

## **Oregon Transportation Commission**

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**TO:** Oregon Transportation Commission

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Director

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item G - Increase Construction Authorization for the *I-205: I-5 to OR213*,

Phase 1A (Abernethy Bridge) project.

### **Requested Action:**

Approve an increase in Construction Authorization for the *I-205: I-5 to OR213, Phase 1A (Abernethy Bridge)* project from \$600,000,000 to \$672,000,000 for a total increase of \$72,000,000. The increase will be paid for with resources identified in the December 2024 Urban Mobility Strategy Finance Plan update as follows:

I-205: I-5 - OR213, Phase 1A (K22467)			
PHASE	YEAR	COST	
		Current	Proposed
Construction	2022	\$600,000,000	\$672,000,000
Other	2022	\$180,528	\$180,528
	TOTAL	\$600,180,528	\$672,180,528

### **Background:**

The I-205 Improvements Project improves Interstate 205 by widening and seismically retrofitting the Abernethy Bridge, creating safer options to enter and exit the corridor with an auxiliary lane from OR43 to OR213, and combining the OR43 ramps. Once the project is complete, the Abernethy Bridge will be the first earthquake-ready state highway crossing of the Willamette River in the Portland-metro region.

The *I-205: I-5 – OR213, Phase 1A* project was advertised for bid in December 2021, to allow construction to begin during the first allowable in-water work window in summer 2022. Phase 1A includes Abernethy Bridge improvements and adjacent highway construction, OR43 roundabout construction and ramp improvements, OR99E interchange improvements, stormwater treatment, retaining walls, signing, striping, sign structures, illumination, and construction of a sound wall at Exit 9. Locally funded water and sewer line improvements are also included in this phase. Construction of Phase 1A is expected to end after four in-water work cycles in 2026. The bid was awarded to Kiewit Infrastructure West Co for \$447 million, with some work deferred to future contracts. OTC previously approved additional construction authorizations of \$19.8 million in November 2023 and \$85.2 million

in May 2024, to allow ODOT to address cost increases due to project changes, including supply chain issues, excavation obstructions, structural engineering elements and unanticipated project changes.

The purpose of this increase in construction authorization is to allow ODOT to address additional cost increases due to project changes, including:

- Additional delay
  - o An additional 307 days are needed to complete the project in Fall 2026
  - Additional 307 days of engineering and construction administration are needed while the project is in construction
- Expediting work
  - o Impacts from the work that has been delayed require future work to be expedited in order to complete the project by Fall 2026.
- Settle all disputes and outstanding financial claims to date and reset the project

## **Outcomes:**

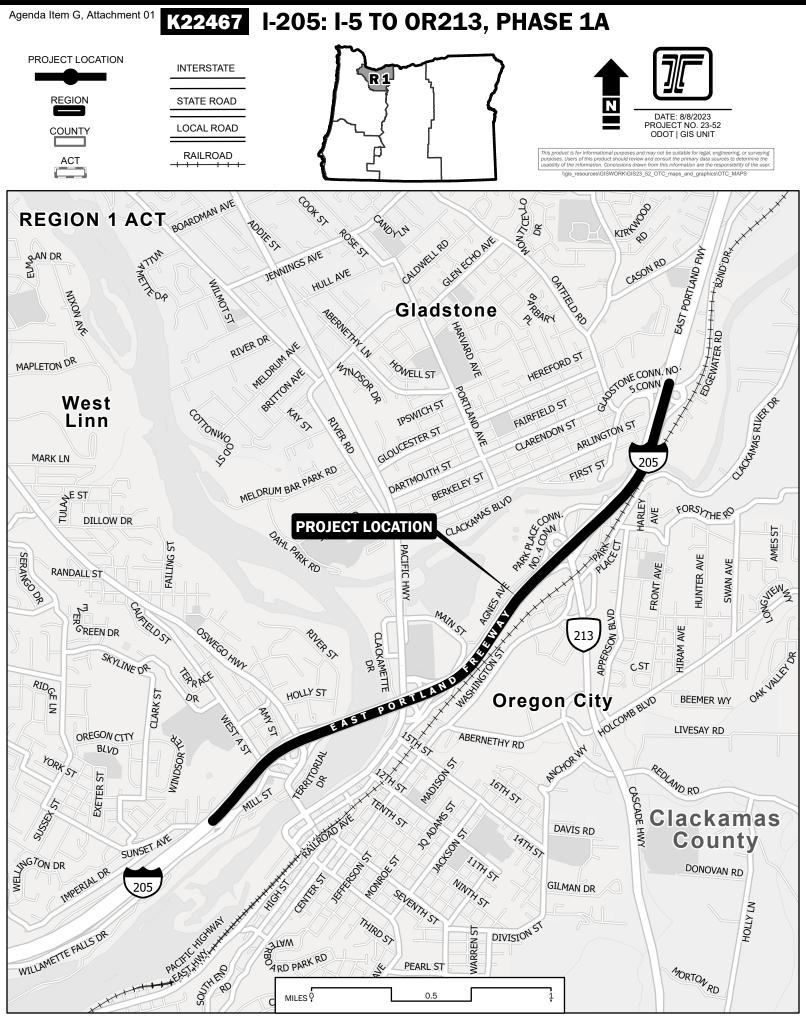
With approval, ODOT will continue construction of the project without additional delay and related increased costs to the project.

Without approval, ODOT will delay construction, and the Abernethy Bridge project will incur increased costs related to the additional delay.

### **Attachments:**

• Attachment 01 - Location and Vicinity Maps

# STIP PROJECT LOCATION



MAPS PREPARED FOR THE OREGON TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION BY THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SERVICES UNIT

# STIP PROJECT VICINITY

