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Transportation package update – Coba's Capitol Comments

Negotiations continue among key legislators and interest groups as the transportation package looks to finalize details in the next day or so. Key issues continue to include the matching funds raised in the metro area and the fuel taxes needed to match state funds; the amount of tax increase on trucks and cars; the clean fuels program amendments; and the amount and length of the gas tax increase.

Referral threats continue to roll through the Capitol from various groups that may or may not be offended by one or more of the many components in the bill.

The Joint Committee staff just reported that if the amendments are ready tomorrow the earliest the bill could have a work session would be on Monday as it will take 3-4 days to do the fiscal impact statements and other paperwork requirements of legislation. Since this is expected to be a 350-page bill the paperwork will take extra time. If it passes out of the Joint Committee on Monday, June 26 it could be on the House floor a couple of days later and to the Senate for a floor vote the week of July 3. The Senate has stated that the if the House does not put in the clean fuels amendments they will add it in and send it back for concurrence. This will add an additional step which could push passage right up to the required ending session on July 10.

The Tax Reform Committee is reviewing new amendments to HB 2830, the revenue raising bill that were released yesterday. You can review them at this site under the amendment tab: <https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2017R1/Measures/Overview/HB2830>. Note they are no longer a gross receipts tax but an increase in Oregon's current tax rate.



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ACEC Oregon Board members, Vice President **Tim Blackwood, Hart Crowser, Inc.**, and Vice President-Elect, **Tonya Finley, David Evans and Associates, Inc.**, recently attended **Congressman Kurt Schrader's** annual farm BBQ. Finley spoke with Cong. Schrader about topics important to ACEC member firms.



Pictured at left, Congressman Kurt Schrader and ACEC Oregon Vice President-Elect Tonya Finley, David Evans and Associates, Inc. at Schrader's annual farm BBQ event at historic Three Rivers Farm in Canby, June 17.

**THURS
August 10**

Click [HERE](#) to register.

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WHEN
5:00 to 7:00 P.M.

WHERE
Skyline Tavern
8031 NW Skyline Road
Portland, OR 97229



Registration open!
RSVP today for the **9th Annual LDG BBQ**
(Leadership Development Group)

Catch up with colleagues in the A/E/C industry while networking and noshing.

No cost to attend.
RSVP by Monday, August 7.

WHAT IS THE LDG and WHY SHOULD I PARTICIPATE?
The goal of the LDG (Leadership Development Group*) is to create opportunities for

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