

Vehicle Inspection Program Update Rulemaking

Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

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DEQ Headquarters, Conference Room 1110

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Meeting Attendees



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Nadège Dubuisson	Multnomah County, Health Dept.
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Katherine Kelly (via telephone)	City of Gresham
Carrie Nyssen (via telephone)	American Lung Association
Tracy Olander	Oregon Dept. Transportation, Driver and Motor Vehicle Services
Mary Peveto	Neighbors for Clean Air
Mike Quilty	Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization
Greg Remensperger (via telephone)	Oregon Auto Dealers Association
David Silva	Multnomah County, Dept. County Assets
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Stephen Williams	Clackamas County Dept. Transportation and Development
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Welcome, Introductions, Charter Review

The meeting began at 9:30 with a welcome from Division Administrator Ali Mirzakhali and meeting facilitator Sue Langston.

Presentation

DEQ staff delivered presentations on the Vehicle Inspection Program and Clean Air Act and a VIP operations overview. A question and answer period followed.

Presentation

DEQ staff reviewed the proposed rule revisions related to procedure updates. No committee member had questions or comments.

Presentation

DEQ staff delivered a presentation on VIP outputs and environmental outcomes. The presentation included results from DEQ's emission inventory analysis of criteria pollutants and air toxics emitted by on-road and other sources. A question and answer period followed.

Presentation

DEQ staff presented VIP current and projected revenue and expenses and the proposed fee increase. DEQ also reviewed the fiscal impact statement with committee members. A question and answer period followed.

Discussion: Fiscal impact

DEQ asked the committee four questions:

- **Will the rule have a fiscal impact?** There was not consensus. Some committee members believed the rule will have a fiscal impact. Others felt that any fiscal impact was insignificant.
- **What will be the extent of the fiscal impact?** Committee members commented that the stakeholders who would feel the greatest impact from the fee increase would be lower income people and small business car dealerships. Three committee members commented that the public health benefits of VIP, particularly to environmental justice communities, should be considered along with the increasing cost of the program.
- **Will the rule have a significant adverse impact on small businesses?** There was not consensus. One committee member commented that the fee increase could have a significant adverse effect on small business. Another committee member commented that if VIP were not sustained, there would be an adverse fiscal impact on small auto repair businesses. Another committee member commented that while the fee increase did not present a significant adverse impact on small business, government agencies should recognize the cumulative effect of the many licenses, fees and taxes that small businesses pay.
- **If so, how can that adverse impact be mitigated?** One committee member suggested a volume discount program for small independent dealers bringing in several vehicles for inspection. Other committee members suggested that DEQ reach out to chambers of

commerce and others during the public comment period to gather more ideas for mitigating fiscal effects on small businesses.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:20 p.m.

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