

MEETING NOTES

June 27 2025

Project #27003.035

Project: OR 62 Corridor Plan

Topic: Advisory Committee Meeting #1

Location: [Microsoft Teams](#) (Meeting ID: 212 387 461 153; Passcode: Vx9wH6wb)

Time: 1:00 to 2:30 PM

The purpose of this meeting was to introduce the Advisory Committee to the OR 62 Corridor Plan project, discuss roles and responsibilities and corridor observations, review key information from Tech Memo #1 and #3, and outline the next steps for the project.

Project Overview

- Described project background, purpose, study area, scope, and schedule

Introductions

- Name/Agency/Role/Perspectives on Expressway Corridor:
 - Thomas Guevara (ODOT Interim APM) – Agency Project Manager handing project off to Ian Horlacher; major route for freight to/from I-5 for industrial activities in White City and OR 140; has reduced congestion on OR 62; curious about grade separated options for this study
 - Ian Horlacher (ODOT APM) – Taking over as Agency Project Manager; thinks the current expressway works well; also curious about grade separation and important connections to I-5 and OR 140
 - Jeffrey Stump (Rogue Valley Council of Governments Transportation Planner) – Thinks the expressway is working
 - Aaron Brooks (ODOT Access Management Engineer) – Expressway currently working; planned development at northern end expected to impact current connection near Corey Rd; thinks the plan can provide clarity on planned improvements for future developers to be aware of; some congestion; thinks Agate is an ideal location for potential expressway alignment
 - Robert Grubbs (ODOT Bridge Design Unit) – Providing bridges perspective
 - Dejan Dudich (ODOT TPAU) – Can help with travel demand model
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- James Philp (Jackson County Engineer) – Represents Roads Department; similar thoughts as the group
- Charles Bennet (Jackson County Planner) – On the project PMT; thinks a connection to OR 140 is important; curious how the environmental element will come together
- April Chase (ODOT Region 3 Traffic Analyst) – Can support traffic analysis
- Carol Snead (ODOT NEPA Program Coordinator) – Will be a liaison to FHWA
- John Lazur (ODOT Active Transportation Liaison) – OR 62/140 pedestrian needs are high
- Mark Gibson (Siskiyou Transportation / Oregon Trucking Association / RVACT) – Involved in last OR 62 project; current expressway works pretty well; would like to see the connection to the I-5 Exit 30 interchange
- Ian Keen (Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Interim Planning Director) – Can help with tribal coordination; some ancestral lands in the area but closer to Table Rock
- Elijah Oberlander (ODOT Interim Rogue Valley Area Manager)
- Project Consultant Team
 - Matt Hughart – Kittelson & Associates; Project Manager
 - Miranda Barrus – Kittelson & Associates; Project Planner
 - Erika Adams – Kittelson & Associates; Project Analyst
 - Marc Butorac – Kittelson & Associates; Project Principal
 - Brian Bauman – HDR; Environmental lead

Team Roles & Responsibilities

- Advisory Committee (AC) roles: review and provide comments on tech memos; attend AC meetings; participate in online open house (optional but encouraged)

Technical Memos

- TM #1: Plans & Policies Review
 - The 2005 White City Transportation System Plan (TSP) was dissolved into the Jackson County TSP.
- TM #3: Environmental Features & Land Uses
 - There are public roads located on private land under a Goal 14 exception.
 - Adjusting the White City boundary to include the alignment would be challenging.
 - Jackson County and ODOT have discussed incorporating the alignment into the TSP and pursuing the Goal 14 exception.
 - Conservation easements are located off Table Rock Road and are outside of the project area.

Next Steps & Open Discussion

- AC Review Comments on TM #1 and TM #3 Due July 10, 2025
- Project Team to Initiate Existing Conditions Analysis
- AC Meeting #2 in Fall 2025
- Discussion:
 - Volume forecasting should consider VMT per capita with the proposed expressway, specifically how it would affect both the regional VMT and the individual VMT per capita within urban growth boundaries; PMT to coordinate with RVMPO.