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Talking Freight Webinar Series -Innovative Intersections Session:

Oregon's Efforts to Advance Freight-friendly Innovative Intersections

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Presentation overview

- History of collaboration
 - Statutes and Rules
- Intersection examples
- Roundabouts
- Future item(s) to address



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History of Collaboration

Need to accommodate oversize loads is increasing

Water Filtration Equipment – Kerr Oil Fields US 395 – Eastern Oregon – Dec. 2013



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B1 Bomber – I-5 Nov. 2009

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Wind Farm – On Going I-84 - Arlington, Oregon







History of Collaboration: What is ORS 366.215?

- ORS 366.215 states that the Oregon Transportation Commission may not permanently reduce the vehicle-carrying capacity of an identified freight route
 - Exceptions allowed for safety or access considerations
 - Exception may also be granted if it's in Oregon's best interest and freight movement is not unreasonably impeded

ORS – Oregon Revised Statutes

History of Collaboration:

Reduction in Vehicle-Carrying Capacity

- Term "Vehicle-Carrying Capacity" was not defined in the ORS. However, the intent was:
 - The physical space a truck and its load require to move through a section of roadway ...
- or as some call it ... the "Hole in the Air"



Normal

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Large



Extreme





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History of Collaboration: Potential Reduction in Capacity Features

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History of Collaboration: ODOT Map of Highways Applicable to ORS 366.215 Requirements



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Key aspects that are important for Freight

- Keeping freight moving on the critical route pairs and accommodating throughout construction phases and staging
- Collaboration and communication of final designs that meets the needs of all modes (bike, pedestrian, transit, and freight)
- Not reducing vertical clearance on the established High Routes



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Intersection Examples: Removable Median

When loads exceed 19
 feet MCTD Permit
 Analysts will work
 with local District
 office to determine
 whether or not the
 median needs to be
 removed



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Intersection Examples: Truck Aprons



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Intersection Examples: Channelized Right-Turn





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Roundabouts: Sideswipe Crashes at Multi-lane





Passing Problem

2011 Oregon Legislature Revises ORS 811.292 "Failure to Yield Right of Way Within Roundabout"

Class C Violation to Pass or Drive Beside a Commercial Vehicle in a Roundabout

Multi-Lane Roundabout Sideswipe Crashes Between Cars and Trucks





Roundabouts: Designing for Freight

- Full-scale test in two locations
- Tested 18 truck/trailer combinations
 - Up to 130' in length
- All test vehicles made it through the roundabout



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ODOT images: Total Length 113', Booster Trailer Length 90', Axle Width – 13.5'; & Tractor with 75' trailer and manufactured home load, Total Length=101', Load Width=14'









Future item(s) to address

- The lack of coordination with manufacturers
 - Equipment is less assembled on site
 - Requires larger truck to convey precast units





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Thank You! Any Questions?

- Reference:
 - Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)
 Mobility Procedures Manual
 - <u>http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/MCT/docs/MobilityProced</u> <u>ureManual.pdf</u>
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