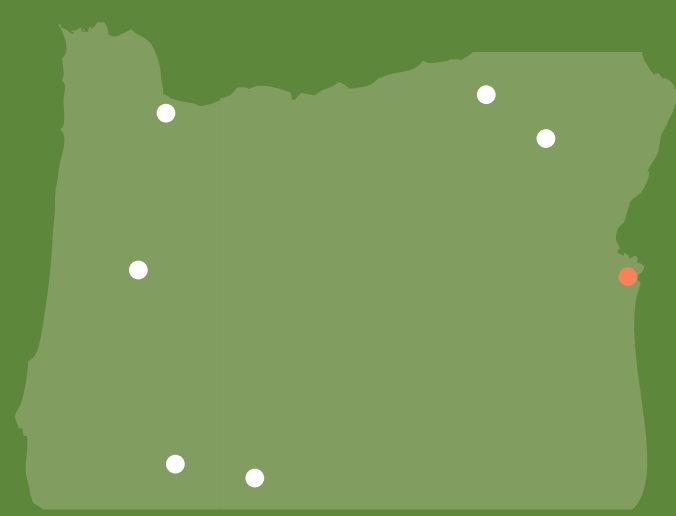


# Road Usage Charge

## 2014 Statewide Listening Tour

# Ontario, OR. Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> 2014



**Thursday, October 23, 2014**  
**ODOT District 14 Headquarters,**  
**1390 SE First St., Ontario, OR 97914**  
**6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

The Oregon Department of Transportation is conducting a Statewide Listening Tour on behalf of Oregon's new Road Usage Charge Program to educate communities and hear local input about the program. ODOT will be seeking local feedback on the RUCP through group meetings (open to the public), as well as one-on-one interviews and focus groups.

### WHAT IS THE TOUR?

Group meetings will begin with a presentation on Oregon Senate Bill 810 (which established the RUCP) and how Oregon's per-mile charge came to be. The presentation will be followed by a brief Q&A session, and small group discussions to give ODOT insights and local ideas for RUCP implementation on July 1, 2015.

### What is the Road Usage Charge Program?

Oregon's [Senate Bill 810](#) was the first legislation in the U.S. to establish a RUCP for state transportation funding. The bill authorized ODOT to set up a mileage collection system for volunteer motorists, assess a charge of 1.5 cents per mile for up to 5,000 cars and light commercial vehicles, and issue a gas tax refund to participants. The volunteer program will not be another pilot project but rather the start of an alternate method of generating sustainable revenue to pay for Oregon highways. (View the results of ODOT's 2013-13 Road Usage Charge Pilot Project [here](#).)

### How will the RUCP work?

Oregon's new road usage charge system will automatically collect mileage data from vehicles. Motorists will choose a mileage reporting device to interface with their vehicle and be paired with software to send mileage totals to a private account manager. ODOT will contract with private companies to maintain customer accounts, calculate charges and credits, and submit charges to the Oregon Treasury.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Business Leaders
- Elected officials
- City/County public officials
- Transportation representatives
- Media
- Other stakeholders

### WHY IS IT HAPPENING?

Input from the Statewide Listening Tour will contribute to ODOT's comprehensive research on Oregonians' perceptions of per-mile charging which will, in turn, inform how the program is implemented on July 1, 2015.

### Why is Oregon implementing the Road Usage Charge Program?

Funding for transportation system maintenance and construction has been declining in Oregon and around the country since the 1990s. This is due in part to more fuel efficient vehicles purchasing less gas, thus paying less in gas taxes – which go toward maintaining and building roads and highways. That's good news for the environment and reducing dependence on fossil fuels, but it reduces funds available to maintain Oregon roads. More [information](#) about declining revenues and transportation funding is available on the ODOT [website](#).

### WHERE/WHEN IS THE TOUR?

<b>Monday, October 20</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Eugene Meeting</b> Eugene Library, 100 W Tenth Ave., Eugene, OR 97401
<b>Tuesday, October 21</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Medford Meeting</b> Inn at the Commons, 200 N Riverside Ave. Medford, OR 97501
<b>Wednesday, October 22</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Klamath Falls Meeting</b> Klamath Falls City Office, 500 Klamath Ave. Klamath Falls, OR 97601
<b>Thursday, October 23</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Ontario Meeting</b> ODOT District 14 Headquarters, 1390 SE First St., Ontario, OR 97914
<b>Friday, October 24</b>	<b>10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>La Grande Meeting</b> ODOT Region 5 Headquarters, 3012 Island Ave., La Grande, OR 97850
<b>Saturday, October 25</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Pendleton Meeting</b> Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N Main St., Pendleton, OR 97801
<b>Monday, October 27</b>	<b>1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Portland Meeting</b> ODOT Region 1 Headquarters, 123 NW Flanders Street, Portland, OR 97209

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