

AGENDA Oregon Freight Advisory Committee

Date: October 5, 2005
Time: 1:30 – 4:30 PM
Location: Port of Portland 1st floor Commission Room
 121 NW Everett St., Portland, OR 97209
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Contact: Lori Sundstrom, Executive Sponsor; 503-986-4214
 Julie Rodwell, ODOT Freight Mobility Section; 503-986-3525

- 1:30 **1. Call to Order/Introductions/ Agenda ReviewTom Zelenka, Chair**
 1:35 **2. Review Minutes of September 7 Meeting (Attachment # 1) Chair**

Discussion Items

- 1:40 **3. Regional Maritime Transportation System Study... JerryGrossnickle / Glenn Vanselow**
Background: The study of Columbia River and maritime ports is nearing completion and has developed some interesting capital requirements data.
Web Links: Maritime Transportation System Study. Link to both an executive summary and the entire report is: <http://pnwa.net/ceder/mtsstudy.aspx> Short Sea Shipping Report. The entire study is available at www.pnwa.net/ceder A PowerPoint will be shown at the meeting.
Action requested: Note and provide feedback.
- 2:10 **4. Commodity Flow Study Steve Kale**
Background: ODOT sponsored this work in order to provide a database by commodity grouping, mode and area of the state. This report is a sneak preview of what will be made available.
Attachments: #2 - Statewide Commodity Flow Study. A PowerPoint handout will be available at the meeting.
Action requested: Note and provide feedback.
- 2:30 **5. ConnectOregon.....Lori Sundstrom**
Background: Implementation of *ConnectOregon* has begun.
Attachments: #3 - Summary of Outreach; a Frequently Asked Questions handout will be available at the meeting.
Action requested: Note and provide feedback.

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3:30 **6. OTIA State Bridges Status..... John Jackley**
Background: This is a recap of the report given to OTC in August.
Attachments: Materials at the meeting.
Action requested: Note and provide feedback.

3:45 **7. Freight Mobility Manager’s Report..... Julie Rodwell**
Background: This report addresses status of membership recruitment and proposes a schedule for confirmation of committee appointees; describes what’s needed to initiate the 08-11 STIP work; lists OFAC Subcommittee work coming up over the next 8-10 months; reminds OFAC that its bylaws require elections required in December – slate needed; and offers suggested schedule for 2006 regular meeting dates (January, April, July, October, December with special and Subcommittee meetings in between as needed).
Attachments: #4 - Freight Mobility Manager’s Report of October 2005
Action requested: Note and provide feedback.

Information / Update Items:

4:00 **9. Round Table / Agenda Building All**
 4:15 **10. Other Business..... Chair**
11. Next Meeting, (November 2, location TBD) Chair
12. Public Comment Chair
13. Adjournment Chair

Oregon Freight Advisory Committee Future Agendas Calendar	
Standing Items	▪ <i>ConnectOregon</i> update
	▪ West Coast Corridor Coalition status
	▪ Legislative update (seasonal)
	▪ Round table / agenda building
	▪ Local freight advisory committee reports
	▪ Meetings, conferences and other events of interest (written report)
	▪ SAFETEA-LU update
	▪ Oregon Transportation Plan update
	▪ Oregon 140 Study update
	▪ Outreach activities
	▪ Freight Mobility Manager’s Report
	▪ OFAC Subcommittee Reports
November 2, 2005	▪ <i>ConnectOregon</i> update
	▪ ODOT Traffic Mobility Section update
	▪ OFAC web site
	▪ Report on 08-11 STIP work from OFAC Projects Subcommittee
	▪ Slate of candidates for OFAC election of officers
▪ Oregon 140 Study update	

Oregon Freight Advisory Committee Future Agendas Calendar	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Status of Industrial Rail Spur Program ▪
December 7, 2005	▪ <i>ConnectOregon</i> update
	▪ Report on 08-11 STIP work from OFAC Projects Subcommittee
	▪ Report and recommendation on proposed research from OFAC Policy Subcommittee
	▪ Freight Mobility Section Work Plan
	▪ Economic Assessment of Upgrading Oregon's Short-Line Rail Network-status
	▪ Local Bridges update
	▪ Election of Officers
	▪
January 11, 2006 (proposed)	▪ <i>ConnectOregon</i> update
	▪ Report on 08-11 STIP work from OFAC Projects Subcommittee
	▪ Initial discussion on OFAC Annual Report to the Oregon Transportation Commission
	▪ Freight Master Plan scope and project schedule
	▪ Commodity Flow update
	▪ Oregon 140 Study update
	▪
Possible special meeting March 2005 meeting	▪ Recommendations to OTC on 08-11 STIP freight-related projects
April 5, 2006 (proposed)	▪ <i>ConnectOregon</i> recommendations to OTC
	▪ Oregon 140 study update
	▪ Report on 08-11 STIP work from OFAC Projects Subcommittee
	▪ Review draft of OFAC Annual Report to the Oregon Transportation Commission
	▪
July 5 2006 (proposed)	▪ <i>ConnectOregon</i> update
	▪ Oregon 140 study update
	▪ Report on 08-11 STIP work from OFAC Projects Subcommittee
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October 4 2006 (proposed)	▪ <i>ConnectOregon</i> update
	▪ Oregon 140 study update
	▪ Report on 08-11 STIP work from OFAC Projects Subcommittee
	▪ Slate of candidates for OFAC election of officers
	▪
December 6 2006 (proposed)	▪ <i>ConnectOregon</i> update
	▪ Report on 08-11 STIP work from OFAC Projects Subcommittee
	▪ Election of officers
	▪
Unscheduled	▪ Gateways of National Significance – LA, Long Beach, Puget Sound, NY, NJ, Chicago, Savannah, etc.

**Oregon Freight Advisory Committee
Future Agendas Calendar**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Policies/incentives for redistributing traffic around the gateways - Opportunities for Oregon’s ports resulting from congestion at gateways
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ World economic trends and their implications for Oregon (Tom Potowski and Paul Bingham) –see also October 12th lunch at Port of Portland; contact ODOT’s Sherry Gustafson (503 986-3520) by October 5th to reserve a seat. A final headcount will be reported to Ms. Lahsene’s office at close of business Oct. 7th.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Freight industry dynamics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Truck driver shortage: cause, solutions - Condition of rail infrastructure: implications, solutions - Supply chains - Ocean shipping (Jeff McKuen, Hanjin)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ I-405 Loop Study, next steps
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Intermodal connectors – what do we know about them?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OFAC’s relationship to Area Commissions
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Short sea shipping
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Troutdale Intermodal Facility
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Show n’tell by modes at future OFAC meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Class I and short line rail –Kelly Taylor, ODOT; Andrew Johnsen, BNSF; James Nave, UP; other? b. Barges –Lyn McClelland, OECDD staff, Jerry Grossnickle; other? c. State Airport System Plan update – Robert Hidley; Mead-Hunt; Teddie Baker d. Pipeline – Kinder Morgan, possibly with Olympic Pipeline
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Port of Coos Bay Projects
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inland Intermodal Centers (land use / transportation issues); international freight implications – locate distribution centers where exporters are (including international freight; outgoing domestic freight
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lacey, WA restriction on distribution centers
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OECDD industrial site selection process
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ How to optimize existing infrastructure
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Briefing from Oregon Business Council
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Relationship between OECDD and Oregon Dept of Agriculture on ag issues and waterway transportation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Status of STIP project implementation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Portland Business Alliance’s Region Business Plan - briefing
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UPCOMING FREIGHT RELATED CALENDAR EVENTS

- October 3, 2005 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Oregon Trucking Association is facilitating a **Transportation Safety Summit on Truck Safety** in the Portland Building, 1120 SW 5th Avenue, Conference Room B, Portland, Oregon. Those interested may register at the following website: <http://www.portlandonline.com/index.cfm?&a+90278c=26361>
- October 4-6, 2005 ODOT / FMS is sponsoring **National Highway Institute's "Uses of Multimodal Freight Forecasting in Transportation Planning."** Class hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. Location for the training class is ODOT's Human Resources Center (2775 19th St. SE) in Salem, OR. Contact person: Lorrie Schaefer, Senior Training Consultant 503.986.3840 ODOT.HR.Training@odot.state.or.us
- October 6, 2005 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., **West Coast Corridor Coalition Joint Committee Meeting** at the Port of Portland, Conference Room 1 South, 121 NE Everett Street, Portland, OR.
- October 7, 2005 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., **West Coast Corridor Coalition Meeting Executive Committee** at the Port of Portland, Boardroom, 121 NW Everett Street, Portland, OR.
- October 12, 2005 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. **Distribution & Logistics Industry Breakfast with Paul Bingham** at the Governor Hotel, Library Room, 611 SW 10th Ave., 2nd Floor, Portland, OR. Mr. Bingham will present "Global Economic Trends & Trade Patterns" Please call 503.823.3323 or email rundm@pdc.us as soon as possible to reserve a seat.
- October 12, 2005, 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. **Luncheon with Paul Bingham** at the Port of Portland building, 121 NW Everett Street, Portland, in their first floor Commission Room. Mr. Bingham will review the statewide commodity flow information, as well as broader global trade trends. Lunch is provided by the Port, they need a headcount. **Please call Sherry Gustafson (503.986.3520) by October 5th to reserve a seat. A final headcount will be reported to Ms. Lahsene's office at close of business October 7th.**
- October 12, 2005, 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. **Columbia River Crossing Task Force Meeting** at WSDOT's Regional Headquarters, 11018 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, Washington 98682.
- October 17, 2005, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. **South Rivergate Overcrossing Opening Event** -- see page 6 for details.
- Oregon Freight Advisory Committee Meetings
November 2 and December 7, 2005. Locations to be announced along the I-5 Corridor.

10:00A-11:30A OCTOBER 17TH – SOUTH RIVERGATE OVER CROSSING

**Location: Grassy Area adjacent to Purdy
Paintbrushes**

(see on next page)

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DAY OF EVENT TIMELINE

9:45 a.m. Guests Arrive

10:00 a.m. Meet and Greet

10:20 a.m. Remarks Begin

- Bill Wyatt (emcee), Executive Director, Port of Portland
- Congressman Earl Blumenauer, 3rd District of Oregon:
- Commissioner Sam Adams, City of Portland
- David Bragdon, President, Metro
- Gary Eichman, President, Oregon Transfer Company

11:00 a.m. Ribbon Ceremony

11:15 a.m. Group walks down to train

11:30 a.m. Adjourn



Requests / offers made at meeting and their Responses

Name of Requestor	Affiliation	Request / offer	Date of Request	Assigned to	Status
<i>Requests made by committee members</i>					
Tom Zelenka	Chair/Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.	405 Loop Study done, ODOT needs to create action plan with City of Portland; relates to I-5/I-84 connector.	8/03/05	S. Kale	Follow up with ODOT Region 1.
Tom Zelenka	Chair/Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.	Earmarks: what did WA get for West Coast Corridor Coalition? What did OR get for freight and intermodal projects?	8/03/05	C. Goodman	FAC was briefed in October..
Susie Lahsene	OFAC Vice Chair Port of Portland	Does NCHRP or other provision of SAFETEA-LU include provisions for University funding of research?	8/03/05	S. Kale	E-mailed reply to S. Lahsene on 8/04/05.
Gary Cardwell	NW Container Services, Inc.	Consider merits of and land using/siting considerations regarding need for inland intermodal centers enabling backhaul cargos & less congested areas for freight	8/03/05	J. Rodwell	Added to Future Agendas Calendar.
Andrew Johnsen	BNSF	Schedule a repeat of Portland BNSF freight presentation	8/03/05	J. Rodwell	Added to Future Agendas Calendar.
Tom Zelenka/ Commissioner Papé	Chair, Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc./ OTC Liaison	Prior year allocations analysis (for freight projects) 1999-2003 to compare with 06-09 format (with and without OTIA); include in a follow-up memo to OFAC	8/03/05	J. Rodwell S. Kale	Presented by S. Kale at September meeting.

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Michael Burton	OECD	Have a site selection consultant speak about the process of siting intermodal centers	8/03/05	J. Rodwell	Added to Future Agendas Calendar.
Michael Burton	OECD	Schedule presentation on Marine Transportation Study (MTS)	8/03/05	J. Rodwell	Scheduled for October 2005.
Michael Burton	OECD	Offered to coordinate with Gary Roth on ag issues and water transp; we will coordinate	8/03/05	J. Rodwell	Added to Future Agendas Calendar.
	Caltrans	What did WA (and CA) get in SAFETEA-LU earmarks?	8/03/05	L. Sundstrom J. Rodwell	C. Goodman is researching; final bill is still in preparation.

<i>Requests made by guests</i>					
Gary Roth	Administrator, OR Dept of Ag	Get short term improvements in place to make Oregon 140 safer / legal for bigger trucks	8/03/05	J. Rodwell S. Kale	J. Rodwell has spoken with ODOT MCTD about this and a reply was e-mailed to Administrator Roth.
Gary Roth	Administrator, OR Dept of Ag	Interested in our commodity flow data and may have other sources of shippers that could help e.g. Centerdex	8/03/05	J. Rodwell S. Kale	J. Rodwell will talk with ODOT MCTD and Administrator Roth.
Gary Roth	Administrator, OR Dept of Ag	Offered to provide work they have done on inland intermodal centers	8/03/05		Added to Future Agendas Calendar.
<i>Requests made by committee members</i>					
Tom Zelenka	Chair/Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.	Asked for OFAC letter/resolution opposing Linnton Village	9/7/05	J. Rodwell/C. Goodman	Letter sent 9/13/05.
Tom Zelenka	Chair/Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.	ODOT should be fair in evaluating <i>ConnectOregon</i> projects across modes	9/7/05	J. Rodwell/ COSC	Addressed in FAQ; to be addressed in ODOT project selection process development.

Tom Zelenka	Chair/Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.	Timeline for (FHWA) rule-writing re: SAFETEA-LU I/M project?	9/7/05	K. Green	Follow up with N. Fortey.
Tom Zelenka	Chair/Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.	Asked for routine updates on OTIA III bridge & freight projects	9/7/05	J. Rodwell/K. Green	Bridge project update at 10/05 meeting; report on freight projects at future meetings.

SUMMARY MINUTES
Oregon Freight Advisory Committee

OREGON FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

September 7, 2005, 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Local Government Center, 1st Floor Large Conference Room
1202 Court Street NE, Salem

Introductions

Chair Tom Zelenka called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m. Meeting attendees introduced themselves.

August 3, 2005 Meeting Notes & Follow-Up

Meeting materials contained the notes from the August 3, 2005 meeting, as well as documentation of previous member and guest requests and their status.

Linnton Energy Cluster

Phillip Grillo, Miller Nash LLP, provided an overview of recent Linnton planning efforts, the Energy Cluster and the Working Waterfront Coalition. When the Linnton Plywood Mill closed in 2001, the Linnton Neighborhood Association developed a mixed residential, retail and small commercial “Linnton Village” proposal for the site. Miller Nash was retained by BP and Kinder Morgan Energy to advocate for continuing the Energy Cluster operations. Mr. Grillo reminded the group there are no refineries in Oregon, so the region and state depend on the Energy Cluster for over 90% of total petroleum needs. It would be virtually impossible for the Energy Cluster to expand or relocate anywhere else. Significant safety and security concerns preclude residential development on this site. The Working Waterfront Coalition of businesses was also formed to testify to the significant potential negative impacts of Linnton Village on the larger business and industrial community.

The City of Portland has performed studies confirming the importance of the Energy Cluster, yet the City recently approved limited residential development on the old Mill site. A draft OFAC letter to the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC), supporting the Portland Freight Committee’s (PFC) opposition to Linnton Village, was presented for review. After discussion regarding statewide implications and how to proceed, the OFAC agreed to submit a letter to the OTC supporting PFC’s concerns about the Linnton Village proposal.

Follow-up: This letter was subsequently revised and sent.

ODOT Research Program

Alan Kirk, ODOT Research Analyst, provided an overview of the research project selection process, along with lists of previous freight-related and other projects. ODOT annually solicits research ideas internally and externally: any party can submit research ideas for consideration. Each idea must answer three questions: how does it align with Research Advisory Committee (RAC) priorities; does ODOT advocate the idea; and is it research? A research idea needs to either represent development of new technology, have an outcome of interest and/or utility to ODOT, or yield information worthy of publication in industry sources. Research ideas are defined individually, often depending on the availability of current data. This year's process is beginning and includes eight Expert Task Groups (ETGs), two of which are freight related: the Planning & Economic Analysis and the Multimodal groups. Of the approximately 100 ideas submitted annually, each ETG submits 2 projects to the Research Advisory Committee, which must ultimately choose about 6 projects from the 16 referred by the ETGs.

Regarding potential research ideas, Chair Zelenka mentioned intercept testing and surveying done for the Portland Freight Master Plan, and Commissioner Papé asked about forecasting future traffic demands.

Follow-up: Contact J. Rodwell if interested in becoming involved.

Freight-Related STIP Project Status

Steve Kale called attention to the list of freight-related projects in pre- 2004-07 State Transportation Improvement Programs in the agenda packet, which had been requested by OFAC. He then outlined freight projects in the 2004-2007 STIP, which the OFAC provided as input to the STIP development process and subsequently included in their 2003 Legislative Report. The list now includes additional Metro TIP projects not in the draft STIP, and the large majority of projects are Modernization. According to ODOT's Quarterly Status Reports, 30% of the projects are under construction and another 30% are in the category, "project committed". For approximately 20% of the projects, status was unavailable.

Lori Sundstrom indicated that the status of freight-related projects would be an ongoing agenda item, and asked for feedback on the report. A series of questions prompted Mr. Kale to distinguish between the project selection processes for the 2004-2007 vs. draft 2006-2009 STIPs. Chair Zelenka asked for an estimate on when all projects would be completed, as well as an update on the OTIA III bridge projects. Commissioner Papé suggested using the one-page summary routinely provided to the OTC. Gary Cardwell asked for an update on rail spur projects. The requested information will be provided at a future meeting.

Follow-Up: Report on State Bridge Projects (October 2005); next STIP update (January 2006); Industrial Spur update (to be scheduled).

ConnectOregon

Ms. Sundstrom began the topic by introducing Bob Hidley, Oregon Department of Aviation (ODA) Director, indicating that ODOT and ODA would be partners in the *ConnectOregon* program. She then indicated that, in addition to an ODOT Executive Steering Committee, she, John Jackley and Julie Rodwell would be point people and were beginning a statewide outreach initiative this week. Ms. Rodwell then provided an update on the final bill (SB71), the implementation process and issues identified to date. Concurrent temporary and permanent rule processes are already underway, with the temporary rule targeted for November 2005 OTC approval. The six project criteria defined in the bill will be the focus of the project application. ODOT and OECD economists will be consulted, and inherent differences among modes will be addressed. Infrastructure-related projects will be the primary focus, given the bill's "construction ready" criterion. Chair Zelenka and others pointed out the potential difficulty in this due to the seemingly broader definition in the bill.

Chair Zelenka advised ODOT staff to be diligent in promoting equality in project selection, though this will be challenging with multiple, non-highway mode projects. Commissioner Papé and others reminded the group that program development efforts today will instill legislative confidence and could ensure additional support (i.e. funding) in the future. Ms. Sundstrom assured the group that a comprehensive initial screening process would be utilized, and Chair Zelenka recalled the bridge review process where ODOT staff contacted applicants to assist in project qualification prior to rejection of incomplete applications.

Ms. Sundstrom referenced the extensive outreach to stakeholders, cautioning that there is much to be accomplished under a tight timeline. Groups with ongoing invaluable input such as ACTs will need to operate under an accelerated process. Project submitters will be expected to obtain support from their municipalities, advisory groups, etc.

Jerry Grossnickle suggested PNWA be added as a stakeholder group. There were questions surrounding OFAC's role in project selection, to which Ms. Sundstrom assured the group that OFAC will have a key role and that the process is still under development.

At the end of the meeting, Chair Zelenka asked for clarification regarding outreach and project selection. Ms. Sundstrom confirmed there will be point people for Aviation and Transit, and suggested the Oregon Rail User League (ORULE) may serve as an advisory committee for selection of rail projects. A few additional suggestions were made for outreach recipients.

Follow-up: *ConnectOregon* update and discussion (planned for every OFAC meeting).

Freight Route Designations

Craig Greenleaf gave an overview of the Freight Route Analysis Project (FRAP) and associated Oregon Highway Plan (OHP) amendments approved at the August OTC meeting. Over 1,200 miles were added to the Statewide Highway Freight System (as designated in the OHP), which now includes over 80% of the National Highway System (NHS) in Oregon. This initiative designates 317 miles of non-NHS roads as freight routes. Necessary amendments to the Oregon Highway Plan (OHP) are already underway, including revisions to the highway segment designation process, i.e. Special Transportation Areas (STA) and Urban Business Areas (UBA). Management plan obligations will be lifted from new segment designations and, while management plans are still required for existing designations, this may be accomplished under a longer planning process and timeline.

Chair Zelenka asked if ODOT ever designated non-road facilities as freight routes. Mr. Greenleaf indicated that intermodal connectors are included in the freight system. Mayor Unger asked for clarification on expressways, and Mr. Greenleaf said that expressways may or may not be freight routes.

Follow-up: None immediate.

Transportation Planning Rule (TPR) Freight Implications

Mr. Greenleaf gave an overview of the TPR amendment process currently underway. He noted that concerns about the Peace Health relocation in Springfield helped provide the impetus for TPR revisions.

A joint ODOT/DLCD subcommittee has been formed to consider the amendments, targeted for a November 2005 hearing. Some local governments are concerned about the additional obligations that may be placed on them. There has also been some pushback regarding the recently approved additional freight routes. Mr. Cardwell thanked ODOT for including him on the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and said that he is facilitating the consideration of multimodal freight issues. Ms. Sundstrom added that the TAC has done some valuable work regarding interchanges.

Follow-up: None

SAFETEA-LU Implications

Ms. Rodwell reported that the more than 800-page Federal transportation bill is still being analyzed by ODOT staff for freight and other implications. In general, Oregon did very well: for every dollar in (gas tax) revenue, we will recoup over a dollar in funding for over \$2.7B total, a 30% increase. She noted that Oregon will receive \$160M for the repair, replacement and improvement of I-5 bridges, in addition to funds for seismic retrofit of certain bridges. A list was provided of OFAC Tier 1, 2 & 3 projects that will receive just under \$100M total in the bill. Oregon was one of six states to receive a \$5M

earmark for a short-haul freight intermodal pilot project. Nick Fortey confirmed that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is beginning to write the rules for this program. Oregon will also receive \$17M annually for a Highway Safety Improvement Program, including reducing hazards at rail-highway crossings.

The Rail Rehabilitation & Infrastructure Fund (RRIF) received significantly increased funding, which Ms. Rodwell found unusual considering how few funds were distributed in the past. Mr. Cardwell and Vice Chair Susie Lahsene confirmed that in the past, RRIF interest rates were unfavorable, there were too many strings attached, and program (human) resources were insufficient.

There is also SAFETEA-LU funding for truck parking, which will be focused on overnight rest areas and idle reduction programs for commercial trucks. Mr. Dal Ponte, ODOT Motor Carrier Transportation Division (MCTD), interjected that with the revised focus on overnight accommodations, parking availability in Oregon may no longer be adequate and we could benefit from this.

Portland State University (PSU) will be given \$16M for research, and Mr. Greenleaf clarified the intent is a University Transportation Center for Oregon's major universities. This represents a major additional funding source, though there are match requirements. A mandate for Freight Coordinators in every state was dropped in the final bill.

Jerry Grossnickle noted the outstanding efforts of Congressman DeFazio in advocating for Oregon's increased funding, and the group agreed to send a letter of appreciation on behalf of the OFAC.

Follow-up: Draft letter of appreciation to Congressional delegation for Chair Zelenka's signature; meeting to discuss Intermodal Earmarked project.

Future Agendas

Chair Zelenka called attention to the future agenda calendar in their packets, and asked members to communicate any new potential agenda items to Julie. He indicated the October meeting would be in Portland. Mr. Greenleaf suggested an Oregon Transportation Plan (OTP) update at the December meeting, since the public review period will be closing by year-end.

Follow-up: Revise future agendas calendar.

Future Events

The following events were announced to the group, and the announcers will forward detailed information to Ms. Rodwell for follow-up member distribution:

- Chair Zelenka reminded the group about the upcoming West Coast Corridor Coalition (WCCC) meeting on October 6th & 7th.

- A Columbia River Crossing meeting was to occur in the second week of September.
- Ms. Lahsene announced the October 12th Port of Portland-sponsored lunch featuring Paul Bingham, entitled “Global Insight, World Economic Trends and Their Implications for Oregon.”
- Mr. Schlueter, Westside Economic Alliance, will provide information to Ms. Rodwell regarding an event later in September regarding improvements on OR 217.

Follow-up: Staff e-mail with details of these events (completed September 20th).

Other Business

Chair Zelenka asked the group if they had heard of any funding or projects being put on hold due to the effects of Katrina. Vice Chair Lahsene had heard that funding not currently obligated may be reviewed, and she expects Paul Bingham’s October 12th presentation to address this. Mr. Fortey cited the emergency relief funding available and noted the magnitude of Katrina’s impact is unprecedented. Mr. Nave, Union Pacific RR and Paul Zalec, Portland & Western confirmed routing of donations through FEMA. Both organizations are also matching employee donations.

Julie Rodwell noted that she would be working with her counterparts in California and Washington to assess the freight and economic impacts of Katrina to West Coast states. Freight Mobility Section initial research uncovered the Port of Southern Louisiana’s status as the largest U.S. exporter, all area ports without power, airports under water, etc. Mike Burton noted that port infrastructure damage was fairly minimal: the challenge is restoring operations to resume multi-directional traffic flow. Ms. Rodwell asked for feedback over the next couple of weeks regarding member interest in additional information on impacts here.

Follow-up: Staff to monitor reports about Katrina and evaluate appropriate level of effort on analyzing effects for west coast states, in consultation with California and Washington counterparts.

Adjournment

Chair Zelenka adjourned the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

**Oregon Freight Advisory Committee
Meeting Attendees
September 7, 2005**

FAC Members

D.E. Bridges
Gary Cardwell
Nick Fortey
Jerry Grossnickle
Susie Lahsene
Jim Nave
Mike Nolan
Commissioner Papé
Jonathan Schlueter
Honorable Alan Unger
Paul Zalec
Tom Zelenka

Oregon Forest Products Transportation Association
Northwest Container Services, Inc.
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Bernert Barge Lines
Port of Portland
Union Pacific RR
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA)
Oregon Transportation Commission
Westside Economic Alliance
League of Oregon Cities/City of Redmond
Portland & Western Railroad
Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.

ODOT

Gregg Dal Ponte
Cary Goodman
Karen Green
Craig Greenleaf
Steve Kale
Alan Kirk
Julie Rodwell
Lori Sundstrom
Vince Van Der Hyde

Motor Carrier Transportation Division
Freight Mobility Section
Freight Mobility Section
Transportation Development Division
Freight Mobility Section
Research Unit
Freight Mobility Section
Director's Office
Research Unit

Other Attendees

Michael Burton
Mark Ford
Phillip Grillo
Bob Hidley
John Kratochvil
Linda Modrell
Tracy Rutten
Tom Schwetz
Gary Whitney
Scott Wilson

OR Economic and Community Development Dept.
HDR Engineering
Miller Nash LLP
Oregon Department of Aviation
Oregon Department of Agriculture
Benton County Commissioner
Special Districts Association
Lane Council of Governments
O Economic and Community Development Dept.
Cascades West Council of Governments

Statewide Commodity Flow Study

- Helps implement an earlier Freight Advisory Committee request for ODOT to develop better commodity flow information
- Builds upon and extends the Portland Commodity Flow work to the statewide level
- Supports the Oregon Transportation Plan update
- Helps calibrate freight information in the statewide travel model
- Provides
 - ✓ baseline (1997) estimates of tonnage and value for 38 commodity groupings by mode and by direction of movement (inbound, outbound, internal, and through)
 - ✓ forecasts (2000, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2020, 2025, 2030) of commodity tonnage and value by commodity groupings, modes, and direction type of movement
 - ✓ baseline estimates and forecasts for Oregon, 6 metropolitan areas, 10 Area Commission on Transportation areas, and selected counties
- Includes reports, spreadsheets, and other miscellaneous deliverables
- Will be available on ODOT's Freight Mobility Section Web site under the Publications page at <http://egov.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/FREIGHT/Publications.shtml>

ConnectOregon Outreach Program

Date	Audience	Presenters	Key contact info	# present
September 7, 2005	Oregon Freight Advisory Committee	Sundstrom (PowerPoint and Q&A)	Rodwell 503-986-3525	31
September 8, 2005	ODOT Area Managers Mtg.	Sundstrom, Jackley, & Rodwell	Jacque Carlisle 503-986-3435	6
September 12, 2005	Public Transportation Advisory Committee	Sundstrom & Rodwell	Martin Loring 503-986-4189	10
September 13, 2005	Oregon Transit Association Board of Directors	Rodwell (PowerPoint) Sundstrom (Q&A)	503-588-2424	18
September 13, 2005	Governor's ERT Coordinator mtg.	Sundstrom	Gabrielle Schiffer 503-986-6522	5
September 15, 2005	OECD Legislative Debrief session	Rodwell	Mindee Sublette 503-986-0126	200+
September 15, 2005	Motor Carrier Technical Advisory Committee (MCTAC)	Rodwell	Gregg Dal Ponte 503-378-6351	35
September 15, 2005	Oregon Short-Line Association	Bob Melbo	David Root	20
September 16, 2005	Oregon Planning Institute	Rodwell	Akin Owosekun 503-986-4220	40
September 21, 2005	Aviation Board Meeting	Sundstrom & Rodwell	John P. Wilson 503-378-2521	25
September 23, 2005	Local Officials Advisory Committee (LOAC)	Sundstrom	Victor Dodier 503-986-3422	20
September 26, 2005	South East ACT	Sundstrom	Sondra Lino 541-575-2786	
September 26, 2005	Region 2 Freight Mobility Committee	Rodwell	Mori Carlsdotter 503-986-5764	25
September 27, 2005	Oregon Business Association	Sundstrom & Garrett	Dawn Bonder 503-641-0990	
September 27, 2005	Highway Div. Staff Meeting	Sundstrom & Jackley	Jacque Carlisle 503-986-3435	
September 29, 2005	Pacific NW Assoc. of Rail	Rodwell	Gary Brown	

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September 30, 2005	South Central Oregon ACT	Rodwell	Mike Stinson 503-883-5662	
October 4, 2005	Ports/OECDD Mtg.	Jackley	Ralph Jackson 503-986-0222	
October 6, 2005	North East ACT	Jackley	Glenis Harrison 541-963-3179	
October 6, 2005	Mid-Willamette Valley ACT	Rodwell	Tony Snyder 503-986-2764	
October 10, 2005	Oregon Rail Users League	Sundstrom, Jackley, or Rodwell	Annette Price 503-585-0520	
October 12, 2005	Pac NW Waterways Assoc	Sundstrom	Kristin Meira 503-234-8556	
October 18, 2005	Port of Umatilla	Rodwell	Donna Jo Talbot djtalbott@eoni.com	
October 18, 2005	Eastern Oregon University	Rodwell	Donna Jo Talbot djtalbott@eoni.com	
October 19, 2005	Lane County Board of Commissioners	Rodwell	Tom Stinchfield 541-682-6930	
October 20, 2005	LCOG MPO Policy Board	Rodwell	Tom Schwetz 541-682-4044	
October 20, 2005	Bend MPO Policy Board & Freight Cmte.	Sundstrom	Tyler Deke 541-693-2113	
October 21, 2005	Assoc. of General Contractors	Jackley	John Jackley 503-986-3443	
October 21, 2005	Corvallis Area MPO	TBD	Ali Bonakdar 541-758-1911	
October 25, 2005	Rogue V. MPO Policy Board & Freight Cmte.	TBD	Dan Moore 541-664-6676, ext. 217	
October 27, 2005	Cascades West ACT	Sundstrom	Scott Wilson 541-924-8473	
November 3, 2005	Northwest Oregon ACT	Sundstrom	C. Richardson 503-325-7222	

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November 4, 2005	MPO Consortium	Rodwell	Linda Modrell 541-766-6800	
November 8, 2005	Rogue Valley ACT	Rodwell	Art Anderson 541-774-6353	
November 10, 2005	METRO	TBD	Randy Tucker 503-797-1512	
November 10, 2005	Central Oregon ACT	TBD	Gary Farnsworth 541-388-6071	
December 9, 2005	South West ACT	TBD	Chris Hunter 541-957-3689	

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MEMORANDUM

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Date: September 27, 2005

TO: Freight Advisory Committee

FROM: Julie Rodwell, Freight Mobility Section Manager

SUBJECT: Freight Mobility Manager's Report of October 2005

I have been asked to prepare a report at each meeting to update you on various ongoing issues. This report addresses:

- 2008-2011 STIP work required of the Projects Subcommittee;
- Status of membership recruitment; schedule for confirmation of committee appointees;
- Other OFAC Subcommittee work coming up over the next 8-10 months;
- OFAC elections required in December – slate required; and
- Suggested schedule for 2006 regular meeting dates.

2008-2011 STIP

ODOT is embarking on the next STIP development, for the 2008-2011 period. As you know, the STIP must be updated every 2 years and looks ahead 4 years. The OTC acted two months early to approve the new STIP criteria at its September 2005 meeting so the OFAC can start its process of identifying freight-related projects to recommend for this STIP as required under HB 2041. ODOT's STIP stakeholder committee proposed revisions to give more emphasis to freight, specifically adding a prioritization factor for "projects that support freight mobility". The OTC approved this language, while also adding a factor for bridge projects "that best support the policies of the Oregon Highway Plan".

Based on ODOT's overall schedule, OFAC needs to approve in March, 2006 a list of projects to send to the OTC's April meeting for approval. For this STIP update, the OFAC will not need to start from scratch but can build on its prior work in developing the OTIA III freight-related projects for the 2006-2009 STIP that was just approved. However, staff will also work with the ODOT STIP team to gather information on any new, additional projects that may have surfaced since those prior exercises were undertaken. A more detailed memo on process and timelines will be passed out at the meeting to those interested.

In conclusion, the OFAC Projects Subcommittee (Chair: Martin Callery) needs to convene as soon as possible to start work on 2008-2011 STIP development. Projects will need to be evaluated and input received between now and year-end, for a list to be compiled in January, OFAC approval in February and OTC discussion in March.

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT

Extensive efforts have been made to invite participants in OFAC from all sectors of the freight industry and all parts of the State. MPOs and ACTs have been included. Due to personnel changes in some organizations, some designees are still being identified. For a full list of responses to date, please see Figure 1 at the end of this memo. We are seeking a total of 32 general, voting members per the bylaws. Currently we have 35 prospective voting candidates and 19 prospective associate, non-voting candidates. The original closing date for applications was September 9 and this has been informally extended. It is important that designees be named soon, because OFAC elections are due in December and also there is considerable work facing the committee and its subcommittees. To address the process expeditiously, we propose closing the application process formally as of the October 5 meeting date. We then suggest a speedy meeting of the OFAC Membership and Nominations Subcommittee (Chair: Bob Russell) to create a draft slate of names, subject to OFAC review, to be provided to the ODOT Director. This slate can either be reviewed by OFAC at its November meeting or by e-mail before the meeting. The latter approach would allow speedier action to finalize names.

OFAC SUBCOMMITTEE WORK

OFAC in its bylaws, Article II, Membership, Section 3, Sub-committees, identified three standing subcommittees: Membership and Nominations, Policy, and Projects. Other short term task forces may be created informally as needed.

Membership and Nominations Subcommittee

Tasks	Timeframe
Coordinate recruitment program	August-October 2005
Create a slate of names for OFAC review and ODOT Director approval	October-November 2005
Fill vacancies as needed	Ongoing
Create a new member information packet for new committee appointees	November 2005
Answer membership and elections questions as needed	Ongoing
Conduct elections	Slate- November Elections - December

Policy Subcommittee

Tasks	Timeframe
Provide input on ODOT policy documents and initiatives. Review state and federal legislation and provide input where appropriate.	Ongoing
Create one or more problem statements to submit to ODOT research program	October – December 2005
Pursue other research issues, ideas, speakers on behalf of OFAC	Ongoing
Review OFAC bylaws and recommend changes as needed.	Ongoing

Projects Subcommittee

Tasks	Timeframe
Review and recommend freight-related projects to OTC for 2008-2011 STIP	October 2005- March 2006
Review <i>ConnectOregon</i> proposed rule and application process	October – November 2005
Review <i>ConnectOregon</i> projects and provide recommendations to OTC, in consultation with other groups	January – June 2006

Since the workloads of the three subcommittees are not equal - the Projects Subcommittee having by far the heaviest load - they will be staffed as needed rather than assigning one staff member to each subcommittee. At present the only staff assignment is Teddie Baker to the Membership and Nominations Subcommittee.

OFAC ELECTIONS

As indicated above, the new Bylaws call for OFAC to conduct elections for the position of Chair and Vice-Chair in December every other year. A slate of interested and willing members should be named in November for December elections. Appointment of committee members needs to happen ahead of the vote.

SUGGESTED MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2006

It has previously been agreed that meetings will return to the quarterly schedule in 2006. The proposed dates are:

January 11	July 5	December 6
April 5	October 4	

Locations will rotate and be determined a meeting or two ahead. Members are encouraged to suggest locations and venues.

Special OFAC meetings will be scheduled in addition if needed, and Subcommittee meetings will be scheduled in between the above dates. If members desire, some subcommittee meetings could occur on the morning of the full OFAC meetings (as well as at other times and places). All OFAC members will be notified of the subcommittee meeting dates and locations.

Figure 1
OFAC RECRUITMENT RESULTS – 9-27-2005

CANDIDATES FOR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP (Voting Members)

Mr. John Aguirre	OR Association of Nurseries
Mr. Ken Armstrong	Oregon Ports Group
Mr. Steve Bates	Redmond Heavy Haul
Mr. James Bertram, III	RailAmerica, Inc. /CORP
Mr. D.E. Bridges	Oregon Forest Products Transportation Assn.
Mr. Mike Burrill	Burrill Resources, State Aviation Board
Mr. Martin Callery	Oregon International Port of Coos Bay
Mr. Gary Cardwell	Northwest Container Services
Mr. Bruce Carswell	Portland & Western RR (Replacing Larry Phipps)
Mr. Terry Cowart	Lebanon Auction
Ms. Tammy Denney	OR Wheat Growers League
Mr. Jerry Engelhardt	Kinder Morgan Energy Partners (Alternate, designee forthcoming)
Mr. Raymond J. Garcia	OIA Global Logistics
Mr. Greg Gilmer	NORPAC
Mr. Jerry Grossnickle	Bernert Barge Lines, Inc.
Mr. Joe Henderson	VOCI, The Petroleum Service Company
Mr. Andrew Johnsen	BNSF Railway
Ms. Susie Lahsene	Port of Portland
Mr. Dan Lovelady	RailAmerica, Inc./CORP
Mr. Greg Miller	Weyerhaeuser Co.
Mr. Mike Montero	Montero & Associates LLC
Mr. Jim Nave	Union Pacific Railroad
Mr. Gary Neal	Port of Morrow
Mr. Vernon (Ray) Neil	Pendleton Grain Growers, Inc.
Ms. Carrie Novick	Redmond Municipal Airport, State Aviation Board
Commissioner Randy Papé	Commissioner, OTC
Mr. Bob Russell	Oregon Trucking Associations
Mr. Don Schellenberg	Oregon Farm Bureau
Mr. Jonathan Schlueter	Westside Economic Alliance
Mr. Charles Tindall	Blue Line Transportation Company
Mr. Steve Van Mouwerik	Anderson Hay & Grain
Mr. Glenn Vanselow	Pacific NW Waterways Association
Ms. Liz Wainwright	Merchants Exchange of Portland
Ms. Tracy Ann Whalen	ESCO Corporation (Logistics, Equipment Manufacturer and Distributor)
Mr. Tom Zelenka	Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP (Non-Voting Members)

Mr. Jim Adams	Federal Railroad Administration (USDOT)
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Ms. Ann Ballew	Eugene-Springfield MPO
Mr. Bill Burgel	HDR, Inc.
Mr. Dan Clem	MPO-SKATS-PC (Salem-Keizer MPO)
Mr. Nick Fortey	Federal Highway Administration
The Honorable Bill Friedman	Mayor of Bend and Chair, Bend MPO (Mr. Tyler Deke - Alternate to Mayor Friedman)
Ms. Lylla Gaebel	Chair, NWACT & Clatsop County Commissioner
Mr. John M. Gillam	City of Portland (PDOT)
Mr. Robert Hidley	Director, Department of Aviation (Ms. Sarah Lucas – Alternate to Robert Hidley)
Mr. John Kratochvil	Oregon Department of Agriculture (Mr. Gary Roth – Alternate to John Kratochvil)
Ms. Linda Modrell	Benton County Commissioner/Corvallis MPO
Ms. Lyn McClelland	U.S. Maritime Administration
Mr. Mike Nolan	Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Judge Laura Pryor	Gilliam County Judge
Mr. Mike Quilty	Medford-Rogue Valley MPO
The Honorable Alan Unger	Mayor of Redmond, League of Oregon Cities, Board Member Central Oregon ACT
Mr. Lonny Welter	Columbia County Public Works Department
Mr. Gary Whitney	OR Economic and Community Development Dept.
Ms. Bridget Wieghart	Metro Transportation Department

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STAFF (Non-Voting Members)

Mr. Gregg Dal Ponte	Administrator, Motor Carrier Transportation Division
Mr. Craig Greenleaf	Administrator, Transportation Development Division
Ms. Julie Rodwell	Manager, Freight Mobility Section
Ms. Lori Sundstrom	Chief of Staff
Ms. Kelly Taylor	Administrator, Rail Division

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