

To: Central Lane Metropolitan Planning Organization

Re: Real Public Involvement in the Central Lane Regional Transportation Plan

We are writing to express our frustration with the public involvement process and to call on you to delay adoption of the regional transportation plan (RTP) update until you can engage the public in real transportation decision-making.

We care about our community's quality of life and environment, and realize that transportation choices have a direct influence on how our community grows. We want to engage in a meaningful discussion about our community's values, our responsibility to future generations, and about the transportation infrastructure and options for addressing future needs before the RTP, our regional transportation blueprint for the future, is too close to adoption for our concerns to make much difference.

We note that the 2004 RTP was adopted over the objections of numerous citizens who expressed their concerns. Work on the 2007 RTP has occurred mostly out of public view, and comments are being solicited only at the very end of the process.

Therefore, we call on you to do the following:

1. Provide the public with the basic information it needs, in plain English, for suggesting alternatives and making choices about how to invest in our regional transportation system.
2. In particular, provide the public with information about the land use assumptions in the plan, a full range of reasonable alternatives for addressing the regional transportation needs, and the performance of each of these alternatives.
3. At any staff meetings where recommendations for transportation priorities are discussed, provide public notice of the meetings in advance, an opportunity for public comments, and minutes reflecting any staff recommendations and the reasoning behind those recommendations.
4. Ask your Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) to determine if efforts to inform and involve the public are sufficient for allowing an interested but non-technical member of the public to participate in the process and have a meaningful impact. Ask the CAC for their written comments about the RTP.
5. Delay adopting the regional transportation plan until the four steps outlined above have been completed, with a goal of adopting a revised RTP by December 2008, a time which we understand would meet new federal requirements to update the RTP every four years.

Sincerely,

The Undersigned

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	Name	Comments	Address
1	Lauri Segel		642 Charnelton, #100, Eugene, OR 97401
2	Rob Handy		455-1/2 River Rd., Eugene, OR 97404
3	Chris Berner		
4	Carleen Reilly		395 Marion Ln., Eugene, OR 97404
5	Mia Nelson		40160 E. First, Lowell, OR 97452
6	Jason Schreiner		Eugene, OR
7	Guy Prouty, Ph.D.		Eugene, OR 97404
8	Jan Spencer		
9	David Saul		285 East 47 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97405
10	Neal Miller		
11	Lisa Arkin		1192 Lawrence St., Eugene, OR 97405
12	Nancy Nichols	My 82 year old parents are moving to Eugene. Try to think of this as 3 signatures.	97430
13	Nancy Miller		
14	Charles Biggs		540 Antelope Way, Eugene, OR 97401
15	Ginny Freeman		
—	Bob Freeman		
16	Dr. Stan Taylor		1285 Mclean Blvd., Eugene, OR 07405
17	Leslie Maguire		Eugene, OR 97405
18	Sandra Bishop	Give the public more say in prioritizing transportation projects.	
19	Majeska Seese-Green		Eugene, OR 97402

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20	Ruth Duemler		
21	Bob Cassidy		1401 E. 27 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97403
22	James Gent		Eugene, OR 97403
23	Bob Rosen		Eugene, OR 97405
24	B.K. Barr		1275 Betty Ln., Eugene, OR 97404
25	Sarah Strand		182 E. 48 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97405
26	Allen ?		Eugene, OR 97405
27	Joan Kleban		Eugene, OR 97402
28	Christopher Michaels		Eugene, OR 97402
29	Patience Pontious		Eugene, OR 97405
30	Denise-Christine (full legal name)		1355 Taft St., Eugene, OR 97402
31	Rush Wayne		Eugene, OR 97403
32	Cathy Verret		Eugene, OR 97405
33	Nancy Ellen Locke		Eugene, OR 97405
34	Carla Wenzlaff		Eugene, OR 97405
35	Jude Hobbs		Eugene, OR 97401
36	Jude Hobbs		Eugene, OR 97401
37	Debby Todd		Florence, OR 97439
38	Daphne Stone		
39	John Herberg		1564 Mill Alley, Apt C, Eugene, OR 97401
40	Kathy Ging		Eugene, OR
41	Kirk Giudici		Eugene, OR 97402
42	Mark Roberts		1117 W. 11 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97402

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43	Sara Pritt		Eugene, OR 97401
44	Dan Smellow		1049 Elkay Dr., Eugene, OR
45	Planet Glassberg		
46	Eileen Nittler		
47	Evelyn McConnaughey		1653 Fairmount Blvd., Eugene, OR 97403
48	Alice Shapiro	We are trying to start a committee here on the coast—we need help and involvement. With so many older people here, good public transportation is an absolute need.	Florence, OR 97439
49	Robert Thompson	By ‘all the facts,’ we’d like to know how many bus drivers will loose their jobs, how many routes dropped, how will feeder routes be developed, etc.	Eugene, OR 97402
50	Darelle B. Baker	Allow us be involved!	Eugene, OR 97405
51	H. M. Sustaita	Educating and getting the people involved should always be a first priority.	
52	Cary Thompson		
53	Joseph Vaccher		
54	Zane Ziemer		3760 Hwy. 101 N. #7 Florence, OR 97439
55	Carlos Barrera		
56	Howard Shapiro	We must have accurate information on which to base our decision before any public meeting.	Florence, OR 97439
57	Lisa Warnes	I would stress <i>real</i> public involvement.	5020 Nectar Way, Eugene, OR 97405
58	Kathy Saranpa		Friendly St., Eugene, OR 97405
59	Annie Hoag		Eugene, OR
60	Thomas Lincoln		
61	Jozef Siekiel- Zdzienicki		
62	Arthur M Farley		Fairmount Blvd, Eugene, OR 97403

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63	Joyce P. Gall	I heartily agree that more information and more effort to get public input is needed from those involved in the Central Lane RTP!	4810 Mahalo Dr., Eugene, OR 97405
64	Micheal Sunanda	We need bicycles.	Eugene, OR 97402
65	Mary E Otten		
66	Camille Shelton	Let's have some real dialogue about public/mass transit—improve the quality of everyone's life.	
67	David Kolb		
68	Melanie Rios		882 Almaden St., Eugene, OR 97402
69	Robin A Nelson	Let's work together!	1648 Alder St, Eugene, OR 97401
70	Alicia Swaringen		
71	Mary Addams		
72	Boz Van Houten		Eugene, OR
73	Dirk Beaulieu		
74	Catherine Lesiak		1600 E. Beacon, Eugene, OR 97404
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76	Katie Weidman		Eugene, OR 97401
77	Deborah Hebert		285 E. 47 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97405
78	John Rose	Community members have much to offer.	97401
79	Robin Szczepaniak		554 E. 13 th Alley, Eugene, OR
80	Luke Ward		1790 Alder, Eugene, OR 97401
81	Gary Heldt		3477 Onyx St., Eugene, OR 97405
82	Dr. Kent Fleming		1193 W. 5 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97402

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83	Shelley Hoose		97402
84	Rand Dawson	I support the petition goal.	82820 Siltcoos St. Rd., Westlake, OR 97493
85	Ralph E. Farnsworth		
86	Audrey M. Farnsworth		
87	Phyllis Drucks	Central Transportation Planning is essential and Public Transportation is a must, absolutely.	2331 Todd St., Eugene, OR 97405
—	Jerry Drucks	Central Transportation Planning is essential and Public Transportation is a must, absolutely.	2331 Todd St., Eugene, OR 97405
88	Kellyn Gross	Please give citizens a transparent, responsible, participatory process for our transportation needs	1175 E. 25 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97403
89	David Hoffman	Maintenance <i>first</i> .	
90	Richard Koehler	Time to return to the use of railroads for passengers—peak oil will be here soon.	
91	Jan Wilson	Land use plans must be the basis for transportation and other facility planning documents.	
92	Brad Howard		Eugene, OR 97401
93	Stuart Henderson		
94	Don Norton		
95	Gwen Jaspers	More information in easy to understand language, please.	Eugene, OR 97402
96	David S. Kelly		Eugene, OR 97401
97	Michael Carrigan		1439 W. 4 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97402
98	Ellen Cantor		Eugene, OR 97402
99	Mary O'Brien	A full range of public-influenced alternatives is essential	3525 Gilham Rd., Eugene, OR 97408
100	Edward Winter		Eugene, OR, 97402
101	Shannon Wilson	Over 2500 local Sierra Club Members in the Eugene/Springfield deserve to be notified of this process and how to participate.	3920 E. 17 th Ave., Eugene, OR

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102	Carla Hervert		2948 Dry Creek Rd., Eugene, OR 97404
103	Deborah Noble		
104	Michael Strasburger		
105	Chris Okray		
106	Rex Redmon	Former MPOCAC Co-chair—It's not an easy request to really evaluate the flaws in our transportation planning process, we cannot however afford not to. We must find a way to overcome this continuous cycle of racing to meet mandated plan update deadlines without staff time for real objective analysis or meaningful public involvement.	
107	Diane Bailiff	Thank you!	Florence, OR 97439
108	John Allcott	I would like our Transportation planning process to more powerfully sharpen understanding of consequences of the alternatives which our children will by necessity live with.	Eugene, OR 97403
109	Derek Phillips		
110	David Sonnichsen		2435 Skyline Blvd., Eugene, OR 97403
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112	Kevin Matthews	President, Friends of Eugene	www.FriendsofEugene.org
113	Mark Robinowitz	Fix our "troubled bridges over water."	Eugene, OR 97405
114	Gwen Farnsworth		
115	Kate Perle		
116	Mona Linstromberg	There has been no communication with the small cities.	
117	Sarah Alexander Nunn		Eugene, OR 97402
118	Lisa Arkin		
119	Phyllis Haynes	Make the planning process more transparent instead of hiding from the public. <i>You are supposed to be serving!</i>	

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120	Bethany Sherman		
121	Nick Baum		
122	Taylor Meizlish		Eugene, OR 97401
123	David Monk		
124	Peter Howland		
125	Betty Vail		
126	Richard Gold	We demand Real Public Involvement in RTP.	1970 W.13 th , Eugene, OR 97402
127	Daniel Sussman		Eugene, OR 97403
128	Bernard L. "Larry" Koenigsberg		1915 Fairmount Blvd., Eugene, OR 97403
129	Rob Zako	Thanks for doing this petition. As one speaker said at the public hearing on October 11, the fact that only a handful of the "usual suspects" showed up to testify—and on a plan directing literally hundreds of millions of dollars in taxpayer money—indicates the current public involvement process isn't working. I am an expert in transportation policy and still am frustrated by the lack of information and choices to comment on. How is an average citizen ever to hope to engage in such an intimidating process?	1280-B East 28 th Ave., Eugene, OR 97403
130	Roger Rabb		Eugene, OR 97405
131	Joe Daunt		255 E. 33 rd Ave., Eugene, OR
132	Karen Kennedy		Eugene, OR
133	Julie Hulme		

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