Motor Carrier Transportation Advisory Committee

Thursday, April 20, 2023



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Motor Carrier Transportation Advisory Committee (MCTAC) Agenda

Thursday, April 20, 2023 | 8:30 am to 10:00 am

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Time			Торіс	Action	Lead
8:30-8:35	5 min	01	Welcome and Housekeeping	Decision	Jason Lawrence
			Objective: Welcome, Teams technical guidance Review and approve previous meeting summary		
8:35-8:50	15 min	02	Tow Industry OAR Request Update	Information	Sven Johnson
			Objective: • Update on tow-specific OAR discussions following M	arch 21 meeting	,
8:50-9:10	20 min	03	CCD Quarterly Business Report	Discussion	Elisha Brackett
		T	 Objective: What is our QBR? Why do we want to report this info What would you like to see in the QBR and why? 	ormation to the i	ndustry?
9:10-9:45	2:10-9:45 35 min 04 Division Updates and Administrator's Report				CCD Staff
			Objective: Recent Human Trafficking Prevention Work – Carla P Motor Carrier Education Program Update – Elisha Br Administrator's Report – Amy Ramsdell Looking ahead: Changes to CCD service hours Legislative permission to pursue fe OD System Replacement Update Open Houses and Webinars (Jason	ackett deral funding	
9:40-10:00	15 min	05	Agenda Build	Discussion	All
	1	1	Objective: • Identify agenda topics for July 2023		,
			Next Meeting: Thursday, July 20, 2023 8:30-10:00 am		

MCTAC Summary Notes – January 19, 2023

Attendees: Members - Amy Ramsdell (ODOT-CCD), Kristan Mitchell (ORRA), Jon Golly (AOL), Mark Gibson (OTA), Any Owens (A&M Transport), Brent Vander Pol (Peninsula Truck Lines), Donny Callahan (OTTA), Jonathan Wilson (FMCSA), Kaiger Braseth (Mountain West Moving)

Presenters and Guests - Elisha Brackett (ODOT-CCD), Sven Johnson (ODOT-CCD), Russ Russell (ODOT-CCD), Jenny Galvin (ODOT-CCD), Carla Phelps (ODOT-CCD), Michelle Bowlin (ODOT-CCD), Travis Brouwer (ODOT), Garet Prior (ODOT), Katie Scott (ODOT), Maureen Bock (ODOT), Joe Gardner, Jodi Mescher, Brian Worley (AOC), Brian Norton

Support – Jason Lawrence (ODOT-CCD)

Previous meeting's minutes approved.

ODOT Funding and Budget: Travis Brouwer, Assistant Director of Revenue, Finance and Compliance, **ODOT** – We are focused on key challenges to transportation funding in Oregon. These challenges include inflation (i.e., decline in purchasing power), growing fuel efficiency (e.g., the gas tax is unsustainable) and lack of local options for new funding sources [see slides]. One of ODOT's primary goals is to diversify funding streams, which will include changes in DMV fees and the addition of tolling and RUC to go along with fuel tax and WMT. Transportation projects and programs funding looks strong right now, but maintenance and agency operations funding is struggling. To overcome budget gaps, ODOT has cut the maintenance and agency operations budget, with additional cuts coming across the agency [see "Four Areas of Action" slide for more planned actions]. Legislative options are under consideration [see "Legislative Consideration" slide].

Amy Ramsdell, ODOT-CCD: We are maximizing federal funds where we can in our CCD budget. We are moving out of a leased building into an ODOT-owned building, which will save us more than \$1M annually. We are also looking to reduce our service hours and consolidate our work force into more compact times, like what other states offer.

Tolling Update: Garet Prior, Toll Policy Manager, ODOT – Tolling is part of our Urban Mobility Strategy that seeks to reduce traffic and congestion, decrease bottlenecks, invest in multimodal transportation, modernize infrastructure for the Cascadia threat and develop long-term sustainable funding. This project focuses on the Portland Metro area (primarily I-5 and I-205) [see map slide]. The I-205 improvements and seismic upgrades project is the upcoming project. The tolling will be an electronic/digital and will start no sooner than late 2024 for I-205 and late 2025 for the other project areas. Rates have not been established yet, but they will vary on location and time of day. Expected freight benefits will include improved freight availability and improved travel times with decreased congestion [see "benefits" slide].

Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) Amendments:

- **740-100-0010, Adoption of Federal Safety Regulations (Russ Russell) –** These amendments are the annual adoption of FMCSR into OAR. The amendments simply change dates to read "2023".
- 740-300-0120, Violations Specified in ORS 825.960, Relating to Out-of-Service Notices and Driver Equipment Compliance Check Forms Penalties (Russ Russell) One amendment removes language that applied to carriers failing to return truck inspection reports. The other amendment cleaned up language for penalties for repeat violations of 825.960.

740-300-0130, Violations Specified in ORS 825.955 and ORS 825.960 — Mitigation (Russ Russell)
 This amendment addresses the same Statute from the above, removing language from the repealed Statute and takes out unnecessary mitigation language for out-of-service orders.

There is no expected financial impact to carriers from any of these changes.

734-071-0010 and 734-073-0110 (FAST Act adoption) (Sven Johnson) – Division 71 amendments simply streamline State adoption of the federal FAST Act. Dates were amended and definitions were adopted to align with the FAST Act, with an additional new Rule for defining trailer transporter towing allowances.

Division 73 amendments align vehicle length limits for boat/auto transportation per the FAST Act.

• 740-055-0120, Weight-Mile Tax Records Requirements (adding monthly vehicle requirement) (Jenny Galvin) – These additions to OAR require carriers to maintain monthly vehicle records of total miles traveled in Oregon and total taxable miles traveled in Oregon for each vehicle configuration. IFTA and IRP both require monthly records, as well. Maintaining monthly records allows for streamlining audit process, and we believe it streamlines the quarterly reporting process for carriers. There is no expected financial impact for carriers.

Over-Dimension Permitting System Project Update: Sven Johnson, ODOT-CCD – The key update for Q1 2023 [see slide] is that the project is nearing vendor selection. The RFP has been out, and submissions are being collected with the expectation that we will select our vendor sooner than later. We anticipate more updates soon.

Administrator's Report: Amy Ramsdell, ODOT-CCD — As we have mentioned, adjusting service hours is a key next step for CCD. In upcoming meetings, look for more information including call data that is driving our decision making there. The HHG Rule work group is moving forward, so there should be substantive updates for that soon, too. January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month, and our agency has made this is primary initiative in our work. Please visit our new webpage and check out all of our resources and upcoming events.

Agenda build discussion. (No suggestions at present.) Close of meeting.

Tow Industry OAR Request Update

Sven Johnson

Interim Manager, CCD Motor Carrier Services



Requests from tow industry

OAR 734-076-0015 & 734-076-0065

- Allow:
 - Rotators to be 45' in length and Weight Table 3 when empty
 - 6" additional height from accident scenes, increasing to 14'6" total
 - Any group of three or more axles to Weight Table 4
- Remove/Update:
 - 100-mile rule restriction on combination tows
 - All recovery equipment requirements
- Added definition:
 - "Emergency" means "the towing of a vehicle due to a motor vehicle accident, mechanical breakdown on public roadway, or other emergency-related incident necessitating vehicle removal for public safety with or without the owner's consent" or the definition in ORS 401.025.



Weight Table 4?

- ODOT Bridge said no to a blanket WT4 authorization
- Other mid-range options may be considered





Questions? Comments?

CCD Quarterly Business Report

Elisha Brackett

Manager, CCD Business Operations



What is our QBR?

Data, trends and tracking





Why do a QBR?

- Key performance measures
- Transparency and accountability
- Fiscal responsibility
- Data-driven decision making
- How are we contributing to your success?





What's in the QBR?

Vehicle Registration	Taxation	Size & Weight	Safety	Rail Safety	Operating Authority	Customer Service	Demographics
Total vehicles registered Apportioned registration totals Denied registrations Types of fees and fee totals Transponders and preclearance enrollment	Weight-Mile Tax (WMT) revenue and assessments Write-off or uncollectable totals Evasion rate	Compliance Rates Warnings and citations Civil complaints Suspension and revocation rates	Truck-at-fault crash data Vehicle and driver OOS (out-of-service) data Driver OOS % Civil complaints	Crossing incident totals Derailments Crossing orders issued within deadline	Percent of carriers by type (e.g., for-hire, private, farm, HHG)	Call data: volume, wait times, percent answered within 5 minutes and call-back feature usage rates Tax transactions by type (e.g., online, phone, counter) Vehicle registration transactions by type Size & weight transactions by type Annual size and weight transactions by type	Carriers by county and fleet size Age of trucks Carriers by miles travelled and states travelled

What would you like to see? And why?

- What sort of data would you like to see in our QBR?
- What would help us improve our services?
- What would help your business?



Questions?

Thank you!





Division Updates

Carla Phelps, Manger, CCD Safety and Enforcement Elisha Brackett, Manager, CCD Business Operations

Human Trafficking Prevention Win

- Anti-human trafficking training works!
- Sunset Empire
 Transportation District
- Partnership with TAT
 - CCD's human trafficking prevention webpage





Motor Carrier Education Program Update

- Fee tied to bill currently in session
- Planning RFP soon
- Staff training







Questions? Comments?

Administrator's Report

Amy Ramsdell

Administrator, Commerce and Compliance Division



Administrator's Report

- Upcoming changes to service hours
 - Detailed report in July
 - Looking to realign resources with periods of highest demand
 - Improved recruitment and retention
- Legislative permission to pursue federal funding for OD permits & registration/IFTA systems
- OD system replacement project update
- Motor carrier open houses and webinars





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Agenda Build for July 2023

What items would you like us to consider for upcoming agendas?

Additional Resources & Information

- Oregon Transportation Plan
 *Note: Comments on OTP due May 12
- Oregon Transportation Commission
- Oregon Freight Advisory Committee
- <u>Urban Mobility Office</u>
- Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee
- Oregon Safety Transportation Plan

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