

# MAINTAINING FREIGHT MOBILITY AND KEEPING TRAFFIC MOVING

**ODOT will keep traffic moving during construction and minimize inconvenience to motorists, businesses and communities.**

The OTIA III State Bridge Delivery Program is part of the Oregon Department of Transportation's 10-year, \$3 billion Oregon Transportation Investment Act. OTIA funds will repair or replace hundreds of bridges, pave and maintain city and county roads, improve and expand interchanges, add new capacity to Oregon's highway system, and remove freight bottlenecks statewide. About 17 family-wage jobs are sustained for every \$1 million spent on transportation construction in Oregon. Each year during the OTIA program, construction projects will sustain about 5,000 family-wage jobs.

## Mobility planning to minimize disruptions

- Traffic will continue to move along Oregon's key freight corridors while hundreds of aging state highway bridges—many of them on Interstate 5 and Interstate 84—are replaced or repaired under the OTIA III State Bridge Delivery Program.
- A three-tier plan for managing traffic at the local, corridor and statewide levels ensures the flow of commerce and minimizes disruptions to motorists, truckers, businesses and communities during construction.
- The Oregon Department of Transportation coordinates its work with other state and local projects, especially on I-5 and I-84.
- Unrestricted parallel routes on other state highways offer commercial truckers a travel alternative while interstate highway bridges are under construction.
- Whenever possible, road closures and delays will occur at night or during low traffic hours.

## Public information and stakeholder involvement

- ODOT coordinates with the Oregon Trucking Associations, American Automobile Association, Oregon Manufactured Housing Association, state police and local municipalities to ensure that traffic keeps moving in the most efficient ways possible by establishing alternative routes for freight and travelers to use as bridge program construction increases on the interstates.
- ODOT monitors truck weight and height restrictions to ensure that commerce can flow freely throughout Oregon.
- Information on the web, including TripCheck.com; on the 511 telephone system; and on variable message boards keeps drivers informed about construction work and traffic.
- Maps of the bridge projects are available at visitor centers, welcome centers, and DMV and ODOT offices.

