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#### **TransPort Technical Advisory Committee**

Wednesday, July 13, 2011

1:00 p.m. -2:30 p.m.

ODOT Region 1

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#### **Meeting Notes**

### In Attendance

Anthony Butzek (Metro), Kate Freitag (ODOT), Jim Gelhar (Gresham), Tu Ho (Beaverton), Martin Leung (Metro), Ted Leybold (Metro), Joe Marek (Clackamas), Galen McGill (ODOT), Pam O'Brien (DKS Associates), Deena Platman (Metro), Doug Sallman (Cambridge Systematics), Stacy Shetler (Washington Co)

## **Regional Flexible Fund Allocation (RFFA)**

Ted Leybold, Metro, described the process and schedule (handout) for allocating the 2014-15 federal funds. Local agencies are currently preparing project nominations. TransPort's input on TSMO opportunities and/or challenges will help inform the project development. Anthony Butzek, Metro, walked the group through the proposed projects, asking members to provide feedback. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Member comments were as follows:

#2 Hillsboro Regional Center – Oak and Baseline: Concerns were raised about the ability to accommodate vehicular traffic if the number of lanes is reduced. As part of the TransPort ARRA project, new controllers, signal cabinets and communication were installed. Signal interconnect is also in place.

#5 OR 8/OR 47 Intersection Improvements: The missing pedestrian crossing is being added as part of the OR8: Minter Bridge Rd - Mt. View Lane pavement preservation project. In addition, plans call for countdown pedestrian heads to be installed at this intersection.

#6 Elwert Rd/Kruger Rd/Hwy 99W Intersection Improvements: Is ODOT doing signal retiming at Elwert as part of the 99W project? (A follow-up conversation with Kate Freitag determined that yes, there will be signal retiming performed at this intersection.)

#8 East Portland Active Transportation to Transit - Deena Platman, Metro, will follow up with the City of Portland ITS staff.

#11 Barbur Blvd Streetscape: Project team will need to work closely with ODOT, which has concerns about pedestrian crossings.

#12 Foster Road Safety Enhancements: Ms. Platman will follow up with the City of Portland ITS staff.

#13 N Burgard – Lombard "Around the Horn": Ms. Platman will follow up with the City of Portland ITS staff.

#14 N Portland Rd – Columbia Blvd Intersection Improvements" Ms. Platman will follow up with the City of Portland ITS staff.

#16 Arata Rd – 223<sup>rd</sup> – 201<sup>st</sup>: Metro has requested that project include a pedestrian crossing to pedestrian path over NE Halsey.

#18 Sandy Blvd – 181<sup>st</sup> – 201<sup>st</sup>: There have been upgrades to signal at NE 185<sup>th</sup>. Looking to expand SCATS on NE 185<sup>th</sup> and Boeing intersection.

#19 Sandy Blvd – 230<sup>th</sup> – 238<sup>th</sup> Dr: Project includes replacement signal at 230<sup>th</sup>.

#22 Boones Ferry Rd/Lake Grove Town Center Multimodal Improvements: no comments.

#23 82<sup>nd</sup> Ave Streetscape Improvements: Clackamas County would like access management at Sunnyside Rd. TransPort ARRA project upgraded signal controllers. TransPort members still interested in getting variable message systems (VMS).

#26 Clackamas Co Regional Freight ITS: Project is looking at signal phasing changes, truck priority, and en route traveler information for I-205 VMS. ODOT is working on displaying travel time data to arterial VMS.

TransPort's proposed sub allocation of its 2014-15 funds will be included in the RFFA public comment period that begins September 9<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Platman will resend information pertaining to this for the August meeting.

# ITS Oregon

Doug Sallman, Cambridge Systematics, lead a discussion on the future of ITS Oregon. The chapter is searching for a new role and relevancy. The organization use to sponsor an annual meeting but then linked up with the Northwest Transportation Conference, creating an ITS track. An unintended consequence of this move is that the organization has lost some identify. The last big activity was the National Rural ITS Conference in Seaside OR. The group has been largely inactive since this time and has been losing public sector participation. The group discussed unique roles for ITS Oregon. The organization is able to provide sponsorship for events and training, i.e. food and beverages. Need to revisit the ITS Oregon membership structure. There is opportunity for ITS Oregon to provide an educational component. ITS Oregon board should look at combining with ITS Washington, creating sub regions for meetings. It was suggested that the ITS Oregon meetings be linked to TransPort, to reduce travel time and to take advantage of presentations. This would allow TransPort to focus more on its business and open educational opportunities to a broader group than the TransPort membership.

Doug will convene the board members and discuss the ideas generated by TransPort and create a game plan for moving forward.

# Project Updates

- Northwest Transportation Conference is calling for abstracts. There is an ITS/Operations track. The conference is in February 2012.
- Washington County is scoping Tualatin-Sherwood Rd Phase II signal project.

- ODOT kicked off its research project to compare adaptive signal control systems. University of Washington is the Principle Investigator.
- ODOT is advancing a demonstration project to install weather-based variable speed limits on the Hwy 217 ramp to US 26.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.