minutes of June 27, 2019	Motion to approve June 27 minutes passed by consensus.	Consensus to approve the June 27, 2019 meeting minutes as written.
3. Public comments		There were no public comments.
4. Regional Park & Ride Project	<p>Staff Steph Nappa presented the draft OCWCOG Regional Park and Ride Plan and asked for feedback.</p> <p>Mary Steckel with the City of Albany asked for clarification about the “clear need” for additional lots in the region. Nappa responded that input received through the stakeholder meetings and survey led to that statement. Steckel asked for the number of stakeholder meeting attendees to be included in the report to help support the “clear need” statement.</p> <p>Staff Phil Warnock added that the informal vanpool locations also demonstrate the need for dedicated lots, and that the difference</p>	

	<p>between American Community Survey data for carpooling and the number of spaces in the region could also be used as supporting data.</p> <p>Councilor Susan Woodruff and Commissioner Doug Hunt asked about the usefulness of park and ride lots for rural areas. Nappa responded that smaller towns and rural locations would best be served by lots that connect to a bus route or serve as carpool meet-up locations.</p>	
5. Marys Peak to Pacific Scenic Byway Update	<p>Nappa gave an update on the Marys Peak to Pacific Scenic Byway, which runs from Waldport to Tangent along Hwy 34. The Byway was designated by the State last year and the signs were posted this summer. OCWCOG is also working with ODOT and Travel Oregon to implement one of the projects from the Corridor Management Plan, the GPS-based audio guide. ODOT and Travel Oregon are using the MPTP Scenic Byway as a pilot project for GPS audio guides, working with the vendor TravelStorys. The MPTP Scenic Byway will create 10 story segments about 3 minutes in length to highlight history and points of interest along the Byway. OCWCOG is working with local stakeholders to select and develop the stories.</p> <p>Pam Barlow-Lind with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians recommended the inclusion of a story about the original coastal reservation, and offered to connect OCWCOG with the CTSI pow-wow announcer as a possible voice actor for the audio guide.</p> <p>Nappa also discussed the ribbon-cutting celebration that is scheduled for Waldport on September 28th, to coincide with the annual Cruzin' for Crab event. OCWCOG is working with Tangent to have a coordinating ribbon-cutting or celebration at the other end of the Byway.</p>	
6. Oregon Coast Trail Gaps	<p>Jenna Berman with ODOT gave a presentation on two coastal trail projects, the Oregon Coast Hiking Trail and the Oregon Coast Biking Trail. Both trails have been in existence for several decades, but there are gaps and points of conflict along the trail that create challenges for users. ODOT (bike trail) and Oregon Parks and Recreation (hiking trail) are identifying gaps through separate processes, but are coordinating on strategies for locations where both bike and hiking facilities need improvement. Berman highlighted the missing</p>	

	<p>connections in Lincoln County, how they were identified, and what the strategies are to address them. Several improvements are needed along Hwy 101, and Berman described the local benefits to the improvements beyond tourism.</p> <p>Hunt, gave additional details on the mid-coast subcommittee for the Hiking Trail project, which he is participating in. He discussed the long term bridge improvements that are proposed, and Berman added that these improvements would be looked at as the bridges reach the end of their useful life. Short term improvements include signage and lighting.</p> <p>Dana Nichols with the Albany Area MPO asked about moving the trails off Hwy 101 in some locations, Berman said this had been looked at as a possible strategy, but in some locations there were downsides to that approach including less scenic path or routing travelers away from shops/restaurants so detours are being proposed as “optional” instead of officially changing the route.</p>	
7. Regional STIP Project Update	<p>John Huestis with ODTO gave an update on STIP projects within the region. There are 17 projects estimated at \$192 million.</p> <p>Lincoln County has 6 projects in design and construction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moolack landslide prevention, divert and drain water, 2020 construction - Yaquina Bay Bridge cathodic protection, out for bid, 3-4 year project starting 2020 - 101 South Beach in Newport, building a new road connection and adding sidewalks and lighting, construction scheduled for 2020 - Three additional bridges getting cathodic protection, one had some additional issues that were addressed - Yaquina Bay Bridge painting, in progress - McKinney Slough Replacement, construction almost finished - Sougrass Creek culvert changing to bridge, removing culvert and restoring streambed, in progress <p>Benton County has 5 projects in design.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oak Creek Covered Bridge, cleaning, fumigation, fire suppression and preservation - Crystal Lake Multi-Use Path, move people off 99W to avoid the Crystal Lake crossing, in ROW acquisition - Corvallis to Albany Springhill Drive Bike Path, in design, Benton County is looking at funding options for construction - Van Buren Bridge, working with City of Corvallis to determine future of the historic structure, working on designs for bridge replacement - US 20 Safety Upgrades, study was conducted and funding made available through HB 2017, phase 1 is intersection improvements, phase 2 is center turn lanes on the ends of the route, there is a roundabout idea for the Granger Ave intersection that is being considered. There was a question about access to the Farm School, Huestis responded it would be addressed with the phase 2 center turn lane addition. <p>Linn County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I-5 between Delaney Rd and Hwy 34 planning study, bringing together previous studies about options for that section of interstate plus the incorporation of traffic studies and environmental impacts. - I-5 near Halsey concrete repair, construction scheduled for 2020 - Albany Queen Ave rail crossing, pavement improvements and pedestrian crossings, currently in design, construction not likely until 2022. - Hwy 20 Lower Sunken grade, drainage improvements, Western Federal Lands delivering, will be complete by December - Hwy 34 Seven Mile Lane repavement, project complete <p>Hunt asked about the Niatsu Crossing, it's in progress, Lincoln County is delivering with ODOT reimbursing the project. Intersection changes for bike/ped are not happening right now.</p>	
8. CAMPO FY 21-24 TIP	Nick Meltzer with the Corvallis Area MPO gave an overview of CAMPO's TIP review process and funding. This year the process was fully bilingual and used an online open house format. Most comments on projects said support was conditional, asked for bike/ped	

	<p>improvements.</p> <p>The project rankings from the TAC stayed the same after public comment. Meltzer also noted there were more projects from the smaller communities in the CAMPO region this cycle.</p>	
9. Other Business	<p>CWACT members were advised that the October meeting date was moved forward a week to the 17th.</p> <p>Steph Nappa reminded members that the October meeting will be the mandatory DAS training.</p>	
10. Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.