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To: LCOG Board Members
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Subject: Coordinated Population Projections

Background

The process to amend the current coordinated population forecasts was established by the jurisdictions during the first coordinated population process in 2004. It was agreed that after the initial coordination was adopted by the LCOG Board, a jurisdiction could choose to adopt, by ordinance, the coordinated population when it is needed for a facility or comprehensive plan. If a jurisdiction chooses not to use their coordinated allocated population, they agreed to notify LCOG staff, the jurisdictional group and interested agencies as part of Goal 2 coordination compliance. The notification must include a justification for the different projection and must address how it will effect the other jurisdictions' population allocations.

Recent planning efforts of local communities may change historic growth trends. Consistent with OAR 660-024-0030, the forecast may consider recent events that have a reasonable likelihood of changing historic trends, such as the siting of a significant new employment generator or the construction of a sewer system or other key public facility not previously available.

Population Coordination Process

As the coordinating body, LCOG staff is proposing to work with the jurisdictional group to come to consensus on a revised population allocation, as was done during the last coordinating effort. LCOG staff will review the process for developing new population forecasts. After the process had been presented to the jurisdictions, LCOG staff will develop draft revised forecasts. Staff will then work with each jurisdiction that wished to change its forecast to secure all the background materials necessary to justify a revision to the population allocation. After the

background materials have been reviewed and included, LCOG staff will develop a final draft population allocation for review and comment by the jurisdictional group. Below is a proposed schedule for the revisions.

February

- Review updated OEA County Forecasts and update population forecast model

March

- Present population forecast assumptions to the Regional Managers
- Develop draft revised population allocation

April

- Disseminate new population figures to jurisdictional bodies and interested parties for comment
- Review materials (facility plans, comp plan amendments, economic development plans, etc.) with jurisdictions interested in additional change

May

- Complete any revisions based on jurisdictional body and interested party feedback

June

- Disseminate new population figures to jurisdictional bodies and interested parties for review and feedback
- Hold meeting with jurisdictional body to discuss revised figures if needed
- Draft findings for adoption

July

- Draft final population allocation figures and findings for review and approval by jurisdictional bodies
- Make a recommendation to the LCOG Board for adoption
- Coordinate with Lane County for adoption if necessary

