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RE: Additional Bridge Information - OTIA 3

Dear Bob,

You will find enclosed additional information on Bridge Nos. 07689 and 07819 for use in the OTIA 3 selection process. This information is provided as requested by the November 24, 2003 letter from Doug Tindall.

Sincerely,

R. Michael Kuntz, P.E.
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cc: Dale Petrasek

Additional Bridge Information

Bridge No. 07689

County Road No. 927, Upper Thompson Creek Bridge at M.P. 5.1

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How is it used:

The majority of truck traffic hauls timber from 25,000 acres of both private and federal forestlands. Other uses include haul from minor aggregate operations and various services to the residential and resource landowners (aggregates, building materials, propane, moving, deliveries, etc.).

Who uses it and when:

It is used year round by timber companies, aggregate suppliers and other commercial operators delivering products listed above. The use by timber companies varies widely throughout the year. It is lowest during the summer fire season when operations are reduced by Oregon Department of Forestry regulations. Additionally, we have been contacted by a Mr. Disher who intends to start a minor aggregate operation in the Steve's Fork area in a few months. Mr. Disher states his operation would generate a minimum of 5 trucks per day and that the operation would not be economically viable if this bridge is weight limited.

How it connects to other freight routes:

Please see the map that was attached to the original application. County Road No. 927 connects to State Highway 62 in Applegate, Oregon. This bridge is about 5.1 miles from Highway 238. This bridge is the third (furthest out) of a three-bridge multi-bridge proposal on this route to Highway 238. The detour length is 48 miles. The length of the detour will provide significant hardship to the users of the bridge. Some timber harvests will become uneconomical as a result of the detour and Mr. Disher's aggregate operation will not be started, resulting in negative impacts to the local economy.

How the truck average daily traffic was determined:

The truck ADT used the application standard formula of 5% of total ADT.

Additional Bridge Information

Bridge No. 07819

County Road No. 992, Red Blanket Creek Bridge at M.P. 21.94

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How is it used:

The majority of truck traffic hauls timber from 60,000 acres of both private and federal forestlands. Other uses include haul from minor aggregate operations and various services to the residential and resource landowners (aggregates, building materials, propane, moving, deliveries, etc.).

Who uses it and when:

It is used year round by timber companies, aggregate suppliers and other commercial operators delivering products listed above. The use by timber companies varies widely throughout the year. It is lowest during the summer fire season when operations are reduced by Oregon Department of Forestry regulations.

How it connects to other freight routes:

Please see the map that was attached to the original application. County Road No. 992 connects to State Highway 62 in Prospect, Oregon. This bridge is about 2.5 miles from Highway 62. The detour length is 48 miles. The length of the detour will provide significant hardship to the users of the bridge. Some timber harvests will become uneconomical as a result of the detour, resulting in negative impacts to the local economy.

How the truck average daily traffic was determined:

The truck ADT used the application standard formula of 5% of total ADT.