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Oregon Toll Program Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee

Wednesday, February 23, 2022



Welcome and technical info

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 minutes on the Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee webpage at OregonTolling.org.

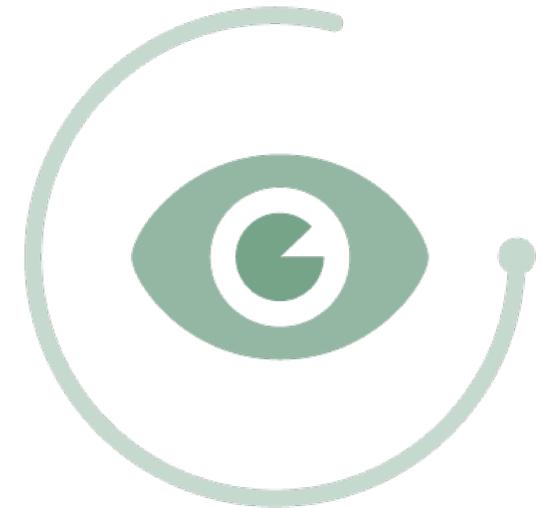
Tech help?

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Centering Exercise



Working together agreements



Proposed Outcomes

- Outline the **process for developing recommendations** to the Oregon Transportation Commission
- Gain **consensus on the recommendations process** and key focus areas
- Discuss community input and consider EMAC's **engagement goals**

Agenda

- Welcome
- EMAC at Work: Since We Last Met
- EMAC Recommendations Process
- Breakout Rooms
- Community Engagement Update
- Public Comment and Next Steps

EMAC at Work: Since We Last Met



- EMAC December meeting recap
- NEPA Scuba Team report out
- NEPA Scuba Team next steps

EMAC Recommendations

Process, Breakout Rooms and Wrap Up

Policy and Strategy
Options +
Foundational
Statements
(2021)

“Key Areas” for
Engagement and
Analysis + Draft
Recommendation to
OTC
(Feb – April)

Final
Recommendation to
OTC
(May – July)

ODOT Analysis of Policy & Strategy Options



Low-hanging fruit

- Action has been accomplished by ODOT or OTC, or will receive ODOT support

Low-Hanging Fruit: Working with Transit and Multimodal Transportation Providers

- Public transit vehicles should be exempt from paying tolls.
- Work with transit agencies to support equitable investments with toll revenues.
- Acknowledge that transit investments help enhance alternatives to driving and give people better choices but not everyone will be interested or able to take transit as an alternative to tolling.
- ODOT should study whether tolling will result in increased transit demand on routes that may lead to overcrowding, as well as other potential impacts.
- Prioritize capital investment to improve transit and multimodal safety in areas affected by diversion.

Low-Hanging Fruit: Involvement and Analysis

- Build into the system where voices from Equity Framework identified communities are included in the decision-making process.
- Provide a cash-based option for paying tolls.
- Analyze impacts to affordability by the percentage of household income for lower- income drivers compared to middle and higher-income drivers.

ODOT Analysis of Policy & Strategy Options



High-hanging fruit

- Work needs to be done to further examine before ODOT or OTC action, or action needs to be completed by an agency or organization outside of ODOT
- EMAC policy or strategy option is being incorporated into the decision-making process

High-Hanging Fruit: Partnerships Needed to Deliver

- Transit Oriented Development coordination with affordable housing and jobs development.
- Provide enough investment to ensure that reliable, emissions-reducing, and a competitive range of transportation options (bike, walk, bus, carpool, vanpool, etc.) are provided.
- Equitable benefits that are offered in Oregon must extend into Southwest Washington.
- Create an integrated and easy-to-use fare system.

Breakout Rooms

For each of the “Messy Middle” recommendations, discuss which **policy/strategy options** you want **additional analysis and engagement** on between now and April/May.

Breakout Rooms

Report out from breakout room discussions.



Community Engagement

Update and Next Steps

I-205 Toll Project

February 2022

- Tolling impacts webinars and discussions

June-July 2022

- Draft Environmental Assessment that describes the full analysis, mitigation, toll rate and revenue estimates

Regional Mobility Pricing Project



Spring 2022

- Discuss project concepts for pricing locations and vehicle types
- Discuss how to balance climate, equity, economic, congestion management, and revenue generation goals

Community Engagement



How do we improve how we are connecting with Equity Framework communities?

What engagement activities would you like to participate in?

Public Comment Discussion

Public Comment Discussion

- Is there anything you are hearing in your communities or in the public comments that you want to discuss?
- How do the comments connect to the recommendations?

Closing

Next steps

What does EMAC need from ODOT and partners to support final recommendations to the OTC by June 2022?

Next Steps

- EMAC Game Plan 2022: Next Steps
- EMAC engagement next steps
- Navigators and Scuba Team meetings in March
- Next EMAC meeting is April 27, 2022
- Meeting Evaluation



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THANK YOU!

