



**DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY**

I-5 to 99W Connector: PSC Mtg. #14

Meeting Date: 10/24/07

Issue Date: 11/10/07

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**Project:** I-5 to 99W Connector Project  
**Purpose:** Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting #14  
**Date/Time:** Wednesday October 24, 2007 / 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM  
**Location:** Sherwood Police Training Center  
**Attendees:**

**PSC** Roy Rogers Washington County (Alternate Chair)  
 Andy Duyck Washington County  
 Lou Ogden City of Tualatin  
 Carl Hosticka Metro  
 Emily Lawton FHWA (PSC Alternate)  
 Charlotte Lehan City of Wilsonville  
 Gene Thomas City of Sherwood (PSC Alternate)  
 Rian Windshiemer ODOT (PSC Alternate)

**Executive Management Team (EMT)** Andy Cotugno Metro  
 Fred Eberle ODOT  
 Mike McKillip City of Tualatin  
 Lawrence Odell Washington County  
 R. Scott Pemble Clackamas County

**Project Management Team (PMT)** Russ Knoebel Washington County  
 Amy Gibbons ODOT  
 Tim Wilson ODOT  
 Vaughn Brown Jeanne Lawson Associates (JLA)  
 Alex Dupey DEA  
 Leslie Howell Howell Consulting  
 Angie Jones DEA  
 Jef Kaiser DEA  
 Chris Maciejewski DKS  
 Scott Richman DEA

**Stakeholder Working Group (SWG) Others**  
 (sign-in sheet)

**Distribution: PSC, EMT, PMT, SWG**

The meeting began at 12:30 PM. Agendas and other materials were provided to the PSC members prior to the meeting, and copies of these materials were provided at the meeting. The agenda items are represented in "bold" headings.

- **Welcome/Introduction**

- Chair Rogers welcomed the group and led introductions

- **Approve September 26, 2007 PSC Meeting Summary**

- The PSC approved the summary of the previous PSC meeting held on September 26, 2007.

- **Evaluation Criteria**

- Executive Management Team (EMT) Chair, Lawrence Odell presented memos from the PMT to the EMT, and from the EMT to the PSC to recommend PSC approval of the evaluation criteria. The evaluation criteria incorporate changes to address issues raised by the Metro Council in a memo distributed at the last (September 26, 2007) PSC meeting. Lawrence reminded the group that these criteria are tools to guide the evaluation of the adopted Range of Alternatives (ROA).
- Scott Richman explained that the Alternatives Analysis (AA) may reveal that only a portion of the numerous proposed evaluation criteria are useful in helping to guide the PSC to eventual selection of a preferred alternative. The PMT and EMT reviewed the issues that the Metro Council raised, and the proposed criteria address most of those issues. Scott summarized the memo from the PMT to the EMT; and specified how the Metro Council issues are addressed. We will have conceptual and comparative cost and transportation performance measures available through the analysis that will allow us to consider cost effectiveness as the Metro Council suggested. The PMT and EMT recognize that impacts to I-5 operations from the build alternatives would need to be addressed.
- Councilor Hosticka said he has reviewed the modified criteria with Metro staff and he is pleased with how the evaluation criteria address issues raised by the Metro Council.
- Scott reminded the group that at this stage in the project planning process, we are not determining the exact facility type. Within each of the blue patterns that indicate the general location of the three proposed connector alternatives, we have allowed space to accommodate a range of roadway types. The PMT and EMT recommend modeling a 55 mph limited access facility to give information to the PSC to compare between different connector locations using common analysis parameters.
- Mayor Lehan inquired about the potential for analysis data being wasted if we decide to go with a parkway and we are not modeling it; would we apply a standard capacity reduction factor to the modeled connectors?
- Recognizing there are differences on types of traffic served by facilities that provide more access; Scott replied that the traffic analysts believe we have

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enough information to provide useful comparative results for different types of connector facilities as they have been defined.

- ❑ Scott also said it would be at the PSC's discretion that if they do not get the results from the modeling they feel are complete enough to guide a decision; additional analysis could occur during the refinement phase.
- ❑ Mayor Lehan asked about the truck classes – would we be able to distinguish between different vehicle types that Metro has in its model?
- ❑ Scott said that we did not feel we need level of detail beyond two vehicle classifications to compare alternatives. Chris Maciejewski confirmed that the traffic modeling will group all the truck classifications for alternatives analysis. We do not have any future travel forecasting models in Oregon with a greater level of detail.
- ❑ Mayor Lehan asked if the criteria to address Objective 1E should be revised. The group agreed that “all trucks included in the Metro model” is more accurate than “different classes of trucks.”
- ❑ Mayor Lehan asked about truck volumes – how do we model if we are only looking at the 2030 PM peak period that does not necessarily correlate to the time of day when there are the highest truck volumes?
- ❑ Scott responded that the analysis would account for the peak truck volume periods in comparing alternatives against the truck-related measures.
- ❑ Referring to the second to last paragraph on the memo from the EMT to the PSC, R. Scott Pemble informed the PSC that Commissioner Lynn Peterson's direction is to go forward with the criteria. If there are changes to be made based on the analysis, we can address it at that time. She is in favor of starting the AA.
- ❑ Mayor Ogden moved to adopt the Evaluation Criteria; Commissioner Duyck seconded it, and the PSC unanimously adopted the criteria.

### • Other Business

- ❑ The public outreach video to go on the project web site was shown, and Lawrence asked for PSC feedback following it.
- ❑ Mayor Lehan said she felt it focused on the three connectors and it was not as clear that there are other alternatives being considered.
- ❑ Commissioner Duyck said he also saw it that way the first time he watched it; but he realized this time that the other alternatives were touched on, just not shown on maps like the connectors.
- ❑ Lawrence said that this video reflects the current status and may be updated as the process advances through the alternatives analysis.
- ❑ Mayor Lehan suggested that it be reviewed by someone who is not familiar with the project to get their potentially more objective perspective.
- ❑ Rian suggested having a new slide in the video that lists the alternatives.
- ❑ Commissioner Rogers said he liked the statistics and information that would interest area residents.
  
- ❑ Councilor Hosticka said that there will be a hearing in Oregon City tomorrow night about the RTP update.

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- **Next Steps**

- Scott summarized our next steps as follows:
  - Kick off the technical team to do analysis work (November 1<sup>st</sup>)
  - Approximately three months of technical work
  - Report initial findings to SWG, EMT, and PSC
  - SWG, EMT, PSC discuss AA results
  - Community Forums in Spring 2008
  - Alternatives refinement work
  - Public hearing
  - PSC recommendation
- He recommended the PSC hold the date for a January PSC meeting to come back and hear initial findings, but more likely it would be February before initial findings are ready to be presented to the PSC.
- Mayor Ogden requested that the PSC be provided with at least 30 days notice if a meeting is going to be cancelled or rescheduled – he has the fourth Wednesday of months scheduled for PSC meetings.
- Scott said we are going to be having a broadcast mailing coming out soon to keep stakeholders updated on the project, including directing them to the updated project web site with the video. A more detailed newsletter will be prepared and distributed in the Spring to summarize the AA results and provide notification of community forums.

- **Public Comment**

- none

- **PSC Next Meeting**

- Tentatively scheduled for January, confirmation notification will be sent in November or December.