

“Key Areas” for Engagement and Analysis	Foundational Statements + Strategy and Policy Options (2021)
Community - based organizations (CBO) involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dedicate (%) of toll revenues or (\$) annually to Community Based Organizations to invest in programs or projects that improve transit and active transportation options, neighborhood health, local/small businesses, address impacts of climate change, or improve safety. • Design the system to be clear and easy to use for everyone, including non-English language speakers. Collaborate with trusted organizations and individuals within Equity Framework communities to overcome historical and current barriers of trust, language, and financial impacts to obtaining a transponder and understanding the toll rates for location and time of day. • Include a baseline for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise investment that goes beyond what is federally required. • Work directly with community-based organizations to establish fair enforcement policies for Equity Framework identified communities. Tolling should not contribute to more financial indebtedness for people experiencing low income, nor should it lead to criminal penalties.
Connecting climate and equity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate and equity needs are connected, and solutions must be developed to address both at the same time. Further works needs to be done to support both congestion management and vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction with an emphasis on increasing functional alternatives to driving, while not increasing diversion nor heavily impacting low-income car-dependent people. • Provide enough investment to ensure that reliable, emissions-reducing, and a competitive range of transportation options (bike, walk, bus, carpool, vanpool, etc.) are provided to advance climate, safety, and mobility goals, and prioritize benefits to Equity Framework communities. • Improve the Oregon Toll Program’s impact on health and safety through the development of the toll project environmental review process that complete the following actions: Design the toll system to lessen congestion on the highways to improve the lives of those living near or traveling on them, which are disproportionately people from Equity Framework-identified communities. • Analyze the benefits to neighborhood health and safety to determine what investments are advancing equity, not just maintaining the status quo. • Provide detail about local air quality monitoring and conditions, which is beyond a look at the regional impact. • Take additional steps than what is traditionally measured in the federal review process to connect transportation planning to health outcomes; integrate a Health Impact Assessment (HIA) or elements of an HIA into the process.