

Summary of Major Freight Projects and Issues (2017/18)

1. I-5/I-84 Rose Quarter Project
Project Summary: HB2017 allocated \$450 million for project construction to include auxiliary lanes and shoulders on I-5 to improve traffic operations as well as local multi-modal access and safety improvements.
Freight Issues: Identified as one of the most congested freeway interchanges in the state and a pivotal project that lead to the passage of the HB2017 transportation package. There is some local opposition for any freeway expansion as part of this project.
2. Freight Master Plan Update
Project Summary: The current Freight Master Plan was adopted in 2006 and there have been many other related planning initiatives completed since then that are not reflected in the current FMP. Updating the FMP is identified as a Portland Progress Strategic Initiative.
Freight Issues: Have been unsuccessful in requesting TGM funding to date. Will need to identify other potential funding sources or resubmit a TGM funding request in 2018.
3. Columbia-Lombard Mobility Corridor Plan
Project Summary: PBOT was recently awarded \$200,000 in TGM funding or identifying multi-modal improvements along this corridor.
Freight Issues: Concerns have been raised by freight stakeholders that freight system capacity may be compromised at the expense of providing pedestrian and bicycle facilities on designated Priority Truck Streets. PFC/freight stakeholders should help craft the TGM work scope and deliverables to ensure freight capacity is protected.
4. PBOT Strategic Investment Strategy (Regional Transportation Bond)
Project Summary: PBOT in partnership with Metro and TriMet is considering putting a \$1.7 billion regional transportation bond measure on the ballot for light rail and street projects. \$740 million of the money raised would be for the Southwest Corridor light-rail project.
Freight Issues: PBOT staff will present the draft Investment Strategy Work Plan to PFC and the other modal advisory committee in November/December 2017. PFC to monitor development of this initiative and project list to ensure regional freight priority projects are included.
5. SW Corridor Light Rail Project
Project Summary: The Southwest Corridor light-rail project is expected to cost over \$2 billion and could have impact freight access and mobility along SW Barbur Boulevard.
Freight Issues: Project is in the pre NEPA phase and should be monitored by regional freight stakeholders for potential impacts.
6. ODOT Congestion/Value Pricing Program
Project Summary: HB2017 established a Portland Region Value Pricing Advisory Committee to explore the feasibility of implementing value pricing on I-5 and I-205 in the Portland region.
Freight Issues: Several PFC members serve on the Advisory Committee.

7. Central City in Motion Planning Project/Central Eastside Industrial District
Project Summary: Previously called the Central City Multimodal Project is focused on prioritizing strategic investments in protected bikeways, pedestrian safety improvements and targeted transit projects for the next 5-10 years. Developing the Green Loop is a key element of this project which would cut through the center of the CEID.
Freight Issues: CEID represented on project TAC. Need to monitor potential impacts on freight/traffic flow operations from recommended improvements and the Green Loop.

8. Middle Wage Manufacturing and Industrial Jobs and Land Supply
Project Summary: The Portland region has one of the highest concentrations of industrial and manufacturing jobs in the U.S. that provide a solid source of middle wage jobs area residents. The City of Portland is also challenged with providing a sufficient supply of usable industrial land for accommodating the anticipated growth in regional employment.
Freight Issues: Limited land supply coupled with regulatory issues present challenges for retaining and growing our industrial job base. Industry stakeholders will need to work with regional decision makers and regulatory entities to identify solutions for supporting industrial employment needs.

9. I-5/I-84 and I-205 Construction Projects
Project Summary: In 2018 ODOT will be initiating several major construction projects on I-5/I-84 and I-205 that will require temporary lane closures and detours creating major traffic impacts in the Portland area.
Freight Issues: Freight and general traffic flow will be impacted during project construction. Expected delays in freight delivery and through traffic.