

**Oregon Transportation Safety Committee
March 10, 2021
CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approve new projects for the 2021 Highway Safety Plan:

<u>Project #</u>	<u>Project Name</u>	<u>New Project Total</u>
164AL-21-14-01	DUII Traffic Safety Enforcement Deputy	\$69,000

This project will fund a pilot project for Yamhill County Sheriff's Office (YCSO) for two and a half years in order to help reduce the increased number of impaired driving fatality crashes in Yamhill County. In 2020, YCSO, in a six month period experienced 7 crashes resulting in 9 fatalities. All the crashes but two were immediately connected to an impaired driver (one is still pending results from the crime lab from a Drug Recognition Expert's investigation and subsequent blood draw).

In 2017, Yamhill County was awarded a traffic safety speed enforcement deputy position for 18 months. At the end of that project, Sheriff Svenson went to the Board of County Commissioners and secured funding to continue that position.

Yamhill County Sheriff's Office reached out again to ODOT TSD for "seed money" to combat the increasing impaired driving problem in Yamhill County. To show their commitment to this project, they are willing to purchase a vehicle for this position and put that forward as project match.