Congressman Blumenauer joined US Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood, Congressman Peter DeFazio, several senior US DOT staff, and local elected officials and transportation advocates at a reception sponsored by the Bicycle Transportation Alliance and the Women in Transportation Seminar.

The Secretary lauded the Congressman's work on promoting livability in Congress and helping the Obama Administration's Federal Partnership for Sustainable Communities – and told the assembled guests that Portland's reputation for livability is helping communities throughout the country understand the economic, health, community, and environmental benefits of providing a range of transportation options.

He also stressed the US DOT's efforts to eliminate Distracted Driving in order to increase safety for all roadway users. www.distracteddriving.gov .

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