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](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](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.