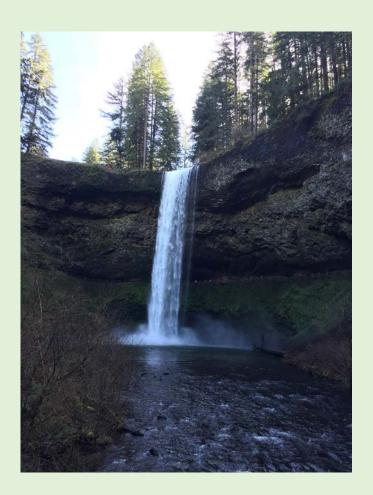


Oregon Trails Coalition Legislative Update



Building our collective vision for continued investment in trails during unprecedented times



- Pre-COVID, 74% of Oregonians use local trails.
 Now use is at all-time high
- 55% of Oregonians travel to use trails in Oregon outside of their communities
- Funding need of more than \$750 million (2018 figure. pre-wildfires) with current sources oversubscribed
- Trail investments are a priority for Oregonians

Current Coalition Priority Bills in OR

- HB 2171: Governor's Omnibus Recreation bill
 - Status: Referred to Ways and Means
- HB 2549: Waterways Access
 - Status: Passed the House; on Senate President's desk.
- HB 2593: Search And Rescue Fund
 - Status: Referred to Ways and Means
- HB 2913: Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund
 - Status: Referred to Ways and Means
- SB 395: Increase percentage of state transportation funding for bike and ped
 - Status: Joint Transportation Committee
- SB 289: Responding to bias crimes in the outdoors
 - Status: On Senate President's desk. Passed Senate Committee on Energy and Environment
- HB 3241: Oregon Coast Trail Funding
 - Status: Referred to Ways and Means

Federal Trails Advocacy

- Budget Appropriations Requests due to Merkley's office this week
- Earmarks requests due to Transportation and Infrastructure Committee this week
- HR 1864: Recreational Trails Program Full Funding Act (bipartisan support)
- Outdoors for All Act passed House as part of Protecting America's Wilderness and Public Lands Act
- S.684: Connecting America's Active Transportation System Act

First Aid/ CPR Training

Register: https://www.oregontrailscoalition.org/first-aid-cpr-training



April 28, 4pm: Ready, Set, Plan!? Release Party



Thanks!



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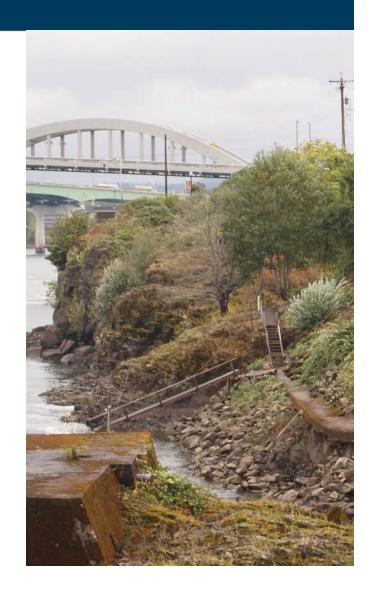
Riverwalk vision and design



Taking action

Evaluation of the design alternatives and cost estimates

Identification of respective values, constraints and challenges



Core Values



PUBLIC ACCESS

HISTORICAL & CULTURAL INTERPRETATION

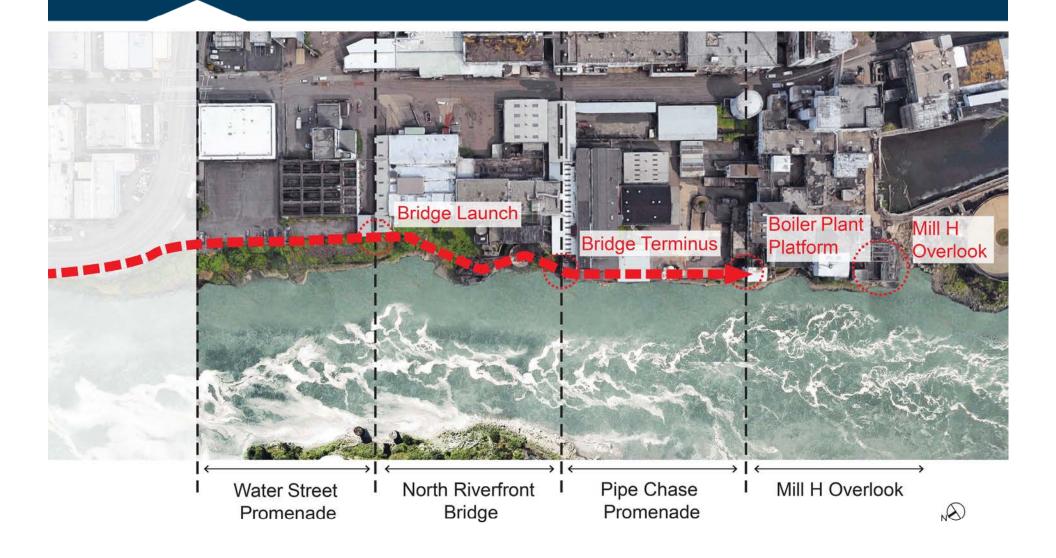
ECONOMIC REDEVELOPMENT

HEALTHY HABITAT

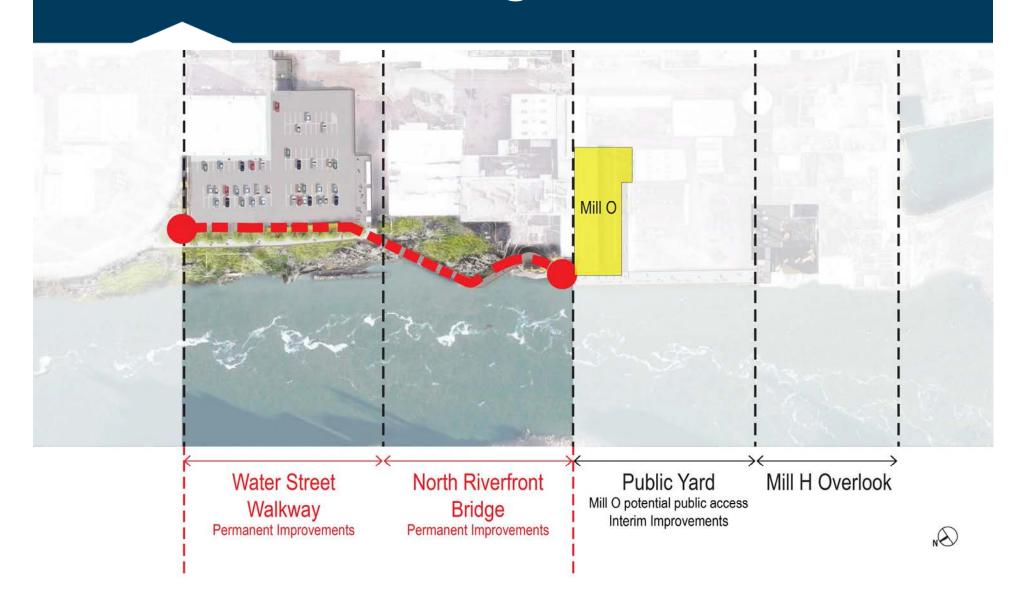
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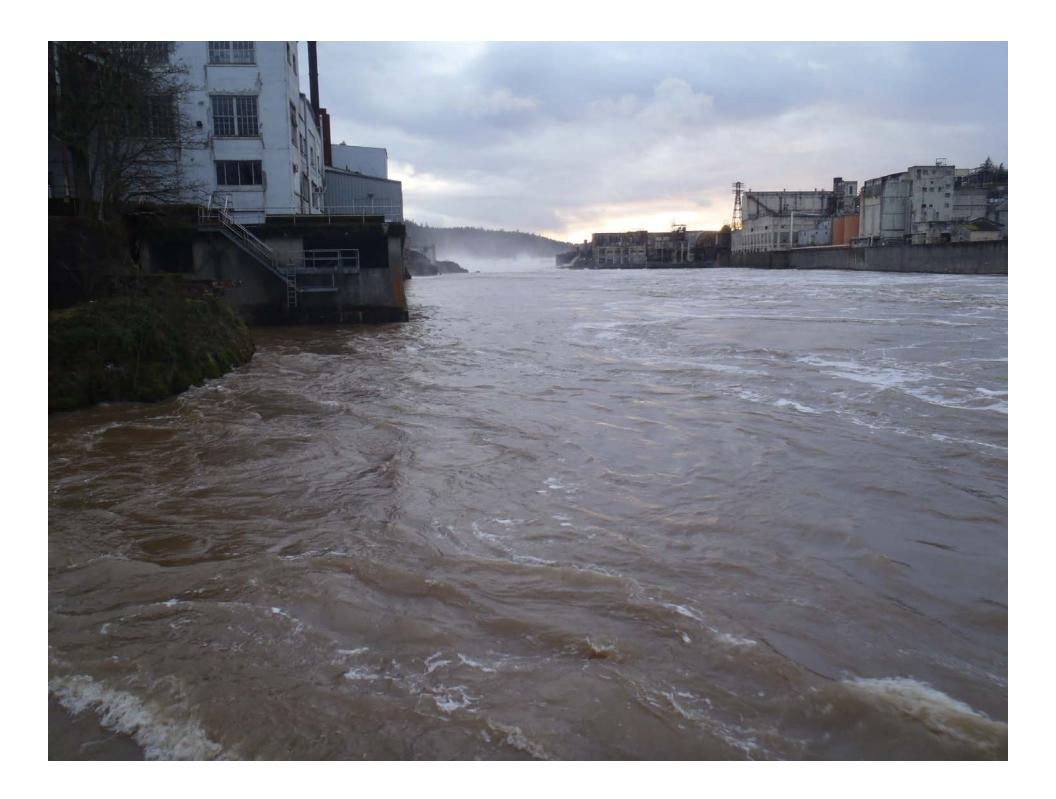
Riverfront alignment



Phase 1: Water Street + North Riverfront Bridge











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Thank you!





Oregon City/West Linn Pedestrian & Bicycle Bridge Concept Plan

Quarterly Trails Forum - April 14, 2021

Agenda

- Background
- Committee Structure
- Schedule
- Bridge Alignments & Analysis
- Top 5 Most Promising Alignments
- Findings and Recommendations



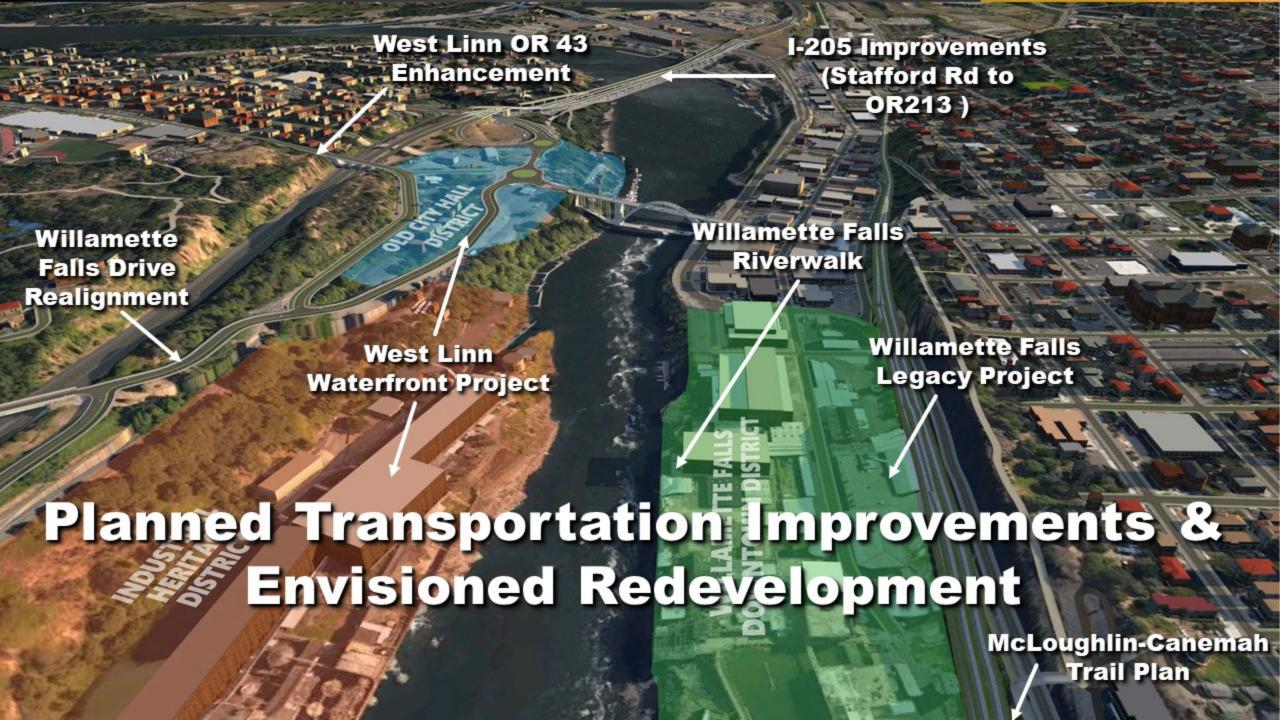












Project Committee Structure









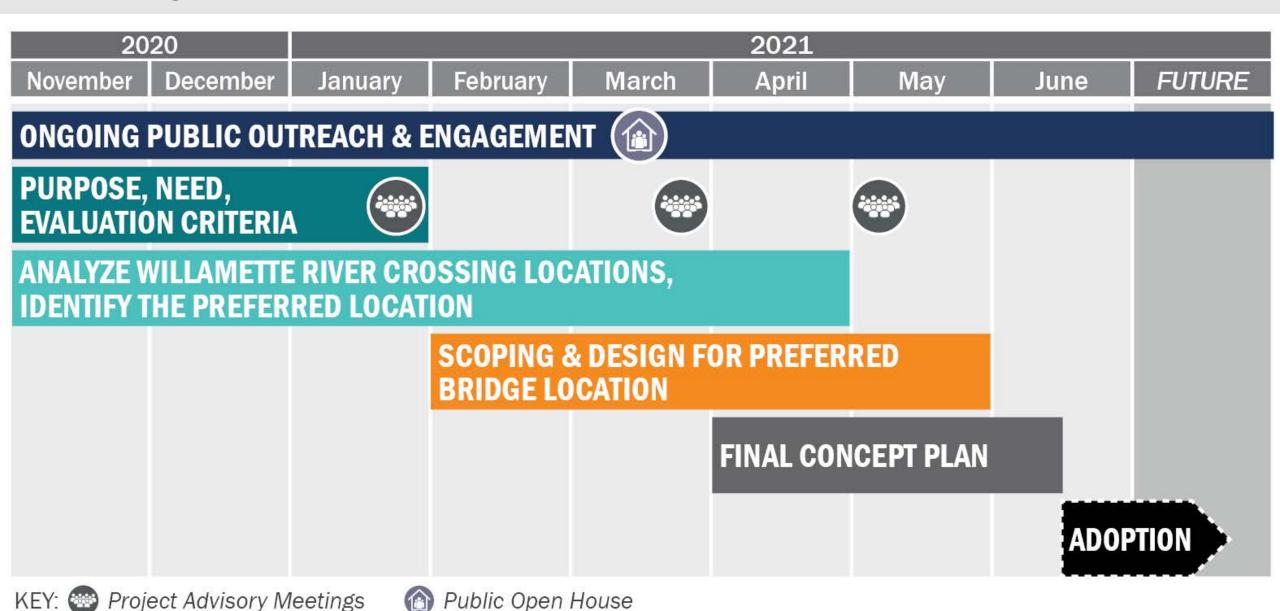




PUBLIC INPUT

Public input is considered throughout decision-making and includes virtual public meeting and open house, stakeholder interviews, focus groups, and public hearings.

Project Schedule



Project Process

Developed **Site Evaluation Criteria**

Identified Preliminary Set of Alignments

Identified Top 5 Potential Crossing Alignments

Identify Preferred Crossing Alignment

We Are Here





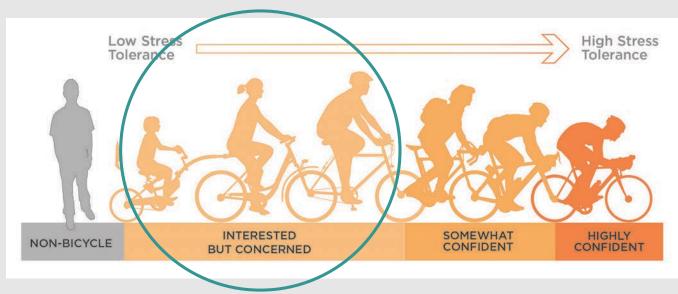






Why Not Use the Arch Bridge "As-is"

Designing for the "Interested but Concerned"



- Existing Arch Bridge suitable for highly confident only
- Existing Arch Bridge does not meet ADA compliance for walking facilities
- Existing conditions limit potential for active transportation use













Project Purpose & Need

- Address historic Arch Bridge deficiencies for people walking, biking, and rolling
- Identify a new low-stress connection across the Willamette River to improve the experience for people walking, biking, and rolling
- Connect existing and planned walking, biking, and rolling networks
- Enhance accessibility and cultural experience of historic resources
- Create opportunities for economic and community development













Identify Crossing Alignments

Identify Potential Alignments (15 Alignment)

Screen Potential Alignments (15 Alignments)

Evaluate Most Promising Alignments (5 Alignments)

WE ARE HERE

Select Preferred
Alignment

Virtual Open House Input Informs Selection of Preferred Alignment



Project Leadership Team Feedback

Project Advisory Committee Feedback

Agency Technical Workshop #1 & #2 Feedback

Stakeholder Interviews & Homework

Tribal Briefings & Feedback / Homework

Walking Tour Feedback

Focus Group Feedback



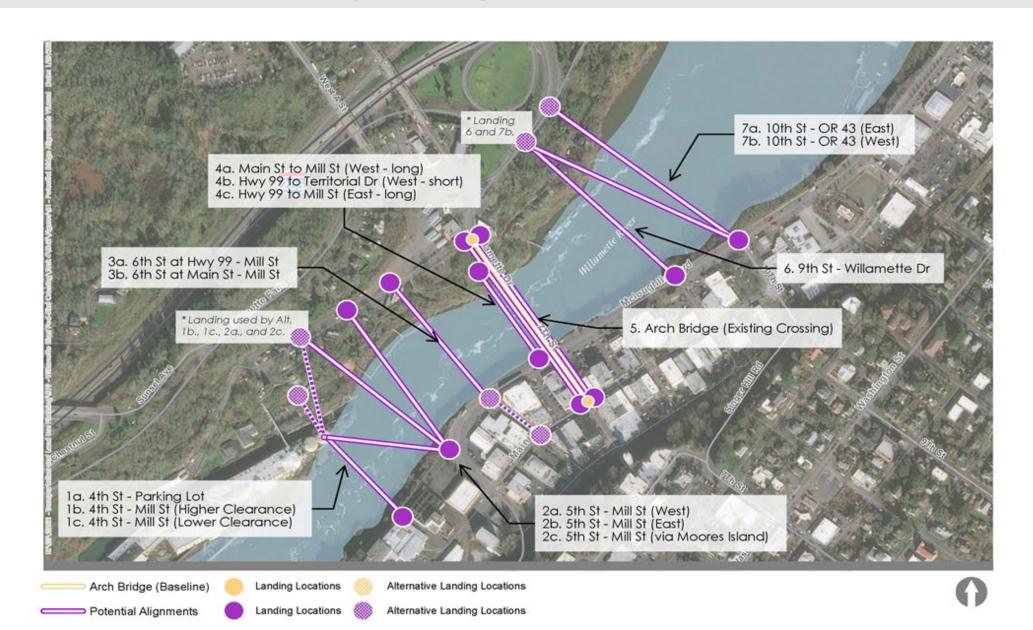


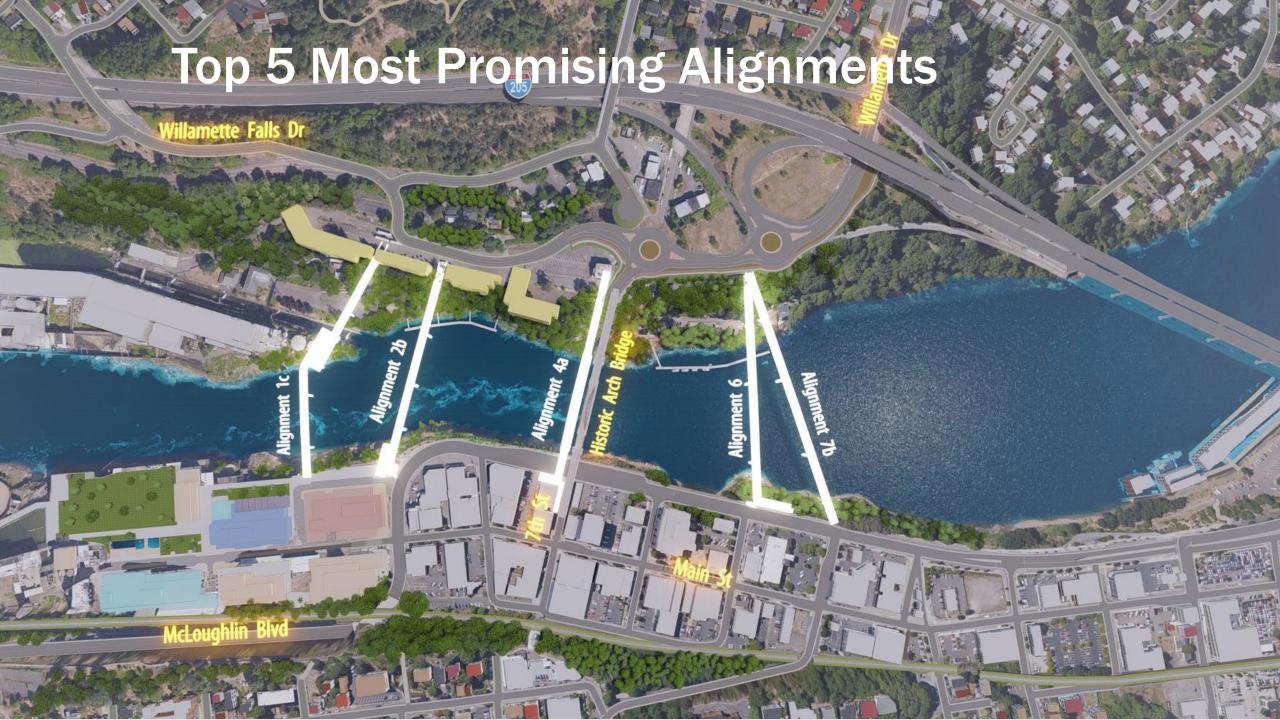






Potential Bridge Alignment Considerations















Link: Willamette Bicycle and Pedestrian River Crossing (arcgis.com)

Equity

Alignment 1c



Alignment 2b



Alignment 4a



Alignment 6



Alignment 7b











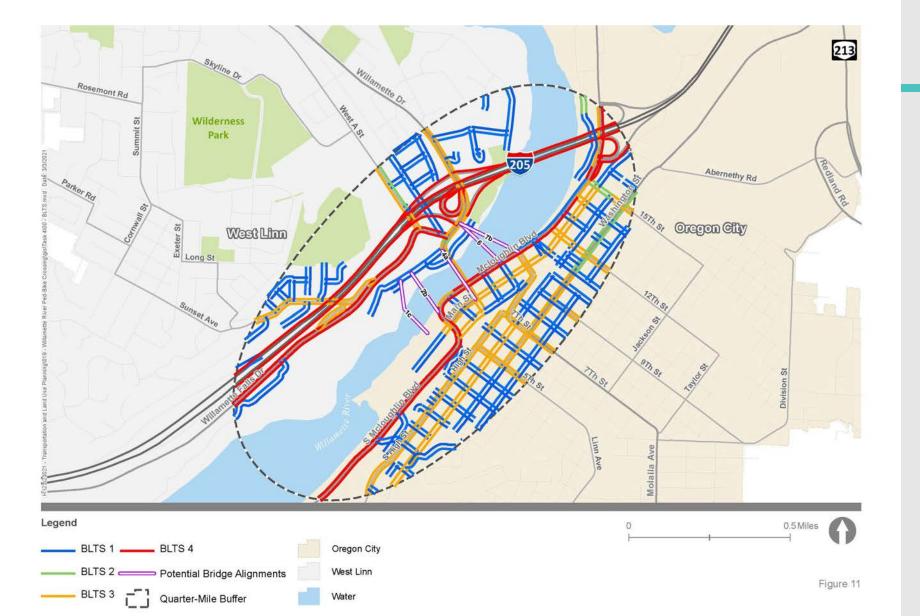




Considers social, cultural, historic, economic benefits and impacts associated with each alignment.

Criteria is still being updated based on ongoing conversations with the tribes and community members.

Transportation Safety & Connectivity



Considers connections to low-stress existing and planning walking and biking networks

Designing for the "Interested but Concerned"

User Experience



Activity





Access to Cultural and Historic Resources





Views & Sounds



Grade changes and ramping

Considers sense of place and personal security and cultural and historical experiences.

There are tradeoffs for each of the options -We want your input on which are most important!











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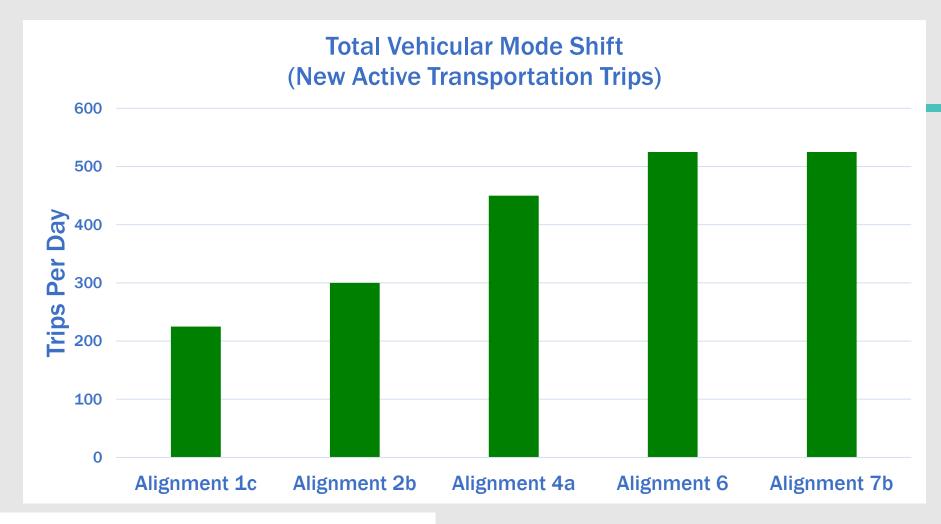






Considers projected trips and access to essential destinations such as schools, hospitals, etc.

Health



Considers health
outcomes associated
with increase in the
frequency of people
walking and biking and a
decrease in driving trips

Considers physical, social, and mental health benefits from increased activity and decreased vehicle emissions.











Note: This graph shows new, mode shift trips. It excludes recreational projections and trips that exist along the Historic Arch Bridge today.

Planning Level Cost Estimates

_	Alignment	Planning-level bridge construction costs
	Alignment 1c: 4th Street to Mill Street	\$27M - \$40M
	Alignment 2b: 5th Street to Mill Street	\$22M - \$32M
	Alignment 4a: Main Street to Mill Street	\$23M - \$35M
	Alignment 6: 9th Street to Willamette Drive	\$25M - \$36M
	Alignment 7b: 10th Street to OR 43	\$25M - \$37M











Considerations – Most Promising Alignments

Least Challenges

Considerations

- Horizontal and vertical bridge approaches and alignments;
- Clearance to flood elevation;
- River vessel navigational clearance;
- Accommodation of emergency vehicles; and,
- Properties of sufficient size to serve the bridge landing.



Alignment 6

Alignment 1c

Alignment 2b

Alignment 4a

Most Challenges

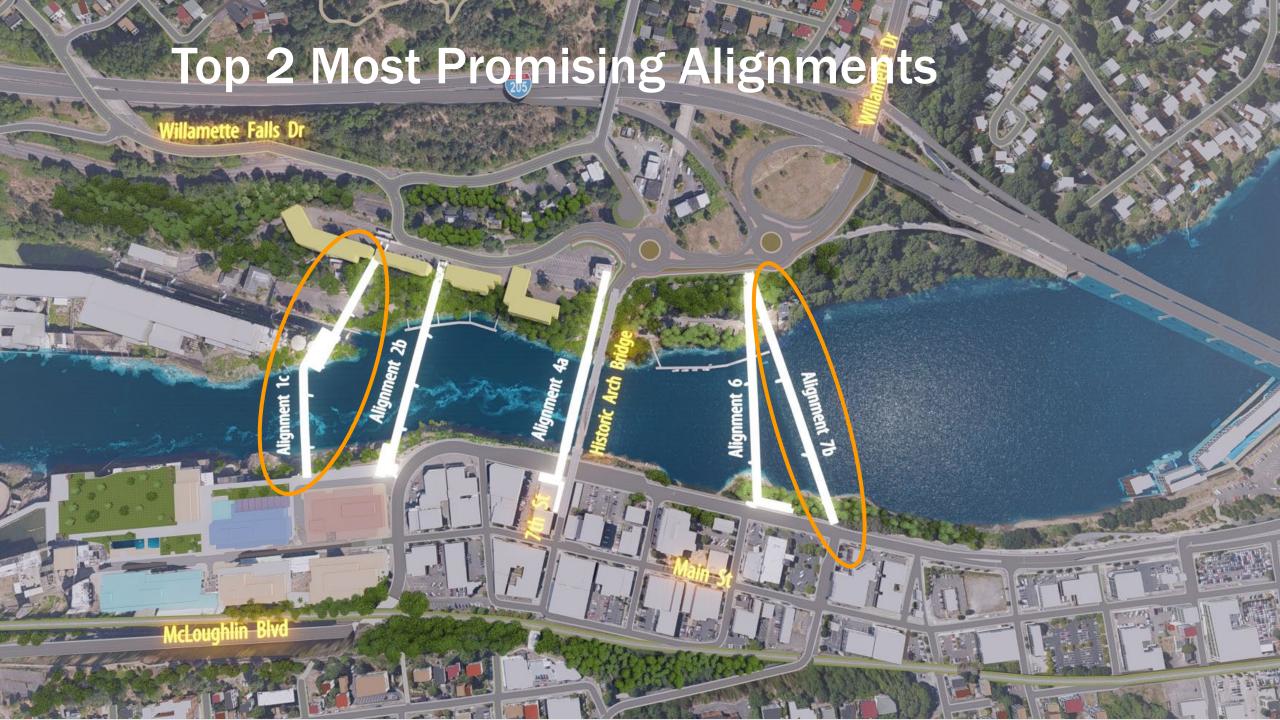












Considerations – Most Promising Alignments

Alignment 7b

- Provides a direct, regional transportation connection
- Avoids impacts to Willamette Falls and Historic Arch Bridge
- Potentially impacts a couple homes in West Linn

Alignment 1c

- •Increases and incentivizes opportunity for development
- Supports tourism and access to cultural and historic sites
- Draws more recreational walking, biking, and rolling activity to the area











Questions?



Project Contact

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Project website and learn more at tinyurl.com/WalkBikeRoll













Project Leadership Team & Project Management Team

- City of Oregon City Commissioner (Denyse McGriff)
- City of West Linn City Councilor (Mary Baumgartner)
- Clackamas County Commissioner (Paul Savas)
- Metro Councilor (Christine Lewis)
- ODOT Region 1 Manager (Rian Windsheimer)

- City of Oregon City (Dayna Webb)
- City of West Linn (Erich Lais)
- Clackamas County (Scott Hoelscher)
- Metro (John Mermin)
- ODOT (Sandra Hikari)











Project Advisory Committee (PAC)

Interested Government Parties

- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
- Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
- Confederated Tribes of Umatilla
- Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs
 Reservation
- Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation
- Confederated Tribes of Nez Perce

Governments with Regulatory Authority

- US Coast Guard
- US Army Corps of Engineers

Shoreline Property Owners

- Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde
- Portland General Electric (PGE)
- Belgravia Investments

Additional Appropriate Representation

- Willamette Falls Heritage Foundation
- Willamette Falls Trust
- Downtown Oregon City Association
- West Linn Chamber of Commerce
- Community Leaders, Advocates, Schools, Emergency Services, ADA, Health











Outreach Process

- Stakeholder Comment Log
- Project Partner (Governments with Regulatory Authority) Coordination Meetings
- Stakeholder Interviews (up to 12)
- Focus Group Work Sessions (up to 8)
- Virtual Public Meeting and Open House
- Walking Tour
- Project Website











Clackamas County Equestrian Trails Update

Stacy Livermore, Oregon Equestrian Trails

Tryon Creek State Natural Area, Lake Oswego

Tryon Creek sustained some damage from the ice storm in February but the trails were quickly cleared out by staff and volunteers. One bridge had an unrelated tread issue with a rotted board which a horse stepped through, but that too was quickly repaired. Tryon remains a very important resource for equestrians living on the west side of Clackamas County as a quick go-to place to ride on a great year-round surface.



Milo McIver State Park, Estacada

McIver Park sustained major damage from the February ice storm. Equestrian volunteers who work there every week, worked several weeks to remove the largest fallen trees off the trails, and then a work party of over 40 equestrians worked three hours to remove smaller debris. The equestrian trails are all open and are seeing more shared use with hikers and dogs walkers right now because the north end of the park is still closed. The equestrian parking area is also seeing more passenger cars in it. It would be helpful for non-equestrians to park at the outer edges of the parking lot to allow trucks and trailers to park in the center. Thank you!



March work party at Milo McIver State Park



Hardy Creek Trails, Molalla River Corridor, Molalla

A crew of seven equestrian volunteers cleared the Huckleberry trail of many downed trees in March. The 2.7 mile stretch between the Hardy Creek trailhead and the "yellow gate" trailhead was important to clear, as it allows vehicle access to more work party groups as well as emergency responders. There is a SOLVe spring clean up in the corridor April 17 which will also include more trail work on the single track trails. May 15 is the opening date for the single track trails, which are popular multi-use trails for hikers, mountain bikers, and equestrians. The south end of the Hardy Creek was damaged by the Beachie Creek fire in September of 2020, but the Huckleberry trail is open. The Wetland Loop Trail was not passable as of March but might be cleaned out on April 17.

SOLVe event from 2014 Molalla River Corridor



March 16 work party at Hardy Creek Trail System



Mt Hood National Forest trails

Territorial Riders Back Country Horsemen will be based out of Clackamas Lake Horse Camp May 14-18 and will be clearing the trails around Timothy Lake and the Pacific Crest Trail in that area, from approximately Little Crater Lake in the north to the Warm Springs River in the south, as time and snowmelt allows.







Private forest lands owned by Port Blakely

There are several sections of private land that are accessible to hikers and horseback riders in Clackamas County. All sustained damage from the February ice storm and users are slowly clearing the trails out.



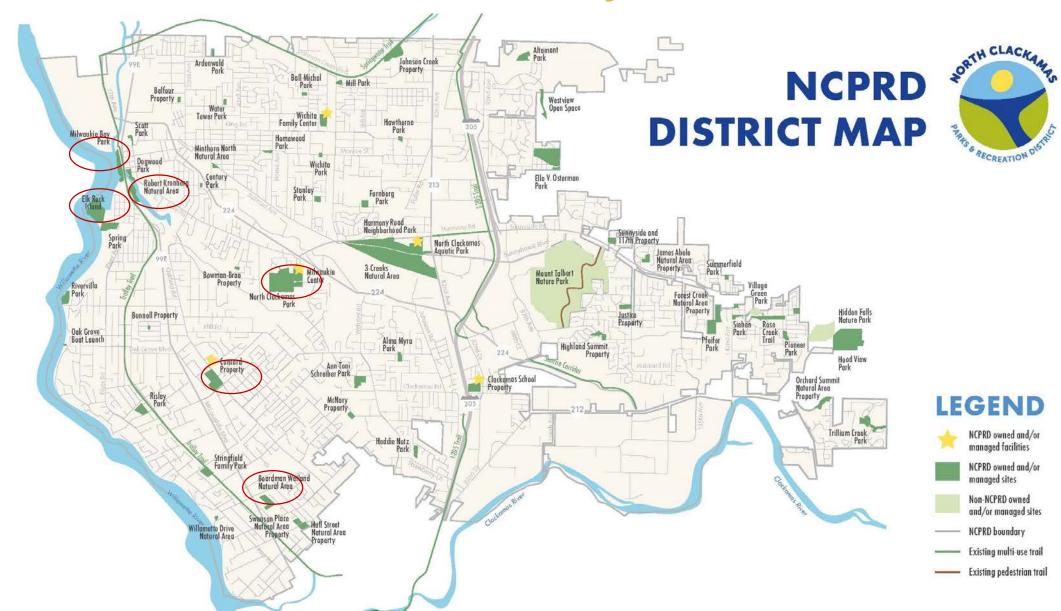
Springwater Trail and Cazadero Trail

Equestrians remain interested in the development of this trail system and inclusion of equestrian access, adequate parking, and safe multi-user opportunities.





NCPRD District Boundary





ELK ROCK ISLAND WILDFIRE IMPACT

On **September 9, 2020** a wildfire broke out on eastern edge of Elk Rock Island that burned just under two acres of natural area.

The Island suffered extensive damage which resulted in **unpredictable hazards**, including downed trees, loose rocks, high soil erosion potential, sensitive vegetation, and trail damage.

Elk Rock Island and parts of Spring Park, including all trails, were **closed until March 31, 2021.**

The site is now open! However, part of the loop trail through the burn area remains closed for further monitoring of tree hazards and continued restoration of vegetation.



ELK ROCK ISLAND RESTORATION EFFORTS

A joint effort between the City, NCPRD and local agencies to repair damage and mitigate hazards

- Set up a formalized closure coordinated with Milwaukie Police Department
- Conducted site surveys to assess damage and risk
- Implemented monitoring of understory vegetation, soil and trees
- Spread weed-free straw and native seed in moderate and high burn severity areas to stabilize soil
- Re-routed two trail sections in burn area





Park & Trail at Boardman Wetlands

The 5.8-acre nature park, which opened in October 2020, is a joint project with Oak Lodge Water Services District, with funds from Metro and Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

- Outdoor learning areas with hands-on wetland access
- Nature play area for children
- Scenic boardwalk and sidewalks (~0.5 mi)
- Parking lot, benches and picnic tables
- Restored creek and wetland habitat









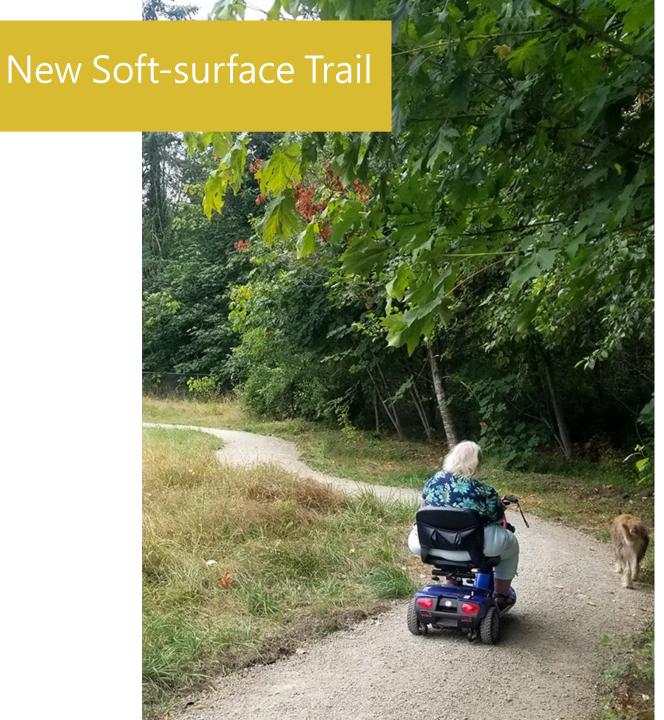
Kronberg Park

- Part of the Kronberg Park Master Plan Concept
- 0.1-mile of new soft-surface trail
- Wildlife viewing overlook of Kellogg Lake
- The City of Milwaukie constructed a multi-use trail connection between Downtown and McLoughlin
- Both projects completed fall 2019



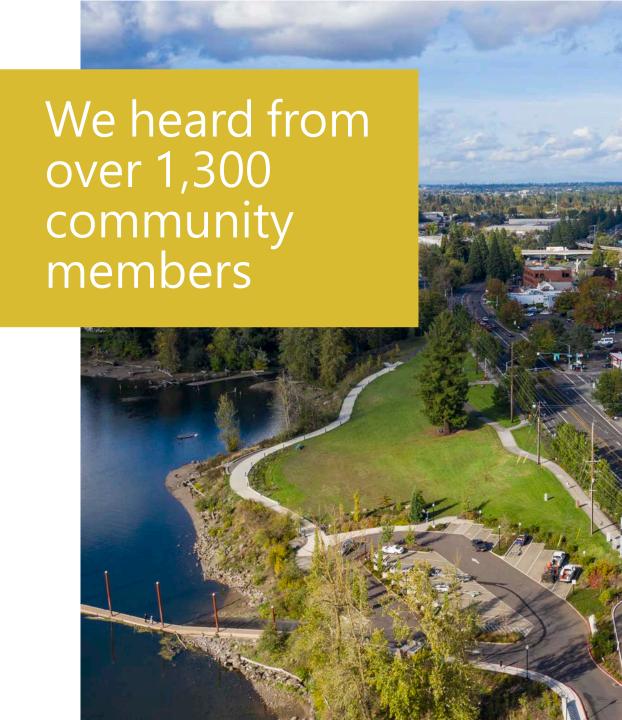
North Clackamas Park

- 0.2-mile of new soft-surface trail & small boardwalk bridge
- Expands existing trail network and connects to overlook areas
- Replaces unofficial social trails that were impacting riparian habitat
- Completed summer 2020



Milwaukie Bay Park

- Joint project with City of Milwaukie to develop approximately 3.5 acres at the waterfront Milwaukie Bay Park
- Park features include a permanent Trolley Trail alignment, children's play area, interactive water feature, social gathering areas, art, pedestrian pathways, and more.
- Construction is tentatively scheduled for 2022, contingent on funding.



- Lawn/Amphitheater Playground
- 3 Interactive Water Feature
- 4 Restroom Building
- 5 Trolley Trail
- 6 Monroe St. Entry Plaza
- 7 Picnic Overlook w/Shade Structure
- Nature Walk (Upland Habitat)
- 9 Pedestrian Bridge over Bioswale

- 10 River View Seating
- 11 Light Watercraft Staging Area
- 12 Picnic Area
- 13 Natural Area (Lowland Habitat)
- 14 Stormwater Facility
- 15 Planting Area
- 16 Event Stage
- 17 Winter Solstice Fire Pit w/Cover
- 18 River Overlook w/Seating

- 19 Drop-off / Loading Area
- 20 Existing Parking Lot
- 21 Existing Boat Ramp
- 22 Existing Light Watercraft Launch
- 23 Existing Klein Point
- 24 Existing Restroom
- 25 Existing ADA Parking Space
- 26 Existing Large Redwood Tree



Timeline

Contracts & Funding

Engineering & Pre-construction

Construction

Through May '21

Grant applications

Funding discussions with DAC, public, and Board

Integrating racial equity in contracting

Contract approvals for design and preconstruction

May '21 – June '22

Design engineering

Permits & approvals

Construction document preparation

Secure funds

Setting of maximum price

IGA

July '22+ start

Contract approval for construction phase

12-16 month construction period

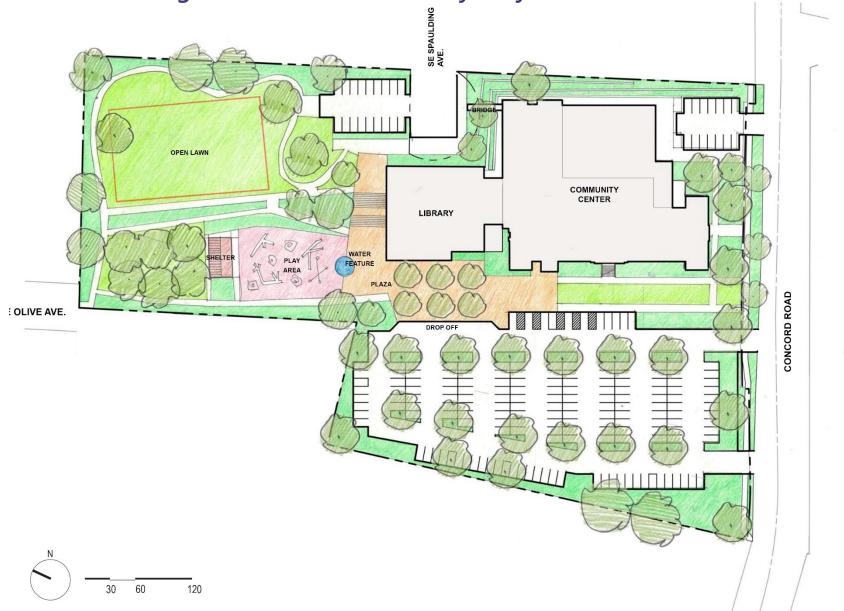
Oak Lodge Community Project

- A master plan has been completed to transform the Concord Property in Oak Grove into a district-wide facility, including:
 - Community center
 - Park
 - Library
 - District offices
- Construction is tentatively scheduled for 2022, contingent on funding.





Concord Property
Oak Lodge Gladstone Community Project



Highlights

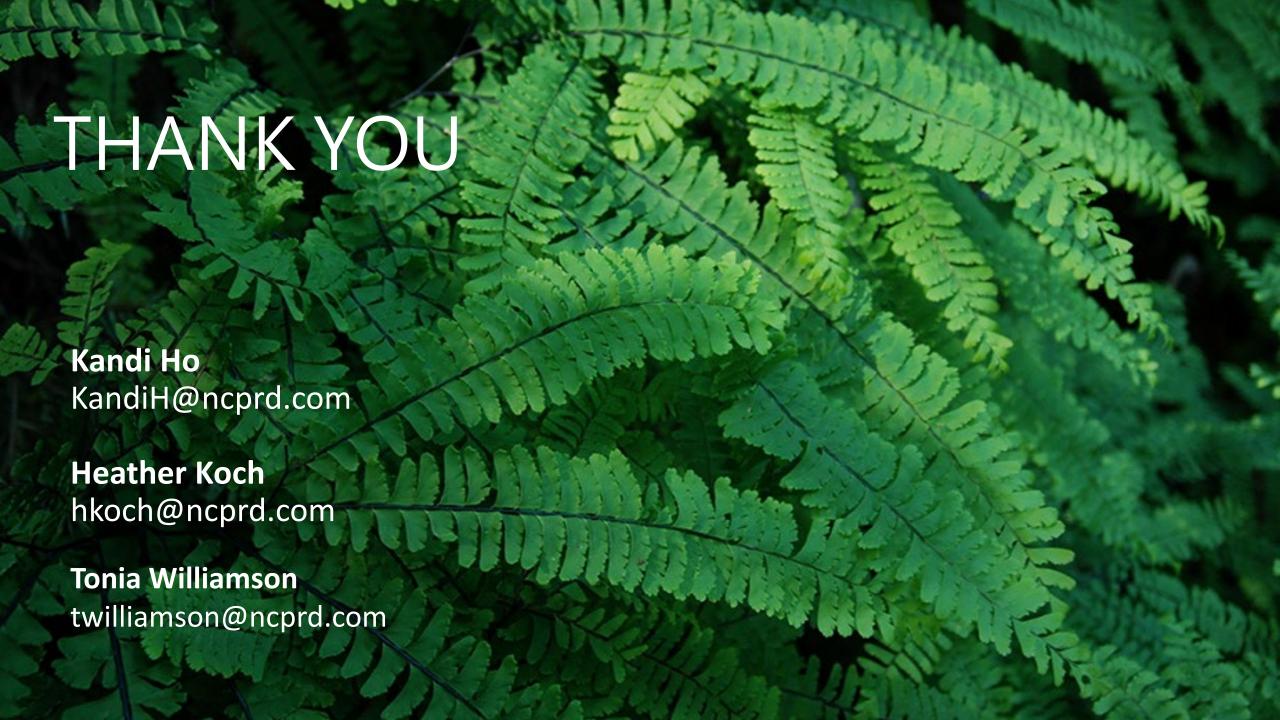
- 6-acre NCPRD-owned property
- NCPRD and County Libraries partnership
- Park, community center, library, and NCPRD headquarters
- Master Plan approved January 2021
- 2022-23 construction planned, contingent on funding

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Oregon Parks and Recreation Department Recreation Grant Programs



OPRD Recreation Grant Programs

Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

• Staff contact: Jodi Bellefeuille

Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

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Local Government Grant Program (LGGP)

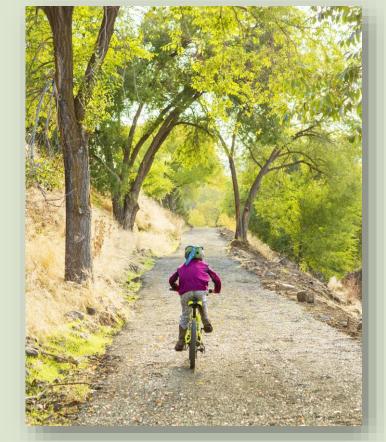
Mark Cowan

All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Grant Program

• Ian Caldwell, Mike Law

County Opportunity Grant Program (COG)

Mark Cowan



City of John Day, credit Tanni Wenger Photography Studios Trail development supported by RTP





Purpose: to provide, expand, and improve public recreational trails for motorized and non-motorized use

Federal aid assistance program of the Federal Highway Administration, administered by OPRD

Funding: Approximately \$1.5M/year

- 30% set aside for motorized trails
- \$10,000 minimum
- \$150,000 recommended maximum for non-motorized proposals (NEW)
- No maximum for motorized proposals
- 20% match required
- Competitive funding











2021 RTP Grant Cycle – open now!	
Letters of Intent Due Online	April 30, 2021 (11:59 PM)
Grant Program Webinar	April 15, 9:30-11:30 (registration required)
Applications Due Online	June 15, 2021 (11:59 PM)
Grant Committee Meeting	October 26-28, 2021
OPRD Commission Approval	November 2021
Notice to Proceed Anticipated	Spring 2022 (varies by project)









Applicant Eligibility:

- Local governments
- State agencies
- Federal agencies
- Tribal governments
- Other government land managers
- Non-profits
 - Must be registered with the Secretary of State for at least three years
 - Must have approval from the land manager

Project Eligibility (shovel ready):

- New trail construction
- Heavy restoration
- Trailhead facilities
- Water trails
- Equipment
- Land/easement acquisition
- Trail assessment for accessibility or maintenance
- Safety & education













RTP Full Funding Act Reintroduced (HR 1864):

Bipartisan legislation would nearly triple the amount of funding allocated to RTP from the federal highway trust fund.

Learn more about the bill and advocacy efforts here:

https://www.americantrails.org/crt







Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Funding:

- \$3.5-\$4 million per year (recently increased!)
- 60% of funds for local gov'ts, up to 40% for state agencies
- 50% match requirement

Project Types:

Trails & a wide variety of outdoor recreation facilities

Applicants: local, state, and tribal governments

Public Use:

- Park boundary must be dedicated for public recreation use in perpetuity
- Trail projects within existing LWCF boundaries are a great fit

Grant Cycle:

- Opening fall 2021 (date TBA)
- Recommend contacting program staff in advance of applying



Crowell Woods Neighborhood Park,
Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District
Supported by LWCF





Local Government Grant Program (LGGP)

Funding:

- Typically \$6.5 million per year (pre-pandemic)
- Match requirement varies by population (20-50%)

Funding Categories:

- Small Grants: Up to \$75,000
- Large Grants: Up to \$750,000, \$1M for acquisition projects
- Master Planning: \$40,000 max, eligibility limited by population

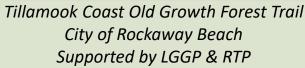
Project Types:

Trails & a wide variety of outdoor recreation facilities

Applicants: local governments, park districts, ports

Next Grant Cycle: January 2022 (tentative)

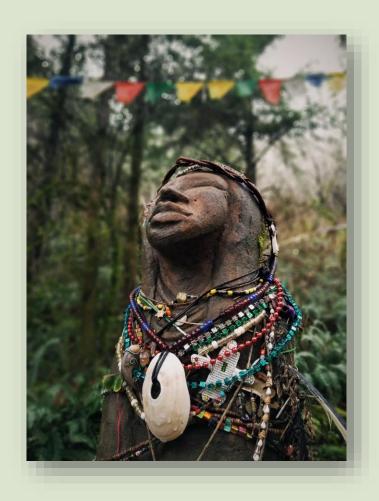








Heritage Grants



OPRD's Heritage division awards grants that conserve, develop, or interpret Oregon's heritage.

Eight grant programs, some with the potential to overlap with or enhance recreation projects

(example: historic and cultural interpretive signage at recreation sites)

https://www.oregon.gov/oprd/GRA/pages/GRA-overview.aspx



Quarterly Trails Forum

April 2021





Approximately \$20 million available



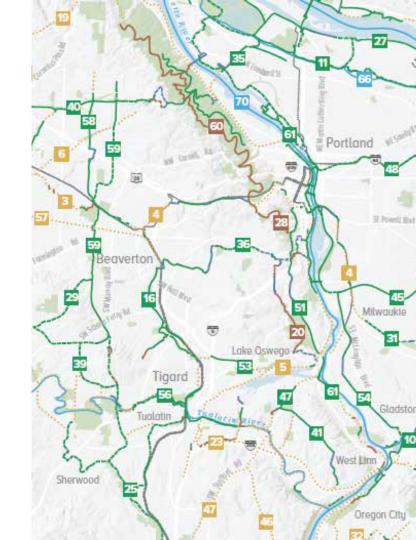


Capital projects, including planning, design and construction

Local governments are eligible



Projects must be on the Regional Trails System Plan Map





Metro 2019 Parks and Nature Bond Criteria

- Equity
- Climate resilience
- Community engagement

To be determined:

- Schedule
- Criteria
- Match





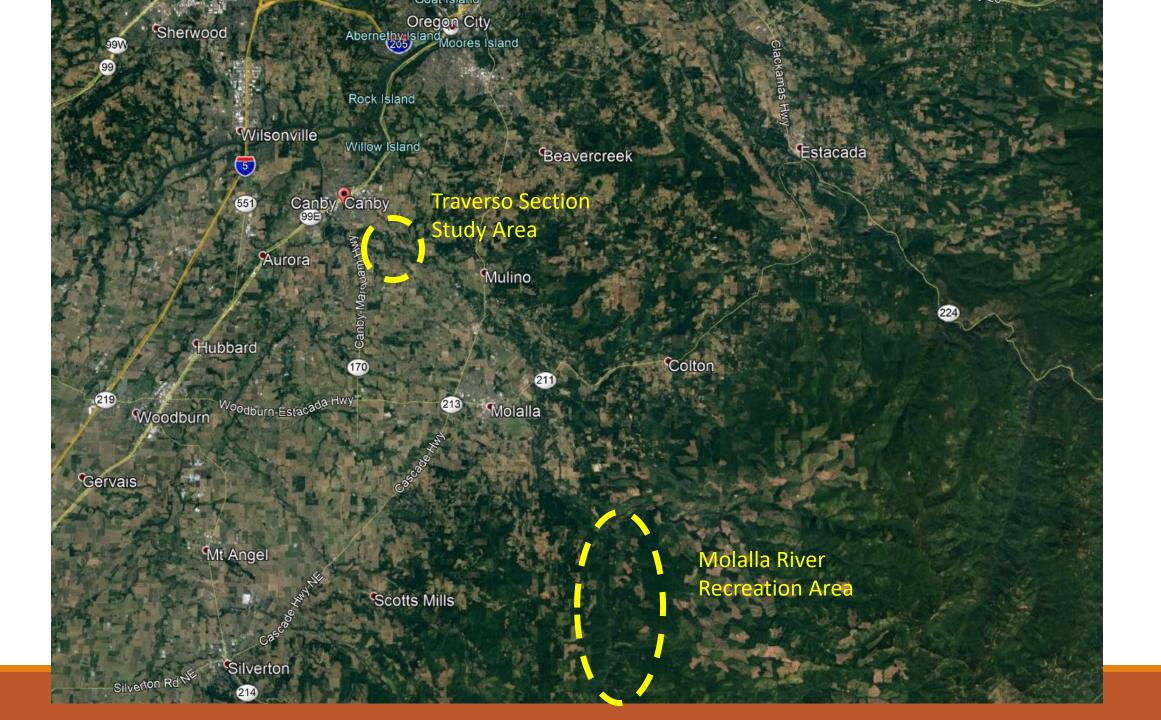
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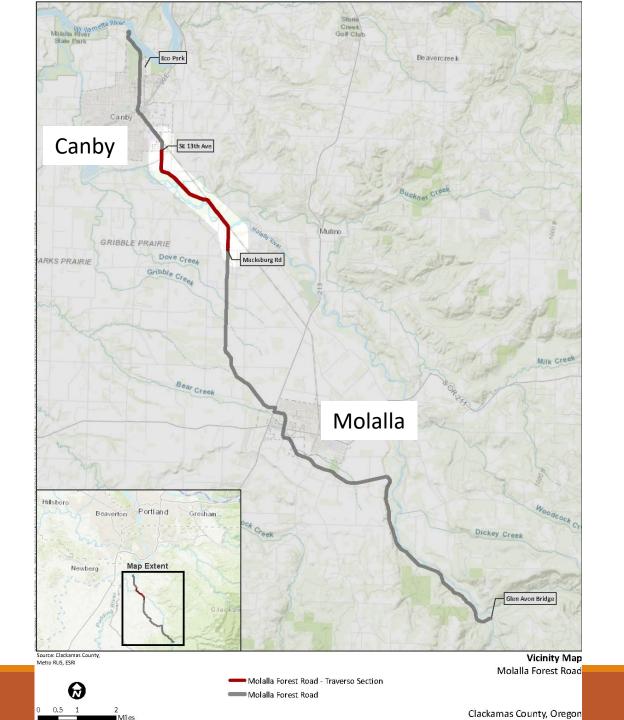
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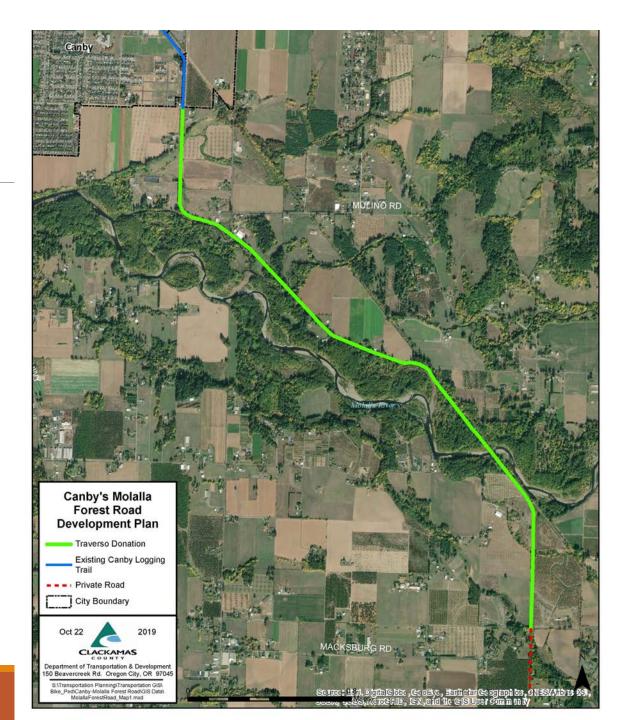
Molalla Forest Road Development Plan





Study Area

- Development plan focus =Traverso Property donation
- •Future efforts would look at extensions further south.



History

Molalla Forest Road: ~20 mile long, private logging road built in the 1940s

Brought timber to market from forests SE of Molalla

Now a patchwork of ownership

- Several miles in Canby are now the Logging Road Trail
- Other sections are mix of public/private ownership

"Traverso Section" generously donated to Canby

3.3 mile segment south of existing Logging Road Trail

2020: grant from Clackamas County to create a "Development Plan" for the Traverso Section

Existing Conditions

Major washout from '96 flood

Bridge across Molalla River – damaged abutments

North section used as access to private property

Washout section is not in use

Southern section lightly used by farm equipment

Overall, mix of intact road surface to completely overgrown/disused sections in need of repair







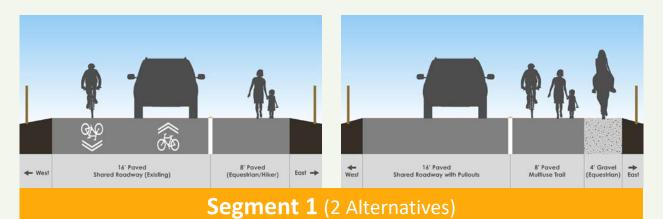
Overview
Development Plan

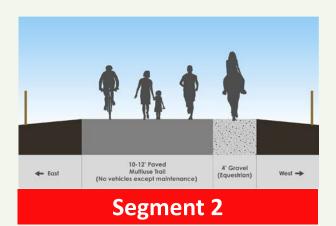
Development Plan

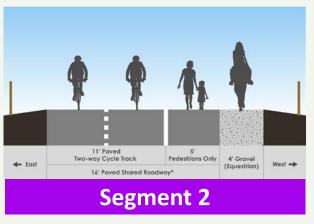
Goal: establish a plan for capitalizing on this major scenic recreation asset! Plan includes:

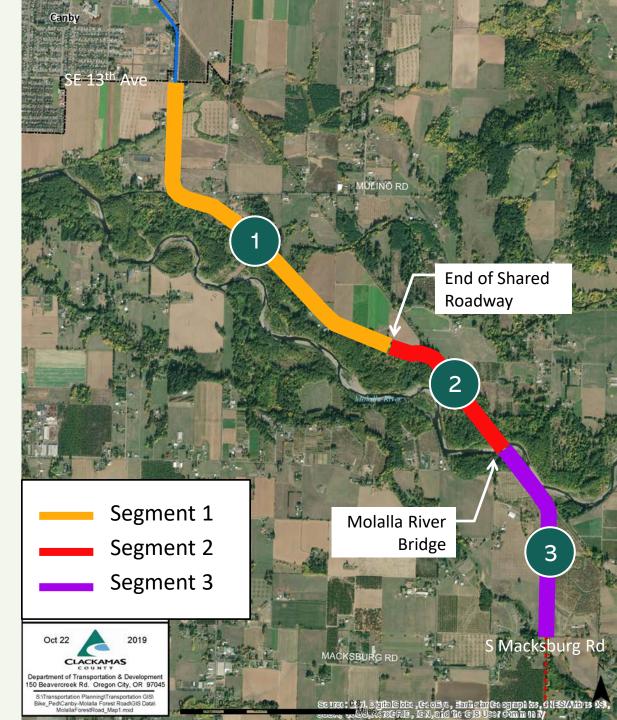
- Trail users and trail design principles
- Trail design concepts
- Access points, signage, wayfinding, river access, etc.
- Phasing plan for improvements
- Cost estimates

Trail Designs









Outreach Results

Top Themes: Priorities

What would your priorities be for improving the Traverso Section of the Molalla Forest Road?

- Provide opportunities for all users to safely recreate 173 comments
- Connectivity and continuity 131 comments
- Benefitting the local economy 74 comments
- Ensuring the project accommodates a variety of uses 68 comments
- Preservation of nature and educational opportunities 59 comments

River access?

- Development Plan does not specify whether river access should be integrated into the future trail
- Requires further engagement and community discussion

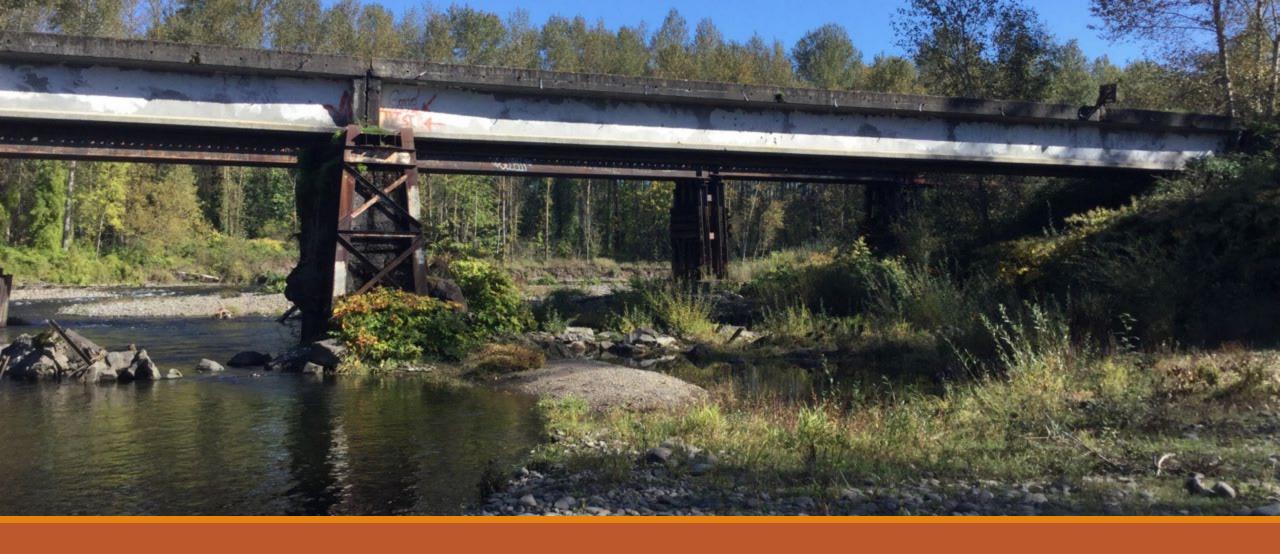


Operations, Safety, and Security

- Volunteers will be essential!
- Management led by City of Canby
- Maintenance estimated at 5 hours/week
 - Trash and litter, pruning, mowing, etc.
 - Potentially led by Canby Parks and Recreation
- Safety and comfort essential for trail users and property owners
 - Clackamas County Sherriff has jurisdiction
 - City of Canby can pursue an IGA for mutual patrol
- Establish a "good neighbor" program
 - Coordinate between the City and nearby property owners
 - Share info about the trail
 - Designate a person at the City for property owners to contact

Next Steps for Development Plan

- Conduct additional project refinement work on key areas
- Continue to engage the public, stakeholders, and property owners
- Determine whether access to the Molalla River is desired
- Seek grant funding to move design and construction forward!



Thank you!