Transportation

As part of the Lane Livability Consortium SMART Communities Project, Community Planning Workshop (CPW) conducted a baseline assessment of relevant planning documents in Lane County. This document summarizes the assessment of transportation documents in Lane County.

The purpose of the four Core Area Reports (Community Health, Economic Development, Housing and Transportation) is to reveal shared planning elements within each of the core areas. The reports also reveal areas to improve the integration of regional planning components within planning policies and processes. Each core area report can be thought of as “vertical” components within the overall regional plan assessment effort because each report’s analysis focuses on the breadth of a single planning function ranging from a broad regional scale to local implementation strategies.

Organizational Structure of Transportation Policy Drivers and Funding Sources

FUNDAMENTAL
- Federal Highway Administration
- US Department of Transportation
- Federal Transit Administration
- Title 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations MAP-21

STATE
- Statewide Planning Goal 12
- Oregon Department of Transportation
- Oregon Transportation Planning Rule

REGIONAL BODIES
- The Central Lane MPO
- The Metropolitan Policy Committee (MPC)
- Lane Area Commission on Transportation (Lane ACT)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT
- Joint Elected Officials
- Lane Council of Government
- Lane County
- Lane Transit District
- City of Coburg
- City of Eugene
- City of Springfield

Planners with Transportation Elements that Guide Policy in Lane County

- Oregon Transportation Plan
- Oregon Highway Plan
- Metro Plan
- Envision Eugene
- Springfield 2030
- Lane County TSP
- Lane Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan
- TransPlan
- Regional Transportation System Plan
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- Regional Transportation Plans
- Comprehensive Land Use Plans
- Jurisdictional Transportation Plans
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Regional Transportation Planning 101

In accordance with federal regulations, the region’s Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is required to carry out metropolitan transportation planning in cooperation with the local cities, the state and with operators of publicly owned transit services. The MPO approves the Regional Transportation Plan, which is a statement of the ways the region plans to invest in the transportation system. The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Oregon Transportation Plan must be consistent with each other. Under State Law, the region must also develop a Regional Transportation System Plan (RTSP) to guide transportation system planning and development in the metropolitan area and establish transportation policies in support of the Metro Plan, the region’s comprehensive land use plan. The RTSP also acts as a “bridge” between the local transportation system plans and the RTP.

At the local level, cities are required under the Oregon State Planning Goals and administrative rules to conduct transportation planning and develop a transportation system plan.