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DATE: September 1, 2016
TO: Oregon Transportation Commission

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FROM: Matthew L. Garrett
Director

SUBJECT: Agenda G – Speed Limits Briefing

Requested Action:

Receive a briefing on the process for setting speed limits. This will include the legal framework, as well as the engineering principles involved in setting posted speeds.

Background:

During the July 2016 public hearing on the Draft Transportation Safety Action Plan, the Oregon Transportation Commission asked for a follow up presentation on the process used to set speed limits. Speed limits are set several different ways in Oregon. Some are statutory, or defined by roadway type. Others are established by the road authority such as emergency, temporary, and low volume local roads. Still others are under the authority of the State Traffic Roadway Engineer through an engineering process. The Speed Zone Review Panel exists as an oversight board to rule on contested speed limit cases and other duties as described in OAR 734-020.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – OAR 734-020

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