

**Minutes of Meeting
October 25th, 2018, 9:00 AM
Oregon Department of Transportation
3012 Island Avenue
La Grande, Oregon**

Members and Alternates present:

Bill Harvey, Michelle Owen, Mary Jo Carpenter, Karen Pettigrew, Bryon Smith, Steve McClure, Robert Strobe, Doug Wright, Susan Roberts, Dennis Sands, Tom Fellows, Donna Beverage, Mavis Hart, Dan Lonai, Ken Patterson , JD Tovey Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer

Guests present:

Connie Guentert, Andy Lindsey, Tom Wallace

ODOT Staff:

Mike Barry, Craig Sipp, Sheri Folsom

Opening Meeting:

- Chairman Steve McClure called the meeting to order
- Roll call of voting members – Quorum present
- Introductions: N/A
- Announcements: N/A

Public and/or Stakeholders Comments: If Any: Commissioner Bill Harvey commented on the issue of projects coming in higher than expected. Craig Sipp discussed the potential causes such as higher oil prices, tightened labor markets and construction prices rising before the project is actually sent out to bid.

Standing Items & Reports:

- Approval of the August 9th, 2018 Minutes – Tom Fellows moved and Susan Roberts seconded; minutes unanimously approved.
- OTC/ODOT Updates – Ken Patterson – Craig Sipp
 - OTC/ODOT Update:
 - OTC announced that Julie Brown has been confirmed as the newest member of the Oregon Transportation Commission.
 - Safety Program: OSP has closed 3 key offices which contribute to slower response times. Fatalities are up 15% this year. \$1.2 Million has been granted for more Distracted Driver education and enforcement programs.
 - Enhance Safety Programs adopted by OTC at their October meeting:
Delineations on Cabbage Hill, 2 new speed trailers in District 14 area, 2 contracts for fencing along I84 between Baker City and Ontario, Shoulder/Drop Offs will be widened and leveled.

North East Area Commission on Transportation (NEACT)

- During the September meeting, Connect Oregon-Port of Morrow- plan was adopted.
- Key Projects approved: \$5 million to the I84 Safety Corridor, a \$5 million amendment to the Ladd Canyon Climbing Lane Project.
- ACT Board Chairmen were invited to the OTC Workshop
- Marilyn Holt, D12 Manager, was the recipient of the Mary Olson award.
- Approval of Public/Private partnerships: US395-Prineville/Chemult broadband expansion.
- Reviewed standards for accessibility parking such as improve signage and stencil in “No Parking”.
- Consent Calendar- Chip Seal project on US20-Vale area

- Local Program & JTA Update – Mike Barry

- Special City Allotment Program: Invoices are in process of being paid.
- IOF: Hermiston project is in approval process. Unnamed company as of yet.
- 6th Street project will bid in February 2019.
- Juntura Road Project: Is advertised and will bid this month.
- Fund Exchanges: Invoices in process of payment.
- Burns Sidewalk project- Advanced plans this week. Will bid on 2/28/19.
- Ontario 2nd St.: DAP in January 2019

- Regional Solution Team (RST) Update – Ken Patterson

- Courtney is on leave, Nate Stice will fill in.
- 9 person Border Board for Malheur Co. established to research for economy. Low value land use change. Rule changes for Plant electricians to match Idaho’s regulations. Nursing shortage, Oregon needs to recognize other states certifications.
- Nyssa reload facility: Progress needs to be made in order to continue on. OTC deadline was met, a 3rd party will review and send to OTC in January 2019.

- 15-18 STIP Enhance Accounting Report - Ken Patterson

- 2 projects as placeholders. Nyssa and John Day sidewalks.
- \$900k Enhance blance- will be used to help with overrun on Enhance construction projects. Reallocation of funds will be a joint ACT decision.

- 21-24 STIP Process Update - Ken Patterson

- In the process of field scoping
- Projects will be presented in Spring of 2019
- Discuss leveraging opportunities before final decision is made
- Bear Creek Bridge may be replaced in 2021

➤ Old Business:

- STIF Application Update – N/A

➤ **New Business:**

ODOT and Automated Vehicles – Jenna Adams-Kalloch

- Truck platooning-2 semis attached with a rider in the 2nd vehicle. Front vehicle controls movement. This is more fuel efficient.
- Michigan and Colorado have been using these vehicles in limited applications such as on University campuses for shuttling.
- GM has plans to deploy a vehicle with no brakes or steering wheel in early 2019
- Vehicles can drive on highway, could be mapped for city streets. 3-10 year plan.
- HB 4063 created a task force which examined: Licensing and Registration, Law Enforcement and Crash Reporting, Insurance and Liability, Cybersecurity and Long-Term Effects.



AV Presentation for
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Portland Metro Area Value Pricing Feasibility Analysis-Mike Mason

- Portland metro region-Population has grown by 3% while hours of congestion have increased 13.6%
- HB 2017 Section 120: Value pricing direct the OTC to seek FHWA approval to implement value pricing on I-5 and I-205 by end of 2018.
- Types of freeway pricing: Priced Roadway/Bridge and Priced Lane
- Key findings: Priced Roadway: Priced Lane:
 - Highest level of congestion relief
 - Highest revenue potential
 - Equity trade-offs
 - Not operationally feasible in areas with only 2 lanes
 - Freight is typically prohibited in left lane
 - Single tolled lanes tend to generate Limited revenue



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COAR – Doug Wright

3 Cycles:

- 1) \$1.6 million to match Federal Aviation funds
- 2) \$1.9 million to match Federal Aviation funds
- 3) Deadline for applications was 10/19/18

- November 2nd thru December 21st: ACT review committee will review and send back to Salem.
- January/February: Aviation review committee will give the final score.
- February/March: Review will be complete.

North East Area Commission on Transportation (NEACT)

- April: Grants will be in place.

ACT review committee will be Doug Wright, Michelle Owen, Angie Peters, and Ken Patterson

ACT SURVEY – Ken Patterson

- Reviewed the ACT survey that was sent by the OTC.

Partner Updates – All

- County/Cities Roundtables: Commission Susan Roberts thanked ODOT for the funds match for the Wallowa Mtn. Loop project.
- By-ways Update: N/A
- LOC/AOC Update: Looking at new ways to review what is Statewide Significance.
- Transit Update: Public Transit Conference to be held in Bend.
Or. Rail & Public Transit Division will join the State plan. STIF is due 11/1/18. Baker and Wallowa Counties have submitted.
Reminder given that Transit is not part of Connect Oregon. Mary Jo Carpenter is retiring November 30th, 2018. She has been a part of NEACT since its inception.
- Bike/Ped Update: No road issues during Cycle Oregon.
Bike Recreational Trail application is coming out later this year.
- Freight Update: None
- CTUIR Update: STIF application is in for a bus to Boardman.
Week of 10/29/18 will see their 1 millionth rider. Advertising, gifts and celebration are being planned.
- MPO Update: Approved the 19-24 TIP

NEXT Meeting:

December 6th, 2018
Region 5 ODOT Headquarters
301 Island Avenue, La Grande, Oregon