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Annual ACEC/ODOT Conference a Big Success



ODOT Director **Matt Garrett** makes a point during an update on federal and state funding at the annual ACEC/ODOT Partnering Conference held April 14.

Thank you to the Oregon Department of Transportation and all the individuals and firms that helped to make the the fifth annual ACEC/ODOT Partnering Conference an overwhelming success!

This year's conference was attended by 250 participants. The day was filled with discussion about the state of the industry, the changing face of transportation, and challenging funding issues at both the state and federal level. A new

strategy, "Practical Design," was a conference highlight. **William Petit, P.E.**, District executive of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, spoke on "Smart Transportation" and how PennDOT is applying the Practical Design strategy.

Other conference speakers included **Lynn Peterson, Clackamas County; Matt Garrett, ODOT Director; Doug Tindall, ODOT Deputy Director; Travis Brouwer, ODOT Senior Federal Affairs Advisor, and Troy Bowers and Cathy Nelson, Co-chairs of the ACEC Oregon/ODOT Steering Committee.**



ACEC Oregon/ODOT Liaison Committee member **Tim Shell, KPFF Consulting Engineers**, does some networking in the exhibit area.



ABOVE: **Cathy Nelson, ODOT Technical Services Manager/Chief Engineer** and **Troy Bowers, Murray Smith & Associates** welcome conference attendees. Nelson and Bowers are co-chairs of the ACEC Oregon/ODOT Steering Committee.