

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Policy Session Worksheet

Presentation Date: 9/27/2016 **Approx Start Time:** 3:30 PM **Approx Length:** 30 Min

Presentation Title: 2016 Transportation Safety Update

Department: DTD – Transportation Safety Program

Presenters: Barb Cartmill, Mike Bezner, Joseph Marek

Other Invitees: Patty McMillan, Christian Snuffin

WHAT ACTION ARE YOU REQUESTING FROM THE BOARD?

No Action, Information only,

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Roadway fatalities have increased for 2015 and 2016 across the US. Fatalities in Clackamas County were trending down from 2014 but have increased in the first three quarters of 2016. Currently, there have been 30 persons killed in vehicle crashes in Clackamas County in 2016, based on preliminary fatality information from ODOT. Final fatality totals for 2015 are expected to be 27. Crash increases are likely due to a rise in vehicle miles traveled (VMT). The top three cause factors for the County continue to be roadway departure, aggressive driving crashes and young drivers, ages 15-25.

Nationally, the issue of increased roadway fatalities is being scrutinized closely along with ways to reverse the trend. Clackamas County is fortunate in that its strategic priorities direct departments to consider healthy people, safe roads and a vibrant economy.

The current trends in crashes reinforce the importance of the County's strategic priorities and the importance to integrate a holistic approach to safety throughout the organization. Within the Transportation Safety Program, focus will continue on low cost safety projects, education and outreach and engaging our various safety partners and stakeholders to improve safety. We are also working on a grant-funded request to update the 2012 Transportation Safety Action Plan. In addition, our coordination with Health, Housing and Human Services on integrating safety and health into projects will continue.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (current year and ongoing):

Is this item in your current budget? YES NO
Information only – no budget implications

What is the cost? \$ N/A What is the funding source? N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

- How does this item align with your Department's Strategic Business Plan goals?
 - *Strategic Result: Safe Roads*
 - *Purpose Statement: Transportation Safety*

- How does this item align with the County's Performance Clackamas goals?
 - *This item aligns with the County's Performance Clackamas Goals to build a strong infrastructure; to ensure safe, healthy and secure communities; and to build public trust through good government.*

LEGAL/POLICY REQUIREMENTS: *None – information only*

PUBLIC/GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPATION:

OPTIONS: *Information Only*

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is recommended at this time. This presentation is information only.

ATTACHMENTS: PowerPoint slides

SUBMITTED BY:

Division Director/Head Approval _____

Department Director/Head Approval _____

County Administrator Approval _____

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