

Agenda
Mid-Willamette Valley Area
Commission on Transportation
(MWACT)

Date: Thursday, May 7, 2009
Time: 3:30 p.m.
Place: Senator Hearing Room
Courthouse Square
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3:30 p.m. Item 1. Call MWACT Meeting To OrderKen Woods, Jr.

- Introductions
- Approval of March 5, 2009 Meeting Summary
- Public Comment
- Comments from the Legislative Delegation
- OTC Comments
- Commission Discussion/Area Updates

3:50 p.m. Item 2. ODOT Tolling White Papers Dave Williams

ODOT has commissioned seven white papers to evaluate and understand several technical tolling issues and their implications to motorists, the transportation system, and communities in Oregon. The papers were completed in February 2009, and the following concepts are discussed in them:

1. Is tolling an effective means of reducing greenhouse gas emissions?
2. Where, geographically, could tolling work and under what circumstances?
3. Forecasting change – how do we incorporate tolling and pricing into our regional transportation models?
4. What are the economics of transportation system reliability?

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5. How should the economic and social effects of broad applications of congestion pricing be assessed?
6. How do you determine if tolling a project is a better alternative than other non-tolled options, and how would you choose between a number of tolled alternatives?
7. Are truck-only toll lanes a viable option for Oregon?

Highlights of the seven papers are *attached*.

Action: Discussion item.

4:30 p.m. Item 5. ODOT State of the System ReportMaryBeth Olson

Oregon’s transportation system is a multibillion dollar collection of public and private assets that facilitates the safe and efficient movement of people and goods into, out of, and around the state. The biennial State of the System report provides information on the transportation system and progress in implementing the Oregon Transportation Plan (OTP).

Action: Discussion item.

4:55 p.m. Item 4. Support for Legislative Funding PackageKen Woods, Jr.

The Chair has received a request from the Central Oregon ACT to support a state transportation funding bill. Their request and a draft letter are *attached* for the Commission’s consideration.

Action: Discussion and possible action item.

5:15 p.m. Item 5. Other Business.....Ken Woods, Jr.

5:30 p.m. Item 6. Adjourn.....Ken Woods, Jr.