

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ODOT Competitive Bidding Exemption**

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) will hold a public hearing in Conference Room 2 of the ODOT Major Projects Branch at 680 Cottage St. SE in Salem, at 2:00 pm on Thursday, November 1, 2007. The purpose of the public hearing is to take oral and written comments on ODOT's Amendment #1 to the draft findings in support of an exemption from competitive bidding under ORS 279C.335, which was granted on August 21, 2007 for the bridge replacements project known as "I-5: Willamette River Bridge, Bundle 220" on Hwy 1 in Lane County (Exemption Number 2007-51).

ODOT is requesting the exemption to allow the use of an alternative procurement method known as "Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC)". The CM/GC contracting method utilizes an integrated team approach applying modern management techniques to the planning, design, pre-construction and construction phases of a project in order to control time and cost, and to assure quality for the project owner. Selection of the successful CM/GC contractor is by "Best Value", that is, interviews of proposing CM/GC teams and evaluation and scoring of proposals.

The original, approved findings and the Draft Amendment #1 to these findings may be obtained from ODOT's Advanced Contracting Unit, 680 Cottage St. SE, Salem OR 97301 (ph. (503)986-6638). The original findings and the Draft Amendment #1 may also be viewed on ODOT's website at:

<http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/MPB/cmgc.shtml>

Oral and written comments will be accepted at the hearing at the time and place stated above. Advance written comments must be received by 5:00 PM on Monday, October 29, 2007. Advance written comments should be addressed to:

"Comments on Draft Findings – Exemption # 2007-51 – Amendment #1
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