

**Date: January 14, 2025**  
**Time: 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM**

Meeting Attendees:

- Matthew Kitchen (ECONorthwest)
- Sean Wallace (ECONorthwest)
- Zach Leshner (ECONorthwest)
- Bonnie Gee Yosick (ECONorthwest)
- Bob Russell (Oregon Trucking Association)
- Jana Jarvis (Oregon Trucking Association)
- Mazen Malik (Legislative Revenue Office)
- Jon Hart (Legislative Revenue Office)
- Marie Dodds (AAA Oregon/Idaho)
- Sarah Iannarone (The Street Trust)
- Carl Riccadonna (Office of Economic Analysis)
- Jordan Macias (Office of Economic Analysis)
- Mitchell D'Sa (Office of Economic Analysis)
- Brian Worley (Association of Oregon Counties)
- Kevin Campbell (Victory Group)
- Daniel Porter (Oregon Department of Transportation)
- Allen Molina (Oregon Department of Transportation)

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**Agenda Overview**

- Review of the latest HCAS results and equity ratios.
  - Discussion of project mix impacts and legislative guidance.
  - Preparation for final report submission.
  - Coordination on upcoming legislative presentations.
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## **Key Updates**

### **Review of HCAS Results**

- Matthew Kitchen provided an overview of the current HCAS equity ratios:
  - Light-duty vehicles continue to underpay relative to their cost responsibility, with equity ratios hovering around 0.87.
  - Medium- and heavy-duty vehicles are overpaying relative to their costs, maintaining similar trends from the prior HCAS study.
  - The model reflects the latest updates to vehicle classification and cost allocation methodologies.
- Sean Wallace highlighted recent adjustments made to address prior discrepancies in fee and cost reporting, ensuring consistency across datasets.

### **Project Mix and Legislative Guidance**

- Discussion centered on how shifts in project priorities impact cost responsibility:
  - Bob Russell noted that legislative mandates, such as House Bill 2017, set specific expenditure guidelines that influence project allocations.
  - Mazen Malik emphasized the need for detailed tracking of project mix changes over time to better understand their effects on equity ratios.
- The group reviewed slides detailing expenditure trends by work type, with significant focus on modernization projects and their heavier impact on light-duty vehicle cost responsibilities.
- Carl Riccadonna pointed out that federal and state mandates, including ADA compliance, also contribute to shifts in project funding priorities.

### **Final Report Preparation**

- The team is targeting January 27, 2025, for circulating the final draft to SRT members, with comments due by January 29.
  - This timeline ensures sufficient time for review and minor revisions before submission to the Joint Committee on Transportation by January 31.
- Matthew Kitchen emphasized that any substantive issues must be identified promptly to avoid last-minute changes.

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### **Legislative Presentation Planning**

- The presentation will emphasize the equity and transparency of the HCAS process:
    - Highlighting the alignment of cost responsibilities with actual expenditures.
    - Addressing anticipated questions on the impacts of electric vehicles and federal funding shifts.
  - Daniel Porter suggested including a dedicated slide comparing revenue and expenditure impacts to provide clarity for legislators.
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### **Next Steps**

#### **Final Report Submission**

- ECONorthwest to finalize the draft report by January 27, incorporating all SRT feedback received during the review period.
- SRT members to provide comments and edits by January 29 to ensure readiness for submission.

#### **Legislative Presentation**

- ECONorthwest to prepare a slide deck outlining key findings, with a draft circulated to SRT members by January 21 for feedback.
- Final presentation to be refined based on input and delivered to the Joint Committee on Transportation at the end of January.

#### **Action Items**

- **ECONorthwest:** Complete final report and presentation materials, ensuring clarity and alignment with legislative priorities.
- **SRT Members:** Review and provide input on both the report and presentation materials by designated deadlines.
- **Carl Riccadonna:** Coordinate with legislative staff to confirm logistics and address potential questions from lawmakers.