

## Oregon Department of Transportation News Release

# Region 1

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# Weekly Construction Update: Feb. 8-15, 2025\*

\*Schedules are subject to change due to weather and site conditions.

The following highways have projects included in this week's construction report. Scroll down to see traffic impacts in the following order (interstate, U.S., and state highways).

### Interstate 5 – Pacific Highway – I-5 Over 26th Avenue Improvements (23T030503)

**Project Description:** Improves the I-5 bridge over SW 26th Avenue in Southwest Portland with a new structure and upgrades SW 26th Avenue with better lighting, bike lanes, and sidewalks.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: bit.ly/swi-5repair

#### Interstate 84 – Columbia River Highway – McCord Creek Bridge

**Project Description:** We are preparing to replace the aging bridge that carries I-84 east over McCord Creek near Warrendale in 2025-2026. Replacing the bridge will eliminate a dip in the roadway and increase safety, earthquake resilience, and the lifespan of the highway. A utility provider is relocating lines with impacts to the adjacent Historic Columbia River Highway State Trail.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: www.i84gorgeconstruction.org

## Interstate 84 – Columbia River Highway – Mitchell Point Tunnel (21T027255)

**Project Description:** The iconic Mitchell Point Tunnel was a highlight of the original Historic Highway, but the construction of Interstate 84 destroyed the tunnel. Now, we are constructing a new tunnel and Historic Highway State Trail segment adjacent to I-84 east near Exit 58.

Traffic Impacts: I-84 east Exit 58 closed around the clock.

Project website: <u>https://www.oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=HCRHMP</u>

## Interstate 205 – East Portland Freeway – Improvements Project Phase 1A

#### Abernethy Bridge (22T046983)

**Project Description:** The I-205 Improvements Project is part of a regional <u>Urban Mobility Strategy</u> to comprehensively reduce congestion and crashes, while also making travel times shorter and more predictable. The first phase of the project will upgrade the Abernethy Bridge to withstand a major earthquake, improve interchanges at OR 43 and OR 99E, along with improving on- and off- ramps to improve safety. Abernethy Bridge will also be widened to accommodate a third lane in each direction. Final lane configuration will be completed in a future phase.

**Traffic Impacts:** Nighttime lane closures on OR 99E both directions 8 pm to 6 am Thursday, 8 pm to 8 am Friday and 8 pm to 9 am Saturday. Single lane open in both directions.

Nighttime ramp closure from OR99E to I-205 northbound 8 pm to 6 am Thursday, 8 pm to 8 am Friday and Saturday and 8 pm to 9 am Saturday.

Single lane closures on Clackamette Drive, Willamette Falls Drive. Auxiliary lane closure on OR 99E north. Pedestrian detours on OR 43 and OR 99E.

Project website: <u>i205corridor.org</u>

#### U.S. 26 – Powell Boulevard – Outer Powell Transportation Safety Project (22T075374)

**Project Description:** We are constructing safety improvements to help people travel Outer SE Powell Boulevard more safely from SE 99th Avenue to SE 122nd Avenue and SE 136th Avenue to just east of SE 174th Avenue (the Portland/Gresham city limits). The first phase, from SE 122nd Avenue to SE 136th Avenue, is complete.

The overall Outer Powell Project will add a center turn lane, sidewalks and bike lanes. These improvements reduce the frequency and severity of crashes as well as help people driving, taking transit, walking and biking share the road with fewer conflicts. Pre-construction activities are underway. Road construction is expected to begin spring 2025 and last five years.

**Traffic Impacts:** Lane closures, traffic shifts, shoulder closures and up to 20-minute traffic holds 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays. Flaggers may periodically be directing traffic.

Project website: <u>www.OuterPowellSafety.org</u>

#### U.S. 26 – Powell Boulevard at 36th Avenue – Pedestrian Safety Project (24T110870)

**Project Description:** We are improving safety for people walking, biking or rolling by upgrading the currently unsignalized crosswalk on U.S. 26 (SE Powell Boulevard) and SE 36th Avenue with a new pedestrian-activated beacon, also known as a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon, or RRFB.

**Traffic impacts:** Eastbound and westbound single lane closures from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Project website: www.tinyurl.com/SEPowellandSE36thAve

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#### U.S. 26 – Powell Boulevard at 92nd Avenue – Sidewalk curb ramps (24T111059)

**Project Description:** We are improving safety and access for all sidewalk users by upgrading sidewalk curb ramps to the current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility standards on all corners of the intersection at U.S. 26 (Powell Boulevard) and SE 92<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

Traffic impacts: Eastbound and westbound single lane closures from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Project website: <a href="http://www.tinyurl.com/SEPowellandSE92ndAve">www.tinyurl.com/SEPowellandSE92ndAve</a>

#### U.S. 30 – NW St. Helens Road – NW Industrial Paving Project (22T032490)

**Project Description:** We are making safety improvements for travelers on U.S. 30 (NW St. Helens Road), between NW Bridge Avenue and NW Kittridge Avenue. We are repaying the roadway, replacing traffic signals, adjusting vehicle lane widths, building curb ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements and improving conditions for people biking.

**Traffic Impacts:** Periodic daytime lane closures. Pedestrian detours. Bicycles use roadway travel lanes.

Project website: <a href="http://www.bit.ly/NWIndustrialAreaRepavement">bit.ly/NWIndustrialAreaRepavement</a>

#### U.S. 30 – Historic Columbia River Highway – Stark Street Bridge (Multnomah

County) (24T105919)

**Project Description:** Repairs are underway on a retaining wall on the northwest approach of the Stark Street Bridge, operated by Multnomah County.

**Traffic Impacts:** The Stark Street Bridge is closed. Temporary signals are directing traffic on the Historic Columbia River Highway at the bridge.

Project website: https://multco.us/info/week-roads

#### U.S. 30 – Historic Columbia River Highway – Sidewalk curb ramps (24T088709)

**Project Description:** We are improving safety and access for all by upgrading sidewalk curb ramps to the current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility standards on a section of U.S. 30 (Cascade Avenue and Oak Street in Hood River) from Mt. Adams Avenue to E 2nd Street.

Traffic Impacts: Periodic daytime lane closures and side street closures. Pedestrian detours.

Project website: <a href="http://www.i84GorgeConstruction.org">www.i84GorgeConstruction.org</a>

#### U.S. 30 – Historic Columbia River Highway – Bridal Veil Bridge (25T0017029)

**Project Description**: We are repairing a bridge on the Historic Columbia River Highway between Shepperd's Dell State Park and Bridal Veil Falls to continue carrying traffic over the creek.

**Traffic Impacts**: Periodic lane closures with flaggers directing traffic on U.S. 30/Historic Highway weekdays.

Project website: <u>www.i84GorgeConstruction.org</u>

#### U.S. 30 – Historic Columbia River Highway – Multnomah Falls Viaducts (24T016894)

**Project Description:** Two 100 year-old elevated roadways that provide access to Multnomah Falls require repairs to continue providing access to one of Oregon's most iconic sites. The elevated roadways – called viaducts – carry vehicles and bicycles to the Falls and Lodge from the Historic Columbia River Highway. The west viaduct will be closed fall 2024 through spring 2025. The east viaduct will be closed fall 2025 through spring 2026.

**Traffic Impacts:** A section of the Historic Columbia River Highway/U.S. 30 between Wahkeena Falls and Multnomah Falls is closed to all users until Memorial Day 2025.

Use I-84 Exit 31 or take transit to visit Multnomah Falls. There is no vehicle or bicycle access to Multnomah Falls heading eastbound on the Historic Highway. The Wahkeena-Multnomah Falls return trail #442 is open to hikers.

Project website: <a href="http://www.i84GorgeConstruction.org">www.i84GorgeConstruction.org</a>

#### U.S. 30 BY – St. Johns Bridge – Bridge Repair (22T088503)

**Project Description:** We are improving the long-term safety and lifespan of the St. Johns Bridge by repairing the concrete on the pier columns and arches under the bridge. Repairing the concrete will protect the bridge's steel internal frame and reinforcements from corrosion, maintaining the service life of this beloved Portland Historic Landmark.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: https://www.oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=37899

# U.S. 30 BY – North Lombard Street, NE Lombard Street, NE Killingsworth Street, NE Sandy Boulevard – sidewalk curb ramps (24T025322)

**Project Description:** This project rebuilds 300 sidewalk curb ramps at unsignalized intersections along U.S. 30 Bypass in Portland between N. Syracuse Street and NE 165th Avenue to meet ADA accessibility standards.

Traffic Impacts: No impacts.

Project website: www.R1ADA.org

# OR 8 – TV Highway – pedestrian and bicycle improvements SW 153<sup>rd</sup> Drive to SW 182<sup>nd</sup> Avenue (257005910)

**Project Description:** This project improves safety for people walking, rolling and bicycling by installing a crosswalk with a pedestrian-activated flashing beacon at the intersection of OR 8 at SW 174th Avenue in Aloha and a buffered bicycle lane from SW 153<sup>rd</sup> Drive to SW 182<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: OR8construction.org

#### OR 8 – TV Highway – fiber optic cable from OR 217 to SW 198<sup>th</sup> Avenue (25T010672)

**Project Description:** We are installing new overhead and underground fiber optic cable where gaps exist along OR 8 between SW 198th Avenue in Aloha to OR 217 in Beaverton.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: OR8construction.org

#### OR 43 at Marylhurst Dr Intersection Improvements (25T007381)

**Project Description:** This project will reduce conflicts and improve safety on OR 43 (Willamette Drive) for travelers at the Marylhurst Drive intersection.

Traffic impacts: No traffic impacts.

Website: Bit.ly/ODOT-OR43-Project

#### Oregon 99E – Pacific Highway East – Paving in Canby (227096643)

**Project Description:** This project will repave and reconstruct sections of Oregon 99E between South Pine Street and Southwest Berg Parkway in Canby and make safety improvements.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: Bit.ly/canbypaving

#### Oregon 99E – SE McLoughlin Boulevard – Pedestrian Safety (24T088834)

**Project Description:** This project installs an overhead RRFB with a pedestrian refuge island median, ADA compliant curb ramps with push buttons, speed feedback signs and illumination.

Traffic Impacts: No impacts.

Project website: tinyurl.com/OR99EatMapleSt

#### Oregon 99W – Pacific Highway West – Paving: I-5 to McDonald Street (23T031577)

**Project Description:** The project area begins where OR 99W crosses Interstate 5 near SW 64th Avenue. It continues along OR 99W south to SW McDonald Street in Tigard. It will create a fully connected sidewalk network in the corridor, smoother and safer road surface, increase bike lane connectivity, and reconstruct sidewalk curbs so they comply with Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

Traffic Impacts: No impacts.

Project website: tinyurl.com/OR99Wpaving

# **Oregon 127 – NW Cornelius Pass Road – NW Skyline Boulevard Storage Site** (24T041148)

**Project Description:** A new ODOT storage site is being constructed at the southeast corner of OR 127 and NW Skyline Boulevard to provide maintenance crews with access to supplies and equipment for maintaining safety and operations of NW Cornelius Pass Road and during winter weather events.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

#### OR 141 – Hall Boulevard – pedestrian and bicycle improvements (24T099822)

**Project Description:** We are making a series of pedestrian and bicycle improvements on Hall Boulevard in Tigard between SW Locust Street and SW Durham Road and at the intersection with SW Greenburg Road. Improvements include a new enhanced crosswalk at the intersection of Hall Boulevard and SW Ashford Street.

Traffic Impacts: Shoulder, bicycle lane closures and pedestrian detours.

Project website: tinyurl.com/Hallimprovements

### Oregon 211 – Main Street – Private Development (Molalla) (247030890)

Project Description: A private development is underway off OR 211 near Ona Way in Molalla.

Traffic Impacts: Shoulder closures and pedestrian detours.

#### Oregon 211 – Woodburn-Estacada Highway – Safety Corridor (24T070588)

**Project Description:** The Oregon Department of Transportation designated eight miles of OR 211 from Molalla to Colton (milepost 14.0 to 22.0) as a Safety Corridor in October 2021 in response to high crash rates. ODOT builds safety improvements in 2024 to reduce crashes with new signage, striping, lighting and rumble strips.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Website: tinyurl.com/OR211SafetyCorridor

#### Oregon 213 – SE 82nd Avenue – Paving and Safety Improvements (23T079513)

**Project Description:** We are repaying and making safety improvements on SE 82nd Avenue from SE Foster Road to SE Thompson Road. We will repaye SE 82nd Avenue in both directions between SE Foster Road and SE Lindy Street. Pedestrian safety improvements from SE Foster to SE Thompson Road include four new Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs), upgrades to curb ramps that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements and adding new sidewalks between SE Clatsop Street and SE Cornwell Street.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: <a href="mailto:tinyurl.com/82ndAveFosterToThompson">tinyurl.com/82ndAveFosterToThompson</a>

#### Oregon 217 – Beaverton-Tigard Highway – Auxiliary Lanes (21T119060)

**Project Description:** This project will address long-standing congestion on OR 217 between Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway and OR 99W due to too many closely spaced interchanges: 10 interchanges in just over seven miles! This is some of the shortest merging spacing in the region.

Traffic Impacts: No new traffic impacts.

#### Ongoing closures:

Hall Boulevard over OR 217 in Tigard is temporarily closed until early 2025 to replace the bridge. Auxiliary lane closures on OR 217 south from Scholls Ferry Road to OR 99W and on OR 217 north from Scholls Ferry Road to Denney Road. Expect shoulder closures on OR 217, various on- and offramps, and on local roads near the highway ramps. Various on- and off-ramps temporarily narrowed.

Project website: <u>www.hwy217.org</u>

#### Various Highways – Central ARTS

**Project Description:** The ARTS Program aims to reduce serious crashes at various intersections on state highway and on local roads. Intersections typically have high rates of crashes. The Central ARTS program improves safety at intersections and streets in the central Portland metro area. Improvement corridors include U.S. 30 Bypass, Powell Boulevard (U.S. 26), Foster Road, and Interstate 205.

Traffic impacts: No impacts.

Project website: www.bit.ly/ARTSProgram

## Various Highways – Hood River County ARTS

**Project Description:** The ARTS Program aims to reduce serious crashes at various intersections on state highway and on local roads. Intersections typically have high rates of crashes. This ARTS project improves safety at intersections and streets in Hood River County. Improvements to upgrade signs, traffic signals and lighting will occur at 22 intersections on OR 281, OR 282 and OR 35.

Traffic impacts: Daytime shoulder closures at the intersection of OR 35 and OR 282.

Project website: <a href="http://bit.ly/ARTSProjects\_OR35\_OR281\_OR282">bit.ly/ARTSProjects\_OR35\_OR281\_OR282</a>

#### Various Highways – West ARTS

**Project Description:** The ARTS Program aims to reduce serious crashes at various intersections on state highway and on local roads. Intersections typically have high rates of crashes. The West ARTS program improves safety at intersections and streets in the west Portland metro area. Improvement corridors include U.S. 30, Tualatin Valley Highway (OR 8), Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway (OR 10), Barbur Boulevard (OR 99W), Macadam Avenue (OR 99E) and Hall Boulevard (OR 141).

**Traffic Impacts:** Nighttime flagging on OR 99W at 60<sup>th</sup> Ave, Bertha Blvd, Terwilliger, Capitol Hill Rd. Daytime single lane closures at OR 8 at 24<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Project website: www.bit.ly/ARTSProgram

#### Various Highways – Washington County ARTS

**Project Description:** The ARTS Program aims to reduce serious crashes at various intersections on state highway and on local roads. Intersections typically have high rates of crashes. This ARTS project improves safety at intersections and streets in Washington County. Improvements include 54 intersections on OR 8, OR 10, OR 47 and OR 219.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: tinyurl.com/WACountyARTS

#### Tips for driving safely in work zones

An inattentive driver is the most common cause of work zone crashes. Drivers and their passengers — not workers — make up the majority of work zone fatalities. What you can do:

- SLOW DOWN!
- Pay attention
- Obey signs and flaggers

Know before you go! Call 511 or visit <u>www.TripCheck.com</u> to check routes, work zones and road and weather conditions before you head out. ##ODOT##

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