

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Interim Committee on Rules  
and Executive Appointments

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BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



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## OREGON TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Oregon Transportation Commission subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### Re-appointees

Jeff Baker of Lake Oswego

Lee Beyer of Springfield

### Terms

July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 184.612 \(2023\)](#)

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Required.

### Composition<sup>3</sup>

The commission consists of five members (**BAKER (R)**, **BEYER (D)**, **BROWN (R)**, **CHAPMAN (D)**, **CHANG (D)**).

One member must be a resident of the area east of the Cascade Range (**CHANG**). Not more than three members may belong to one political party. Members serve four-year terms. The Governor appoints one of the members as chair, who appoints the vice chair. A majority of the members constitutes a quorum. The commission must meet at least quarterly.

### Duties<sup>4</sup>

The commission establishes state transportation policy and guides the planning, development, and management of a statewide transportation network. The commission must:

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 184.612 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

<sup>4</sup> [ORS 184.612 to 184.843 \(2023\)](#).

- appoint a Director of Transportation to supervise the Department of Transportation (ODOT), who is subject to confirmation by the Senate;
- establish the policies for ODOT's operation;
- develop and maintain state transportation policies and a 20-year long-range plan;
- develop plans for each mode of transportation;
- initiate studies to guide the director concerning transportation needs;
- prescribe the administrative practices followed by the director;
- enter into intergovernmental agreements with local governments and local service districts to encourage cooperation and maximize the efficiency;
- review and approve ODOT's proposed transportation projects, budget, anticipated capital construction requirements, construction priorities, and selection, vacation, or abandonment of state highways;
- adopt a statewide transportation strategy on greenhouse gas emissions;
- adopt necessary rules and orders;
- review and update the criteria used to select projects within the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program;
- compile an inventory of real property owned by ODOT;
- approve the appointment of a chief engineer;
- report to the Governor on legislative, budgetary, and administrative programs;
- designate an ODOT internal auditor and report on audits to the Joint Legislative Audit Committee;
- develop standards for the consistent description and reporting of the condition of transportation infrastructure owned by the state, counties, and cities;
- develop a website with information about projects in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program;
- appoint specified advisory committees to advise the commission on its work;
- distribute moneys in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund; and
- provide two members to serve on the Road User Fee Task Force.



## Transportation Commission, Oregon

Agency: **Transportation, Oregon Department of**

Authorization: **ORS 184.612**

Min Members: **5** Max Members: **5**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Transportation & Infrastructure**

Board Admin: **Megan Mathew**

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## Current Appointments

**Ms Brown, Julie A**

Republican

Position Number: **1**

Term(s):

**7/1/2024 - 6/30/2028**

**7/1/2020 - 6/30/2024**

**9/28/2018 - 6/30/2020**

**Chapman, Alicia**

Democrat

Position Number: **2**

Term(s):

**7/1/2024 - 6/30/2028**

**7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024**

**Baker, Jeff**

Republican

Position Number: **3**

Term(s):

**7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029**

**7/1/2023 - 6/30/2025**

**Mr Beyer, Lee L**

Democrat

Position Number: **4**

Term(s):

**7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029**

**1/1/2023 - 6/30/2025**

**Chang, Philip "Phil"**

Democrat; East of the Cascades

Position Number: **5**

Term(s):

**10/1/2024 - 6/30/2028**

## Vacant Positions