



Nature
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Most Important Features for a State Designated Scenic Bikeway **Does your proposed route have ALL ten items?**

1. Natural scenery with dramatic and diverse views of mountains, forests or deserts, wildlife, lakes and rivers.
2. Human-made scenery with multiple opportunities to experience a variety of points of interest such as buildings, heritage sites, or expansive agricultural landscapes.
3. Pleasing sounds such as birds, the sound of quiet, moving water, or a vibrant downtown that adds to the experience of the ride.
4. Pleasing smells –such as fresh air, the scent of greenery or trees. Think of all the pleasing smells you notice on a bike but probably miss in a car.
5. Road conditions that are in good enough shape to qualify for one of the best rides in Oregon. (Gravel routes can be considered!)
6. Roads with light vehicle traffic and not many large trucks.
7. Riding space with a shoulder or bike lane, a paved path or traffic is so light that there is little need for separation.
8. Strong road jurisdiction support including support from City and County Commissions, ODOT, Forest Service, and BLM. The application must contain letters of support.
9. A dedicated local proponent group who is willing and available to put time and energy into designing the best route, which includes engaging local businesses, inventorying the signs, working with the tourism groups and sustaining the route over time.
10. A diverse proponent group, which ideally is made up of cyclists, tourism representatives, government representatives and business owners.