Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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From: Catherine Rohan, crohan@ocwcog.org

Re: Legal Advertising / Public Notice

Please publish the following legal notice once on September 15, 2021 in the Albany Democrat-Herald. <u>Send the proof and invoice to **Emma Chavez** at echavez@ocwcog.org</u>. Thank you.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Amendment

September 15-29, 2021; The Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO), on behalf of the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), requests public input on an amendment to the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2021-24 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The amendment impacts the following project:

K20428: US20: Ellsworth Street (Willamette River) Bridge

The amendment will add a construction phase to the project (to be completed in FFY23) funded at \$5,097,300. The amendment will also update the project description to read "Increase bridge clearance to lessen collision risk allowing more efficient movement of freight". Note that this project previously included a construction phase, but the phase was removed due to greater needs of other projects. ODOT's Bridge program now has sufficient funding to add the construction phase back to Ellsworth Street Bridge project. Additional details can be found at www.aibanyareampo.org.

Please provide comments to Catherine Rohan at crohan@ocwcog.org, or in writing to OCWCOG; 1400 Queen Avenue SE, Suite 205; Albany, OR 97322. Comments can also be made by calling 541-924-4548. The comment period will remain open until 5:00 PM (PST) September 29th.

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About Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) is the metropolitan planning organization for the Albany Urbanized Area. Members include the cities of Albany, Jefferson, Millersburg, and Tangent, as well as Benton and Linn Counties, and Oregon Department of Transportation. Staffing is provided through a contract with the Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments. Metropolitan Planning Organizations are federally funded and required for metropolitan areas with populations over 50,000, and are a venue for collaboration and coordination around regional transportation planning. For more information, visit www.albanyareampo.org.