

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Requires notifications and process for allowing interested telecommunications providers to coordinate with Department of Transportation to include installation of underground infrastructure for provision of broadband as part of certain projects included in Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
Other Funds	183,314	244,421
Total Funds	\$183,314	\$244,421
Positions	1	1
FTE	0.75	1.00

Analysis: This measure would require Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to consult with the Oregon Broadband Office and notify telecommunications providers on potential projects included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program that may be suitable candidates for the installation of broadband infrastructure. The measure defines those projects as those that are on state highways and involve construction activities such as underground utility infrastructure, road construction, road resurfacing, and include longitudinal trenching. The Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) is directed to develop a registry of telecommunication providers in Oregon and provide this registry to ODOT on a yearly basis. ODOT will be responsible for notifying telecommunications providers of eligible projects, develop the process for telecommunication providers to coordinate with ODOT on broadband infrastructure projects.

The measure appropriates \$183,314 Other Funds to ODOT for the purposes of the measure.

ODOT anticipates the need of one Operation Policy Analyst 3 (0.75 FTE) to:

- Coordinate with telecommunication providers;
- Review and evaluate submitted proposals by telecommunications providers; and accept or deny those requests to add work to ODOT projects;
- If accepted, incorporating this added work to ODOT projects, including plan and specification development, and time and cost estimates;
- Negotiate and enter into agreements with telecommunications providers for added work; and
- Evaluate bid items and coordinate payment from telecommunications providers, including a payment mechanism for unanticipated work.

ODOT anticipates approximately 30 projects will be eligible each Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) cycle. The actual number of eligible projects may vary according to the criteria set in rule.

OBDD does not anticipate a fiscal impact.