

POTENTIAL ELEMENTS OF OTF TRANSPORTATION PROPOSAL

MEMBER ORGANIZATION: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____

REVENUE: *Connect-Oregon*

1. Restore *Connect-Oregon* to a minimum \$100 million funding level per biennium.

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2. Refer constitutional dedication of revenue for *Connect-Oregon* to voters.

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REVENUE: Transit Operations Funding

1. A new state and/or local revenue source for transit needs to be included in the transportation package.

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*Note: Questions 2a through 2d are intended to gauge OTF member preferences among various transit revenue options. The revenue options are not intended to be cumulative. In other words, we are not proposing an income tax surcharge **and** a payroll tax for transit. Rather, we are collecting data concerning the strength of member support for each revenue option. The objective is to present policymakers a ranked menu of revenue options for their consideration.*

2a. Implement, **statewide**, a **payroll tax** applied to **both** employers and employees for the purpose of financing transit operations. Include measures to mitigate regressive impact on low income Oregonians.

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2b. Implement an **income tax surcharge statewide** for the purpose of financing transit operations. Include measures to mitigate regressive impact on low income Oregonians.

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2c. Implement a **payroll tax on employees** in transit districts with an **existing** payroll tax on employers (TriMet, LTD, Wilsonville, Canby, Sandy and Molalla). Include measures to mitigate regressive impact on low income Oregonians.

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2d. Implement an **income tax surcharge** exclusively in transit districts with an existing business payroll tax. (TriMet, LTD, Wilsonville, Canby, Sandy and Molalla) Include measures to mitigate regressive impact on low income Oregonians.

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3. Establish state financed fund to assist transit providers in **matching federal grants**.

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4. Add statewide tax to **recreational marijuana sales**. Distribute to Special Transportation Fund, or above matching fund.

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5. Increase current **cigarette tax** and/or increase transit's share of **lawnmower fund and State ID Cards**. Distribute to Special Transportation Fund, or above matching fund.

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6. Provide state general fund dollars or a dedicated funding source sufficient to operate and maintain **Amtrak Cascades service** after loss of federal funding.

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REVENUE: Transit Capital Funding

1. Provide **state financed** funding to help maintain and expand transit capital investments including but not limited to buses, bus rapid transit, streetcars, light rail and the like.

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POLICY: Transit Policy Options

1. Launch a statewide **youth transit program** to fund transit passes and improved transit service that expand youth access to schools, jobs and other opportunities.

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2. Provide **incentives** for **approving local revenue measures**. (e.g. A transit agency could qualify for a local employee payroll tax if it approves an employer payroll tax.)

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REVENUE: Roadway

1. The highway portion of the 2017 Transportation Package needs to be significantly larger than the Jobs and Transportation Act of 2009 (JTA). The sources of revenue need to be diversified/expanded beyond those utilized for JTA.

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2. The first \$300 million in funding should come from a combination of gas tax/user fee increases and equivalent truck taxes.

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POLICY AND INVESTMENT

1. Maintain the 50/30/20 formula for allocation of statewide highway trust fund revenues among ODOT, counties and cities.

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2. Prioritize the maintenance, rehabilitation and operations of existing transportation facilities.

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3. Provide additional investment for multi-modal solutions, focused on ameliorating congestion in the Portland metropolitan region, **including investment in infrastructure solutions at key highway bottlenecks.**

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4. Better align ownership of and responsibility for transportation facilities with state vs. local interests and users of the system.

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5. Index the gas tax for fuel efficiency.

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6. Refrain from preempting local governments' ability to raise revenue for transportation.

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7. Provide state resources to maintain current funding levels to communities currently eligible for federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) funds as new communities become eligible for these funds, which are used to address transportation-related air quality concerns in the state.

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SAFETY

1. Set a statutory goal of zero serious traffic injuries and fatalities, and establish a broad task force designed to help build consensus around shared safety goals that focus on policy, geometric improvements, and outreach.

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2. Expand the Safe Routes to School program to build safe places to walk, bike, and access transit to school prioritizing Title 1 schools where a majority of students are eligible for free and reduced lunch. Prioritize the completion of Safe Routes to School Plans, ensuring adequate education funding, and building bundled capital projects.

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3. Identify new revenues for biking and walking safety projects **inside and outside** the highway right of way.

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ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

1. Increase state funding for planning and projects that achieve greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.

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2. Support consumer and government purchase of zero emission electric vehicles.

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SEISMIC

1. Prioritize investment in key routes to allow for rescue and recovery following a major earthquake.

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2. Retrofit transportation infrastructure to enhance safety during a major seismic event.

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ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRUST

1. Ensure Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) management structure and spending decisions are transparent and accountable to Oregonians.

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2. Design, evaluate, and select transportation projects with the best return on investment, utilizing principles from least cost planning and practical design.

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