



# OREGON DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION

April 14, 2022  
Director's Update



# PRESENTATION AGENDA

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- 2022 Legislative session recap
- Aurora Airport litigation update
- State Funding
  - Connect Oregon
  - June Emergency Board
- Federal funding
  - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
- Board vacancies

# 2022 Legislative Session recap

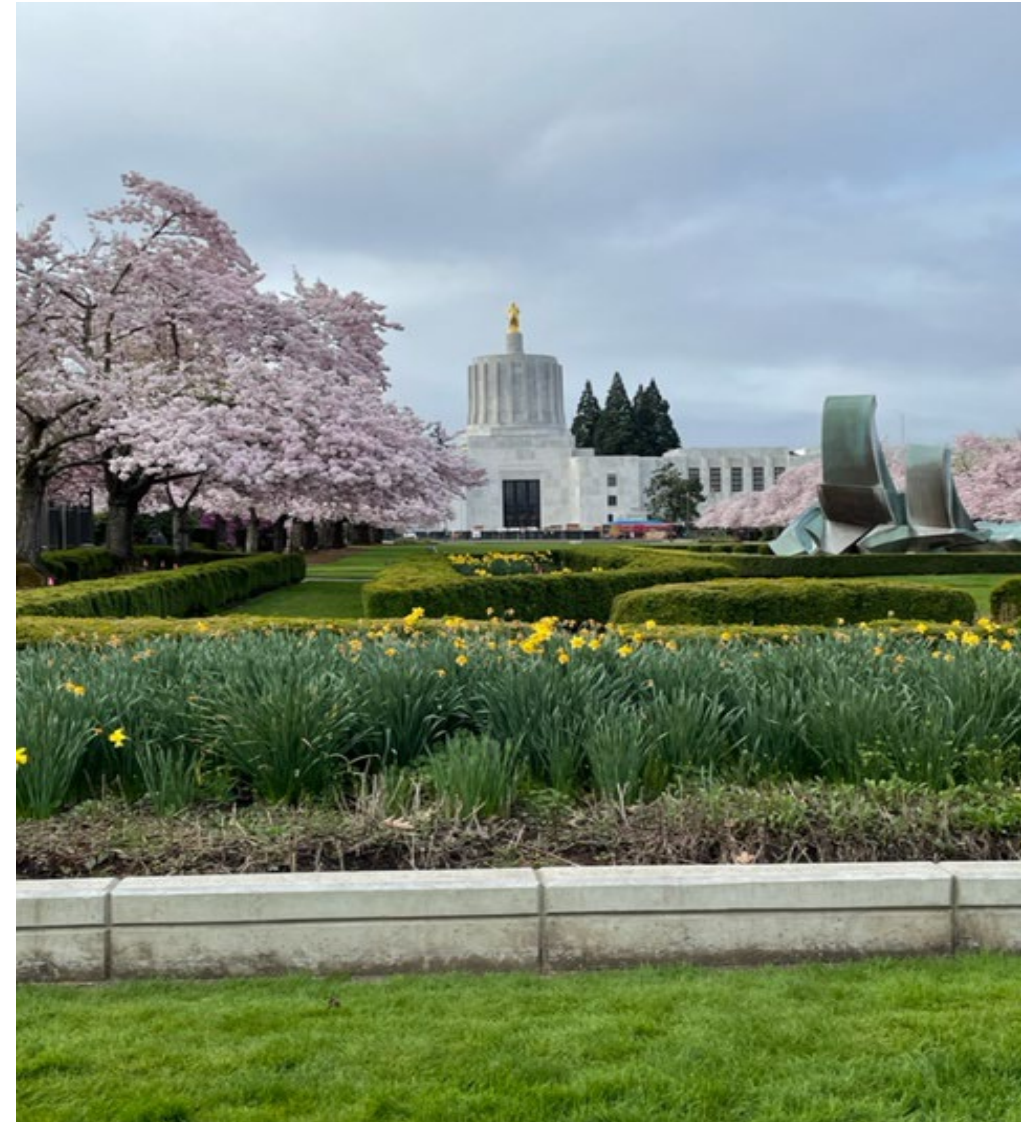
- February 1st to March 4<sup>th</sup>
- 275 bills filed, 119 passed
- HB 4154 \$400K to La Grande for fuel storage died in committee
- HB 4079 3% luxury tax on aircraft died with no hearing
- HB 5202 Budget adjustment bill and Legislator-directed spending

Cape Blanco Rwy & electrical rehab \$2,598,406

Salem Airport upgrade \$540,388

Illinois Valley aircraft fuel system \$750,000

ODAV limitation increase (\$1.1M)



# Aurora litigation update

- Land Use Board of Appeals issued a decision on April 11<sup>th</sup>, remanding the October 31, 2019 decision back to the agency.
- LUBA's decision is under review and discussion with our attorneys and we will discuss with the Board at the next meeting once the judgement is issued.
- Circuit Court cases remain open.
- ODAV and DLCD will address the "permitting use by a larger class of aircraft" issue via DLCD rulemaking in 2023.



Aurora ramp from the tower , June 2021



Connect Oregon

- Grant program from ODOT for aviation, rail and marine projects
- Amount available \$46.5M
- 49 applications,  
total ask \$125,788,954  
Largest application \$22.5M  
Smallest application \$105K
- Area Commissions on Transportation and modal review committees met Feb/March
- Final review committee met last week (April 6 & 7)  
SAB Chair Meeker served as aviation's rep

### **Applications**

- Marine 10 apps \$60,290,778
- Rail 21 apps \$40,081,694
- Aviation 18 apps \$25,416,480

### **Final Review Committee selection**

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|---------|-------|
| 4 apps  | \$25M |
| 7 apps  | \$5M  |
| 10 apps | \$16M |
- OR Transportation Commission will review FRC recommendation (and approve?) May 12th

# June Emergency Board

- E-Board meets June 1-3
- ODAV request status –  
in discussion with Governor's office
- \$2.5M GF for Oakridge runway reconstruction
- \$2.5M GF for Prospect runway reconstruction (back-up funding if Connect Oregon request fails)
- \$400K GF for La Grande fuel storage



Oakridge Airport Fire base, August 2021

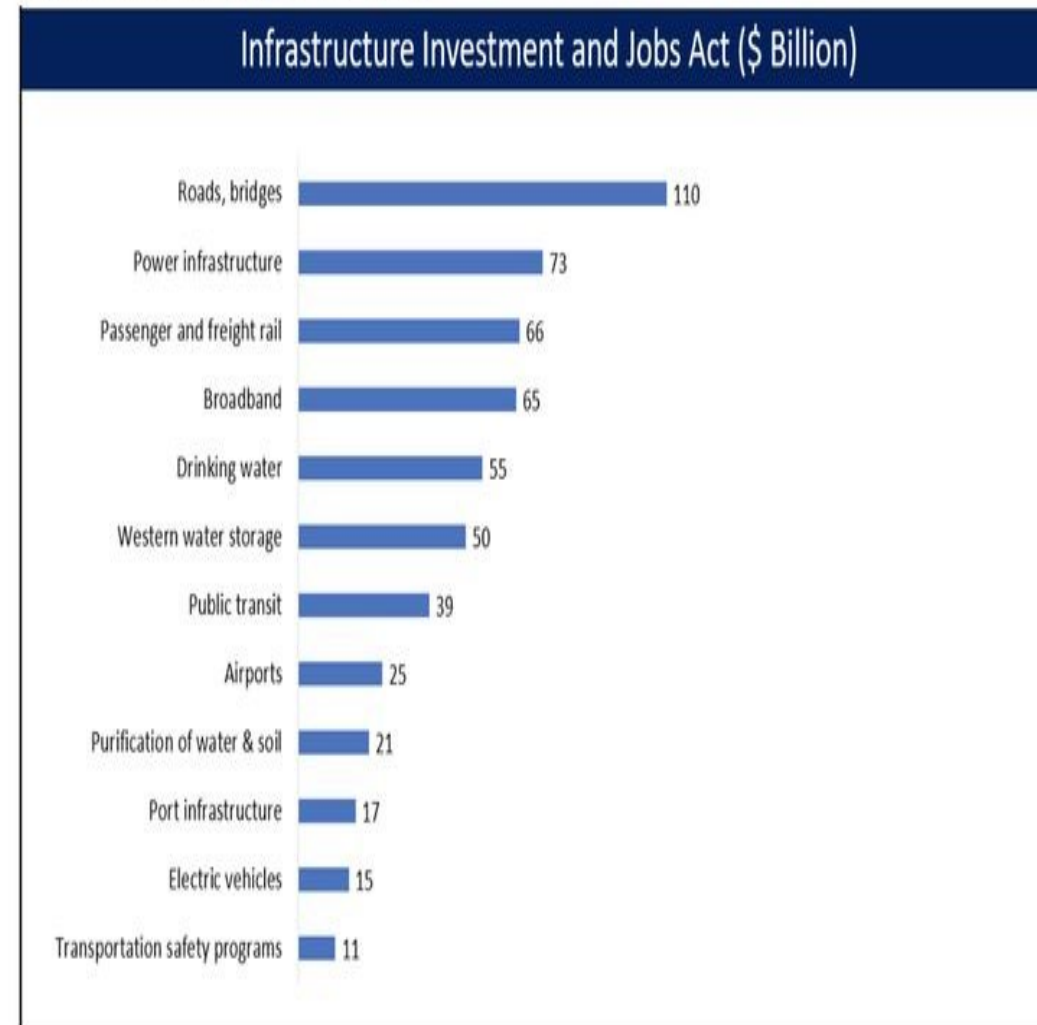
# Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

- \$1.2T over 5 years (also known as IIJA Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act)
- For aviation \$25B (\$5B/yr/5 years)
  - \$15B airport infrastructure, \$5B terminals, \$5B ATC Facilities
- For Oregon Airports \$211M total
- Commercial Service
  - Formula based on enplanements
- GA airports
  - Fixed amount based on classification
  - Per year for 5 years
    - National \$763K (3 OR arpts)
    - Regional \$295K (9 OR arpts)
    - Local \$159K (23 OR arpts)
    - Basic \$110K (10 OR arpts)

To be used for AIP and PFC eligible capital projects, not operating costs

FAA will begin issuing grants in May/June

Figure 1: Funding Overview<sup>1</sup>



## Board vacancy update

**Kenji Sugahara**



**Steve Nagy**





# QUESTIONS?



## Legislative Concepts for the 2023 session

1) Housekeeping bill to:

**a) Move fees set in statute into administrative rule**

Fees set in statute require a 3/5<sup>th</sup> majority vote of the legislature to change, even nominal fees. This LC would allow ODAV to set certain fees by administrative rulemaking, including airport site approval and licensing fees (which range from \$30-\$150), aircraft registration fees (\$55-\$700) and aircraft dealers license (\$250).

**b) Provide ODAV same authority as ODOT to remove hazard trees year round**

ODAV can only remove trees during certain non-nesting times during the year (October to April). This LC would allow removal of hazard trees (on property ODAV owns or has an easement for) year round.