DRAFT – Official Program Action Approval Roles

Interstate Bridge Replacement Program

The Interstate Bridge Replacement Program will involve coordination with many entities, including ongoing direction from the legislative assemblies of both states and guidance by official bodies and their representatives. This document lists several official actions that will be necessary to support continued program development as well as eventual construction and operation. Ongoing guidance and coordination with federal agencies, state legislatures and local partners is essential to build towards these formal actions such that the direction of the program aligns with priorities of these entities.

Official Program Action	Oregon Entity with Authority	Washington Entity with Authority	Other Entity with Authority
State funding (program development)	OTC or Oregon Legislature*	Washington Legislature	
State funding (Right of way and Construction*) *includes varying degrees of detail on scope, schedule/phasing and budget	Oregon Legislature	Washington Legislature	
NEPA approvals (Purpose and Need, Supplemental Draft EIS, Final Supplemental EIS, Record of Decision)	ODOT (via stewardship agreements with FHWA/FTA)	WSDOT (via stewardship agreements with FHWA/FTA)	FHWA/FTA (NEPA federal leads)
Authorization to toll for project funding	Oregon Legislature/OTC**	Washington Legislature	Federal law or FHWA
Authorization to borrow against toll revenue	Oregon Legislature	Washington Legislature	Coordination b/t DOTs and State Treasury Offices
Toll rate setting	OTC (per a toll rate setting agreement between the states)	WSTC (per a toll rate setting agreement between the states)	

^{*}The Oregon Transportation Commission has authority to allocate discretionary funds in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and can likely cover program development costs from these discretionary funds, but the Oregon Legislature could choose to allocate funding for program development.

^{**}The Oregon Transportation Commission has statutory authority to toll state highways in Oregon, but the Oregon Legislature may choose to provide direction on tolling in statute.