

FOREWORD

LOCAL AGENCY GUIDELINES

This Manual has been developed to provide Oregon's local agencies with guidance in the development and construction of federally funded transportation projects. It outlines policies and procedures as well as state and federal requirements related to successfully accomplishing and documenting local project work involving federal funds. In an effort to provide the most comprehensive and up-to-date information, this Manual also references numerous other manuals published by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO).

The Local Agency Guidelines Review Committee, a subcommittee of the Oregon Local Program Committee reviewed and edited this Manual. Over 90 individuals from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), ODOT, the Association of Counties, the League of Oregon Cities, city and county staff, as well as staff from other local agencies provided time, insights and edits during the development of this Manual. ODOT's Local Government Section staff gratefully acknowledges the many hours of review by FHWA, several Oregon cities, counties and others – their input continues to be invaluable.

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This Manual will be updated annually to address changing laws, policies, procedures and the needs of the users. Questions, comments and recommendations are invited. Please direct such concerns to the [Certification Program Manager](#).

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