

# Public & Government Affairs

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## Memorandum

To: Clackamas County Board of County Commissioners

From: Tonia Holowetzki, Director, Public & Government Affairs

RE: Clackamas Values and Outcomes for the 2025 State Legislative Transportation Package

Date: January 28, 2025

**REQUEST:** Public & Government Affairs requests the Board of County Commissioners reapprove the use of the county logo and the language of a joint values and outcomes document for the 2025 state legislative transportation package.

**BACKGROUND:** Last summer, the Clackamas County Coordinating Committee (C4) created a statement that represents the values and outcomes of Clackamas communities ahead of the anticipated 2025 state legislative transportation package. Language was developed with input from local communities and the Board. The final document was approved on August 1, 2024.

Following the November elections, many communities in Clackamas County are welcoming new elected officials. Acknowledging these changes, C4 has asked communities to reapprove the use of jurisdictional logos. On February 6, C4 will consider any input received and reapprove the document for use during the 2025 state legislative session.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Board reapprove the letter's language and the use of the county logo for joint advocacy on the 2025 state legislative transportation package.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director, Public & Government Affairs

#### Attachments:

Attachment #1: 2024 Joint Values and Outcomes for the State Legislative

Transportation Package by the Communities of Clackamas County

# Joint Values and Outcomes for the 2025 State Legislative Transportation Package by the Communities of Clackamas County

Approved on August 1, 2024

The jurisdictions named here support a seamless, functional transportation system that prioritizes safety and the reliable movement of people and goods.

We acknowledge that without adequate transportation funding to address maintenance and capital projects in our communities, our collective transportation system will continue to struggle, maintenance projects will become capital projects, and our transportation systems will fail to meet public expectations and uses. As the state legislature considers funding solutions to address state and local needs, the values and outcomes named here will be the foundation of our advocacy.

These values are not an endorsement of any collective or particular funding proposal.

## To ensure an equitable, balanced, and seamless system for all, a transportation package should...

- Develop in collaboration with local voices and jurisdictions
- Protect and retain the 50/30/20 revenue formula from the State Highway Fund
- Secure operations and maintenance funding for state and local partners
- Increase safety for all travel modes and reduce diversion from highways onto local roads

#### To ensure maximum and efficient utilization of public dollars, a transportation package should...

- Provide local jurisdictions with the resources to implement state requirements
- · Build trust through budget transparency, implement cost saving measures, and limit administrative costs
- Maximize our opportunity to leverage federal funds for local and state projects of significance
- Secure varied revenue sources to diversify funding tools for local and state agencies

## To advance projects that build public trust and accountability, a transportation package should...

- Finish what was promised in HB 2017 and HB 3055, including the I-205 widening and bridge improvements between Stafford Rd and Abernethy Bridge.
- Formulate a list of additional, high-priority projects for future funding, such as Sunrise Corridor and other investments addressing growth in urban, suburban, and rural communities

#### To provide accessibility and funding to multimodal facilities and services, a transportation package should...

- Complete gaps in transit service, sidewalks, and bike lanes
- Improve transit operations, including regional coordination and equitable access to transit
- Invest in transit and paratransit so that it is a convenient, reliable, and safe travel option
- Provide sustainable long-term funding for first- and last-mile transit solutions
- Consider investments that improve safety for commuters reliant on bicycles, scooters, and other non-traditional transportation options

## To support housing production and economic opportunities, a transportation package should...

- Accelerate transportation networks supporting developing areas
- Improve the operations of regional freight routes, bridges and arterials
- Improve safety and reduce congestion on roads that connect urban and rural communities

# **Supporting Logos for the Clackamas Joint Values and Outcomes**



























