

## Oregon Transportation

Greetings from the *ConnectOregon* II team at the Oregon Department of Transportation. We would like to update you on a few things:

### **Rulemaking**

An updated draft amendment to the Oregon Administrative Rule regarding the *ConnectOregon* program has been submitted to the Oregon Secretary of State. The draft amendments are based on changes required by the 2007 legislation. ODOT will publish a notice in the *Oregon Bulletin* on Oct. 1, 2007. At that point, we will update the draft amended rule on our [Web site](#) and solicit written public comment. We plan to hold a public hearing sometime between Oct. 15 and 22, 2007. The public comment period will close on Oct. 22, 2007. After the close of the public comment period, the final draft amended rule will be sent to the ODOT Rules Coordinator, and placed on the Oregon Transportation Commission's consent calendar for Nov. 14.

### **Intent to Apply**

The [Intent to Apply](#) submission period has now been extended through Sept. 30, 2007. While it is not required, submitting a completed Intent to Apply form will help everyone involved in this important effort, as we follow the Governor's directive to "fast track" this program. It will also help ensure that interested parties receive the most current information about the application process

We are making progress in advancing this program and we look forward to more communications with you soon, including an extensive Frequently Asked Questions document. In the meantime, we encourage you to stay up-to-date at <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/COMM/CO/index.shtml>