

November 8, 2007

To: LCOG Executive Committee
From: George Kloeppe
Subject: FY 2008-09 LCOG Member Dues

At its December 13 meeting, the LCOG Board will be asked to adopt the *rates* that will be applicable for the FY 2008-09 Member Dues Schedule. If approved by the Board, those rates will be combined with Portland State's population estimates (for the county and cities) and service account and school enrollment data (for the utilities and schools) to form the final Schedule in January. It is my intent to provide as much lead time as possible to our member jurisdictions, so that the requested COG dues amounts can be included in the local agencies' budget processes in the spring.

I am recommending that the basic dues structure that has been used for a number of years be maintained. Pursuant to the direction of the Board, a cost-of-living factor will be applied to each of the rates. That factor will be 1.97 percent—the published CPI increase for August (2007 CPI-U for US). For comparison, the factor applied by the Board to the Dues Schedule last year was 3 percent. Under this proposal, the rates for FY 2008-09 would be:

<u>Member Class</u>	<u>2007-08 Rate</u>	<u>2008-09 Rate</u>
Lane County	0.255	0.260
Cities	0.461	0.470
Schools	0.115	0.117
Utilities	0.115	0.117
Spec. Districts	\$461	\$470

The Committee's input on this proposal would be welcome. A recommendation for the adoption of dues rates for the next fiscal year would be appropriate.