



August 3, 2020

To: Metropolitan Policy Committee  
From: Paul Thompson  
Subject: Item 6.a.2: Federal Performance Measures Process Agreement

**Action Recommended:** Agree to ODOT Coordination Process with MPOs in Setting, Monitoring, and Reporting State Performance Measure Targets

Subsequent to completing the agenda for the August 6, 2020 MPC meeting, we received a request from ODOT for an action by each of Oregon's MPO Policy Boards prior to August 30th. This cover memo and attachment constitute the addition of an agenda item to Thursday's meeting agenda: Federal Performance Measures Process Agreement.

### **Background**

Oregon's MPOs are required to coordinate work with ODOT on the development, adoption, and revision of the federally-required transportation performance measures. Broadly speaking, in the Central Lane MPO the Performance Measures (PMs) cover Safety, Transit, System Performance, System Condition, and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ). A detailed list of the PMs is available [here](#). Each MPO has the option of choosing to formally support the state's PMs, or to adopt PMs of its own. In the Central Lane MPO, MPC has chosen to support the state PMs in all cases (MPC Resolutions 2018-01, 2018-10, 2019-02). In order to facilitate the coordinated work of ODOT and the Oregon MPOs and transit providers, a Process Agreement is also maintained among the partners. Earlier versions of this Process Agreement have been in place for several years.

### **Discussion**

An updated version of the Process Agreement (Attachment 1) is what is currently before MPC for formal approval. The attached document is a draft of version 4 of the agreement - the state and the MPOs have previously been informally operating under versions 1, 2, and 3 of the agreement. Most notable in this new version is documentation of how revisions to the PMs will be handled (so far the state and the MPOs have only been working on developing and adopting the new PMs), and the inclusion of the Transit performance measures.

The USDOT, via the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), are now specifically asking for MPO Policy Boards to agree to the

PM Process Agreement with the state DOT. As ODOT staff put it, "We have been asked to validate by FHWA/FTA that this is something we have all collaboratively agreed to use to document how we all work together in setting targets and reporting."

The attached draft of version 4 of the Agreement is the result of a nearly year-long development and review effort by ODOT, staff from all of the Oregon MPOs, and staff from many of the transit providers. Only very minor comments were submitted by any MPO staff after the initial draft was circulated by ODOT. LCOG MPO staff were involved in that process, and recommend approval by MPC on August 6th.

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**Attachments**

1. Draft v4 ODOT Coordination Process with MPOs in Setting, Monitoring, and Reporting State Performance Measure Targets