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To: Members of JPACT
From: Jason Tell, ODOT Region 1
Subject: Safety Goals and Measures

At our last JPACT meeting I raised concern about the proposed safety performance measure in the RTP because it was based on a per capita measure. It was also limited to one mode of travel. I said I would provide an alternative measure for consideration at today's meeting. The briefing packet includes a memo dated December 1st that explains the amendment before you today.

ODOT Amendment

Amend the Safety Performance Target (Table 1.) to read:

* ["Safety – Contribute to meeting goals identified in the 2010 Oregon Traffic Safety Performance Plan based on the Metro region's share of Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)."

Amend Chapter 5, Implementation of the RTP, to include the following action:

* ["Directs Metro to work with ODOT and members of the Regional Safety Work Group, or develop an official transportation safety committee, to refine the existing statewide traffic safety data to reflect conditions within the subset of the Metro boundary and develop a regional Traffic Safety Plan by December, 2011, with goals, performance measures, and strategies specific to the MPO. Upon adoption of the plan by JPACT, the MPO Traffic Safety Plan measures will replace the existing Safety Performance Target."] *and Metro*

Background

ODOT's Traffic Safety Performance measures incorporate elements of the Oregon Benchmarks, Oregon Transportation Safety Action Plan, the Safety Management System, and nationally recognized measures. Both long-range (by the year 2015) and short-range (current year) measures are utilized and updated annually. The Oregon Traffic Safety Performance Plan includes measurable outcomes the state traffic safety program is designed to achieve on both the regional and statewide levels.

Ideally, we should review the MPO specific safety data and develop measures and goals that address areas of specific interest or need. Since that data is not currently reported by MPO boundary, as an initial step, we recommend that the RTP performance target contribute on a percentage of VMT basis to meeting the outcomes identified in the 2010 Oregon Traffic Safety Performance Plan until such time as the MPO specific Safety Action Plan is developed. The regional and statewide goals, performance measures and strategies as described in the Oregon Traffic Safety Performance Plan include:

- Reducing the number of traffic fatalities and injuries
- Reducing the number of bicyclists killed and injured in motor vehicle crashes
- Reducing the number of pedestrian fatalities and injuries

Metro should lead development of Traffic Safety Plan to address safety issues in the MPO. The RTP performance measure would then be amended to reflect the MPO specific safety goals once they are adopted by JPACT.