

Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation

Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 12, 2026

4:00 pm – 4:30 pm

VIRTUAL MEETING

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AGENDA

1.	4:00	Welcome	Chair Commissioner Walter Chuck
2.	4:05	Minutes from December 4th, 2025, Meeting (Attachment A) ACTION: Approval of meeting minutes	Chair
3	4:10	Technical Committee Meeting (February 2 nd) Recap (Attachment B)	
4	4:20	CWACT Full Commission Agenda (Attachment C) <i>Approve the CWACT Full Commission Meeting Agenda for the February 26th, 2026, meeting at Benton County's Kalapuya Building.</i>	ODOT Staff
5	4:25	Other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sustainable Materials Management Plan• ACT/Modal Chair Meeting February 17, 2026, at 1-3pm (Microsoft Teams virtual meeting)• Full Commission Meeting Time• Member Comments	ODOT Staff
6	4:30	Adjournment	Chair

CWACT Executive Committee			
Last Name	First Name	Email	Representing
Malone	Pat	pat.malone@bentoncountyor.gov	Benton County
Walter	Chuck	wchuck@co.lincoln.or.us	Lincoln County (Chair)
Nyquist	Roger	rnyquist@co.linn.or.us	Linn County (Vice-Chair)
Silvia	Frank	frank.silvia@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)

CWACT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Thursday, December 04, 2025
4:00 pm to 4:30 pm
Microsoft Teams Remote Connection

DRAFT MINUTES

Members	Jurisdiction	Attended
Rich Saalsaa	Benton County	Yes
Pat Malone	Benton County	Yes
Frank Silvia	Lincoln County	No
Walter Chuck	Lincoln County	Yes
Mike Hickam	Linn County	Yes
Roger Nyquist	Linn County	No
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	<p>The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm by the Chair Elect, Commissioner Walter Chuck.</p> <p>James Feldmann conducted Roll Call with the executive committee members that were in attendance.</p> <p>There were no changes to the agenda.</p>	The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm by the Chair Elect Commissioner Walter Chuck.
2. Approve Minutes of October 09, 2025 <i>(Attachment A)</i>	<p>Philomath City Councilor Rich Saalsaa, moved to approve the October 09, 2025, CWACT Executive Committee Meeting Minutes; Christine Hildebrant ODOT seconded. The motion carried successfully.</p>	Councilor Rick Saalsaa, moved to approve the October 09, 2025, CWACT Executive Committee Minutes; Christine
Action: Approve minutes		

		Hildebrant seconded. The motion carried successfully.
3. Approve December CWAUT FC Meeting Agenda Action: Approval of CWAUT FC Meeting Agenda	<p>James Feldmann shared the draft agenda with the CWAUT Exec members for their review. This agenda is ready for members to approve should it be satisfactory.</p> <p>Commissioner Chuck moved to approve the CWAUT Full Commission agenda by consensus. All CWAUT Executive Committee members in attendance voted yes. The motion carried successfully.</p>	Commissioner Chuck moved to approve the CWAUT Full Commission agenda by consensus. All members voted yes. The motion carried successfully.
4. Other Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Committee Appointments • Work Plan and TAC • Member Comments 	<p>Executive Committee Appointments:</p> <p>James Feldmann shared a reminder that next year Commissioner Walter Chuck will become Chair and Commissioner Pat Malone will become Chair Elect. In 2027 the Benton County Commissioner will rotate out and the Linn County Commissioner will step in as Chair.</p> <p>Work Plan and Technical Advisory Committee:</p> <p>James Feldmann discussed the Work Plan and asked the Executive Committee for comments. No one had any comments at this time.</p> <p>James Feldmann reported that the formation of a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will be discussed at the Full Commission Meeting. The goal is to form the TAC in December or January, the purpose of the TAC will be to work on the Work Plan.</p> <p>Member Comments:</p> <p>Commissioner Waler Chuck inquired if the members of the ACT will be paying ODOT for our role. James Feldmann noted that ODOT was paying the COG to administer the ACT and now ODOT is in charge of administering the meetings.</p>	
5. Adjournment	The next CWAUT Executive Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 12, 2026.	The meeting was adjourned at 4:14 pm by

		Chair Elect Commissioner Walter Chuck.
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Informing the Capital Investment Plan

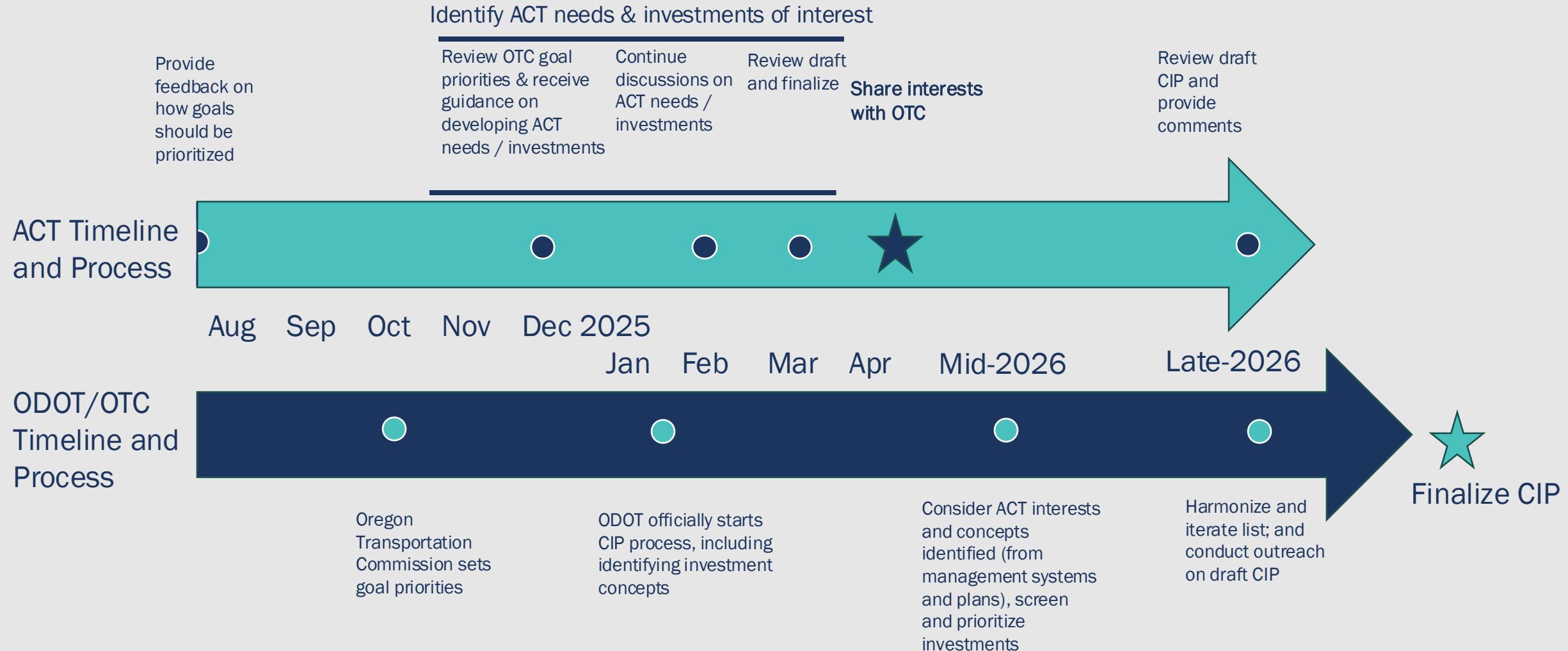
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ACT Role in the CIP

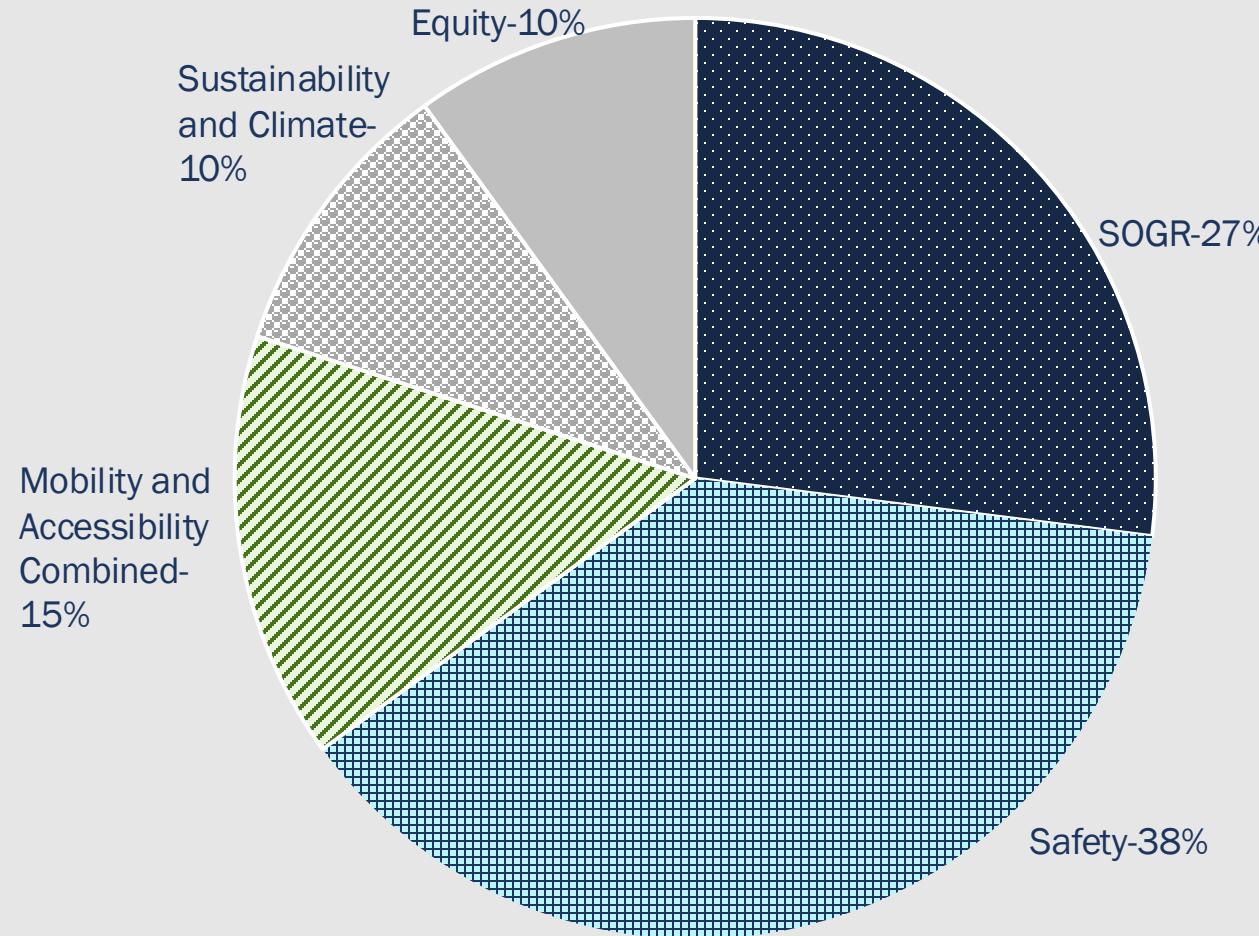
- Inform CIP development (10-year horizon)
 - ✓ Make recommendations for the prioritization and weighting of goals (e.g. State of Good Repair, Safety, Mobility) that will be used to help screen investments
 - Recommendations shared with OTC and used in their final decision
 - Update every 3-5 years
- ✓ Identify needs and investment opportunities that are high-interest to the ACT
 - Sent to OTC and ODOT to consider for inclusion in the CIP (is not a guarantee of inclusion or funding)
 - ACTs to update every 2 years
- Comment on draft CIP



Timeline and Process



Final Preferred Scenario Capital Investment Plan Policy Goal Weights



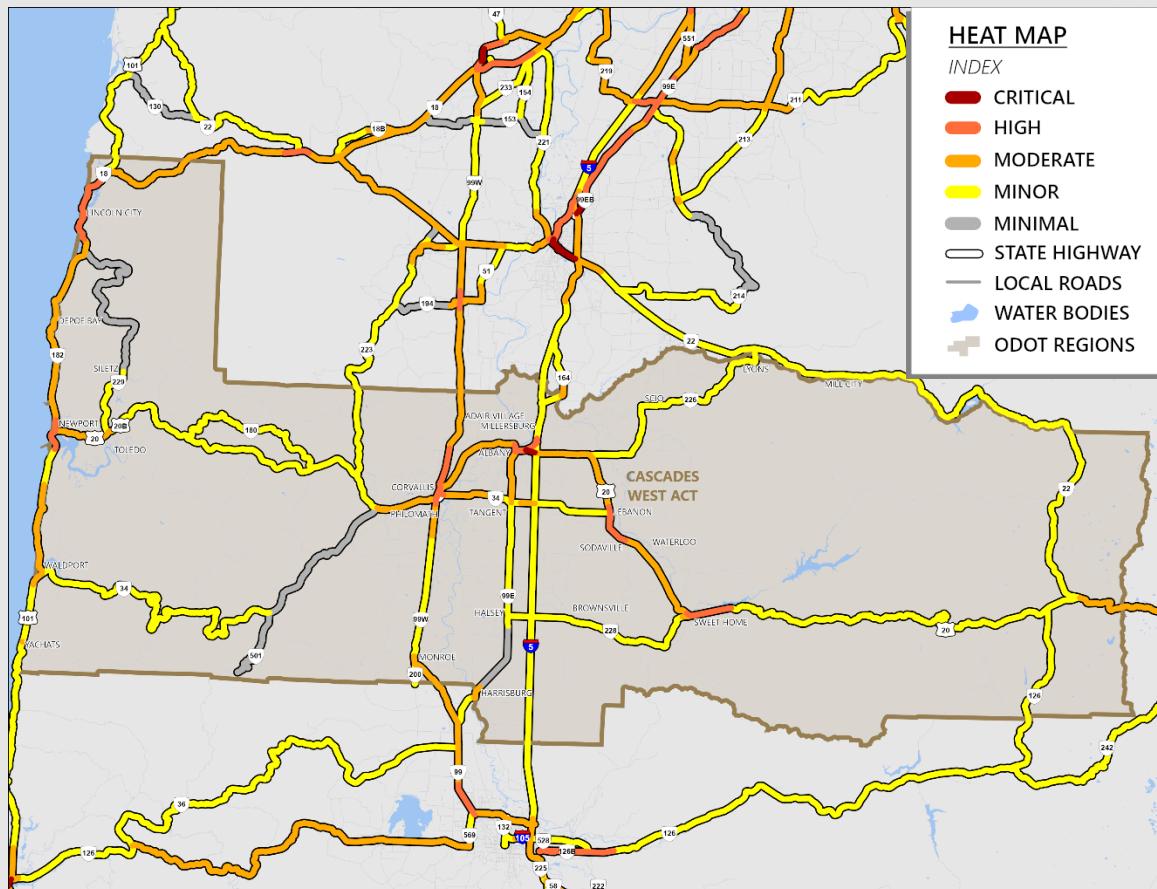
- Goals
- Stewardship / State of Good Repair
 - Maintains asset lifecycle
 - Maintains infrastructure
 - Improves resilience (seismic & climate)
 - Safety
 - Reduces fatalities and serious injuries
 - Implements crash reduction strategies
 - Mobility
 - Travel time improvements
 - Improved reliability
 - Accessibility
 - Completes a critical connection
 - Improves multimodal access
 - Supports moving people of all abilities
 - Sustainability and Climate
 - Transitions to cleaner vehicles and fuels
 - Reduces Vehicle Miles Traveled
 - Increase low and no emission modes
 - Equity
 - Expand access to essential services

Identify Needs and Investments of Interest

Per ACT Guidance document:

- ODOT staff will share heat maps and facilitate discussion on significant potential investments needs and/or opportunities for years 5-10 of the CIP
- Identify the top 3-5 needs and investments of highest interest to the ACT, considering:
 - Reasonableness: an engineering solution is possible and affordable
 - Urgency: there is an immediate and clear need for the investment
 - Regional and statewide benefit(s): the investment would have clear benefits that are evident within the ACT and beyond
 - Alignment with OTC investment priorities: investment ties directly to the outcomes (e.g. safety, state of good repair, etc.)
- Identify other needs and investments of interest on the state system (no more than 10), using same considerations
- Refine initial list with ODOT Region support
- Submit to Oregon Transportation Commission in April/May 2026

Identify Top 3-5 Priority Investments



Identify top 3-5 priority investments, considering:

- Reasonableness: an engineering solution is possible and affordable
- Urgency: there is an immediate and clear need for the investment
- Regional and statewide benefit(s): the investment would have clear benefits that are evident within the ACT and beyond
- Alignment with OTC investment priorities: investment ties directly to the outcomes (e.g. safety, state of good repair, etc.)

*Investments recently completed or underway may not be reflected on this map.

Draft 2027-2030 STIP

(programming only year 1: 2027)

- K24237 Harrison to Campus Way Shared Use Path (Corvallis)
- K24239 Corvallis to Albany path refinement (Albany)
- K24257 OR99W: NW Van Buren Ave (OR34) to SW Madison Ave (Corvallis)
- K24158 Knox Butte Rd East at Scravel Hill Rd NE (Linn County)
- K24214 Linn County intersection signing & striping upgrades
- K24227 NW Oregon intersection warning sign upgrades
- K24236 Geary St- Queen Avenue safety improvements (Albany)

Capital Investment Plan

(existing draft CIP projects:
STIP 2028-2030)

- US101 Yaquina Bay Bridge painting (2028)
- NW Oregon bike ped upgrades at signalized intersections (potential locations include Albany) (2028)
- Corvallis enhanced pedestrian crossings (2029)

CWACT Priorities: 2024 (bold) & 2021

Lincoln County	Benton County	Linn County
Coastal evacuation route improvements, including south of Yaquina Bay to U.S. 20	U.S. 20/OR 34 Philomath Blvd safety and efficiency improvements	I-5 Corridor improvements (Millersburg, Albany at Knox Butte Rd & U.S. 20, I-5 widening)
U.S. 101 Beverly Beach road stabilization	SW 53rd St railroad underpass (Corvallis)	U.S. 20 Long Term Improvements (All Counties)
U.S. 101 Yaquina Bay Bridge replacement/study	U.S. 20 Shared use path (Corvallis to Albany, incl. HP to downtown Corvallis segment)	OR 226 Safety improvement at Richardson Gap Rd
U.S. 20 Safety, incl. East Junction (Toledo to Newport)	OR 34 Safety improvements (Riverside Dr & Orleans Dr)	OR 226 Safety & ADA improvements (Scio)
U.S. 101 Safety (E Devils Lake Rd to Logan Rd, Lincoln City)	OR 99W Intersection safety at Granger Ave	U.S. 20 Safety improvements at Knox Butte Rd (upcoming TSAP, include operational analysis?)
U.S. 101 Sidewalk (NW 25th St to NW 36th St, Newport)	U.S. 20 Signal improvements in North Albany	I-5 Park & Ride improvements at OR 34, Incl. EV charging
U.S. 101 Enhanced crossings (Newport)	OR 99W Signal improvements/added capacity from Circle Blvd to Elks Dr (Corvallis)	U.S. 20 Shared use path (Riverside Dr to Looney Ln)
U.S. 20 Enhanced crossings (Newport)	U.S. 20/OR 34 Couplet west segment completion (Philomath)	OR 34 Safety improvements (Riverside Dr & Orleans Dr)
U.S. 101 Oregon Coast Trail & Oregon Coast Bike Route completion	OR 99W Shared use path (Corvallis to Adair Village)	U.S. 20 Signal improvements at 1st Ave & Lyons St (Albany)
U.S. 101 Signal at SE 40th St and associated improvements (Newport)	Bellfountain Rd freight route study	U.S. 20 Shared use path (60th St to Quartzville Rd, Sweet Home)
OR 229 Bridge modification (Siletz)	General bridge/culvert replacement/improvements	OR 164 Shared use path (Millersburg to Jefferson)
General bridge/culvert replacement/improvements	Regional EV charging station plan	U.S. 20 Railroad bridge replacement near 59th St (Sweet Home)
Regional EV charging station plan	U.S. 20 High-capacity transit study	General bridge/culvert replacement/improvements
U.S. 20 High-capacity transit study		Regional EV charging station plan
		U.S. 20 High-capacity transit study

CWACT Technical Committee

February 2, 2026 Meeting

Member	Jurisdiction	Attendance
Gary Stockoff, Chair	Benton County	Yes
Mikel Diwan	Lincoln County	Yes
Amy Ramsdell	Linn County	Yes
Rob Emmons	City of Albany	Yes
Rory Rowen	City of Corvallis	Yes
Mike Trippett	City of Lebanon	Yes
Andrew Potts	City of Millersburg	Yes
Derrick Tokos	City of Newport	Yes
Garry Black	City of Philomath	No
Kevin Adams	City of Siletz	No
Brian Lorimor	City of Toledo	Yes
Jaime White	City of Waldport	Yes
Ian Keene	Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians	Yes

Technical Committee Priorities: February 2, 2026

Lincoln County (initial list, goal: 9-12 total)	Priorities (final list, goal: 3-6 total)
U.S. 101 Beverly Beach road stabilization	U.S. 101 Beverly Beach road stabilization
U.S. 101 Couplet in Newport	U.S. 101 Couplet in Newport
U.S. 20 Safety at Toledo (West Junction)	
U.S. 20 Safety at Toledo (East Junction)	
Benton County	
U.S. 20/OR 34 Philomath Blvd safety/efficiency improvements	U.S. 20/OR 34 Philomath Blvd safety/efficiency improvements (e.g., northbound right turn lane at 35 th)
OR 99W South Corvallis Facility Plan improvements (e.g., enhanced crossings)	OR 99W South Corvallis Facility Plan improvements (e.g., enhanced crossings)
Corvallis-Albany shared use path	
U.S. 20 at Springhill safety improvements (correct the superelevation, turning movements)	
Linn County	
I-5 at Knox Butte and U.S. 20 safety/efficiency improvements	I-5 at Knox Butte and U.S. 20 safety/efficiency improvements
I-5 Auxiliary lanes at Murder Creek	I-5 Auxiliary lanes at Murder Creek
OR 34 Safety improvements (Riverside Dr, Orleans Dr., Oakville) – concept design with public input	

CWACT Full Commission Meeting
Thursday, February 26th, 2026
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

HYBRID MEETING

Benton County Kalapuya Building
Holmes & Shipley Meeting Room
4500 SW Research Way, Corvallis, Oregon 97333

VIA TEAMS VIDEO

Teams Link by clicking [HERE](#)
Meeting ID: 243 949 688 096 5
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AGENDA

1)	5:00	Welcome and Agenda Review	Commissioner Walter Chuck Chair
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	No Minutes to Approve for December 2025 meeting (no quorum) <i>ACTION: Information</i>	Chair
4)	5:10	Draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) 2027-2030 On-line open house link here : https://www.oregon.gov/odot/Projects/OOH/27-30-STIP/Pages/default.aspx <i>ACTION: Information and comment</i>	ODOT Staff
5)	5:25	County Safety Corridor Program (HB 2154) <i>Presentation on the Program that allows county boards of commissioners to designate up to two high-crash, county-jurisdiction roads as safety corridors (Attachment A)</i> <i>ACTION: Discussion</i>	Brian Worley, Association of Oregon Counties
6)	5:45	ODOT's Capital Investment Plan (CIP)	ODOT Staff

		<p>CIP Presentation (Attachment B)</p> <p>ACTION: Information</p>	
7)	6:00	<p>Technical Committee Meeting (February 2, 2026) Recap</p> <p><i>Recommended Regional Priorities (Attachment B)</i></p> <p>ACTION: Discussion</p>	Gary Stockoff, Technical Committee Chair
8)	6:30	<p>Grant Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect Oregon (due March 27th, 2026) • Small City Allotment (due April 30th, 2026) • Safe Routes to School (opening spring 2026) • Oregon Community Paths (TBD) <p>ACTION: Discussion</p>	ODOT Staff
9)	6:45	<p>Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACT/Modal Chair Meeting (February 17th, 1-3pm) • Local jurisdiction updates <p>ACTION: Discussion</p>	Chair & ODOT Staff
10)	7:00	<p>Adjournment</p> <p><i>The next CWACT Full Commission Meeting is scheduled for April 23rd, 2026</i></p>	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

Silvia	Frank	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.

(CWACT Bylaws: Article VI – Organization Procedures Section B)