

**SOUTH WEST AREA COMMISSION ON TRANSPORTATION
(SWACT)
MEETING MINUTES
Coquille, Oregon
July 13, 2007
10:00 - 12:00**

Steering Committee Members and Alternates in Attendance

Baglien, Don	Citizen
Baker, Mike	Planner 4, ODOT
Callery, Martin	Citizen
Doran, Gary	Citizen
Doty, Steve	Operations Manager, City of Coos Bay
Gordon, Dave	City Councilor, City of Brookings
Kelley, Bruce	Citizen
McClellan, Jim	Citizen
Ireland, Chuck	Citizen
Nowlin, Georgia	Curry County Commissioner
Paul, Robb	Public Works Director, Douglas County
Schmidt, Bud	City Manager, City of Sutherlin
Usselman, Mark	Area Manager, ODOT
Whitty, Matt	Public Works Director, City of North Bend

Guests & Staff in Attendance

Denn, Jeanette	Support, ODOT
Cortes, Lisa	Planner 3, ODOT
Jansen, Joyce	Citizen
Lind, Yvonne	Support, ODOT
Lovasik, Petr	Project Manager, ODOT
Marney, Leroy	Citizen
Paselk, Ted	Project Manager, ODOT
Perl, Bill	Citizen
Vial, John	Region 3 Manager, ODOT
Wall, Kathy	Port of Coos Bay
Whobery, Randy	Citizen

Steering Committee Members and Alternates not in Attendance

Cubic, Aaron	City Administrator, City of Myrtle Creek
Kittleman, Marilyn	Douglas County
LaBonte, Lucie	Curry County
Nasburg, Andy	Citizen
Stufflebean, Kevin	Coos County
Swanson, Eric	Citizen
Whitty, John	Citizen
Wolf, Joe	Citizen

Meeting Summary

Roll Call: 14 members and alternates present, quorum present

Public Input: None

Last Meeting Minutes: Approved

STIP Criteria 2010-2013 – Mike Baker, Planner 4 ODOT

- Reviewed revisions to the “2010-2013 STIP Project Eligibility Criteria and Prioritization Factors,” that were sent out with Agenda for this meeting. Presented two handouts, Booklet “Oregon STIP A Citizen’s Primer” <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TP/docs/0811stip/primerBrochure.pdf> and SWACT Project Scoring Matrix (*attachment A*). Reviewed the SWACT Project Scoring Matrix. Discussed if Committee should adopt the Scoring Matrix, decision was made to review and at a later date may choose to adopt.

Legislative Update/OTC/Connect Oregon II – John Vial, Interim Region 3 Manager

- Reviewed the Key 2007 Transportation Related Legislation Oregon Department of Transportation. The following are some of them.
- HB2278 – ConnectOregon II, Funds to be distributed at 10% guaranteed to each Region with 50% designated to go Statewide. Input requirements from each mode of transportation. Detail on criteria is still being worked on.
- HB2273 – OR Motorist Information (billboard regulation), Reinstated Oregon’s ability to regulate billboards and other signs on private property along OR state highway system.
- HB2466 – Photo Radar in Work Zones (pilot project), Pilot program to test effectiveness and acceptance of photo radar when used to enforce traffic speeds in highway work zones.
- Oregon Vehicle Code Changes reviewed 4 of over 12 bills that have passed.
- SB 994 – Provides 56 Million in Hwy Fund Revenues to Counties, funds will be from ODOT’s current Highway Fund:

Coos:	\$400,000
Curry:	\$1,624,789
Douglas:	\$7,353,554
Jackson:	\$2,078,126
Josephine:	\$897,122
- SB 1022 – Toll Ways, the only place that will most likely see tolling in the future is the Columbia River Bridges. Current estimates on this project are 3-6 billion dollars.
- Pioneer Mt to Eddyville Hwy 20, Contractor wants to withdraw from contract, ODOT is holding them to contract. ODOT has placed a one year delay to assess the landslide issues and how best to proceed. The following link for more information: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION2/PioneerMtnUS20.shtml>

LOCAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UPDATES – Petr Lovasik/Ted Paselk

- OR 38: Elk Creek – Harscrabble Creek replace five bridges between Drain and Eklton. July 2007 – December 2009. Delays up to 20 minutes.
- I-5: Sutherlin to Roseburg project repairs on 10 bridges. Construction on schedule to end in October.
- OR 99: North Umpqua River Bridge project will repair and improve historic structure. Required Bridge closure for 9 months. Re-open March 2008.
- I-5: O’xing South Umpqua River and OR 99 (Shady) Replaces 3 old bridges with 4 new ones. I-5 NB over OR 99 Complete. I-5 NB over S Umpqua River repairs begin mid-August.
- I-5: Myrtle Creek Area Bridges replacing six bridges and repairing one. Completion September 2009. Detour Bridge over S Umpqua under construction.
- I-5: Exit 99 Bridge replacements. Completion in October.
- I-5: Azalea to Glendale resurfacing remove the concrete in slow lane and pave over fast lane. Completion by September.
- OR 42: Quiet Mountain Road to Benedict Road Resurfacing. Completion in mid-August.
- OR 42: US 101 to Coaledo Resurfacing and Safety. Paving completed. Guard rail replacement to begin late July.
- Coos Bay/North Bend signal repairs have a couple traffic signals being repaired. New signals to be turned on in late July.
- US 101: 13th to Seabird (Bandon); project will widen highway, add sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and creates center turn lane. Main trunk line and storm sewer crossings completed.

MCCULLOUGH BRIDGE & CONSTRUCTION UPDATE – Petr Lovasik

- McCullough Bridge – A four year project it is in bidding phase deadline July 26th. 1st phase will be the rehabilitation of the southern half of the bridge. No day time closures.

DEL RIO INTERCHANGE I-5 EXIT 129 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE – Ted Paselk

- Just North of Winchester Bridge. Design acceptance phase working with Connect Oregon to incorporate a spur rail line. Freight line has started construction. Bid date June 2009.

PORT OF COOS BAY UPDATE – Martin Callery

- 3 handouts, OR Gateway Intermodal Container Terminal at the Port of Coos Bay, Proposed Port of Coos Bay Slip and Economic Impact Study of Intermodal Container Operations – Final Report. Port is proposing to partner with the Jordan Cove Energy Project to construct a two-berth waterway. Port has negotiated a purchase of 1300 acres from Weyerhaeuser not all will be usable due to wet lands. For additional information on this project go to www.PortofCoosBay.com.

NOA’s – All

- SWAP with Coos County the East Bay Slide repair and the Cape Arago Hwy. It is a million dollar slide repair that Coos County would like ODOT to do and in exchange ODOT will give them the Cape Arago Hwy. Still no decision has been made.

AGENDA BUILD – All

- Next Meeting September 14, 2007
- Isthmus Slough Bridge/Environmental Assessment – Mark Leedom