

PLANNING & ZONING DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- TO: CPOs, Hamlets, County departments and other interested parties
- RE: Development of the 2021-2023 Long-Range Planning Work Program

The work undertaken by the County's Department of Transportation and Development (DTD) Long Range Planning program focuses on providing land use and transportation plan development, analysis, coordination and public engagement services so residents; businesses; local, regional and state partners, and County decision-makers can plan and invest based on a coordinated set of goals and policies that guide future development.

These projects support the overall County goals found in the <u>Performance Clackamas</u> strategic plan, such as revising land use regulations to accommodate more housing units, and undertaking planning and coordination for transportation improvements to the Sunrise Corridor and I-205. A common theme is that these projects typically involve amendments to the county's comprehensive plan and zoning code, as well as the studies and reports that are needed to prepare for future planning projects.

Every two years the Board of County Commissioners establishes a Long Range Planning Work Program (LRP Work Program). Development of the LRP Work Program involves identifying Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners priorities, incorporating actions required by law, and gathering input from community members and organizations.

The current LRP Work Program runs through June 2021, so it is now time to start the process of preparing the LRP Work Program for 2021 through 2023. To do this we are interested in hearing from you!

You are invited to submit suggestions for long-range land use and transportation planning projects. All submissions must be received by December 18, 2020.

To assist you as you consider if a project is right for the LRP Work Program:

- With the LRP Work Program focused on projects that often involve various levels of public engagement, specific notification requirements, and Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners meetings, almost all of the current projects have been impacted by the unprecedented event of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic. Several of the projects have experienced delays, and there has even been the cancellation of projects since funds were not acquired to undertake the work.
  With these COVID-19 impacts to the current work program, there are many existing priorities that have yet to be integrated, so there will be limited space for new projects in the upcoming cycle.
- If you or your organization proposed a project in past years that was not included in the current LRP Work Program, please feel free to re-submit the idea. The current LRP Work program can be accessed through this <u>LINK-LRP Work Program</u>

• If a suggestion is not suited for the LRP Work Program, we will forward it to the appropriate county department and let you know we've done so.

Please send your ideas and your questions about the LRP Work Program to Lorraine Gonzales at <u>lorrainego@clackamas.us</u>.

We look forward to receiving your suggestions!

Respectfully,

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