

## CHAPTER 2 KLAMATH COUNTY TSP GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The TSP goals and objectives serve as the basis for the TSP needs analysis, policy and ordinance development, and project selection. These goals and objectives should reflect the transportation goals of the county and the overall transportation vision for the Klamath County community. The goals and objectives will maximize mobility, safety, efficiency and accessibility to the transportation system and will address the requirements of the Oregon Transportation Planning Rule (TPR), the Oregon Transportation Plan (OTP), the Oregon Highway Plan (OHP), and other state modal plans such as Bike and Pedestrian, Rail, and Aviation. **Error! Reference source not found.**

### **GOAL 1 OVERALL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM**

*Provide a transportation system for the Klamath County planning area that is safe, efficient, economical, and accessible.*

#### Objectives:

- A. Manage the transportation system for adequate and efficient operations consistent with community, land use, environmental, economic and livability goals.
- B. Enhance safety by prioritizing and mitigating high collision locations within the county.
- C. Ensure that adequate access for emergency services vehicles is provided throughout the county.
- D. Develop access management standards that will be consistent with county and state requirements to reduce conflicts among vehicles, trucks, bicycles, and pedestrians.
- E. Provide satisfactory levels of maintenance to the transportation system in order to preserve user safety, facility aesthetics, and the integrity of the system as a whole.
- F. Construct all new transportation facilities to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

## **GOAL 2 LIVABILITY**

*Design and construct transportation facilities that enhance Klamath County's livability while meeting federal, state, regional, and local requirements.*

### Objectives:

- A. Enhance the livability of Klamath County through proper location and design of transportation facilities. Design roads, highways, and multi-use paths to be compatible with the existing and planned characteristics of the surrounding environment.
- B. Locate and design recreational and multi-use paths to balance the needs of human use and enjoyment with resource conservation.

## **GOAL 3 TRANSPORTATION AND LAND USE**

*Maximize the efficiency of Klamath County's transportation system through effective land use planning.*

### Objectives:

- A. Coordinate road and highway development so as to enhance overall county development.
- B. Revise development ordinances as needed to integrate transportation and land use to protect the long-term function of the transportation system.
- C. Ensure development is consistent with current and planned transportation infrastructure and provides proportionate mitigation of any adverse impacts.
- D. Require property access from facility with the lowest functional classification possible.
- E. Ensure any newly created parcels have legal and functional access.

## **GOAL 4 ROAD SYSTEM**

*Provide a well-planned, comprehensive road system that serves the needs of Klamath County.*

### Objectives:

- A. Develop and maintain a road classification system to provide an optimal balance between mobility and accessibility for all transportation modes consistent with road function.
- B. Design new roads to safely and efficiently accommodate multiple travel modes within public rights-of-way where practical.
- C. Balance the needed road function for all travel modes with adjacent land uses and stakeholders through context-sensitive design.
- D. Make needed safety improvements to existing state highways and county roads as part of the ongoing maintenance program.
- E. Provide for opportunities to implement rural Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) strategies.

## **GOAL 5 BALANCED TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM**

*Facilitate the development of a multi-modal transportation system in Klamath County to provide transportation options for Klamath County residents and visitors within the framework of context sensitive design.*

### Objectives:

- A. Ensure that design of any new roads consider the potential for the multi-purpose nature of the right-of-way for utility, pedestrian, bicycle, transit, truck, and auto use, and recognize roads as important to the community identity.
- B. Develop a safe, attractive, efficient, and accessible system of pedestrian ways and bicycle routes. Provide connectivity in the county for convenient multi-modal access where appropriate.
- C. In appropriate locations, consider grade-separated, multi-use paths and vehicle traffic ways to ensure maximum protection and convenience. Construct multi-use paths consistent with the Klamath County comprehensive plan and design standards where they can be developed with satisfactory design components that address safety, security, maintainability and affordability.

## **GOAL 6    TRANSPORTATION    THAT    SUPPORTS    ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

*Facilitate the provision of a multi-modal transport system for the efficient, safe, and competitive movement of goods and services to, from, and within Klamath County.*

### Objectives:

- A. Promote accessibility to transport modes that fulfill the needs of freight shippers.
- B. Designated arterial routes and expressways are essential for efficient movement of goods. Design these facilities and adjacent land uses to reflect the needs of goods movement.
- C. Coordinate proposed plans for truck routes with all related agencies and jurisdictions and strive to balance the needs of moving freight with community livability.
- D. Coordinate airport locations with the existing and future transportation system and land use. Encourage and support the operation, maintenance, and expansion of facilities and services provided at or near airports.
- E. Encourage a balanced system of transportation between air, rail, and land for efficient movement of goods and people.
- F. Promote the appropriate location of regional pipeline systems to enhance security, local service, and efficiency.
- G. Meet federal and state safety compliance standards for operation, construction, and maintenance of the rail system.
- H. Encourage efficient development and/or expansion of rail services to existing and future industrial land uses.
- I. Support and encourage tourism and recreational development through the transportation system by strategically upgrading transportations facilities.

## **GOAL 7 FUNDING TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS**

*Implement the transportation plan by working cooperatively with federal, state, regional, and local governments, the private sector, and residents. Create a stable, flexible financial system for funding transportation improvements.*

### Objectives:

- A. Encourage coordination and partnership between Klamath County and the Oregon Department of Transportation, along with other jurisdictions and agencies, to develop a long-range financial strategy to make needed improvements to the county transportation system and support operational and maintenance requirements.
- B. Coordinate transportation projects, policy issues, and development actions with all affected governmental units in the area. Key agencies for coordination include Oregon Department of Transportation and other jurisdictions and transportation agencies within the county.
- C. Participate in regional transportation, growth management, and air and water quality improvement policies. Work with agencies to assure adequate funding of transportation facilities to support these policies.
- D. Maintain a current capital improvement program that establishes Klamath County's construction and improvement priorities, and allocates the appropriate level of available funding.
- E. Establish rights-of-way that meet county or state standards, whichever are applicable, at the time of land division or site development and, where appropriate, officially secure them by dedication of property.
- F. Establish and provide adequate funding for maintenance of the capital investment in transportation facilities.
- G. Development to pay proportionate share to mitigate its impacts to the transportation system.
- H. Note that all financial planning must be done against the backdrop of the potential loss of the Federal Forest payments which make up about 2/3 of the county road funds annual revenue.



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