

I-5 and I-205 Toll Projects

Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee Meeting #2

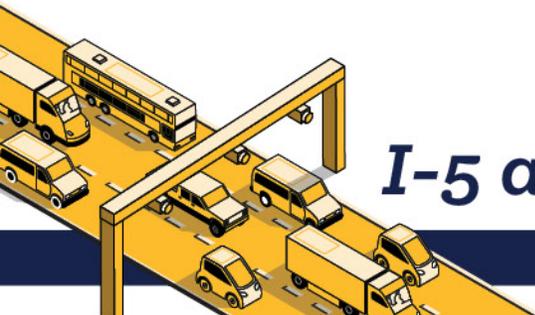
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Welcome

Today's purpose:

Frame the work of the committee by using the:

- Oregon Transportation Commission charge
- Draft Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee charter
- Draft I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Equity Framework



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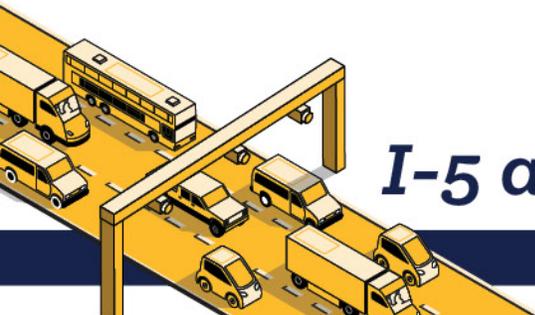
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Welcome and Technical Info

- We will be recording the entire meeting. What you say is part of the public record and open to public records requests through the Oregon Public Records and Meetings Law. We will post the recording on the Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee webpage later this week.
- To find more information about the project go here: [Oregontolling.org](https://www.oregontolling.org)

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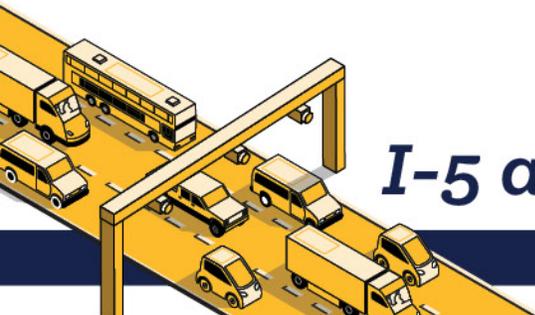
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Ask questions by raising a virtual hand. Please unmute yourself.

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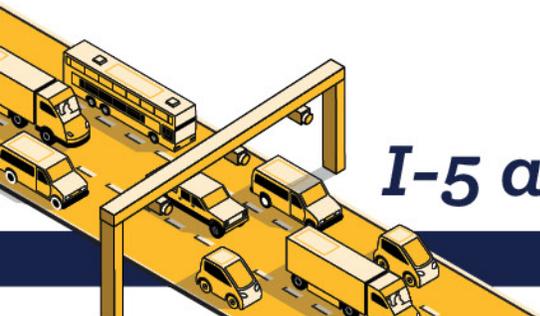
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Engagement Protocols

- The chat is disabled for attendees and panelists
- We will do our best to make sure everyone gets a turn, or I may call on you if you have not taken up space
- To agree, you can use hand signals like this (thumbs up)

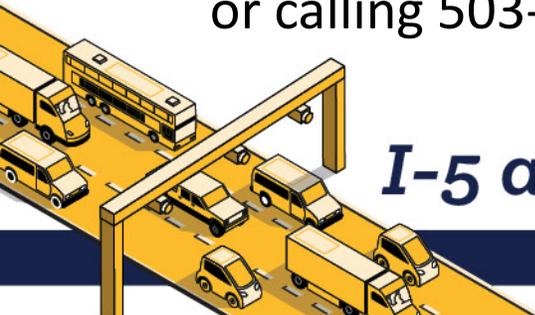


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Public Comment Welcome

- We reserved 10 minutes for public comment at the end of the meeting tonight
- Please raise the virtual hand if you'd like to speak
- You may have up to 2 minutes depending on the number of people who want to participate
- If you provided written or verbal comments prior to 11 a.m. yesterday, we shared your comments with the committee in advance. We will ensure that all written and verbal comments we receive prior to or at this meeting are included in the meeting summary.
- All comments received after 11 a.m. the day before the meeting will be provided to the committee for the next meeting.
- You can submit written or verbal comments at any time by emailing (oregontolling@odot.state.or.us) with "Committee Public Comment" in the subject line or calling 503-837-3536 and state "Committee Public Comment" in your message.

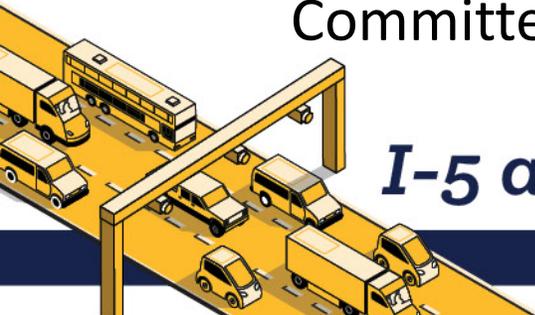


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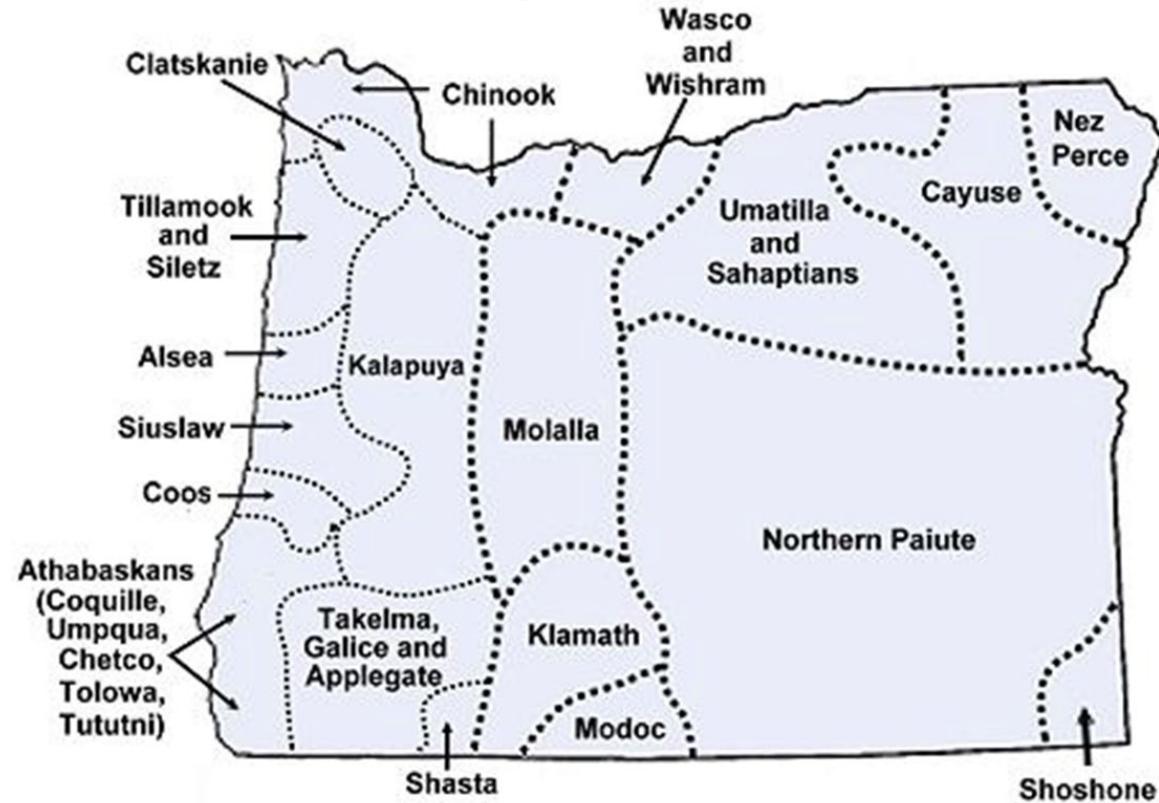
1. Land acknowledgement
2. Centering exercise
3. Reflection question
4. Working together (discussion)
 - Interest grounding and seeking common threads
 - Working together
 - Group agreements
 - Draft Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee charter
5. I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects overview (information)
 - Acknowledgement by ODOT
 - Project overview
6. Stakeholder engagement overview (information)
7. Draft I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Equity Framework (discussion)
8. Public comment
9. Next steps



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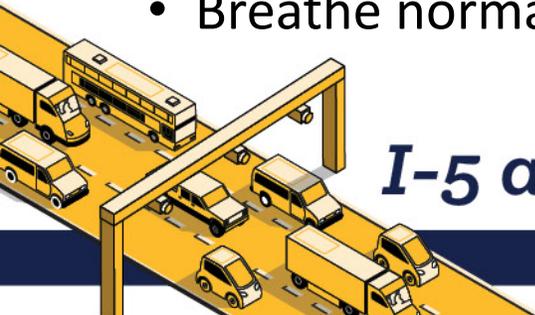
Land Acknowledgement



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Centering Exercise

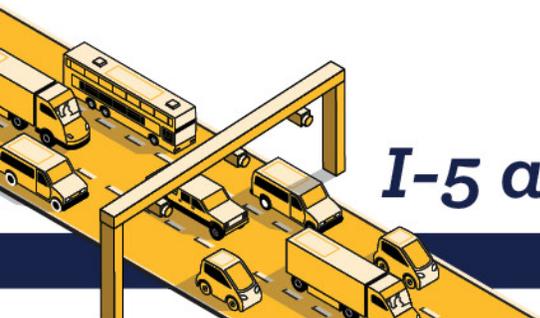
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- Feel your hands in your lap
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- Feel your feet on the ground
- Breathe in deeply through your nose and out your mouth
- Slowly open your eyes
- Breathe normally



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Reflection Question

- Reflection: Based on the conversation we had at the Listening Session, what are two other perspectives that you learned about that you did not hold before?
- Take 2 minutes to write down your reflection, then let's discuss your observations
- Brief discussion



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Introducing the Project Team

Oregon Department of Transportation Toll Program Staff

- Lucinda Broussard, Oregon Toll Program Director
- Hannah Williams, ODOT Community Engagement Coordinator

Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee Intern

- Francisco Ibarra, PSU

Consultant Team

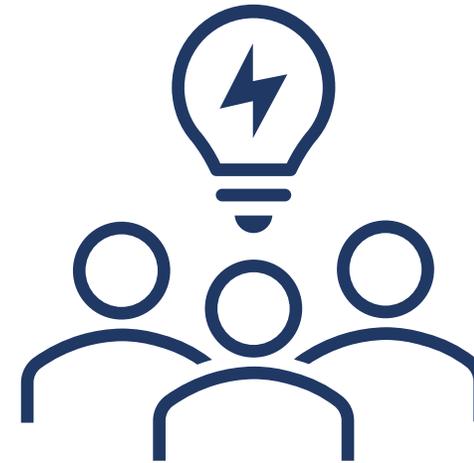
- Christine Moses, Buffalo Cloud Consulting
- Heather Wills, WSP Project Manager
- Josh Channell, WSP
- Anne Presentin, WSP
- Penny Mabie, EnviroIssues
- Carina Garcia, EnviroIssues
- Brett Watson, EnviroIssues



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Committee Processes

- Purpose of the committee
- Focusing our collective interests
- Agreements
- Draft Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee charter

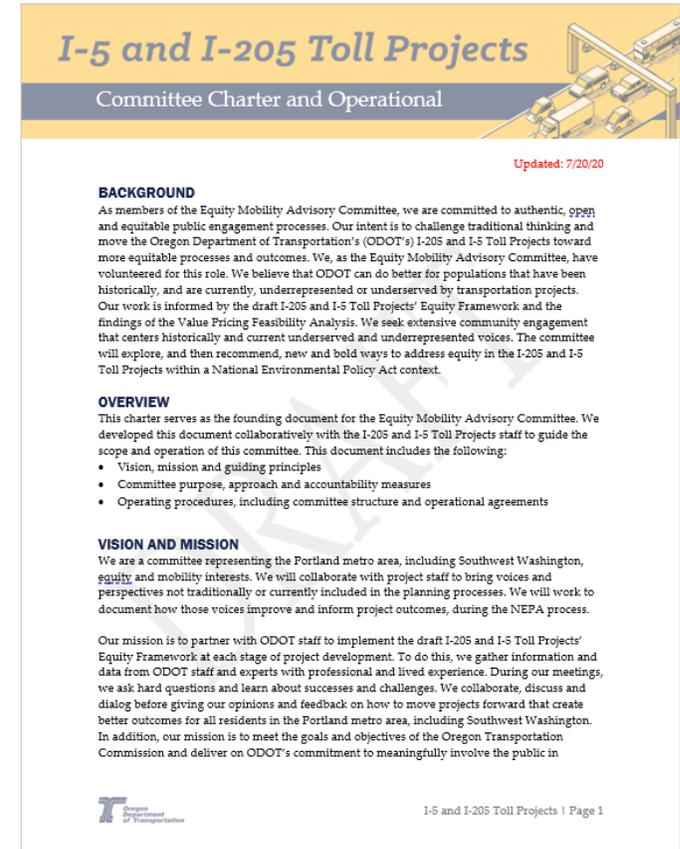


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Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee Purpose

- **Provide input and support ODOT** during the technical and environmental review process to ensure milestone decisions and project developments are **grounded in the toll projects' equity framework**
- **Provide input** on mobility and equity strategies as the I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects are going through the environmental review process
- **Support the development of an equitable engagement plan**
- **Support the implementation of the equitable engagement**
- **Review, improve, recognize and apply** the draft I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Equity Framework
- **Provide written recommendations** to the Oregon Transportation Commission



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Focusing Our Collective Interests

- Brainstorming: No wrong answer
- Reflection: Journaling
- Facilitated conversations
- Examine the blue-sky possibilities first
- Examine the realities second
- Find other ways forward; think differently
- Other strategies for review/discussion?

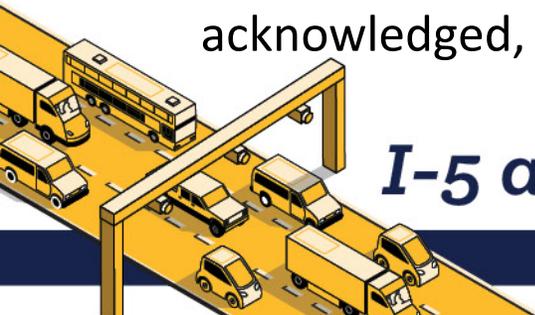


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Working Together: Agreements

- Listen, believe, and reflect
- Accept non-closure for the moment
- Speak your own truth with compassion
- Listen to understand; don't listen to respond
- Value and celebrate each other's experiences
- Open hearts + open minds → Exploration of possibilities
- Make space, then take space; be concise
- Bring your best thinking into the room
- Attack the problem, not the person
- Disagreement, frustration, and differences of opinion are acknowledged, explored, and addressed

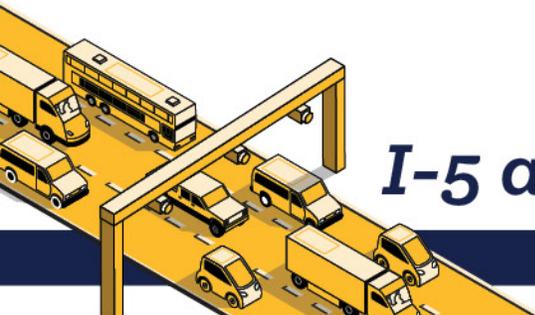


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Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee Charter: Vision and Mission

- Collaborate with project team to bring voices and perspectives not traditionally included in planning processes
- Document how those voices improve and inform project outcomes
- Partner with project team to implement the I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Equity Framework at each stage of project development
- Deliver on ODOT's commitment to meaningfully involve the public in important decisions

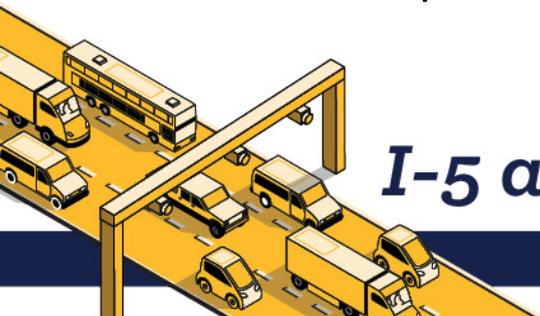


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Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee Charter: Guiding Principles

- Apply new, independent and creative thinking to provide equitable outcomes and an equitable engagement process
- Apply a holistic approach within the transportation system that looks at other social determinants of health
- Acknowledge and center the current inequities
- Be goal oriented
- Use data and evaluation tools to measure progress
- Practice inclusivity and equity
- Consider best practices for community engagement to create inclusive, comfortable and welcoming environments for all
- Be transparent in our processes and consider transparency in community engagement



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Acknowledgement by ODOT of inequities in transportation planning and implementation

Cooper Brown
Oregon Department of Transportation
Assistant Director - Operations

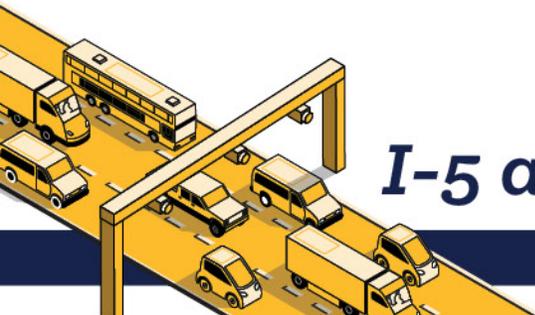


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I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects - Overview

Lucinda Broussard
Oregon Toll Program Director



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Project Overview

- Project background and early phases
 - Value Pricing Feasibility Analysis
- I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects
- Explanation of role of Purpose and Need statement in the environmental review process
- Project decision-making structure

Reference the Region 1 Area Commission on Transportation presentation for more details about the I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects!

https://youtu.be/4hQgHeL_lq8
(view 0:47-0:53 and 1:01-1:21 for the most relevant portions)



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Project Overview – Why?

- We have a congestion problem
- Available revenue not keeping pace with funding need for congestion relief
- Tolling is one tool for addressing congestion and a funding strategy
- Legislature directed ODOT to study and implement a toll program on interstates in the Portland metropolitan region (HB2017)



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Value Pricing Feasibility Analysis

- Considered big concepts for implementing tolls on I-205 and I-5
 - Recommendation to further study tolls on I-205 around Abernethy Bridge between Stafford Road and OR 213
- Extensive input from regional stakeholders, agency partners and the public
- We heard the need to:
 - Avoid negatively affecting low-income communities
 - Improve transit and other transportation choices
 - Address the potential of tolls to divert traffic to local streets

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I-205 Purpose and Need Statement



What is it?

A concise statement of the transportation problem or challenge that needs to be addressed



How it's used

Foundation for determining the range of alternatives to be considered in the environmental review

Limits the range of alternatives - any alternative that fails to meet the project's purpose and need is dismissed from further consideration (pass/fail)



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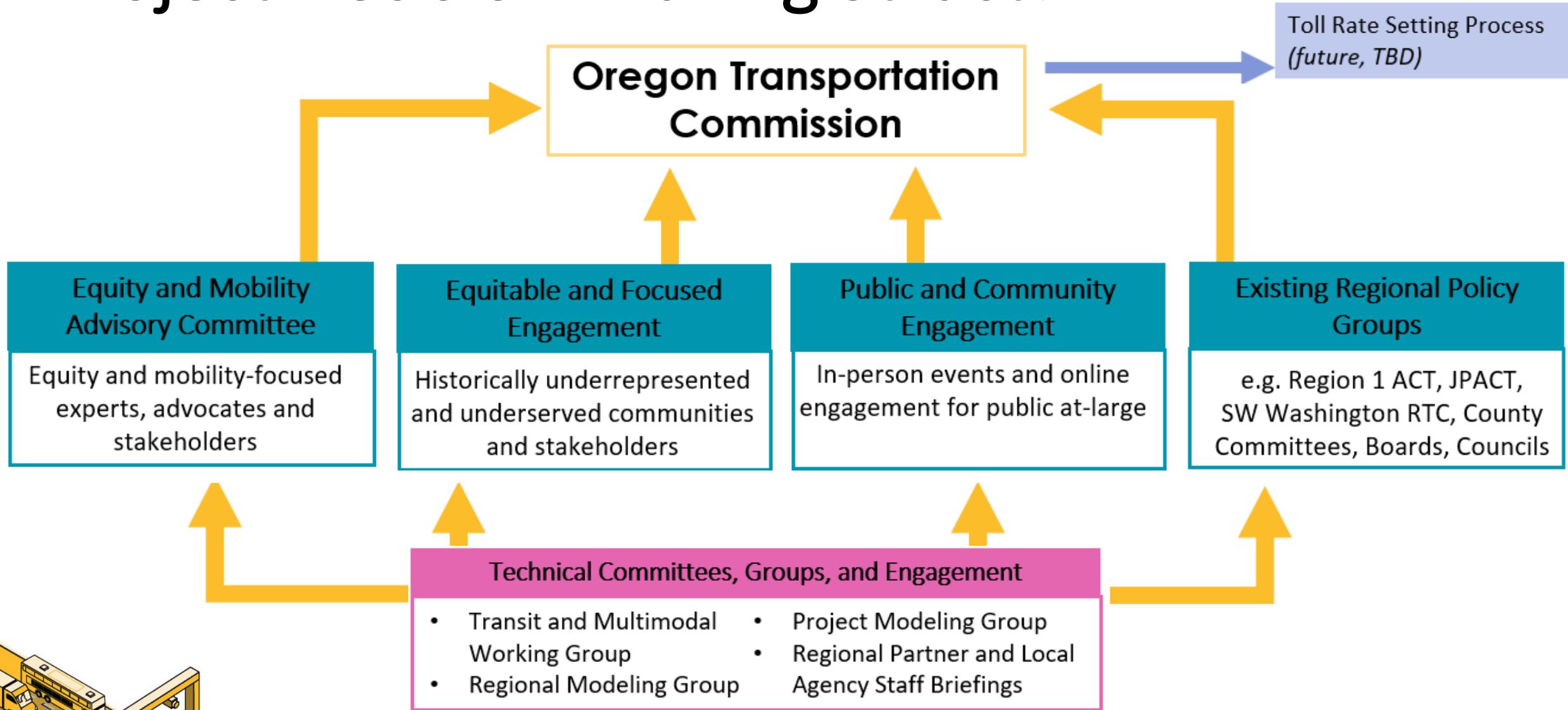
I-205 Toll Project Purpose

- Manage congestion on I-205 between Stafford Road and OR 213
- Raise revenue to fund congestion relief projects



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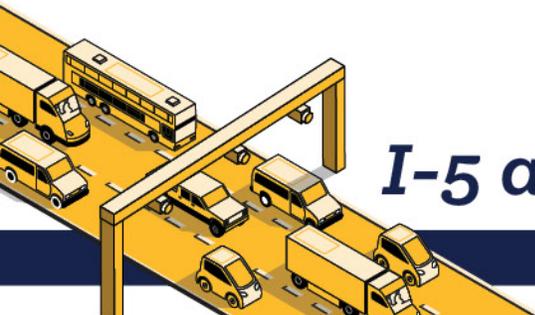
Project Decision-Making Structure



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I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Stakeholder Engagement

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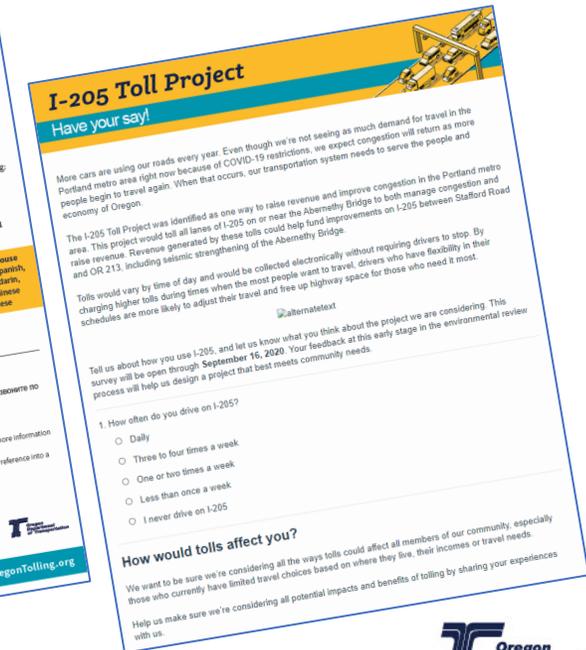
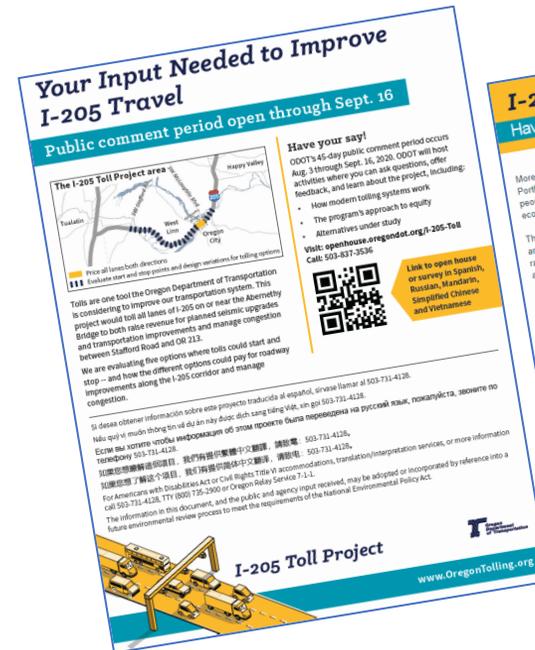
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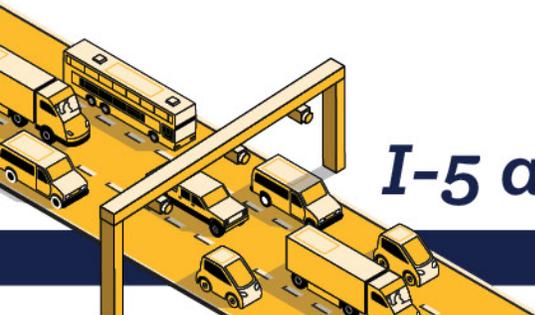
Stakeholder Engagement

- Commitment to gathering feedback and addressing concerns from Value Pricing Feasibility Analysis
- Prioritizing equity and mobility
- Community and stakeholder engagement
 - Ongoing I-205 engagement
 - Upcoming online open house and survey



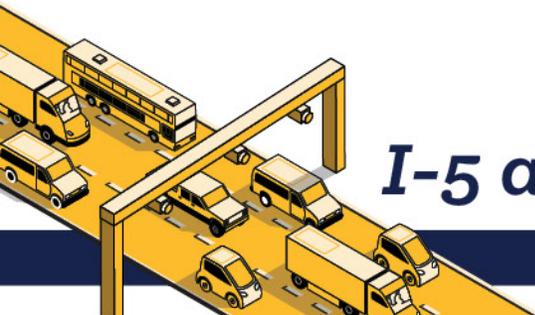
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I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Equity Framework

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Independent Equity Consultant



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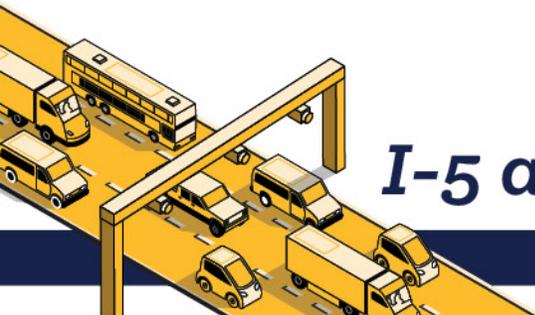


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State of Oregon Definition of Equity

Equity acknowledges that not all people, or all communities, are starting from the same place due to historic and current systems of oppression. Equity is the effort to provide different levels of support based on an individual's or group's needs in order to achieve fairness in outcomes. Equity actionably empowers communities most impacted by systemic oppression and requires the redistribution of resources, power, and opportunity to those communities.

- June 2020 State of Oregon Equity Framework in COVID-19 Response and Recovery

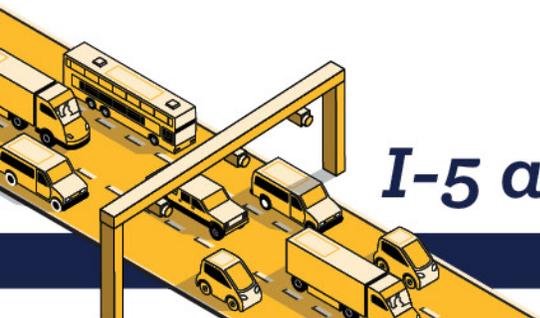


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I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Equity Framework

- Background
- How the toll projects' equity framework will be used in this process
- 5 step process



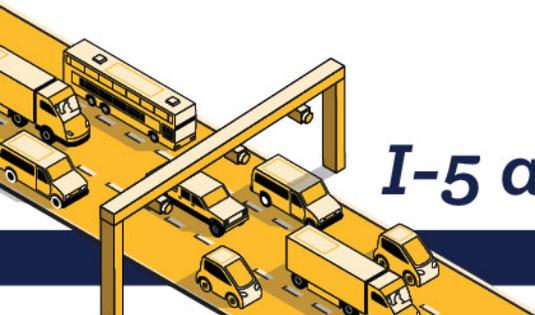
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Public Comment

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- Please speak about today's topic

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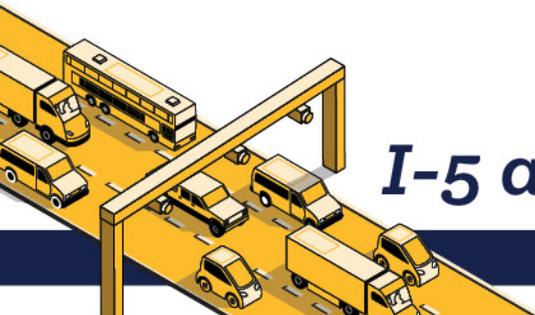
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- Thank you for your participation



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Next Steps

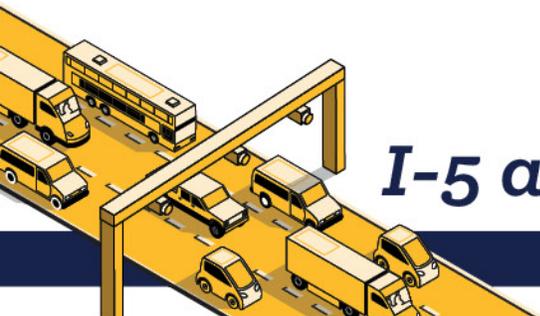
- Adopt Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee Charter
- Revise draft I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Equity Framework and adopt
 - Begin working with the draft I-205 and I-5 Toll Projects' Equity Framework Step 1: Identify who/what/where within the Toll Projects area
- Begin environmental review discussion
- Review draft 2020 Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee work plan
- Meeting #3: August 26, 3:30 pm – 6:00 pm



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Thank you!

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