



Joint Committee on Transportation, Special Subcommittee on Transportation Planning (SSTP) Work Plan

Purpose

The Joint Committee on Transportation, Special Subcommittee on Transportation Planning (SSTP) will be focused on a tolling program including five key areas of exploration: road system capacity, traffic, and congestion; expected outcomes of tolling on driver behaviors and travel patterns; effectiveness, safety, and diversion impacts of gantry locations; logistics of toll collection; and tolling rate (usage fee).

Over the course of the 2023-2024 biennium, the SSTP will be:

- Engaging with community members and stakeholders to learn more about the effects and tradeoffs of tolling on I-205 and I-5, and
- Reviewing agency tolling recommendations and assumptions to increase understanding and confidence in the outcome of tolling proposals.

Meeting Schedule*

Foundational Understanding

September Legislative Days, Wednesday, September 27th, 8:30 -11:00 am

1. Purpose of the Special Subcommittee on Transportation Planning

Invited presenters: Co-Chair of the Joint Transportation Committee, Governor's Office, and Oregon Transportation Commission Chair

- Role of the Commission, the SSTP, and the Legislature
- Decision-making process

2. SSTP Work Plan Overview

- Review the workplan
- Discuss the goal of the program; specific products and methods will be reviewed at subsequent meetings

3. Foundational Background

Invited presenters: Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)

- Focus on the need assessment and current traffic, congestion, and safety issues

4. Potential Infrastructure Outcomes of Proposed Tolling Revenue

Invited presenters: ODOT

- How the revenue would be used (e.g. bridge improvements, ramps, maintenance, public transit, etc.)
- In addition to congestion management what other changes and improvements will travelers and communities see?

Community Meetings

Four community meetings to review specific concerns focusing on congestion management, tolls, gantry locations, diversion, and mitigation.

Meeting Scope:

1. Local Officials and Primary Stakeholder Engagement
2. Public Testimony
3. SSTP follow up with questions to ODOT, at the meeting or for response at subsequent meeting

Proposed Meeting Areas

- Site 1: I-5 Rose Quarter (focus on congestion pricing)
- Site 2: Oregon City/West Linn/Gladstone
- Site 3: I-205 East Portland
- Site 4: Wilsonville/Charbonneau/Lake Oswego/Tualatin

Deep Dive Areas of Exploration

The SSTP will explore the following areas in greater depth: review agency tolling recommendations and assumptions to increase understanding and confidence in the outcome of tolling proposals by diving deeper into the following areas:

1. Road System Capacity, Traffic, and Congestion;
2. Expected Outcomes of Tolling on Driver Behaviors and Travel Patterns;
3. Effectiveness, Safety, and Diversion Impacts of Gantry Locations;
4. Logistics of Toll Collection; and
5. Tolling Rate (Usage Fee).

November Legislative Days

- Deep Dive 1 - Road System Capacity, Traffic, and Congestion
 - ODOT presentation including information on process and assumptions
 - Committee discussion and questions

Early December

- Review issues raised at local meetings to date
- Deep Dive 2 – Expected Outcomes of Tolling on Driver Behaviors and Travel Patterns
 - ODOT presentation including information on process and assumptions
 - Committee discussion and questions

January Legislative Days

- Deep Dive 3 – Effectiveness, Safety, and Diversion Impacts of Gantry Locations
 - ODOT presentation including information on process and assumptions
 - Committee discussion and questions
- ODOT implementation reports (due December 15th)
 - Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee recommendations
 - Statewide Toll Rulemaking Advisory Committee recommendations

February Legislative Session

- Deep Dive 4 – Logistics of Toll Collections

- ODOT presentation including information on process, assumptions, logistics and technology
- Committee discussion and questions

February Legislative Session

- Deep Dive 5 – Tolling Rate (Usage Fee)
 - ODOT presentation including information on process and assumptions
 - Committee discussion and questions

February Legislative Session

- Committee discussion of potential outcomes or alternatives
- Committee discussion of observations in anticipation of report to Joint Committee