

CITY OF TUALATIN Staff Report

TO:	Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
THROUGH:	Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager
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DATE:	August 24, 2020

SUBJECT:

City of Tualatin Comments on ODOT's I-205 Tolling Alternatives Study and the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA)

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a list of comments to submit into the Oregon Department of Transportation's (ODOT) National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) comment period for the I-205 tolling study.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

From August 3 to September 16, 2020, ODOT is conducting their official public comment period for NEPA alternatives for tolling I-205. This is an important time to submit comments, as ODOT is required to respond in the final report to all comments received during this period.

In past City Council discussions, there have been questions, comments, and concerns raised about the impact of tolling I-205. Staff has tried to capture these topics, along with incorporating issued raised through the Clackamas County Coordinating Committee, in a draft comment letter.

The staff presentation includes information from TransForm's "<u>Pricing Roads, Advancing Equity</u>" report and toolkit, which ODOT has referenced as an informative document. The report's recommendations and case study examples can be used to inform our feedback into the I-205 NEPA process.

More information can be found at <u>oregonevents.org/openhouse.i205toll</u> and the public can complete a survey to leave feedback. Comments can also be sent to ODOT by emailing the project team at <u>oregontolling@odot.state.or.us</u> or calling (503) 837-3536.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Draft NEPA comment letter from the City of Tualatin
- B. Comment letter from the Clackamas County Coordinating Committee (C4)
- C. Presentation