



Kris Strickler

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Kris Strickler joined the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to lead its delivery and operations division in October of 2018, and was appointed Director by the Oregon Transportation Commission in September of 2019. Along with a dedicated staff of over 4,700 employees, Director Strickler oversees a large and complex agency focused on the delivery of Oregon's multimodal transportation system. The agency is tasked with modernizing its transportation network, diversifying the department's workforce, and bringing innovative solutions to achieve Oregon's transportation, economic, and environmental goals. Director Strickler is an experienced transportation engineer, with a background in pragmatic program delivery that prioritizes delivering with communities, for communities.

Director Strickler has enjoyed a rewarding career that has afforded him experience at every level of project and personnel leadership. He began his career designing and constructing improvement projects on Washington State's interstate system, making his experience not only hands on but also leadership focused. Throughout his career, he has had the pleasure of working with federal, state, regional and local entities to create partnerships that serve all modes of transportation, regardless of how users choose to travel.

Director Strickler's experience includes service as the SW Regional Administrator for the Washington State Department of Transportation, Director of the previous Columbia River Crossing project for the Oregon Department of Transportation, and also private sector consulting as a Senior Project Manager, Strategic Advisor and Director of Transportation Services for transportation projects in other parts of the country.

Kris is a proud engineering graduate of Washington State University, and in his spare time enjoys being outdoors, woodworking and vacationing with his family.