

## Amendments to the Transportation Planning Rule (TPR) and Related Rules

The Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) is considering amendments to the Transportation Planning Rules (OAR chapter 660 division 012) and related provisions of the Exceptions Rules (OAR chapter 660 division 004). The proposed amendments are based upon recommendations from evaluations of the TPR conducted in 2004. The amendments were proposed by a joint subcommittee of LCDC and the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) with advice from a stakeholder working group. Proposed amendments include the following:

- Changes to clarify and restate the TPR purpose statement
- Revision of the phrase "reduced reliance on the automobile" throughout the TPR
- Revision of requirements for metropolitan areas to related to "alternative standards" and preparation of integrated land use and transportation plans
- Revision of rule requirements for transportation project development
- Revision of guidance on goal exceptions for transportation facilities (including Exceptions Rule amendments (OAR 660-004), and consolidation of these requirements in the TPR)
- Other minor and "housekeeping" amendments to the TPR

LCDC will consider the proposed amendments at its meetings in Medford on December 1, 2005, and in Salem on February 2, 2006. The Medford meeting will be at the County Building, 1st Floor Conference Room, 1101 West Main Street. The Salem meeting will be in the Agriculture Building, Basement Hearing Room, 635 Capitol Street NE. The public hearing on these items is scheduled to begin at 9:00 AM. Interested persons may address the Commission concerning the proposal at either hearing, and/or may provide written comments. Comments will be accepted until the close of the February 2 hearing.

Written comments for the December 1, 2005, meeting (including comments by email) received by the department by 5:00 PM Friday, November 18, will be included in the packet provided to the Commission prior to the meeting.

The proposed rule amendments and supporting information are available through the DLCD website: <http://www.lcd.state.or.us/> and more directly: [http://www.lcd.state.or.us/LCD/transplan.shtml#Proposed\\_TPR\\_Amendments\\_November\\_2005](http://www.lcd.state.or.us/LCD/transplan.shtml#Proposed_TPR_Amendments_November_2005)

Alternatively, to obtain a copy of the proposed amendments through mail, email, or fax, please contact Shelia Preston at (503) 373-0050 Ext. 222. If you have questions, contact Bob Cortright at (503) 373-0050 Ext. 241; email [bob.cortright@state.or.us](mailto:bob.cortright@state.or.us).

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