



Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans

Oregon MPO Consortium

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Purpose of Rule

Improve safety by guiding transit agencies to more effectively and proactively manage safety risks in their systems and to predict and reduce the frequency of these safety events



Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP)

- FTA published 49 CFR 673
- Requires Section 5307 recipients* to develop safety plans
- Plans must incorporate Safety Management Systems principles (SMS)

* Transit agencies in urban and small urban areas (10 in Oregon, including Wilsonville and Milton Freewater)



SMS Principles

- Defined roles and responsibilities
- Strong executive safety leadership
- Formal safety accountabilities and communication
- Effective policies and procedures
- Active employee involvement



Timing of Rule

Date	Action
July 19, 2018	Rule published
July 19, 2019	Rule effective date
July 20, 2020	Plans must be certified



Applicability

Applies to all Section 5307 recipients

- Large recipients write own plan
- Recipients operating rail service write own plan
- ODOT writes plans for small recipients unless they opt to write their own plan
 - So far only Salem Area Mass Transit District has opted to write its own plan



Small 5307 Recipients in Oregon

- Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council
- City of Albany
- City of Corvallis
- City of Milton-Freewater
- City of Wilsonville
- Josephine County
- Lane Transit District
- Rogue Valley Transportation District
- Salem Area Mass Transit District



Implementation

- ODOT plans to write individual plans for agencies
- Customized to their resources and needs
- Will use a consultant to write plans
- Finalizing consultant contract
- Will have plans written by October 31, 2019



Cost

- Estimated average cost of \$15K per plan
- 8 plans
- Total cost of \$120,000



Funding

No additional funding provided for compliance with PTASP Final Rule

- ODOT will use Section 5303 Metropolitan Transportation Planning funds to prepare the urban and small urban transit agency plans
- For agencies directing ODOT to prepare their Safety Plan, the 2019-2021 Section 5303 allocation for their area will be reduced by the estimated consultant cost to prepare the PTASP



Coordination with the Planning Process

- Transit agencies are required to make their safety performance targets available to MPOs
- This will assist with the selection of transit safety performance targets at MPO levels
- The transit safety performance targets will help MPOs develop their investment priorities for upcoming transit projects within their jurisdictions for at least the following four years
- The FTA/FHWA Joint Rule on Planning (23 CFR 450) provides more information on planning and coordination requirements



MPO Roles in the Planning Process

- Incorporate safety performance targets received from your transit agencies into the statewide and MPO transportation plans and transportation improvement programs
- Provide guidance to transit agencies on the planning process for your MPO as needed
- **MPOs have 180 days after the initial Safety Plans are finished (must be by July 20, 2020) to establish their own transit safety performance targets.**



Questions?

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