



## JOINT COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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### **Transportation Committee Statewide Tour Makes Oregon's North Coast its Second Stop**

*The public is invited to testify at the Tillamook meeting of the 12-stop Transportation Safety and Sustainability Outreach Tour*

**SALEM, Ore.** – Today, the co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Transportation announced that the Port of Tillamook Bay will be the venue for the [second meeting](#) of the Transportation Safety and Sustainability Outreach Tour.

"We had a great initial tour stop in Portland and learned a lot about transportation needs and solutions from local leaders there," said **Sen. Chris Gorsek (D - Gresham)** and **Rep. Susan McLain (D - Hillsboro)**, co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Transportation. "We're looking forward to meetings with Oregonians from around the state so we can build a better and safer transportation system together."

The public hearing will be held on June 18 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Port of Tillamook Bay, Officer's Mess Hall at 6825 Officer Row in Tillamook. It will also be available via livestream on [olis.oregonlegislature.gov](http://olis.oregonlegislature.gov).

Members of the public interested in testifying can register in person starting 30 minutes before the meeting begins. The committee will also hear remote testimony if time permits, which the public can register for on the committee's webpage at [olis.oregonlegislature.gov](http://olis.oregonlegislature.gov). Additionally, written testimony can be submitted to the committee via email to [JCT.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov](mailto:JCT.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov).

Preceding the meeting, members of the committee will take a guided trip of transportation facilities in the Tillamook region and hold a roundtable discussion to better understand the transportation needs along Oregon's north coast through the expertise and lived experience of local partners and officials.

Perspectives and information gathered by the committee during its 12-stop tour will inform legislators as they develop a plan in the 2025 session to maintain critical infrastructure, complete work on major projects, and guarantee the safety and diversity of transportation systems across the state.

During the June 4 tour in Portland, committee members heard about the funding and maintenance challenges faced by the Portland Bureau of Transportation, ODOT, Oregon DMV, and Multnomah County. More than 40 leaders and stakeholders participated in a roundtable discussion, and afterward the committee received more than 150 pieces of written and in-person public testimony from a standing-room only crowd at Portland Community College.

The committee is vice-chaired by **Sen. Brian Boquist (R - rural Polk and Yamhill counties)** and **Rep. Shelly Boshart Davis (R - Albany, Millersburg, and Tangent)**. The full membership of the committee can be viewed on [olis.oregonlegislature.gov](https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov).

The complete tour agenda [was announced on May 10](#); venues will be announced prior to each tour stop.

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