



MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Board Session Agenda Review Form

Meeting date: 1/28/2026

Department: Public Works

Title: 2025 OACES Legislative Advocacy Award for Safety Corridors

Management Update/Work Session Date: 1/13/2026 Audio/Visual aids ☐

Time Required: 15 Minutes Contact: Jill Ogden Phone: x3152

Requested Action: Engineering staff will present findings, introduce future plans of the next safety corridor, and share a heartfelt thanks to teammates for their contributions to the McKay / Yergen / Ehlen Road Safety Corridor project, which led to Marion County being presented with a Legislative Advocacy Award for efforts on safety corridors at the 2025 Oregon Association of County Engineers & Surveyors (OACES) Fall Conference.

Issue, Description & Background: HB 3213 passed in 2019, allowing counties to participate in a pilot program to evaluate the effectiveness of safety corridors on county roads. Marion County became the first county to designate a safety corridor in the state, with the McKay / Yergen / Ehlen Road corridor. In 2025, Marion County concluded the safety corridor designation - and resulting work from Public Works, Sheriffs Office, and Board of Commissioners Office teammates - has been deemed effective and successful at reducing fatal and serious injury crashes on the McKay / Yergen / Ehlen Road corridor. In addition to reducing crashes, the work has led to the passing of HB 2154 in 2025, which has removed the "pilot program" and will now allow counties to identify and develop their own safety corridor programs.

Financial Impacts: None

Impacts to Department & External Agencies: None

List of attachments:

Presenter: Lani Radtke

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