



# U.S. 26 Widening Project

## Cornelius Pass Road to 185th Avenue

ODOT, the City of Hillsboro and Washington County are underway on design work on a project to address congestion on U.S. 26 (Sunset Highway) between Cornelius Pass Road and 185th Avenue. Construction is slated for 2017 and 2018, pending construction funding.

### ***What's the problem?***

The stretch of U.S. 26 between Cornelius Pass Road and 185th Avenue has reached its vehicle capacity. The congestion is particularly evident on U.S. 26 westbound between 185th Avenue and Cornelius Pass Road. The population and employment in Washington County continues to grow, increasing the traffic demand on U.S. 26. Without improvements, congestion and related crashes are anticipated to increase in the area.

### ***Project elements***

The purpose of this project is to increase capacity, improve traffic safety and relieve congestion in this stretch of U.S. 26, which currently has two lanes in each direction. Once complete, there will be three lanes in each direction of U.S. 26, from Cornelius Pass Road into downtown Portland. Project elements include:

- ◆ Widening U.S. 26 to three lanes in each direction between Cornelius Pass Road and 185th Avenue. The majority of the widening will occur to the inside of the highway, in the highway median. Highway shoulders will also be widened
- ◆ Replacing the two Rock Creek bridges with one bridge. This work will take place over the Rock Creek Trail. During construction, there will be short-term impacts to the Rock Creek Trail. More information about trail impacts and detours will be shared as the design progresses. Environmental impacts to Rock Creek will be mitigated
- ◆ Improving the north side of the U.S. 26/Cornelius Pass Road interchange. Washington County is making improvements to Cornelius Pass Road and ramps on the south side of the interchange in a separate project. More information about that project can be found at [www.wc-roads.com](http://www.wc-roads.com)
- ◆ A noise wall has been recommended on the north side of U.S. 26 in the Rock Creek neighborhood. Final feasibility studies and neighbor acceptance is required before confirming a noise wall will be built

### ***Learn more***

As the design progresses, ODOT will continue to share more information, gather feedback and answer questions. ODOT welcomes conversation about the project and wants to hear from you. Please stay involved and share information with neighbors and community members. Stay in touch by:

- ◆ Visiting the project website at [www.CornPass185.org](http://www.CornPass185.org)
- ◆ Asking questions or providing comments to ODOT directly: Lili Boicourt, ODOT Community Affairs, PH: 503-731-8247 or Email: [Lili.D.Boicourt@odot.state.or.us](mailto:Lili.D.Boicourt@odot.state.or.us)

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