



City of Durham

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Dear Ms. Bennett,

I am writing to request an exemption from the regional transportation functional plan. The City staff has met and discussed this request with the Metro staff, who is in agreement that the City of Durham should be exempt from regional transportation functional plan requirements.

The City of Durham meets the exemption criteria established in Metro Code Section 3.08.640 as follows:

- ❖ The land area within the existing city limits is approaching build-out with no potential for future annexations, i.e., Tigard and Tualatin presently adjoin Durham on all sides. The existing transportation system in Durham has been planned and developed to serve the existing land use pattern and is generally adequate to meet the City's needs.
- ❖ In view of the above comments, the City would anticipate a very limited increase in future population or employment growth.
- ❖ Approving the City's request would not make it more difficult to meet regional or state needs, or to achieve regional transportation performance objectives.

Sincerely,

Roland Signett
City Manager

cc: Gery Schirado, Mayor
KJ Won, Durham City Planner
John Mermin, Metro Senior Transportation Planner