

**Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation
Executive Committee Meeting**

Thursday, August 13, 2026

4:00 pm – 4:30 pm

VIRTUAL MEETING

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AGENDA

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| 1. 4:00 | Welcome | Chair
Commissioner
Walter Chuck |
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| 2. 4:05 | Minutes from April 9, 2026, Meeting (Attachment A) - No quorum at June meeting

<i>ACTION: Approval of meeting minutes</i> | Chair |
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| 3 4:10 |  CWACT Full Commission Agenda (Attachment B)

<i>ACTION: Approval of the CWACT Full Commission Meeting Agenda for the August 27th, 2026, meeting.</i> | ODOT Staff |
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| 4 4:20 | CWACT Full Commission Meeting for August 27th, 2026, meeting. <u>Hybrid or online only?</u>

<i>ACTION: Decision if August meeting will be hybrid or online only</i> | ODOT Staff |
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| 5 4:25 | Other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Connect Oregon Region 2 Meeting 08/26/2026
1-3pm in Salem• Member Comment | ODOT Staff |
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| 6 4:30 | Adjournment | Chair |

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		CWACT Executive Committee	
Last Name	First Name	Email	Representing
Walter	Chuck	wchuck@co.lincoln.or.us	Lincoln County (Chair)
Nyquist	Roger	rnyquist@co.linn.or.us	Linn County (Vice-Chair)
Malone	Pat	pat.malone@bentoncountyor.gov	Benton County
Keating	Andrew	andrew.keating@cityoftoledo.org	City of Toledo
Saalsaa	Rich	rsaalsaa@philomathoregon.gov	City of Philomath
Hickam	Mike	mhickam@cityofmillersburg.org	Millersburg
Hildebrant	Christine	Christine.D.Hildebrant@odot.oregon.gov	ODOT

QUORUM REQUIREMENT: “A quorum for the Executive Committee shall be a majority of the members and there shall be as least one representative from each county present” (CWACT Bylaws: Article V – Committees Section A.2)

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Microsoft Teams Remote Connection

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Members	Jurisdiction	Attended
Pat Malone	Benton County	Yes
Rich Saalsaa	Benton County	No
Walter Chuck	Lincoln County	Yes
Frank Silvia	Lincoln County	No
Roger Nyquist	Linn County	No
Mike Hickam	Linn County	Yes
Christine Hildebrant	ODOT	Yes
Alternates	Jurisdiction	Attended
James Feldmann	ODOT	Yes

Guests: There were no guests present.**Staff:** Administrative Assistant Erica Bratton

Topic	Discussion	Decision / Conclusion
1. Welcome and Agenda Review	The meeting was called to order at 4:07 pm by Chair, Commissioner Walter Chuck Commissioner Chuck conducted Roll Call with the Executive Committee members that were in attendance.	The meeting was called to order at 4:07 pm by Chair, Commissioner Walter Chuck

	There were no changes to the agenda	
2. Approve Minutes of December 04, 2025 (Attachment A) ACTION: Approve Minutes	James Feldmann located one error in the minutes that required correction. Erica Bratton made the correction. Commissioner Malone moved to approve the corrected December 04, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes; Councilor Hickam seconded. The motion carried successfully. No minutes to approve for February 2026 Meeting. (no quorum)	Commissioner Malone moved to approve corrected December 04, 2025, CWACT Executive Committee minutes; Councilor Hickam seconded. The motion carried successfully.
3. Regional Project Priorities Spreadsheet (Attachment B) ACTION: Discussion	James Feldmann went over the Regional Project Priorities Spreadsheet which was sent to the CWACT Technical Committee for review. The Tech Committee has some minor edits and one addition to the list. The updated list will be shared at the Full Commission meeting. The Committee discussed project priorities. - The possibility of moving the Toledo West project into the top 5 on the list, by switching it out with Beverly Beach was discussed, this change is being requested by CTSI representative Robert Kentta and the request was relayed to the committee by Commissioner Chuck. The Full Commission must make the final decision on the project list. - James Feldmann confirmed that the bylaws do not allow the Executive Committee to approve the project list, this must occur at the FC meeting. - The group discussed whether edits should be made to the I-5 project description to reference the	

	transmodal facility in Millersburg or the Century Drive interchange, James Feldmann will coordinate with Commissioner Nyquist for on this. - James Feldmann inquired whether changes should be made to the list before the FC meeting or should we wait for the FC meeting to make changes. - Commissioner Malone recommended making edits to the list ahead of the FC meeting so that the projects are clearly defined before the Full Commission sees it. - James Feldmann will update the draft list and circulate it to the FC group; edits will be needed by April 16th.	
4. Approve April CWACT FC Meeting Agenda (Attachment C) ACTION: Approval of CWACT FC Agenda	One change has been made to the Full Commission agenda, quorum was met in December, and the draft minutes have been added to the agenda for review and approval. James Feldmann shared the draft agenda with the CWACT Executive members for their review. The agenda is ready for members to approve should it be satisfactory. The CWACT Full Commission agenda was approved by consensus.	The CWACT Full Commission agenda for the upcoming April meeting was approved by consensus.
5. Other Business • Van Buren Bridge ribbon cutting in Corvallis (May 6, 10-11am) • OTC lunch with CWACT Chair and Chair-Elect & ACT/Modal	Van Buren Bridge ribbon cutting in Corvallis, May 6, 10-11am: Christine Hildebrant shared that the Ribbon Cutting ceremony for the Van Buren Bridge will be on May 6th from 10 to 11am. This event is open to the public, and the OTC will be attending.	

Chair meeting in Corvallis (May 6, 12-5pm) • OTC meeting in Corvallis, possible CWACT presentation (May 7, time TBD) • Member Comments	OTC lunch with CWACT Chair and Chair-Elect & ACT/Modal Chair meeting in Corvallis, May 6, 12-5PM: Following the ribbon cutting ceremony there will be an OTC lunch at the Corvallis ODOT office. The CWACT Chair and Chair-Elect are invited to attend and give a presentation on the workplan. OTC Meeting in Corvallis, possible CWACT presentation. May 7, time TBD: On Thursday May 7th there will be an OTC meeting at the Marriot in Corvallis. There may be at CWACT presentation at this meeting. Time and details are still to be finalized. Member Comments: Commissioner Malone noted that there will be a Solid Waste Task Force meeting tomorrow afternoon (Friday April 10th) from 1pm to 4pm in Salem. The meeting will be live streamed and recorded if anyone is interested.	
6. Adjournment	The next CWACT Executive Meeting is scheduled for Thursday June 11, 2026.	The meeting was adjourned at 4:36pm by the Chair, Commissioner Walter Chuck

CWACT Full Commission Meeting
Thursday, August 27th, 2026
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

VIRTUAL ONLY -?

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1)	5:00	Welcome and Agenda Review	Chair, Commissioner Walter Chuck
2)	5:05	Public Comments <i>This time is reserved for members of the public to comment on issues related to the CWACT's activities.</i>	Chair
3)	5:10	Approve Minutes of June 26, 2026 meeting (Attachment A) <i>ACTION: Approval of Minutes</i>	Chair
4)	5:15	Western University of Health Sciences • Railroad underpass for new Western University of Health Sciences Campus in Lebanon <i>ACTION: Information</i>	Western University of Health Sciences President, Dr. Robin Farias- Eisner
5)	5:35	Capital Investment Plan (CIP) Update <i>ACTION: Information</i>	ODOT Staff, Ken Shonkwiler
6)	6:30	Connect Oregon Update • Region 2 Super ACT meeting <i>ACTION: Information</i>	Chair, Commissioner Walter Chuck

7)	6:50	Other Business Local jurisdiction updates	Chair
8)	7:00	Adjournment <i>The next CWACT Full Commission Meeting is scheduled for October 22nd, 2026</i>	Chair

Primary Members:

Last Name	First Name	Representing	Category
Malone	Pat	Benton County	Primary
Chuck	Walter	Lincoln County	Chair
Nyquist	Roger	Linn County	Chair Elect
Kentta	Robert	Conf. Tribes of Siletz Indians	Primary
Van Drimmelen	Chris	City of Albany	Primary
Olson	Ava	City of Corvallis	Primary
Short	Kathy	City of Depoe Bay	Primary
Conti	Dominic	City of Lebanon	Primary
Mark	Rick	City of Lincoln City	Primary
Hickam	Mike	City of Millersburg	Primary
Cuthbertson	Jeanni	City of Monroe	Primary
Kaplan	Jan	City of Newport	Primary
Saalsaa	Rich	City of Philomath	Primary
Sanchez	Angelita	City of Sweet Home	Primary
Samaniego	Joe	City of Tangent	Primary
Keating	Andrew	City of Toledo	Primary
Townsend	Jerry	City of Waldport	Primary
Collins	Barry	City of Yachats	Primary
Sylvia	Gil	Port of Newport	Primary
Bronstein	Sarah	Benton County – Private Sector	Primary
Steele	Janet	Linn County – Private Sector	Primary
Hildebrant	Christine	ODOT	Primary

QUORUM REQUIREMENT: For the purpose of conducting official business, a quorum shall exist when either:

1. Representatives from fifty-one (51) percent (%) of the voting members are in attendance; or
2. The following representatives are present:
 - Two of three county commissioners
 - Two additional representatives from each county, whether cities, ports, private sector members, or CTSI representatives.

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