

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: June 4, 2025

<u>SUBJECT</u>: National Medal of Honor Highway Act Briefing

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

N/A

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The National Medal of Honor Highway originated on US 20 in Oregon and now extends from coast to coast following the passage by Congress of the National Medal of Honor Highway Act.

Eight years ago, the Oregon Legislature approved the initiative of the Bend Heroes Foundation to designate a Medal of Honor Highway and allow for the placement of 12 signs—four in Deschutes County. Senator Wyden sponsored the designation at the federal level, resulting in Congressional approval and the bill's signing by former President Biden.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None

ATTENDANCE:

Dick Tobiason, Chairman, Bend Heroes Foundation Erik Tobiason, President, Bend Heroes Foundation