



Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans

How Oregon is handling the new PTASP requirement.

MTAP Technical Initiative Forum

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Decisions:

One plan for all
or separate
plans?

Use staff or
consultant to
write plans?

How to fund
plans?



Decision 1

One plan for all or **separate plans?**

- ODOT decided on a plan for each §5307 recipient agency
 - Easier to understand and use
 - Easier to update
 - Easier to determine cost of each plan



Decision 2

Internal staff or **outsourced consultant?**

- ODOT staff lacks experience
- ODOT staff already stretched
- Project fits into existing consultant contract; only needed to amend for cost
- Consultant has national experience writing PTASPs



Decision 3

How to fund the plans?

- Eligible FTA funding sources:
 - §5303: Metropolitan Planning
 - §5304: Statewide Planning
 - §5307: Urbanized Area Formula Grants



Decision 3

How to fund the plans? (cont'd)

- Looked first at §5303
 - Some MPOs objected because it reduced their allocations
- Looked at §5307
 - ODOT doesn't currently receive §5307
 - Not clear if §5307 agencies could be compelled to pay
 - FTA directed need for existing §5307 recipients to approve State receipt of funds
- **Looked at §5304**
 - Match for §5304 paid from state funds
 - Essentially eliminates any rural planning projects for 2019-21



Other Considerations

- PTASPs
 - Link into goals in Oregon Public Transportation Plan
 - Included on Public Transit's Technical Resource Center website:
 - <https://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/RPTD/Pages/Technical-Resource-Center.aspx>
 - Help inform Coordinated Plans, Transit Development Plans, Transportation System Plans:
 - <https://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/Planning/Pages/OR-Plan.aspx>



Current Status

- Consultant is working with seven §5307 agencies
- Preliminary work via phone and email completed
- Onsite visits in progress
- On target for completion of all plans by October 31, 2019



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Thank you.