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To: Metropolitan Policy Committee
From: Andrea G. Riner
Subject: Item 5.d: Lane ACT Progress Report

Action Recommended: Provide a status report on development of bylaws for an Area Commission on Transportation in Lane County.

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide an interim update on the development of draft bylaws for an Area Commission on Transportation in Lane County. In January the LCOG Executive Director or his designee was appointed by the MPC to represent the MPO in the ACT charter development process.

Background

Lane County is now engaged in a three-phase process to form an ACT, including the identification of stakeholders; the creation of a task force—the FACT—to draft a charter for the ACT; and the ACT charter approval. The Lane County Board of Commissioners approved the formation of the Forum on an Area Commission on Transportation which met in January 13th and February 10th, 2010. The third of four planned FACT meetings is scheduled for March 10th.

Draft ACT Bylaws

The FACT is currently discussing components of the ACT Bylaws. Work to-date has included development of purpose and mission statements, recommendations for representation and membership, decision-making and voting protocols, public involvement, staffing and meeting logistics, interagency coordination guidelines, and the designation of ACT Officers. Elements of the bylaws that are directly relevant to the functions of the MPO include:

- MPO partner agency representation. All of the jurisdictions within the Central Lane MPO will be represented on the ACT, including the Cities of Coburg, Eugene, and Springfield, Lane County, Lane Transit District, and ODOT. Currently the by-laws encourage these entities to consider using the same elected official to represent them on the ACT and the MPC.
- MPO-specific representation. The current draft of the bylaws recommends that a representative be assigned to represent the Central Lane MPO, separate from those

listed above that represent a specific MPO-partner agency. This representative would not be required to be an elected official.

- MPO Citizen Advisory Committee representation. Current draft bylaws recommend one CAC member be appointed to serve on the ACT.
- MPO/ACT Coordination. The draft bylaws state that the ACT will jointly develop coordination protocols with the Central Lane MPO.

Next Steps

Following the March FACT meeting, the group will meet once again in April to finalize consensus on the bylaws and to discuss next steps to move from the FACT to a fully operational Area Commission on Transportation. The bylaws recommended at this meeting will be provided to the MPC in May. Action by the Oregon Transportation Commission may occur as early as June.

Recommended Action

None. For information only.