SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Department of Transportation Bullards Bridge

To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee

Carrier: Representative Cate

On January 28th, the Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee heard a request from the Oregon Department of Transportation for approval to submit a federal grant application.

The Department would utilize the grant to conduct preliminary investigations and develop conceptual designs for a new bicycle and pedestrian bridge next to the existing Bullards Bridge along US 101 on the Oregon Coast.

The new bridge will improve safety by separating pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle traffic, while also accommodating light-duty emergency vehicles for regional disaster and evacuation planning. Matching funds of \$800,000 will come from state funds designated by the Oregon Transportation Commission for match of federal grants.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends approval of the submission of a federal grant application by the Department of Transportation to the U.S. Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$3,200,000, for the Bullards Bridge project.