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To: Metropolitan Policy Committee

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Subject: Item 4.i.1.ii: Proposed Amendments to the Oregon Highway Plan

Action Recommended: None. Information only.

Issue Summary

At the March 10, 2005 MPC meeting, MPC approved a letter of comment to the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) on proposed freight route designations. Those proposed designations have now been incorporated by ODOT into a set of proposed amendments to the Oregon Highway Plan (OHP).

ODOT has now released a notice of those proposed amendments, as well as the amendments report. The notice, the staff report, and appendices to the staff report are all included with this memo as Attachments 1, 2 and 3, respectively.

The proposed amendments to the OHP concerning freight route designations in the Central Lane MPO area are consistent with the comments forwarded by MPC in March 2005. MPO staff and the MPO's Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) have reviewed the proposed OHP amendments and find no reason for the MPO to submit further comments. However, should MPC wish to do so, action to submit those comments should occur at the July 14th meeting, as the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) is scheduled to consider the OHP amendments at their August 17th meeting.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Notice of Proposed Amendments to the 1999 Oregon Highway Plan

Attachment 2 – OHP Amendments Staff Report - Public Review Draft

Attachment 3 – OHP Report Attachments (*without maps – note that the maps will be posted on the wall for the July 14th meeting and are also available online at <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TP/ohpAmend.shtml>*)