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The Oregon Transportation Commission adopted the Bypass Policy as an amendment to the 1999 Oregon Highway Plan at their March 19 meeting with an effective date of April 16, 2003. The objectives of the policy are To maintain and enhance the utility of the state highway investment in bypasses, To assure land uses that are consistent and compatible with Oregon statewide land use goals, To identify the appropriate function of bypasses in the transportation system, and To guide the long-term operation of bypasses through agreement on land use and transportation management actions. The policy addresses local and state policy coordination involving planning, land use, local traffic circulation, access management, design characteristics, maintenance of the bypassed facility and jurisdictional transfer. The policy applies to 18 existing bypasses named in the amendment as well as all future bypasses.