



Transportation Planning Rules

The Climate-Friendly and Equitable Communities rules integrate climate and equity into the rules guiding transportation and land use planning in Oregon's eight metropolitan areas.

Meeting Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets for Oregon Metropolitan Areas

Since 1991, the Transportation Planning Rules have set transportation planning requirements for all Oregon cities and counties. These rules are designed to ensure coordinated land use and transportation planning, that plans include all modes of transportation, and in metropolitan areas, that plans increase transportation choices and reduce reliance on the automobile.

It has become clear over the last decade that Oregon's existing rules are not sufficient to meet our [Metropolitan Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets](#). To reduce climate pollution, local governments need to improve their plans so different land uses are more connected, encouraging a walkable mix of destinations and accelerating investments in connected and safe networks that allow people to walk, bike, and take transit. To achieve these objectives, the Land Conservation and Development Commission has updated Oregon's transportation planning requirements for local transportation plans to deliver additional health, equity, and economic benefits for Oregonians.



Updating land use transportation planning rules to reduce climate pollution

The rules will result in updates to state and local plans that meet the state's greenhouse gas reduction goals. DLCD and other state agency partners including the Oregon Department of Transportation will provide a range of new and amplified services to local governments to help meet greenhouse gas reduction goals. These services include grants, technical assistance, tools, and publications to help local governments adopt plans that meet or exceed the state's greenhouse gas reduction goals.

The updated rules require local governments in metropolitan areas to:

- Plan for greater development in transit corridors and downtowns;
- Prioritize system performance measures that achieve community livability goals;
- Prioritize investments for reaching destinations by walking, bicycling, and transit;
- Plan for and manage parking to meet demonstrated demand;
- Plan for needed infrastructure for electric vehicle charging; and
- Regularly monitor and report progress.

The scope and scale of these requirements vary by jurisdiction. The amendments align with other state strategies to reduce transportation related climate pollution. Finally, it is important to note these amendments are intended to align with and support other priorities such as equity, safety, public health, and housing.

Rules Language is available at <https://www.oregon.gov/lcd/CL/Pages/CFEC.aspx>

Questions?

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