



**PORTLAND FREIGHT COMMITTEE
AGENDA
Meeting No. 116**

WHEN: Thursday, February 7, 2013 @ 7:30 AM
WHERE: Lovejoy Room (2nd Floor), City Hall,
1221 SW 4th Avenue

<u>Time:</u>	<u>Topic:</u>	<u>Lead:</u>
7:30 AM	Coffee/Pastries/Introductions	All
7:35 AM	City Bureaus and Agencies: Bureau reports of upcoming topics and announcements.	Debra Dunn
7:45 AM	Hot Topics, Points of Interest, Successes: PFC members will report on current issues from their respective industries and affiliations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• North Portland Greenway Trail/Columbia Blvd Crossing Update• NE Sandy/9th Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements• Columbia Multimodal Corridor Study	Debra/Committee Members
8:00 AM	2016-18 Regional Flexible Funds Allocation: Bob will present the draft freight project recommendations and next steps in preparing the project applications which are due on March 15 th (project list attached).	Bob Hillier
8:30 AM	Portland Comprehensive Plan Update: Courtney Duke will provide an update on the Working Draft of the Portland Comprehensive Plan and lead a discussion on the draft transportation goals and policies contained in Chapter 7 -see the following link and look under "Working Draft Part 1" on the left side of the screen: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/pdxcompplan	Courtney Duke (PBOT)
9:30 AM	Adjourn Next Meeting – March 7th 2013 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Final Recommended Regional Flexible Funds Freight Projects• Portland Comprehensive Plan Workshop Update• Sellwood Bridge Project Construction Update	

Questions about this agenda or other questions about the Portland Freight Committee (PFC):

- Contact Robert Hillier, 503 823-7567 or Robert.hillier@portlandoregon.gov
- Also visit the Portland Freight Committee website at: www.portlandonline.com/transportation/freight

**Notes from Meeting No. 115
Portland Freight Committee
January 3, 2013
7:30 AM, Lovejoy Room, (City Hall)**

Summary of Items Discussed:

- Bob Hillier will present the draft MTIP freight project recommendations to the Portland Business Alliance Transportation Committee on January 8th.
- The North Portland Greenway Trail Open House will be held on January 9th at the University of Portland.
- The Economic Development Policy Expert Group (PEG) for the Comprehensive Plan Update will be held on January 16th from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability.
- Tony Coleman reported that ODOT is looking for freight representatives for the Oregon Hwy 8 Canyon Creekside development project.
- Brock Nelson reported an Oregon Rail Plan Steering Committee will be held on January 17th.
- Deena Platman provided an overview of Metro’s Freight Planning Program which includes the following elements:
 - Policy (NHS designation, ORS 366.215 - aka “hole in the air”)
 - Congestion management, data collection and analysis
 - Regional freight coordination issues
 - Regional Freight Projects (MTIP, Over-dimensional truck strategy, freight-passenger rail study)
- Deena recommended the following activities for implementing the Regional Freight Program for 2013:
 - Reconvene the Regional Freight Technical Advisory Committee meetings
 - Update the Regional Truck Model
 - Monitor the Climate Smart Communities project
 - Update the Cost of Congestion Study
 - Coordinate regional freight planning activities with the regional export strategies and industrial development plans
- *Comment: “Metro needs to be the entity responsible for planning regional freight movements and the ability to move freight on key regional freight routes.”*
- Debra Dunn reviewed the list of 2012 PFC priorities and accomplishments and will work with Bob Hillier for updating the list for 2013 based on other work load assignment.
- A PFC workgroup will be scheduled in January to review the goals and policies in Chapter 7 – Transportation – of the Draft Comprehensive Plan. It was requested that PBOT/BPS staff that are involved with the Comp Plan also attend.
- The PFC requested a presentation on the Draft Comprehensive Plan at the February meeting.
- The following topics were requested for future PFC meetings:
 - Tom Dechenne: Industrial land supply (April)
 - Kevin Johnson: Advanced manufacturing
 - Tony Coleman: Sellwood Bridge construction update
 - Matthew Machado: PBOT Truck Signage Update Project
 - Tina Kotek: (State legislative issues on freight/industrial development)
- **Next Meeting:** February 7, 2013, 7:30 – 9:30 AM, Lovejoy Room (City Hall), 1220 SW 5th Avenue.



Summary Reports from City Bureaus and Agencies
Portland Freight Committee
February 7, 2012

Portland Bureau of Transportation:

St. Johns Truck Strategy Phase II

The final Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting was held on February 4th at the St. Johns Community Center. SAC members endorsed the recommended improvements and a STIP Enhance Funding request for \$2,927,890 was submitted for project construction which includes:

- Remove on-street parking on N. Lombard Street between St. Johns and St. Louis to accommodate 12-foot travel lanes (they are currently substandard with on-street parking).
- Reconfigure the St. Johns intersection to improve site distance through the 'S' curve and reduce pedestrian exposure by channeling side street traffic from St. Johns and N. Jersey.
- Modernize the pedestrian signal at N. Reno Ave to detect truck traffic flow on N. Lombard.
- Provide traffic calming treatment along the N. Fessenden/St. Louis corridor (i.e., media islands, curb extensions, painted crosswalks, rapid flash beacons, speed reader boards), while maintaining 11-foot travel lanes to accommodate local delivery trucks, city buses and emergency vehicles.
- Reconfigure N Portland Rd/Columbia Blvd ramps and improve truck flow onto Columbia Blvd.

N Burgard Bridge Construction Project

The Burgard Bridge located just south of the Schnitzer Steel and T-4 entrance in the Rivergate Industrial District is currently being replaced. At least one lane will always remain open during the construction period to minimize freight impacts and the project is expected to be completed by June 2014.

Portland Bureau of Planning & Sustainability:

Portland Comprehensive Plan

The Portland Bureau of Planning & Sustainability is holding a series of public workshops to solicit comments on the draft Comprehensive Plan at the following dates and locations:

- Tuesday, Feb 19, 6 – 9 p.m., Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 SW Capitol Highway.
- Tuesday, Feb 26, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., De La Salle North Catholic High School, 7528 N Fenwick Ave.
- Thursday, Feb 28, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., Franklin High School, 5405 SE Woodward Street.
- Saturday, March 2, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., David Douglas High School, 1001 SE 135th Avenue
- Tuesday, March 5, 5 – 8 p.m., PSU Smith Memorial Student Union, 1825 SW Broadway.
- Saturday, March 9, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Beaumont Middle School, 4043 NE Fremont
- Thursday, March 14, 7:30 – 9:30 a.m., (location to be determined)

West Hayden Island

A Planning & Sustainability Commission Work Session will be held on February 12th from 1:30-3:30 p.m. to discuss community health issues and traffic impacts on North Hayden Island Drive and relationship with the CRC.

Oregon Department of Transportation:

Policy:

STIP Enhance Project Selection

The next STIP Enhance Project Selection Committee meeting has been set for **February 26th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM**. The committee will hopefully be making their 150% project list recommendation which will then get reviewed by a couple of statewide advisory committees (including OFAC) and the Oregon Transportation Commission. For those that would like to learn more about what projects are under consideration they should visit <http://www.oregon.gov/odot/hwy/region1/pages/stip/index.aspx> and click on Enhance".

Design/Construction:

Airport Way Interchange

This project will start within the next month. Hamilton Construction award project consisting of widening of the existing NB I-205 on-ramp and construction of new WB Airport Way to NB I-205 on-ramp. Intermittent lane restriction on ramp anticipated over a two year period. Currently, daytime and nighttime.

North Portland Greenway Trail (aka Willamette Greenway Trail)

Willamette Greenway Trail – Columbia Blvd. crossing application being updated to explore grade separated crossing after hearing concerns of the Portland freight community and stakeholders

Port of Portland:

I-205/Airport Way

Construction is set to begin this spring on improvements to a portion of the Interstate 205/Airport Way interchange. More than 10,000 people depend on Airport Way daily for commuting, deliveries and getting to and from the airport. The project, which has been under study since 2007 by ODOT and the Port of Portland, will help reduce congestion and delays.

www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION1/airportway/

PDX

Preparing for reconstruction of Taxiway C and part of the south runway at Portland International Airport. The \$20 million project is slated to begin in April and finish in mid-October. A majority of the improvements to Taxiway C are being paid for by the airlines that use it.

A small portion of the south runway – the airport’s longest at 11,000 feet – is also being replaced after a military jet’s tire failed and damaged it. The Air National Guard is paying for the south runway repairs.

Passenger traffic also increased as a result of several new flights out of Portland, such as Virgin America’s service to Los Angeles and San Francisco, and Alaska Airlines’ service to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport in Washington, D.C. While the number of flights at PDX decreased 1.4 percent last year, the number of passengers increased. In 2012, PDX served approximately 14.4 million passengers – nearly as many as the airport’s all-time high of 14.6 million in 2007. Johnson said the port anticipates the number of passengers increasing to 14.7 million in 2013.

Cargo traffic grew as well last year, cargo capacity increased 2.3 percent to 219,000 tons of freight and mail. The port anticipates 2 percent more growth in 2013.