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Oregon TRIP to Invest in Roads, Bridges, Transit and Create Additional Oversight of ODOT

*Legislators will hold an informational meeting and a series of public hearings
this week to receive feedback on the legislation*

SALEM, Ore. – Today, the co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment introduced the Oregon Transportation Reinvestment Package (Oregon TRIP) to keep Oregon's roads and bridges safe, support city and county transportation needs, and provide needed oversight of the Oregon Department of Transportation.

The bill ([House Bill 2025](#)) is based on more than a year of public engagement, stakeholder conversations, and legislative work groups that balances the various needs and perspectives brought before the committee.

“Every conversation we’ve had has helped make this bill stronger,” said **Sen. Chris Gorsek (D-Gresham)**, co-chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment. “We've sought input from legislators across the political spectrum, and from people on the front lines: county leaders, transit providers, road crews, and Oregon families. That collaboration has led to a final package that strikes a balance while staying focused on the problems we need to solve.”

Oregon’s transportation systems are in crisis. More than 90 state-owned bridges across the state have major structural defects, potholes are going months without repair, many streets are dangerous for pedestrians and bicyclists, and promised major projects are still unfinished.

Oregon TRIP addresses these challenges by investing in Oregon’s roads and bridges at the city, county, and state levels; funding programs that are proven to improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety; and stabilizing funding for Oregon's multimodal transportation systems for years to come.

It also establishes new legislative and executive oversight of ODOT, including frequent performance audits of the agency, quarterly reporting requirements, and a new major projects legislative oversight committee to review progress and limit scope creep.

“Maintaining Oregon’s roads and bridges is a shared priority, and must be a shared responsibility,” said **Rep. Susan McLain (D-Hillsboro)**, co-chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment. “We’ve worked collaboratively across the aisle and with our stakeholders, community advocates, and constituents to develop this package. We remain committed to finding common ground as we move forward.”

The hearing schedule for HB 2025 includes:

Monday, June 9, 5 p.m.

Informational Hearing: House Bill 2025 walkthrough

Tuesday, June 10, 5 p.m.

Public Hearing: Anchor projects and ODOT accountability

Wednesday, June 11, 4 p.m.

Public Hearing: Transit, rail, bike, and pedestrian safety

Thursday, June 12, 4 p.m.

Public Hearing: Operations, maintenance, and preservation

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