

Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation
Thursday, March 23, 2017
5:00 - 7:00 pm

Meeting held at
Cascades West Center
1400 Queen Avenue SE
Albany

Videoconference at
OCWCOG Offices
203 North Main Street
Toledo

AGENDA

- 1. 5:00 Welcome and Agenda Review** **Chair Hunt**

- 2. 5:05 Approve Minutes from 1/26/17 meeting (Attachment 1)** **Chair Hunt**
ACTION: Approval of minutes

- 3. 5:10 Public Comments** **Chair Hunt**
This time is reserved for members of the public to comment on issues related to the CWACT's activities (limited to three minutes per comment).

- 4. 5:15 Aviation Grants Update** **Chris Bailey,
City of Albany**
The State Aviation Board voted March 7 on Aviation System Action Program (ASAP) Critical Oregon Airport Relief (COAR) grant applications, including two from the CWACT region. This is an overview of the grant awards.
ACTION: Information only

- 5. 5:25 Corvallis Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) Regional Transportation Plan (Powerpoint)** **Ali Bonakdar,
CAMPO**
A Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is in development for the CAMPO area. The RTP is a multimodal transportation plan that covers the cities of Corvallis, Philomath, and Adair Village, as well as portions of Benton County.
ACTION: Information only

- 6. 5:45 Update on CWACT Membership (Attachment 2)** **Staff**
Update on the status of CWACT membership appointments by jurisdictions, including Private Sector membership, Executive Committee, Technical Committee.
ACTION: Information only

- 7. 5:55 STIP Update (Attachment 3 and Powerpoint)** **Frannie Brindle, ODOT**
The scope has changed for a Lincoln County project included in the 2018-2021 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Staff will review the changes.
ACTION: Approval of updated project scope

8. **6:10 Area Manager's Report**
ACTION: Information only

Frannie Brindle, ODOT

9. **6:25 Adjournment**

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DRAFT MINUTES
Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation (CWACT)
Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments (OCWCOG), Albany
January 26, 2017 – 5:00 pm

CWACT Members Present:

Bob Elliott, City of Lebanon
Annabelle Jaramillo, Benton County
Doug Hunt, Lincoln County
Frannie Brindle, ODOT Region 2
Barbara Bull, City of Corvallis
Greg Chamberlain, City of Halsey
Dick Anderson, City of Lincoln City
Don Miller, City of Millersburg
Roger Nyquist, Linn County
Dean Sawyer, City of Newport (via video)
Cody Gray, Lincoln County Private Sector (via video)
Josh Smith, Toledo City Council (via video)
Robert Gambino, Depoe Bay (via video)

Alternates Present:

Pam Barlow Lind, Confederated Tribes of Siletz
Valerie Grigg Devis, ODOT Region 2
Josh Wheeler, Benton County
Mary Steckel, City of Corvallis

Ex-Officio:

Ali Bonakdar, CAMPO

Guests:

Joe Graybill, City of Sweet Home
John Harshberger, Albany Airport Advisory Committee
Lisa Scherf, City of Corvallis
Joyse Porch, Citizen (via video)

OCWCOG Staff Present:

Phil Warnock
Tarah Campi
Emma Chavez

1. Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Open House

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) held an Open House for the Draft 2018-2021 STIP program from 5:00 to 5:20 pm prior to the CWACT meeting.

2. Meeting called to order at 5:20 p.m. by the Chair Commissioner Hunt.

Members and guests introduced themselves.

3. Minutes from the October 27, 2016 meeting

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ACTION: By consensus, the October 27, 2016 minutes were accepted as written.

4. Public Comment

Pete Bulber a resident of Melroy Avenue gave the following public comment: "My name is Pete Bulber, I'm a resident of Melroy Avenue and wanted to chat briefly from a citizen's perspective on why we think the improvements to Highway 20 are so important. There's about 30 families' total. If you are not familiar with Melroy Avenue, it is a one way subdivision right across the street from Children's Farm Home on Highway 20 built in the 70s. Highway 20 is our only way to get to the rest of the world. Increasingly over the years as traffic congestion on highway 20 has become greater and greater it has become more difficult to access and it has become a tremendous safety hazard. I moved there in 2013 and shortly after we moved there one of our neighbors was killed when they attempted to turn into Melroy and was rear-ended from a car coming from Corvallis. Ironically, driven by an off duty sheriff deputy. It is not the first fatality there. Initially when most people become aware of our concern they think that maybe people are pulling in front of others but the vast majority of the accidents happen when people are stopped coming from Corvallis, getting ready to make a left turn into Melroy and sometimes it's the immediate car that doesn't see them. Sometimes it's the second car behind but frequently it's a rear end. What happens is that people get to the Children's Farm Home and they think they are home free, the speed increases to 50 MPH from 45 and they start speeding up to this big stretch. It has only been the last year and a half that we have been able to convince ODOT and are very supportive to make that no passing lane. It used to be that you had to be very careful of people passing you. You were stopped, getting ready to make a turn and I've had that happen even after the passing lane. So, looks like an old project but I wanted to let you know that it's very important to all the families. We have a lot of young families there, children. The school buses stop there. One of the accidents that happened there; the car was getting ready to make a left hand turn, they were rear ended and forced over to the left lane, then a car proceeding toward Corvallis hit that car and pushed that car all the way down our street into a house. Fortunately there wasn't a child playing. Lastly, from an economic development stand point a major employer in our area is the Children's Farm home who have a lot of traffic coming in and out of our area."

5. Corvallis Transit Development Plan

Lisa Scherf, City of Corvallis Transit Service Supervisor gave a presentation on the Corvallis Transit Development Plan. Scherf advised that the City has been working on the Plan for several years. The Public has been involved through open houses, topic specific workshops, online surveys, and mobile workshops on a bus. Approximately a dozen technical memos have been produced.

At this time, consultants are moving toward developing solutions. Four different scenarios are being considered. The solutions consultants come up with will be taken back to the public for input through additional surveys and open houses.

6. Caucus to Select CWACT Executive Committee Member

Members fell into caucus by county then reconvened to announce the additional Executive Committee member by County. Below is a full list of the Executive Committee:

- Doug Hunt, Lincoln County Commissioner (Chair)

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- Annabelle Jaramillo, Benton County Commissioner
- Roger Nyquist, Linn County Commissioner
- Frannie Brindle, ODOT Region 2 South Area Manager
- Barbara Bull, Benton County (Corvallis City Council Member)
- Bill Bain, Lincoln County (Private Sector member)
- Bob Elliott, Linn County (Lebanon City Council Member)

7. ODOT Public Engagement: Highlights from Pioneer Mountain-Eddyville (PME) Project / “Play on the Grade” Video

Frannie Brindle, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Region 2 Area Manager provided a power point and YouTube video of Play on the Grade, a celebration of the Pioneer Mountain Eddyville Project.

Brindle stated that planning for Play on the Grade began with discussions with stakeholders and residents on how they would like to celebrate the road opening. ODOT was hoping for people to take ownership of the roadway. On October 1st the day of the celebration, over 800 people attended the event.

The event included speakers, stations with aerial views of the project, and information on the engineering and maintenance of the roadway. Attendees were grateful for the opportunity to experience the roadway in this manner. Many people have shared their appreciation via emails, calls and social media.

Brindle added that Representative Gomberg approached ODOT at Play on the Grade to request a sign commemorating U.S. 20 as the longest continuous roadway in the U.S. The sign has been placed both in Newport, OR and in Boston, MA.

8. Area Manager’s Report

Brindle noted that at the October 2016 Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) workshop, the Joint Commission on Transportation requested for the OTC to lay out a funding strategy for a multimodal transportation system and address the needs.

The OTC and ODOT put together the Transportation Investment Strategy document based on the feedback from the Joint Commission on Transportation hearings which were finalized in January of 2017. The document highlights the needs on transportation and provides a menu of options. It will inform the legislature what our funding needs are for the State.

Four different investment strategies were looked at; Preservation and Maintenance, Sever Congestion, Seismic Resiliency & Safety, and Transportation Options. The three different funding scenarios include; Status Quo, Investment 1: Moderate Increase, and Investment 2: Full Need. They have divided it into three areas of maintenance and preservation; safety, mobility, and congestion. Brindle went on to review the areas of investment for each of the three areas.

The Transportation Investment Strategy document has gone to the legislature and they will be using it when they look at funding opportunities for gas tax increases during the next legislative session.

9. Adjournment

Next Meeting March 23, 2017.

CWACTION 2016-2017 Membership

*Executive Committee Members

Last Name	First Name	Representing	Category	Term Expires
*Jaramillo	Annabelle	Benton County	Primary	12/31/2017
Wheeler	Josh	Benton County	Alternate	12/31/2017
*Nyquist	Roger (Chair Elect)	Linn County	Primary	12/31/2017
Lindsey	John	Linn County	Alternate	12/31/2017
Olsen	Dick	City of Albany	Primary	12/31/2017
Irish	Ron	City of Albany	Alternate	12/31/2017
*Bull	Barbara	City of Corvallis	Primary	12/31/2017
Steckel	Mary	City of Corvallis	Alternate	12/31/2017
Loshbaugh	John	City of Harrisburg	Primary	12/31/2017
Latta	Brian	City of Harrisburg	Alternate	12/31/2017
Miller	Don	City of Millersburg	Primary	12/31/2017
Cowan	Scott	City of Millersburg	Alternate	12/31/2017
Canter	Paul	City of Monroe	Primary	12/31/2017
Flory	Jhon	City of Monroe	Alternate	12/31/2017
Sawyer	Dean	City of Newport	Primary	12/31/2017
Goebel	Dietmar	City of Newport	Alternate	12/31/2017
Button	David	City of Siletz	Primary	12/31/2017
Eshleman	Dave	City of Siletz	Alternate	12/31/2017
Smith	Joshua	City of Toledo	Primary	12/31/2017
VACANT		City of Toledo	Alternate	12/31/2017
Kenta	Robert	Conf. Tribes of Siletz Indians	Primary	12/31/2017
Barlow-Lind	Pam	Conf. Tribes of Siletz Indians	Alternate	12/31/2017
Gellatly	Bill	Benton County – Private Sector	Primary	12/31/2017
		Benton County – Private Sector	Primary	12/31/2017
Chambers	Karla	Linn County – Private Sector	Primary	12/31/2017
Steele	Janet	Linn County – Private Sector	Primary	12/31/2017
*Brindle	Frannie	ODOT	Primary	Permanent
Grigg Devis	Valerie	ODOT	Alternate	Permanent
Staff		Albany Area MPO	Ex-Officio	Permanent
Bonakdar	Ali	Corvallis Area MPO	Ex-Officio	Permanent

CWACTION 2017-2018 Membership

*Executive Committee Members

Last Name	First Name	Representing	Category	Term Expires
Andrews	Dusty	City of Adair Village	Primary	12/31/2018
Hare	Pat	City of Adair Village	Alternate	12/31/2018
VACANT		City of Brownsville	Primary	12/31/2016
VACANT		City of Brownsville	Alternate	12/31/2016
Gambino	Robert	City of Depoe Bay	Primary	12/31/2018
Leff	Barbara	City of Depoe Bay	Alternate	12/31/2018
Chamberlain	Greg	City of Halsey	Primary	12/31/2018
Alberson	Eldon	City of Halsey	Alternate	12/31/2018
*Elliott	Bob	City of Lebanon	Primary	12/31/2018
Emmons	Rob	City of Lebanon	Alternate	12/31/2018
Anderson	Dick	City of Lincoln City	Primary	12/31/2018
Williams	Don	City of Lincoln City	Alternate	12/31/2018
VACANT		City of Lyons	Primary	12/31/2016
VACANT		City of Lyons	Alternate	12/31/2016
Sloan	Rocky	City of Philomath	Primary	12/31/2018
Edmonds	Doug	City of Philomath	Alternate	12/31/2018
Borchard	Worlfgang	City of Scio	Primary	12/31/2018
VACANT		City of Scio	Alternate	12/31/2016
Gerson	Diane	City of Sweet Home	Primary	12/31/2018
Trask	Dave	City of Sweet Home	Alternate	12/31/2018
Trulove	Loel	City of Tangent	Primary	12/31/2018
Edwards	Georgia	City of Tangent	Alternate	12/31/2018
Cutter	Dann	City of Waldport	Primary	12/31/2018
VACANT		City of Waldport	Alternate	12/31/2016
VACANT		City of Waterloo	Primary	12/31/2016
VACANT		City of Waterloo	Alternate	12/31/2016
Fry	Barbara	City of Yachats	Primary	12/31/2018
Stanley	Gerald	City of Yachats	Alternate	12/31/2018
*Hunt	Doug (Chair)	Lincoln County	Primary	12/31/2018
Thompson	Terry	Lincoln County	Alternate	12/31/2018
Gray	Cody	Lincoln County – Private Sector	Primary	12/31/2018
*Bain	Bill	Lincoln County – Private Sector	Primary	12/31/2018
VACANT		Port of Alsea	Primary	12/31/2016

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VACANT		Port of Alsea	Alternate	12/31/2016
Chuck	Walter	Port of Newport	Primary	12/31/2018
VACANT		Port of Newport	Alternate	12/31/2016
Kriz	Michael	Port of Toledo	Primary	12/31/2018
Shoemake	Bud	Port of Toledo	Alternate	12/31/2018

CWACT Technical Committee

*CWACT TAC Chair

Last Name	First Name	Representing
*Greg	Gescher	City of Corvallis
Bonakdar	Ali	Corvallis Area MPO
Knoll	Chuck	Linn County
Tokos	Derrick	City of Newport
Graybill	Joe	City of Sweet Home
Wheeler	Josh	Benton County
Bradley	Lila	City of Lincoln City
Barlow-Lind	Pam	Confederated Tribes of Siletz
Emmons	Rob	City of Lebanon
Irish	Ron	City of Albany
Kinion	Roy	Lincoln County
Staff		Albany Area MPO
Grigg Devis	Valerie	ODOT



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TO: Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation (CWACT)

FROM: Brennan Burbank, Region 2 (South) Local Agency Liaison

SUBJECT: Agenda Item STIP Project Update

Action Recommended: Approve changing scope of work for 18754 - US 101 - SW Waziyata St - SW Maple St (City of Waldport), moving construction funds to preliminary engineering in the 2015-18 STIP.

Background

The primary goal of this project is to provide a connected multi-modal transportation system between downtown Waldport and the 150-acre Yaquina John Point residents. A key objective in the Waldport Transportation System Plan (TSP) is to create pedestrian and bicyclist travel safety improvements along the seawall just south of downtown Waldport. The seawall section of US 101 does not meet current ODOT design standards due to physical constraints with the seawall on the west side and a steep cliff on the east side.

During project scoping, alternatives for US 101 seawall improvements were considered. A long-term alternative (widen US 101) was identified in the Plan but was not considered to be the top priority due to significant costs. The funded project included construction of a multi-use path alongside US 101 within the alignment of an old railroad grade. This project was selected because it was deemed to be the most cost-effective solution that would improve the efficiency and operational capacity of the highway through minor improvements.

Discussion

Upon further refinement at project initiation, two major deficiencies with the project were revealed. A larger and more costly structure would be required and a non ADA compliant grade to access the proposed path. Therefore it became necessary to revisit widening the highway.

A significant recent outreach to the City of Waldport, ODOT Area Manager, and ODOT Maintenance and Operations yielded a proposal to begin designing the long term fix to the highway (widening and adding bike/ped facility). Since the current funding is not adequate to complete the design and construction on this project, **it has been proposed that all available funds would be moved into the PE Phase in order to begin the design for the highway widening project**

The current project amount cannot accommodate funding for construction; therefore phasing the project became necessary. Our proposal is as follows:

- Amend STIP to move all awarded funds into design (preliminary engineering phase)
- Contract with an Engineering firm to design the project through the Design Acceptance Package (DAP).
- DAP will produce a good final design and construction estimates which will be used to better understand the funding needs of the remaining project to secure the complete project funding package.
- If funding is secured by the time DAP is approved the Engineering Firms work order contract (WOC) could be amended to add final design and construction engineering if feasible.
- If DAP is reached and complete project funding is not yet available, the WOC could be suspended pending securing the additional funds.

Action Recommended: Approve changing scope of work for 18754 - US 101 - SW Waziyata St - SW Maple St (City of Waldport), moving construction funds to preliminary engineering in the 2015-18 STIP.

Attachment: CWACT PowerPoint Presentation