

Oregon Department of Aviation Oregon Statewide Airport DBE Disparity Study



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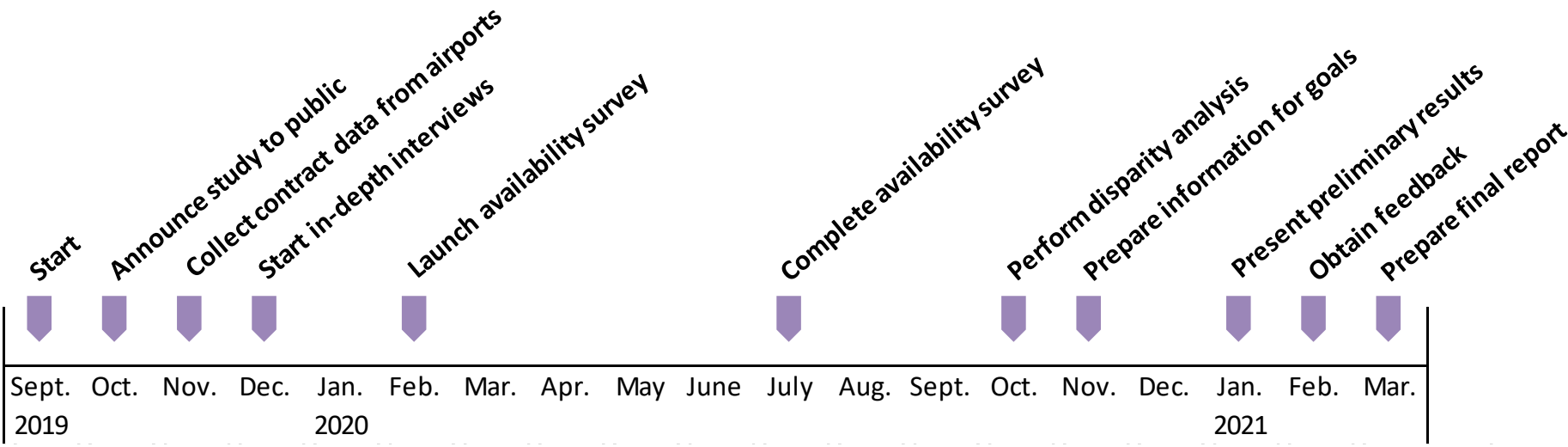
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Purpose of the study

- ODA and local airports must implement the Federal DBE Program
- Disparity study provides information to help ODA and each other airport:
 - Set overall goals for DBE participation on FAA-funded contracts
 - Consider whether they can achieve overall DBE goals solely through neutral means
 - If need to use DBE contract goals, assess the specific race/ethnic/gender groups eligible for that program component
- USDOT instructed agencies to conduct disparity studies after 2005 Ninth Circuit decision in *Western States Paving v. WSDOT*
- FAA is requiring states to perform disparity studies and funding those studies

Study schedule



Public participation

- Six public meetings to date
- Meetings with External Stakeholder Group
- Study website, telephone hotline and dedicated email address
- Information provided to other groups through press releases, email blasts and presentations
- Telephone and online surveys reaching about 5,000 businesses
- Interviews with 40+ businesses and trade association representatives
- Meetings with staff from ODA, other airports and other agencies
- Posting of draft report for public comment on ODA and study website
- Feb. 4, 2021 presentation of results to ODA Board, External Stakeholder Group and the public
- Distribution of notice that draft report is available for public comment

Overall DBE goals and projections for individual airports

- Calculated overall DBE availability by type of project, by region
- Determined years for overall DBE goals
- Projected future FAA-funded projects and contracts, by type
- Dollar-weighted availability results to produce base figures
- Calculated potential Step 2 adjustments
- Projected neutral participation
- Identified DBE groups that might be eligible for any future DBE contract goals programs

Race/ethnicity/gender of firms in availability survey

Race/ethnicity and gender	Number of firms	Percent of firms
African American-owned	10	1.2 %
Asian-Pacific American-owned	17	2.1
Subcontinent Asian American-owned	2	0.2
Hispanic American-owned	33	4.1
Native American-owned	19	2.4
Total MBE	81	10.1 %
WBE (white women-owned)	110	13.7
Total MBE/WBE	191	23.8 %
Majority-owned firms	612	76.2
Total firms	803	100.0 %

Overall DBE availability by type of project, by region

Project type of work	Portland/ Hood River	Northwest	Southwest	Central	Eastern
Office, industrial and public building construction	6.0 %	5.6 %	4.8 %	4.5 %	4.5 %
Electrical work	4.2	4.1	4.8	4.3	4.8
Excavation, site prep, grading and drainage	6.8	6.1	5.0	4.6	5.3
Wrecking and demolition	9.7	9.0	5.1	5.0	5.4
Installation of guardrails and fencing	3.6	3.2	3.8	3.7	4.3
Airport runway, taxiway or apron paving	9.1	8.6	4.7	4.9	5.2
Pavement surface treatment (such as sealing)	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.3	1.3
Concrete work	5.6	5.1	6.1	5.9	6.5
Design engineering	8.8	10.3	7.9	10.0	8.6
Surveying and mapping	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.4	7.4
Geotechnical including soils and materials testing and inspection	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6
Construction management	8.2	9.0	8.2	8.9	9.8
Environmental consulting	13.2	14.5	10.5	14.5	11.8
Other construction-related work	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other professional services	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.4	10.5
Other services	3.2	2.9	3.4	3.3	0.0

Possible overall DBE goals for ODA airports

ODA airport	FFY 2021–FFY 2023		
	Downward adjustment	Base figure	Upward adjustment
Aurora State Airport	5.45 %	10.61 %	15.50 %
Chiloquin State Airport	4.10	8.21	11.99
Condon State Airport-Pauling Field	5.01	10.02	14.64
Cottage Grove State Airport	2.65	5.31	7.75
Independence State Airport	3.18	6.36	9.29
Joseph State Airport	5.88	11.75	17.16
Lebanon State Airport	5.15	10.29	15.03
McDermitt State Airport	4.31	8.61	12.57
Mulino State Airport	3.62	7.25	10.58
Siletz Bay State Airport	7.57	8.75	12.77

Eligibility of DBE groups for any DBE contract goals

Disparity analysis results for all airports

	Utilization	Availability	Disparity index
African American-owned	0.07 %	0.19 %	36
Asian-Pacific American-owned	0.81	1.95	42
Subcontinent Asian American-owned	0.28	0.11	200+
Hispanic American-owned	0.24	2.70	9
Native American-owned	0.08	1.04	7
Total MBE	1.48 %	5.99 %	25
WBE (white women-owned)	1.28	9.29	14
Total MBE/WBE	2.76 %	15.28 %	18
Total majority-owned	97.24	84.72	115
Total firms	100.00 %	100.00 %	

Summary

- Data for ODA and airports for overall DBE goals
- Information indicating a need for DBE contract goals
- Results supporting eligibility for contract goals program for all DBE groups except for DBEs owned by Subcontinent Asian American men
- Recommendations concerning DBE Program operation

Asking for public comments prior to preparing final report

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- Close of public comment period is 5 pm, Monday, Feb. 22