

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 42: Department of Transportation Columbia River Highway Trail

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Gomberg

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means approve an application by the Oregon Department of Transportation to apply to the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration for a \$774,000 grant for maintenance facility upgrades and accommodations maintained by the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

The grant application would support upgrades to a park maintenance station and visitor facilities along a segment of the Columbia River Gorge Highway State Trail. The section of trail related to this grant request consists of a five mile stretch of the project connecting the western segments of the State Trail to Hood River and The Dalles. ODOT will contract for the improvements and be responsible for reporting and compliance. The Parks and Recreation Department is supplying a 20% match from Facility Investment program Funds.

The Subcommittee recommends approval.