



**TRAVEL**

**OREGON**

**COMPETITIVE GRANTS PROGRAM**  
COMMISSION MEETING UPDATE

**3.9.2026**

# 2026-2028 CYCLE TIMELINE

September-November 2025	Engage industry partners
December 2025	Draft guidelines framework developed
January-February 2026	Finalize guidelines, build online application
March 2026	Guidelines published (March 10)
April-May 2026	Applicant technical assistance, Letter of Intent (LOI) open (April 7-27)
June 2026	Invited applications due (June 10-July 1)
July-August 2026	Application review
September 2026	Awards announced (September 23)

# 2026-2028 ENGAGEMENT POINTS

<b>Input Source</b>	<b>Area of Inquiry</b>
Destination Stewardship Department	Adaptations, project types, intersection with other efforts
Portfolio Management	Anticipated needs for staff time, cross-over with work plans
Tribal Tourism Working Group, Industry Relations	Ways to make the process easier and create success
Strategy, Research & Analytics	Preliminary conversations for KPI alignment and data collection needs
Marketing	Project type and scale
Peer Funders	Award amount scale, best practices in equity
RDMO's	Project types, collaboration opportunities
Public Affairs	Statewide economic priorities

# COMMISSION ENGAGEMENT

March 2026	Preview of guidelines
April 2026	Encourage potential applicants to submit a letter of intent (LOI)
June 2026	Review summary list of letters of intent, determine which entities, if any, will advance to submit a full application and at what specific request amount.
August 2026	Read and evaluate applications (<10)
September 2026	Approve award(s)



## **COMMISSION DISCUSSION: Grant Guidelines**