Regional Issues

LCOG Board Discussion Topics
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- Timber Revenue (Secure Rural Schools funding) – Loss, Regional Impacts. Opportunities from lost revenue sources – new revenue streams.
- Access I5 Bridge – Eugene/Springfield Area. Improvements to the entryway to the metro area.
- Transportation funding. City gas taxes.
- Traffic safety implications – development EG Junction City prison/hospital – 99 and I-5
- Keeping kids engaged/occupied from the time school ends, until parents return home.
- Homeless issues, especially homeless teens.
- Public safety coordination and funding.
- Transportation planning – public transportation.
- Land use coordination – regional.
- Region 2050 – what has come to pass? How are the results being used? What are the next steps?
- Unserved library population – the State provides the "library electronic books" program, which could be accessed with a single registration fee. Could we jointly pay for this access?
- Regional water supply.
- Discussion with our legislative delegation prior to next session.
- Only 3 sites in Lane County are state-certified for immediate development. How do we encourage more site readiness?
- Small communities' mandates/revenue. Small cities are required to perform nearly all the duties of large jurisdictions, but have proportionately fewer resources.
- Regional health care impacts – need and how to train/educate. There are insufficient doctors and nurses in Lane County. How can we train/attract/retain more?
- Healthcare and climate change.
- Growth and alternative energy sources – new construction. Should building codes be amended to require alternative energy production be incorporated into new construction?