


DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION

DATE: June 6, 2011
TO: Minor Betterment Program Project Selection Committee
FROM: Dave Schamp, Operations Manager 
RE: FIRST MEETING

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the review and selection of projects to be funded and constructed by the County's Minor Betterment Program (MBP). The MBP has been in existence for several years, but to date there has not been a well conceived and executed review and selection process. With your help and involvement we hope to develop a project review, prioritization and selection model to identify the projects to be funded for construction in Fiscal Year 2012-13 and also provide the foundation for selecting projects in future years.

Funding for the MBP has been extremely limited in the past, but with the passage of HB2001 by the 2009 Oregon Legislature we have enjoyed a modest increase in Road Fund dollars. That increase has allowed the funds available for this important program to basically double, with \$300,000 appropriated in FY 2011-12. At this point we do not have a target budget for the MBP in FY 2012-13, but anticipate that it will be at least equal to the FY 2011-12 dollars.

The first meeting of the MBP project review and selection committee will be Thursday, June 9, from 2p.m. to 4p.m., at the Walnut Street Center (1400 SW Walnut Street, Hillsboro) in Training Room #1. An agenda for the meeting along with draft committee roles and responsibilities, ground rules and communication guidelines are attached for your review and consideration.

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday and to the development of a project review and selection process that will serve the best interests of the citizens of Washington County. Please contact me at 503-846-7610 with any questions.

Attachments

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