Public Involvement Policies and Procedures

Adopted by the Oregon Department of Transportation, December 14, 1994

- 1. ODOT will abide by all applicable state and federal laws in implementing its public involvement processes for the development and major revision of the statewide long-range transportation plan and statewide transportation improvement program.
- ODOT will follow the requirements of the Oregon Public Meetings Law (ORS 192.610 to 192.690) for all advisory committees appointed by or reporting to the OTC.
- 3. ODOT will maintain a broad based, statewide list of stakeholders—individuals and organizations who are interested in or affected by transportation decisions—including representatives of Indian tribal governments in Oregon and organizations that reach those traditionally underserved by existing transportation systems.
- 4. ODOT will provide these stakeholders with timely information about transportation issues and adequate notice of key decision points leading to the development or major revision of the statewide long-range transportation plan and statewide transportation improvement program.
- ODOT will provide reasonable public access as required by the Oregon Public Records Law (ORS 192.420 to 192.505) to technical and policy information used in the development or major revision of the statewide longrange transportation plan and statewide transportation improvement program. (Charges will be assessed per ODOT Administrative Instruction #5.)
- 6. ODOT will provide a 45-day public review of the proposed statewide longrange transportation plan, a 45-day public review of the proposed statewide transportation improvement program, and a 45-day public review of a major revision of either document following adoption of the plan or program by the OTC.
- 7. ODOT will provide statewide opportunities for public comment on the proposed statewide long-range transportation plan and proposed statewide transportation improvement program by scheduling at least two public meetings in each of ODOT's five regions prior to adoption of the plan or program by the OTC.
- 8. ODOT will work with metropolitan planning organizations to coordinate public involvement for the statewide long-range transportation plan and statewide transportation improvement program with public involvement for the

metropolitan plan and transportation improvement program.

- 9. ODOT will consider all public comment on the proposed statewide long-range transportation plan and proposed statewide transportation improvement program prior to adoption of the plan or program by the OTC.
- 10. ODOT will publish and distribute the adopted statewide long-range transportation plan and adopted statewide transportation improvement program.
- 11. ODOT will coordinate public involvement for the statewide long-range transportation plan and statewide transportation improvement program with public involvement for project development.
- 12. ODOT will submit the proposed public involvement policies and procedures contained in this document to a 45-day public review before their adoption by the OTC, and will submit a major revision of the adopted document to a 45-day public review.
- 13. ODOT will publish and distribute the adopted public involvement policies and procedures.
- 14. ODOT will review periodically the effectiveness of the public involvement policies and procedures.

The Public Involvement Policies and Procedures were adopted by the Oregon Transportation Commission on December 14, 1994, following a 45-day public comment period.