

Requests for Highway and Transit Project Designations

The Transportation and Infrastructure Committee announced that it will provide an opportunity for Members of Congress to submit requests for Highway and Transit Project Designations as part of the surface transportation reauthorization expected to advance later this year. This process will allow Congresswoman Bonamici to advocate for specific community needs for highway and transit projects and deliver federal resources to help the people of Northwest Oregon.

Highway and Transit Project Designation requests must be submitted online via Congresswoman Bonamici's website by 6pm PT on Friday, April 9, 2021. You can submit requests here: <https://forms.gle/T4gFMciAg1zmp4PU6>.

The Transportation Committee has encouraged Members to submit requests for the surface transportation reauthorization that contribute to the following goals:

- building a safer transportation network;
- increasing access;
- strengthening our multi-modal transportation systems;
- reducing carbon pollution;
- enhancing environmental justice;
- supporting underserved communities; and
- improving state of good repair of our nation's infrastructure.

In evaluating requests, Congresswoman Bonamici will consider those factors and also look for projects that:

- mitigate and/or improve our resilience to the climate crisis,
- create good-paying jobs, particularly for individuals who have historically faced barriers to employment, and
- represent the geographic diversity and needs of Northwest Oregon.

We anticipate a highly competitive process, and many requests will not receive funding. Applicants must demonstrate strong community engagement and support. In gathering the information required, we encourage you to work with the Oregon Department of Transportation, local transportation and transit agencies, and other planning organizations.

Please note that the timing for submissions for the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's Highway and Transit Project Designation requests will overlap with the process for the Appropriations Committee's Community Project Funding requests. Applicants must review the criteria closely to determine which process and account is better suited for your project. If your project is eligible under both processes, we request that you choose one and do not submit the project to both accounts. You can find more information about the process for transportation Community Project Funding requests here: <https://bonamici.house.gov/appropriations>.

If you have any questions, please contact Maxine.Sugarman@mail.house.gov and your existing contact in the Congresswoman's District Office.