

OREGON TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 15, 2024

Time: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Clackamas County Transportation and Development

Location: 150 Beavercreek Rd

Oregon City, OR 97045

Virtual/Hybrid Option: Microsoft Teams Meeting

IN ATTENDANCE

Committee Members

- □ Laurel Byer, Vice Chair, Benton County

- □ Cadell Chand, Washington County

ODOT

- Brenda Gessner, Program Analyst Social Equity
- Brendan Baggett, Traffic Work Zone Analyst
- Christina McDaniel-Wilson, State Traffic Safety Engineer
- Eric Finney, Engineering Manager Region 3
- Eric Leaming, State Traffic Investigations Engineer
- o Fahad Alhajri, Work Zone Standards Engineer
- Frank Belleque, Traffic Markings & Sign Engineer
- Gary Obery, Traffic and Active Modes Engineer
- Jamie Schmidt, Traffic Operations Engineer Region 2
- o Jiguang Zhao, Traffic Safety Engineer
- Justin King, State Traffic Work Zone Engineer

- Katie Johnson, Traffic Signal Quality Engineer
- Maria Morrow, Support Specialist ETSB
- Marie Kennedy, State Traffic Sign Engineer
- Peter Schuytema, Statewide Policy and Plan Engineer
- Raymond Lapke, Traffic Engineer Region 3
- Rodger Gutierrez, Bicycle and Pedestrian Design Engineer
- Scott Jollo, State Traffic Structures Engineer
- Roger Boettcher, Traffic Signal Operations Specialist
- Sarah McCrea, Traffic Signal System Engineer
- Scott Cramer, State Traffic Signal Engineer

Others Present (online or in person)

- Bret Jones, City of Eugene
- Colton Hanson, Marion County
- Colton Minton, Jackson County
- Don Alexander, Marion County
- Eric Anderson, Marion County
- Ioana Cosma, Clackamas County

- Matt Dorado, Washington County
- Matthew Machado, City of Portland
- Melissa Norman, Washington County
- Natasha Karan, City of Eugene
- Nick Forty, FHWA
- Pat Marnell, Q-Free

- Jabra Khasho, City of Beaverton
- James Philp, Jackson County
- Jason Spear, Sierra
- Kevin Hottman, City of Salem
- Massoud Saberian, ETRC

- Robert Lowe, City of Medford
- o Ryan Lancaster, Idaho Transportation Department
- Sarah Owens, Washington County
- Scott Miller, City of Springfield

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Chair, Karl MacNair, called the meeting to order at 9:00am
- Round table introductions of committee and non-committee members
- Previous meeting's minutes incomplete, will be approved at a future meeting
- Requested a moment of silence for Craig Chadwick who recently passed away and served as OTCDC administrative support for over 2 decades

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE/NOA ITEMS

Joseph Marek provided room and building logistics

NOMINATIONS FOR 2025 OTDC CHAIR & VICE-CHAIR

- Karl MacNair called for nominations for Chair
 - Kevin Haas nominated Laurel Byer, Vice-Chair, as Chair for 2025
 - Will Farley second
 - All in favor, none opposed
- Karl MacNair called for nominations for Vice-Chair
 - Kevin Haas nominated Will Farley
 - Maggie Lin second
 - All in favor, none opposed

OTCDC 2025 MEETING CALENDAR

- Kevin Haas provided explanation for need to change meeting cadence due to ACEC meeting conflict
- Proposed 2025 Meeting Schedule:

Date	Location
January 24	Online MS Teams
March 28	Online MS Teams (Note: conflicts with Oregon school Spring Break)
June 20	Online MS Teams
August 15	Online MS Teams (possibly hybrid or in-person meeting)
October 17	Online MS Teams
December 19	Online MS Teams

- Karl MacNair requested feedback or concerns
 - All in favor, none opposed

ODOT 11TH EDITION MUTCO IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

- Eric Learning provided explanation of implementation dates
 - o Projects that reach the Design Acceptance phase as of August 1st, 2025, will be using the 11th edition.
 - Project staff advised to pay attention to changes as projects get close to construction.
- Karl MacNair provided time for questions

OREGON SUPPLEMENT TO THE 11TH EDITION MUTCD PROPOSALS

Decisions based on:

Green - Accept and move forward with changes

Yellow – Back to Subcommittee for changes

Red – Do not move forward

Eric Learning has asked that if changes are carrying over from previous versions verbatim, it should be notated.

Part 1 - General

- Proposal 11101 Adding engineering judgement to definition of "standard" and modifying definition of "intersection."
 - o modified the definition on "standard" including the role of engineering judgement and allowance to deviate from standard. Also, definition for intersection.
 - General discussion for clarification on wording used for modifying the definition on "Standard" including the role of engineering judgement.
 - Eric Learning clarified that both Engineering Judgement and documented study are required.
 - 2 votes yellow
 - Majority votes red
 - Consensus to send back to committee for further proposal
 - o Discussion about concerns regarding 30-foot specification for a wide divided median.
 - Kevin Haas explained this could be readdressed after legislation if needed.
 - Nick Forty explained FHWA's stance and their ability to provide input.
 - Majority votes green

Part 2 – Signs

- Proposal 11201 Edits for Oregon's stop for peds statute
 - Yield to Peds vs. Stop for Peds.
 - Unanimously voted green
- Proposal 11202 Edits for speed zone studies in Oregon Administrative Rules
 - Lines up with our existing OAR/ORS on how Oregon does speed limits
 - Majority votes green
 - One vote yellow
- Proposal 11203 Lane use signs right turn only below a stop sign
 - Right/Left only signs under stop signs on one-way roadways
 - MUTCD currently states they must be overhead; this change moves them to pole mounted.
 - Oregon has been post mounting the signs under stop signs.
 - Proposal is to still allow the post mounted sign.
 - Discussion about our ability to change the language from "should" to "may" or "shall" to "should"
 - Unanimously voted yellow
- Proposal 11204 No right turn on red
 - Sign for allowing right turn on red arrow at every red arrow location
 - o This is an additional sign that isn't required because right turn on red is covered under ORS.
 - Discussion no additional safety issues without the sign.
 - Wording includes change in language from "should" to "may"
 - Unanimously voted yellow
- **Proposal 11205** Edits for photo enforced signs and plagues in Oregon statute
 - Strike all signs regarding photo enforcement and default to ORS rules for any photo enforcement signs
 - One vote for green
 - Majority votes yellow
- Proposal 11206 Edits for variable speed zone signing in Oregon Administrative Rules
 - Speed zone posting for variable speed limits; Eric Learning provided clarification on the purpose of the proposal.
 - Unanimously voted green

BREAK

Part 3 - Markings

- Proposal 11301 Discernable space of a double line
 - Insight provided about national changes to 6-inch lines.
 - Unanimously voted green
- Proposal 11302 Stop and yield lines
 - General discussion to gain clarification.
 - Examples provided regarding shared use path near TriMet stops
 - 1 vote green
 - Majority voted yellow
- **Proposal 11303** Two way left turn lanes
 - Proposal to strike section.
 - Open discussion about modification or additional language instead of striking.
 - Unanimously voted green
- **Proposal 11304** Line Extensions through Intersections
 - Application of pavement markings through intersection or interchanges
 - Added characteristics of driveways
 - 2 votes yellow
 - Majority voted green
- Proposal 11305 Correcting known errors in Figure 3B-14
 - Unanimously voted green
- **Proposal 11306** Crosswalk language clarification
 - Adding of marked crosswalks to design of markings
 - Unanimously voted green
- Proposal 11307 Crosswalk bars in narrow bike lanes
 - Language option added to have less elements to allow for when it cannot be met with current guidance
 - Unanimously voted yellow
- **Proposal 11308** Green markings in medians
 - Islands designed by pavement markings adds the option for green markings
 - Unanimously voted green

Part 4 – Highway Traffic Signals

- Proposal 11401 Right turn on red arrow
 - Unanimously voted green
- Proposal 11402 Edits for crosswalk closure signing in Oregon statute
 - Change is restrictive to comply with Oregon law
 - Unanimously voted green
- Proposal 11403 Operations during emergency preemption or bus priority
 - Change is restrictive to comply with Oregon law
 - 2 votes yellow
 - 3 votes green
- Proposal 11404 Walk time with leading pedestrian interval + walk interval with FYA
 - o Leading pedestrian intervals remove additional walk portion if you have audible walk signals
 - Do not allow a flashing yellow across the walk signal
 - Majority voted yellow
 - 2 voted green
- **Proposal 11405** Alternative pedestrian hybrid beacon operation
 - This is added as an option, not a requirement
 - FHWA requested explanation in support of pedestrian movements
 - Unanimously voted yellow
- Proposal 11406 Audible pedestrian signal speech messaging
 - o Adding information about the name of the street, as well as closures, during the wait phases.
 - Unanimously voted green

LUNCH

Part 5 - Traffic Control Device Consideration for Automated Vehicles

No Supplements proposed for section 5.

Kevin Haas mentioned this part may need to be readdressed when or if legislation would affect it.

Part 6 – Temporary Traffic Control

- **Proposal 11601** Oregon Temporary Traffic Control Handbook
 - The Oregon Temporary Traffic Control Handbook (OTTCH) is the only supplement element planned for part
 6.
 - Subcommittee was created to update OTTCH.
 - OTTCH draft should be ready for review by OTCDC in January 2025.
 - Unanimously voted green

Part 7 – Traffic Control for School Areas

- Proposal 11701 Oregon-specific materials and statutes on school speed zones
 - School speed limit signs and plaques, with the addition of references to ODOT manual.
 - Unanimously voted yellow
- Proposal 11702 Add reference to Oregon Dept. of Education crossing guards' materials
 - Forward from previous supplement.
 - Unanimously voted green
- Proposal 11703 Crossing guards using SCHOOL flag instead of a STOP paddle
 - Providing option for flags or stop paddle
 - Forward from previous supplement
 - Votes split yellow and green

Part 8 – Traffic Control for Railroad and Light Rail Transit Grade Crossings

- Proposal 11801 Rail division authorities in Oregon statue
 - Systems and practices at grade crossing, forward from previous version.
 - Unanimously voted green
- **Proposal 11802** STOP signs for trains (proposed new section)
 - o Rail OARS are currently being revised and changes are in partnership with the Railway section.
 - o It was suggested that the rail's interface with traffic be removed, as it is not meant for vehicular traffic.
 - Unanimously voted Red
- **Proposal 11803** Private crossing signs (proposed new section)
 - Evan Sether suggested trespassing verbiage on the sign may or may not impact if this should be in the MUTCD
 - One vote yellow
 - Majority voted green
- Proposal 11804 Rail grade crossing pavement markings
 - Unanimously voted green
- **Proposal 11805** Rail stop line
 - Majority voted yellow
 - One vote green
- Proposal 11806 Flashing light signals + audible warning devices
 - Majority voted yellow
 - One vote green
- Proposal 11807 Light rail transit (LRT) signals for legacy installations (e.g. PBOT/TriMet)
 - Clarification was provided, these signals are used by trained staff, not the general public.
 - Additional conversation may be needed with Transit districts to gain information
 - Suggested to invite agencies to next OTCDC meeting
 - Unanimously voted yellow
- Proposal 11808 Sign and flashing signal size for pedestrians
 - Pathway and sidewalk signs and marking
 - Majority voted yellow
 - One vote green

- Proposal 11809 Correcting reporting error/oversight in Figure 8B-2
 - Reflective strip on grade crossings
 - Unanimously voted green
- Proposal 11810 Documentation about using Fig. 8C-1 instead of legacy Fig. 8B-6(OR)
 - o Grade crossing advanced warning signs, forward from previous version.
 - One vote yellow
 - Majority voted green

BREAK

Karl MacNair called the group to break at 2:29, requesting return at 2:40 Meeting resumed at 2:40

Part 9 – Traffic Control for Bicycle Facilities

- Proposal 11901 Acknowledging Oregon's stop-as-vield law
 - Unanimously voted green
- Proposal 11902 Edits for Oregon's right-of-way statues on sidewalks
 - Bicycles yield to pedestrian signs
 - Unanimously voted yellow
- **Proposal 11903** Edits for Oregon's Bicycle passing clearance law
 - General discussion about the possible signage and wording
 - o Comment from the audience informed committee that there are possible associated studies out of California
 - 3 voted red
 - 4 voted yellow
- Proposal 11904 Meaning of green bicycle signal indication, use of bicycle signal sign
 - Open discussion about the need and use of the changes
 - Evan Sether raised concerns regarding sign/signal clutter
 - Unanimously voted yellow
- **Proposal 11905** Retain Oregon's bicycle destination/distance/travel time signs (OBD1-Xc)
 - Vote split yellow and green
- Proposal 11906 Retain Oregon's non-numbered bicycle route signed (OBM1-8 & OBM1-8a)
 - Unanimously voted Green
- Proposal 11907 Bicycle lanes Retain 8-inch line and bicyclist symbol marking with arrow
 - Committee requested partial votes:
 - Symbol
 - Unanimously voted red
 - o 8-inch line
 - Unanimously voted green
 - Word marking
 - Unanimously voted green
- **Proposal 11908** Solid line for bicycle lanes on intersection approaches, edits to provision for bicycle lane to the right of a right turn lane/left of a left turn lane
 - Committee requested partial votes:
 - Bike lanes at intersection approaches
 - Majority voted yellow
 - 4 votes green
 - Position of bike lane
 - Unanimously voted green
- **Proposal 11909** Bicycle box alignment at intersection stop line (crosswalk)
 - Vote split yellow and green
- **Proposal 11910** Marking for shared use path crossings
 - No Votes
- **Proposal 11911** Bicycle detector markings
 - Majority voted yellow
 - One vote green
- Proposal 11912 Correcting known error related to raised devices
 - Unanimously voted green

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

No RoundTable Discussion

NOT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Appreciation given to:

- o Karl MacNair, Chair of OTCDC for 2024
- Clackamas County for hosting the meeting
- o ITE for refreshments

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

From Proposal 11807 – Invite PBOT/TriMet to future meeting for further discussion

ADJOURN

Karl MacNair called the meeting to adjourn at 4:04pm

NEXT MEETING

Date: January 24, 2025

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Location: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Virtual/Hybrid Option: Microsoft Teams Meeting