



# Oregon

John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

Oregon Transportation Commission

355 Capitol Street NE, MS 11

August 2, 2013

Linda Modrell, Chair  
Cascades West ACT  
Benton County Commissioner  
c/o Oregon Cascade West Council of Governments  
PO Box 3020  
Corvallis, OR 97339

Dear Commissioner Modrell: Chair,

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Alan Unger, Chair  
Central Oregon ACT  
Deschutes County Commissioner  
1300 NW Wall Street, Suite 200  
Bend, OR 97701

Dear Commissioner Unger: Chair,

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Kitty Piercy, Chair  
Lane County ACT  
Mayor of Eugene  
125 East 8th Avenue, 2nd Floor  
Eugene, OR 97401

Dear Mayor Piercy,

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The Honorable Gary Thompson, Chair  
Lower John Day ACT  
Sherman County Court  
PO Box 365  
Moro, OR 97039

Dear Judge Thompson: Chair,

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Ken Woods, Chair  
Mid-Willamette Valley ACT  
Craven-Woods Insurance  
PO Box 1130  
Dallas, OR 97338-1047

Dear Chair Woods,

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Mike Hayward, Chair  
Northeast ACT  
Wallowa County Commissioner  
101 S. River Street  
Enterprise, OR 97828

Dear Commissioner Hayward; Chair,

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Shirley Kalkhoven, Chair  
Northwest Oregon ACT  
Mayor of Nehalem  
PO Box 143  
Nehalem, OR 97131

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Mike Montero, Chair  
Rogue Valley ACT  
c/o Mike Montero and Associates  
802 Nadia Way  
Medford, OR 97504

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Stan Wolfe, Chair  
Rogue Valley ACT  
295 Wildrose Lane  
Grants Pass, OR 97527

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Brad Winters, Chair  
South Central Oregon ACT  
Lake County Commissioner  
513 Center Street  
Lakeview, OR 97630

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Southeast ACT  
Harney County Court  
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Boyd Britton, Chair  
Southeast ACT  
201 S Humbolt, Ste 290  
Canyon City, OR 97820

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Bill Wyatt, Chair  
Region 1 STIP Project Selection Committee  
Port of Portland  
P.O. Box 3529  
Portland, OR 97208

Dear Chair Wyatt,

The Oregon Transportation Commission members thank you for your participation at our meeting on July 17<sup>th</sup> at the Oregon Gardens to discuss the continuing development of the 2015-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. We appreciated your candor about how the 2015-2018 STIP project lists are progressing, as well as your thoughts on improvements to the future 2017-2020 STIP process.

Having seen the 150-percent recommendation lists the ACTs developed, coupled with last week's check in with the chairs, we understand better how the ACTs and regions are moving ahead to develop the 100-percent lists. We recognize that this has been a new approach to prioritize funding as part of the STIP process, but it is critical that these funds continue to support a strong transportation system for all Oregonians.

As you move forward, we ask that each ACT chair work closely with the appropriate ODOT region or area manager to develop the region's 100-percent list. As you do so, keep these thoughts in mind:

- Projects on the 100-percent list should be projects that meet a specific need and enhance the overall transportation system. These projects should strategically enhance not only the specific mode but should also provide greater benefit to the larger regional or statewide transportation system. The Advisory Committee Chairs who were present expressed a similar observation.
- Projects should be construction ready for the 2017 and 2018 timeframe and within the estimate needed for a federally-funded project, including inflation factors.
- Review the *Fix It* project list for your area and look for ways to combine projects to gain efficiency benefits for both programs.

It is my understanding that we will begin the discussion with staff at our August OTC meeting about the 20 percent of the funds that were set aside. As that discussion evolves, the Commission will ensure you are aware of our progress and understand our priorities. Finally, thank you for your participation in the needs and revenue discussion. I know the Commission looks forward to the ACTs' continued involvement in that effort.

Sincerely,

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