

South East Area Commission on Transportation *Grant, Harney, and Malheur Counties*

BOARD MINUTES
September 26, 2022
Hybrid meeting VIA TEAMS Meeting or
Grant County Regional Airport
John Day, Or

Board Members:

Grant County:
Tory Stinnett
Jim Hamsher
Haley Walker
Corum Ketchum

Harney County:
Kirby Latham
Manuel Mose

Malheur County:
Dan Cummings
Jim Maret
Dan Joyce

At Large Positions:

State/Regional Agencies:

Sean Maloney, Area Manager ODOT
Craig Sipp, Region Manager ODOT
Ken Patterson, ODOT
Vickie Moles, Region 5 Communications
Mgr.
Tom Strandberg, ODOT
Sheri Folsom, Executive Support Specialist
ODOT
Angie Jones, Transit, ODOT

Michelle Tragesser ODOT, Presenter
Courtney Warner-Crowell-EORST

Guests:

Andy Lindsey, Anderson Perry & Assoc.
Don Crownover, ODOT

Jim Hamsher called the meeting to order. Self-introductions

Minutes from May 23, 2022 meeting approved

Public and/or Stakeholder Comments:

- None received

Guest Speaker: Andy Lindsey, Anderson & Perry – Juntura Cutoff Road Paving Project

Review was given on the Juntura cut-off road reconstruction project using foamed asphalt and the benefits.

See Power Point for full presentation



Guest Speaker: Traffic Counting and Traffic Data Availability, Don Crossover, ODOT:

Presentation given on the Traffic Data collected, what is collected and how it is used.

See Power Point for full presentation



Traffic Counting
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Guest Speaker: National Bridge Inspection Standard, Michelle Tragesser, ODOT

- New National Bridge Inspection Standard is now in effect
- Purpose is to maintain an adequate level of safety

See Power Point for additional information



NBIS SEACT.pdf

24-27 STIP Development – Ken Patterson, ODOT

- Review of the 100% list was completed

OTC & Region Updates – Craig Sipp:

- OTC met on September 13, 2022, this was Vice Chair Simpson's last meeting
- Lee Byers was nominated and approved for the vacant position
- ODOT Director Strickler gave a report on ODOT
 - ✓ Interstate bridge, Columbia River Crossing, is moving forward. Both ODOT and WSDOT have pledged funds
 - ✓ ODOT is updating their Social Equity office, foundational training in each region
 - ✓ On-going conversation around setting up a pilot program for agreements with contractors who provide diversity with their employees
 - ✓ Region 5 is in the forefront in meeting the ADA requirements. ODOT has secured funding for the ongoing ADA projects. \$1.4B in Federal Bonds. An ADA division is being set up to oversee these projects
 - ✓ New program, Innovative Urban Mobility Program has received \$20M in funds to focus on underserved communities
 - ✓ Ongoing discussion around the fuel tax falling behind the inflation rate and what future revenue sources can be found

Small Cities Allotment/Local Projects – ODOT

- SCA application deadline was extended to August 31st and funding increased to \$250,000

Regional Solutions – Courtney Warner-Powell, RST:

- E-Board – Significant investments were provided
 - ❖ Additional \$3M for the Treasure Valley Reload facility
 - ❖ Additional \$2M for Wallowa County to assist with hail damage
 - ❖ Additional \$2M for the City of Echo for their flood mitigation
 - ❖ Additional \$850k for OHA to address the high level of Nitrate in wells in Morrow, Umatilla counties
- The Prairie Wood Products is up and running in Prairie City
- Discussions going on around infrastructure improvements in Hines, housing developments in John Day and Burns, the wildlife crossing summit in Burns
- Dawn Hurt is the new member of DLCD
- Randy Jones, DEQ Representative will be retiring the end of the year

Tribe/City/County Updates:

City of Nyssa – Jim Maret:

- The RRFB project is moving along

City of John Day – Corum Ketchum:

- Knife River has started working on their waste water treatment plant project
- John Day has put in for the Innovative program funds

City of Long Creek – Tori Stinnett

- The city has applied for a grant to construct restrooms at the city park

City of Prairie City – Jim Hamsher

- The water lines are being pressure tested
- Working on funding regarding waste water

Transit – Angie Jones:

The 23-25 grants are due 11/30/22. Requesting the Letters of Intent to be submitted by 10/10/22. ACTs will make recommendations during their January/February meetings

Business:

COAR Grant Update – Haley Walker:

- COAR grants applications are due 10/3/22 – 10/21/22
- Application training is available via Zoom on 10/22/22
- For those who submitted last year and did not receive funds, their request will roll-over to new year
- Action Item: ACT member to review and score applications. Jim Hamsher nominated Haley Walker, Tori Stinnett seconded. Motion carried.

Membership Review:

- Sean reviewed the Organizational Chart

- ❖ Grant County – 2 positions vacant
- ❖ Malheur County – 1-3 vacant
- ❖ Transit is open
- ❖ Freight is open
- ❖ Bike/Ped is open

Future Guest Speakers:

- Presentation on striping crews is planned for November

Next meeting:

November 28, 2022

Meeting Adjourned 12:05 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Sheri Folsom

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