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List of Acronyms

ADT	Average Daily Traffic
APM	Analysis Procedures Manual
CDS	Crash Data System
CIA	Cooperative Improvement Agreement
CIP	Capital Improvement Program
CORP	Central Oregon and Pacific (Railroad)
DHV	Design Hourly Volume
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
GBCVRP	Greater Bear Creek Valley Regional Plan
HDM	Highway Design Manual
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
LOS	Level of Service
MP	Milepoint
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
MTIP	Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program
mvm	million vehicle miles
NHS	National Highway System
OAR	Oregon Administrative Rules
ODOT	Oregon Department of Transportation
OHP	Oregon Highway Plan
OPAL	Official Project Access List
OR	Oregon Route
OTC	Oregon Transportation Commission
ROW	Right of Way
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan
RVMPO	Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization
RVTD	Rogue Valley Transportation District
SPIS	Safety Priority Index System
STIP	Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
T&E	Threatened and Endangered
TDM	Transportation Demand Management
TIS	Traffic Impact Study
TMA	Transportation Management Association
TSM	Transportation System Management
TSP	Transportation System Plan
UGB	Urban Growth Boundary
v/c	volume-to-capacity

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The *OR 99 Corridor Plan* (Corridor Plan) focuses on the section of OR 99 that extends from Garfield Road in South Medford, through the communities of Phoenix and Talent, to S. Valley View Road at the north end of Ashland. This multimodal plan examines how the highway operates both now and over the next 20 years. It identifies strategies to preserve and improve highway safety and capacity consistent with a District Highway classification and local policies and incorporates improvements for all travel modes.

Corridor Goals and Objectives

Five goals and associated objectives provide guiding principles for planning and programming future highway improvements, and managing the OR 99 corridor:

- **Goal 1: Mobility** – Improve the OR 99 corridor and identify potential local system enhancements that link communities, neighborhoods, and businesses and address the existing and future transportation needs of moving both people and goods throughout the corridor.
- **Goal 2: Multimodal System** – Provide a multimodal transportation system that accommodates the needs of all users.
- **Goal 3: Livability** – Provide a transportation system that enhances community livability and promotes economic development while minimizing environmental impacts.
- **Goal 4: Safety** – Promote the safety of current and future travel modes for all users.

Regulatory Framework

The OR 99 Corridor Plan establishes mobility and access management standards based on the Oregon Highway Plan (OHP) policies. The Highway Mobility Policy (1F) establishes maximum thresholds for peak hour congestion on highways in Oregon that should be maintained through a 20-year planning horizon. Mobility targets for a district highway apply to OR 99 through the study area. The OHP also addresses access management with the most recent revisions adopted in March 2012. Access spacing standards for the Corridor Plan were developed based on a District Highway Classification, posted speeds, and long-range estimates of traffic demand.

Baseline Conditions and Identified Deficiencies

Baseline conditions were evaluated to understand land use, identify potential environmental constraints, and determine existing (Year 2010) and future (Year 2034) transportation deficiencies. Identified deficiencies and their related goals include:

- Substandard shoulders on rural roadway sections from Phoenix to Talent and Talent to Ashland; *Related Goals – Mobility, Safety, Multimodal, Livability*

- Limited or substandard sidewalks in urban areas for much of the corridor (exceptions in downtown Phoenix and Talent); *Related Goals – Mobility, Safety, Multimodal, Livability*
- Limited bike lanes for much of the corridor (exceptions in Talent from Colver/Suncrest Road to Rapp Road); *Related Goals – Mobility, Safety, Multimodal, Livability*
- High crash frequency on OR 99 segment from Northridge Terrace to Fern Valley Road including rating in worst 10 percent of the Safety Priority Index System (SPIS); *Related Goal – Safety*
- High crash intersections with OR 99 at Fern Valley Road, Garfield Road, W. Valley View Road, and S. Stage Road; *Related Goal - Safety*
- Future operations of one (1) intersection (OR 99 at S. Valley View Road) would exceed applicable OHP mobility targets; *Related Goal – Mobility*

Corridor Plan Improvements

The OR 99 Corridor Plan improvements address highway deficiencies, improve the multimodal functionality of the corridor, and allow the corridor to accommodate traffic, including freight, safely and efficiently into the future. Figure ES-1 indicates the locations of Corridor Plan improvements and includes a brief description of the improvement project along with a general priority level. Detailed project sheets have been prepared for each highway improvement except for the transportation system management (TSM) improvements.

In addition to the highway improvements, other management actions are included to protect and extend the life of the corridor and provide for incremental implementation of highway improvements. These actions, summarized in *Section 6. Other Management Actions*, include: Transportation System Management Measures, Transportation Demand Management Measures, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities, and Transit Operations.

Access Management Plan

The Access Management Plan is an element of the Corridor Plan and presents actions that may be triggered as land use changes occur (new development or redevelopment), as future highway improvements are implemented, or as highway safety and operational issues arise. The Access Management Plan for OR 99 includes a variety of techniques that can be applied to the roadways and adjacent land use characteristics. Access management techniques would be implemented when one or more of the following triggers occur:

- Applications for land use changes or development are submitted
- Future highway improvement projects move into design and construction phase
- Safety and/or operational problems arise

Note: Access management techniques shall be applied with a desire to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards over time.



- 1** OR 99 - Garfield St to Charlotte Ann Rd (8.56-8.75): Construct sidewalks along the west side of OR 99 (Medium Priority)
- 2** OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek (8.75-11.03): Modify striping of existing 5-lane roadway cross section to add bike lanes (High Priority)
- 3** OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek (8.75-11.03): Construct continuous sidewalks on both sides of OR 99 (Medium Priority)
- 4** OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek (8.75-11.03): Install median islands at multiple locations where pedestrian crossings occur (Medium Priority)
- 5** OR 99/Northridge Terrace Intersection (10.58): Improve turning radius on southeast corner and sight distance for exiting traffic (Medium Priority)
- 6** OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert (11.03-11.04): Modify striping of existing roadway to add bike lanes and sidewalks while maintaining four through travel lanes (Interim) (High to Medium Priority)
- 7** OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert (11.03-11.04): Replace culvert and widen roadway to add bike lanes and sidewalks (Medium Priority)
- 8** OR 99 – Bolz Lane to South End of Couplet (11.33-11.93): Provide sidewalk travel width of 6 feet around utility poles (Ongoing Priority)
- 9** OR 99 in downtown Phoenix at north & south ends of Couplet (11.37 & 11.93): Add gateway treatments to emphasize upcoming downtown area (Phoenix TSP Priority)
- 10** OR 99 in downtown Phoenix (11.37-11.93): Modify striping to add bike lanes (Phoenix TSP Priority)
- 11** OR 99 in downtown Phoenix (11.37-11.93): Enhance crossing opportunities with pedestrian-activated devices, curb extensions, and additional crosswalk striping (Phoenix TSP Priority)
- 12** OR 99 - south of couplet to City Limits (11.93-12.36): Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes, bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks (Medium Priority)
- 12A** OR 99 - south of couplet to City Limits (11.93-12.36): Restructure roadway to include four through travel lanes, bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks (Alternative) (Medium Priority)
- 13** OR 99 - Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits (12.36-13.75): Modify striping of existing roadway to provide a center turn lane, two through travel lanes, and shoulders (Medium Priority)
- 13A** OR 99 - Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limit (12.36-13.75): Widen roadway to provide minimum 6-foot shoulders on both sides (Alternative) (Medium to Long Priority)
- 14** OR 99 - Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd (13.86-14.59): Upgrade or fill in missing sidewalks (Medium Priority)
- 15** OR 99 – Wagner Creek Trail (14.39): Consider future midblock crossing with pedestrian-activated device (Medium Priority)
- 16** OR 99 - Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) (14.71-15.67): Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes, bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks (High Priority)
- 17** OR 99 - Creel Rd to Bear Creek Greenway connection (15.34-15.67): Construct a multi-use path along the east side of the highway (High Priority)
- 18** OR 99 - Talent City Limits to S Valley View (15.34-16.92): Modify striping of existing roadway to provide a center turn lane, two through travel lanes, and shoulders (Medium Priority)
- 18A** OR 99 - Talent City Limits to S Valley View (15.34-16.92): Widen roadway to provide minimum 6-foot shoulders on both sides (Alternative) (Medium to Long Priority)
- 18B** OR 99/Talent Ave Intersection (16.29): Widen roadway to provide left-turn lane (Alternative) (Medium to Long Priority)
- 19** OR 99/S. Valley View Rd Intersection (17.02): Widen S Valley View Rd to provide dual westbound left-turn lanes at OR 99 (Medium to Long Priority)
- 20** Bear Creek Greenway (8.56-17.02): Enhance connections to OR 99 throughout corridor with wayfinding signage other amenities (High Priority)
- 21** Bear Creek Greenway (11.33-11.92): Enhance connections to OR 99/Bear Creek Dr at 4th St and Oak St to provide parallel and convenient bicycle and pedestrian facilities (Medium Priority)
- TSM1** OR Corridor (8.56-11.02): Develop a traffic operations emergency plan (High Priority)
- TSM2** OR 99/S. Stage Rd Intersection (9.79): Modify traffic signal timing to add clearance intervals and protected left-turn phases in the east-west direction (High Priority)
- TSM3** OR 99 – Northridge Terrace to Coleman Creek (10.58-11.04): Evaluate potential access modifications to address high crash frequency (High Priority)
- TSM4** OR 99/W. Valley View Rd Intersection (14.2): Modify traffic signal timing to add clearance intervals and protected left-turn phases in the east-west direction (High Priority)

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Figure ES-1

Locations of OR 99 Corridor Plan Improvements



Legend

- #** Corridor Improvement Projects
- X** Other System Improvement Projects
- TSM#** Transportation System Management Strategies

Corridor Monitoring

The projects in this Corridor Plan include triggers that identify when a project and/or a strategy may be warranted. Although some priority has been assigned to the projects, periodic traffic monitoring should occur to identify when projects may be needed. In some cases priority may be elevated based on traffic volume trends or crash history, while others may be delayed. The monitoring program should include two elements:

1. **Systematic Agency Monitoring** of traffic and crash data used to identify the need for capacity and safety improvements. At a minimum, data collection should include:
 - *Intersection traffic volumes should be collected and analyzed every three (3) to five (5) years to identify the need for traffic signals, left-turn lanes, right-turn lanes, and other capacity and/or safety improvements.*
 - *Crash rates should be reviewed every two (2) to three (3) years and SPIS rankings should be reviewed annually to identify when safety improvements such as left-turn lanes, right-turn lanes, and access management measures may be necessary.*
2. **Developer Traffic Impact Studies (TIS)** for proposed development projects should be part of the monitoring process. Proposed developments could generate a sufficient number of trips to impact intersections and/or other public intersections along OR 99. Actions related to TIS preparation include:
 - *Minimum trip thresholds for when a TIS is required should be reviewed for consistency with monitoring needs of the OR 99 Corridor Plan.*
 - *Improvements that are triggered by development projects should be incorporated into local government conditions of approval.*

Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) Actions

Adoption of this Corridor Plan will require the OTC to amend the 1999 Oregon Highway Plan to adopt the OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan. This will establish policies for the corridor to guide management of the highway facility. It will also establish the performance targets and minimum access spacing standards for the corridor.

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1.1. Study Area

OR 99 threads through a north-south transportation corridor that is bounded to the east by I-5 and to the west by the Central Oregon and Pacific (CORP) Railroad line (see Figure 1). Each community along this corridor is unique and diverse serving a wide range of development including commercial and industrial parks, downtown pedestrian-friendly commercial and residential development, greenways and parks, as well as acting as a thoroughfare for freight traffic. The OR 99 corridor can be broken into six segments that reflect the different characteristics of the highway and its environs. Traveling from north to south, the OR 99 segment characteristics as well as the community elements that it serves are described below.

South Medford Segment: As the northernmost segment of the study area along OR 99, the south Medford segment extends from the Garfield Street intersection through South Stage Road. Adjacent land uses have urban characteristics which are primarily light industrial, business parks, and commercial but there are also several nearby parks and a golf course. This section of OR 99 is a typical five-lane urban arterial with a center left-turn lane, traffic signals at several intersections, and a posted speed of 35 to 45 miles per hour (mph). Development along this segment of OR 99 has access to I-5 at Exit 27 (South Medford) via Garfield Street.



OR 99 northbound near Garfield Road

Transition Segment (Medford to Phoenix): The transitional section of OR 99 between the Medford and Phoenix urban areas remains similar to the South Medford segment but with some differences in adjacent land uses. There is more residential along the corridor and many smaller commercial uses but Jackson County has no industrial zoning immediately adjacent to the highway. Industrial uses are located along the rail line to the west. OR 99 has a five-lane cross-section with a 45 mph posted speed.



OR 99 southbound near Glenwood Road

Phoenix Segment: The Phoenix segment extends from north of Fern Valley Road to north of Cabbage Lane. OR 99 transitions from a five-lane arterial north of Fern Valley Road to a downtown one-way couplet system and back to a four-lane arterial. High density residential and commercial business parks are the primary use in the northern half of the segment. The downtown core of Phoenix serves mixed use and office/commercial development as well as the Bear Creek Greenway. OR 99 splits traffic through the downtown core via a couplet with two southbound lanes on Main Street (30 mph) and two northbound lanes on Bear Creek Drive (40 mph). South of the downtown core and couplet, OR 99 is a four-lane, 40-mph facility abutted by residential and commercial land uses. Phoenix residents and businesses have access to I-5 at Exit 24 (Phoenix) via Fern Valley Road.



OR 99 southbound near 1st Street

Transition Segment (Phoenix to Talent): The area between Phoenix and Talent is primarily farmland along the OR 99 corridor. Some rural residential is also located along this segment. The roadway is a four-lane rural facility with a posted speed of 55 mph.



OR 99 northbound near Hartley Road

Talent Segment: The Talent segment extends from Colver/Suncrest Road to south of Creel Road. The northern end serves residential and the central business district while commercial uses along OR 99 are less densely developed in southern Talent. Between Colver/Suncrest Road and Rapp Road, OR 99 has a five-lane facility with a two-way center left-turn lane or a raised landscaped median, a posted speed of 40 mph, and bicycle lanes and sidewalks are located on both sides. The improvements end south of Rapp Road and the facility tapers to four lanes. Talent residents and businesses have access to I-5 at Exit 21 (West Valley View) via W. Valley View Road.

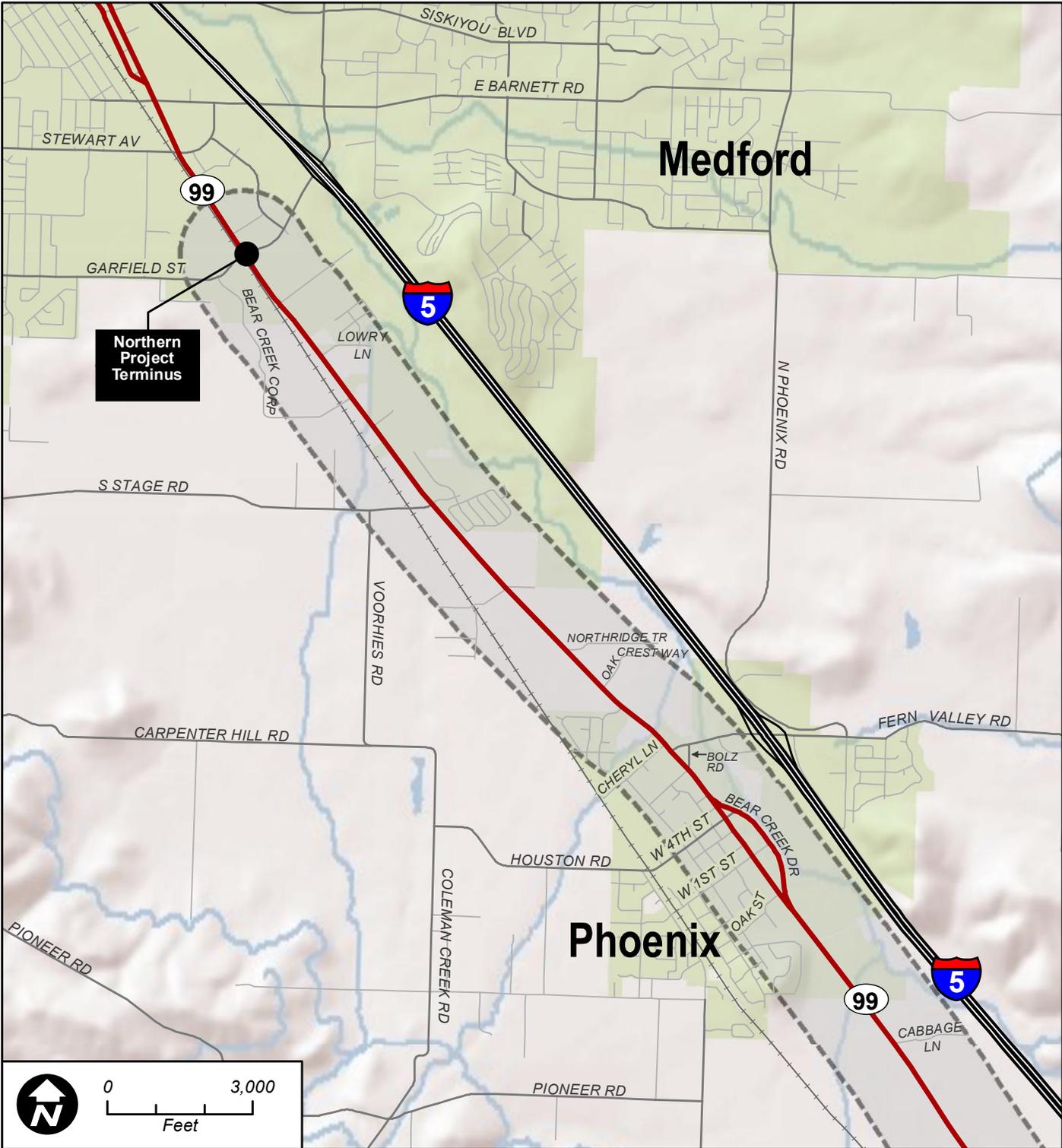


OR 99 southbound near Rapp Road

Transition Segment (Talent to Ashland): The area between Talent and Ashland is primarily rural in nature with forest and commercial land uses. The roadway is a four-lane highway with a posted speed of 55 mph. At the intersection with S. Valley View Road, OR 99 begins the transition from a rural to urban arterial with a speed reduction to 45 mph and a five-lane cross-section. S. Valley View Road also connects to I-5 at Exit 19 (North Ashland).



OR 99 northbound near Talent Avenue



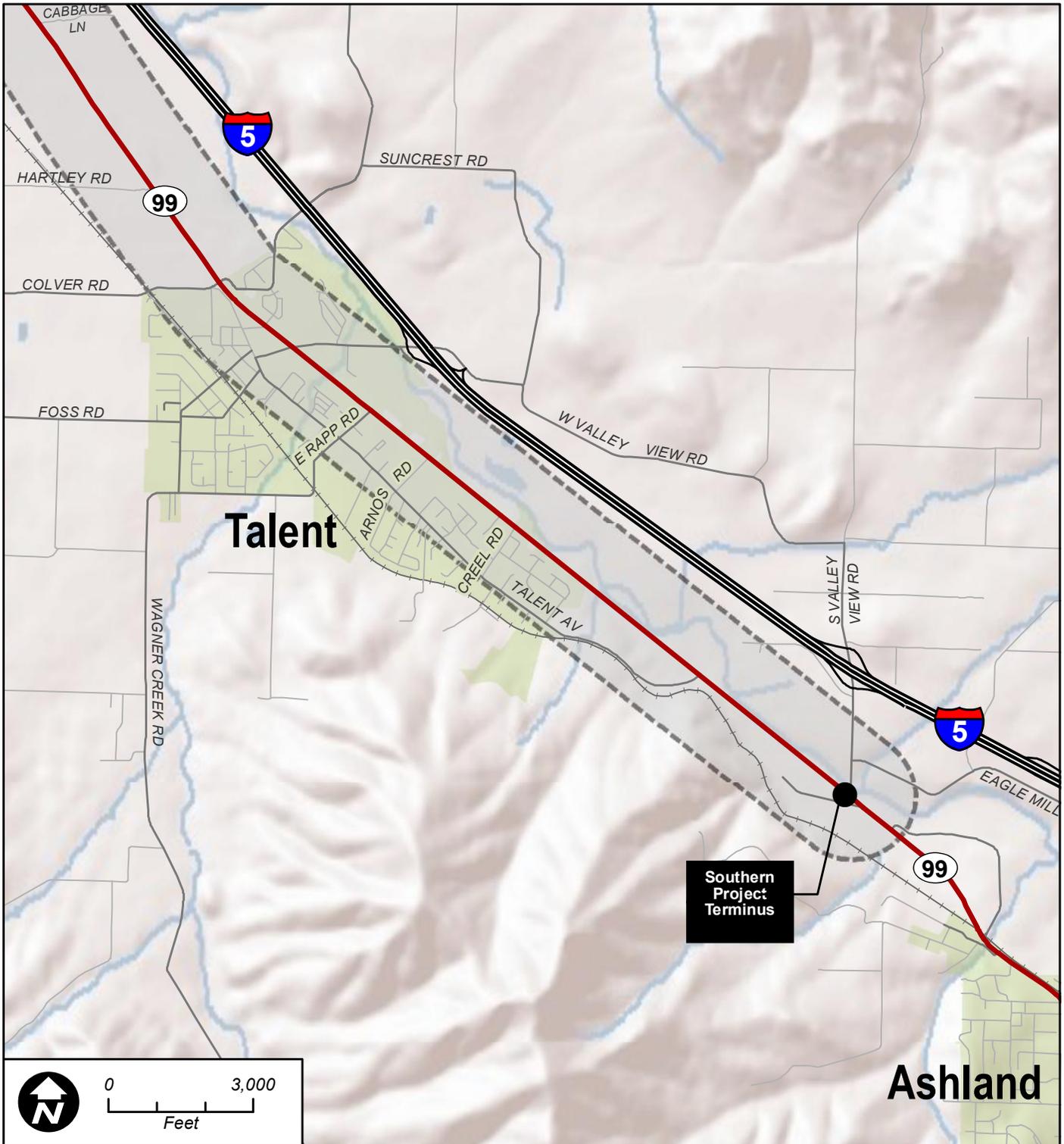
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Figure 1

*Study Area
North Section*

 Planning Area

Source Data: Jackson County, ESRI, Oregon GEO



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Figure 1

*Study Area
South Section*

 Planning Area

Source Data: Jackson County, ESRI, Oregon GEO

1.2. Corridor Goals and Objectives

The following goals and objectives provide guiding principles for planning, programming and managing the OR 99 corridor.

Goal 1: Mobility

Improve the OR 99 corridor and identify potential local system enhancements that link communities, neighborhoods, and businesses and address the existing and future transportation needs of moving both people and goods throughout the corridor.

Objectives:

- Maintain existing roadways and identify improvements to address existing operational and safety deficiencies.
- Facilitate freight travel by identifying key freight connections and maintaining efficient through movement in these corridors.
- Identify key street network connections and establish parallel routes for highway facilities during periods of high demand or when incidents affect through traffic operations.
- Provide for future growth through planning and management of the transportation corridor.
- Consider the transportation needs of both local and regional travelers (tourists) in the corridor.
- Coordinate with the Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (RVMPO) efforts to develop strategies that reduce vehicular congestion and support economic development.
- Evaluate the need for capacity improvements based on the adopted comprehensive land use plans of Talent and Phoenix, Jackson County, and the RVMPO.
- Develop an access management plan that provides for safe and acceptable operations on the transportation network, and meets OHP requirements and the access spacing standards in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 734-051.
- Incorporate the Greater Bear Creek Valley Regional Plan into the design and management systems for the corridor, including recommended strategies for land use control.

Goal 2: Multimodal System

Provide a multimodal transportation system that accommodates the needs of all users.

Objectives:

- Support efforts to maintain current transit service and plan for future expanded transit service.

- Plan safe and convenient bicycle and pedestrian networks that connect between residential areas, schools, and other activity centers.
- Incorporate bicycle and pedestrian elements, such as sidewalks and bike lanes or shoulders, in roadway upgrades.

Goal 3: Livability

Provide a transportation system that enhances community livability and promotes economic development while minimizing environmental impacts.

Objectives:

- Minimize congestion on OR 99 by maximizing efficiency of the existing system, providing a network of travel routes, and encouraging the use of alternative modes of travel.
- Balance the need for accessibility to adjacent land uses with the need to provide capacity on major travel routes.
- Work to preserve existing neighborhoods when developing roadway capacity improvements.
- Coordinate land use and transportation planning decisions to maximize the efficiency of public infrastructure investments.
- Provide a process to educate and involve the public in the planning and funding for future transportation system improvements.

Goal 4: Safety

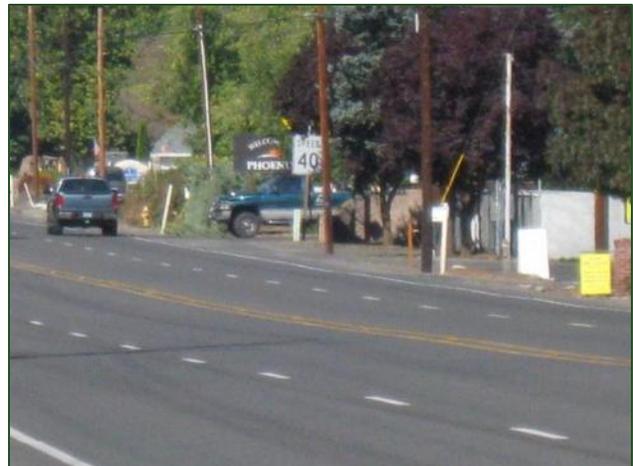
Promote the safety of current and future travel modes for all users.

Objectives:

- Review crash patterns and implement improvements at locations identified as priority through the state rating system.
- Identify and improve intermodal conflict points, including rail crossings and pedestrian/bicycle crossings of major roadways near transit stops, schools, and other activity centers.
- Coordinate between transportation service providers to identify and address existing safety concerns and prevent the creation of future conflict points.
- Maintain existing emergency routes and identify improvements to the transportation system that support emergency vehicle access.
- Implement measures to better enable enforcement of traffic laws and expedite incident response times.

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2. EVALUATION OF BASELINE CONDITIONS

This section summarizes baseline conditions, including an overview of the regulatory framework that guides the process. Land use is presented and potential land use or environmental constraints are identified. Existing (Year 2010) transportation system and traffic conditions are evaluated to identify deficiencies. Future (Year 2034) traffic operations and safety are then assessed to determine how baseline conditions may change over time.

2.1. Regulatory Framework

State and local regulations, policies, land use plans and transportation plans provide the legal framework for preparing the Corridor Plan. The language contained within these documents provides guidance to the state and local jurisdictions on how to manage transportation facilities and land uses to manage highway function, provide for safe and efficient operations, and minimize the need and expense for making major improvements to the corridor through the Year 2034 planning horizon. *(Refer to Technical Memorandum #1: Definition and Background in the Reference Material for a complete list of the guiding framework.)*

2.1.1. Operational Standards

The OHP has several policies aimed at maintaining highway mobility. The Highway Mobility Policy (1F) establishes maximum volume-to-capacity (v/c) ratios for peak hour operating conditions of highways in Oregon.¹ The OHP policy also specifies that the v/c ratio targets be maintained for ODOT facilities through a 20-year planning period. The v/c ratios that apply along the OR 99 study area are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. Maximum V/C Ratio Targets for OR 99 Operations

Milepoints	Segment Description	Classification ¹	Maximum V/C Ratio ²
MP 8.56 to 11.43	Garfield Street to 5 th Street	District Highway	0.95
MP 11.43 to 11.85	5 th Street to Oak Street	District Highway, Special Transportation Area (STA)	1.0
MP 11.85 to 17.02	Oak Street to S. Valley View Road	District Highway	0.95

Notes:

1. 1999 Oregon Highway Plan , Appendix D - Highway Classification by Milepoint, Revised August 22, 2013
2. Table 6: Maximum Volume to Capacity Ratio Targets for Peak Hour Operating Conditions, 1999 Oregon Highway Plan, OHP Policy 1F Revisions, Adopted December 21, 2011

¹ Table 6: Maximum Volume to Capacity Ratio Targets for Peak Hour Operating Conditions, 1999 Oregon Highway Plan, OHP Policy 1F Revisions, Adopted December 21, 2011, Oregon Department of Transportation, website: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TP/docs/ohp11/policyadopted.pdf>

2.1.2. Applicable Access Management Standards

The OR 99 access management plan governs ODOT's decisions of all road approaches to OR 99 from the Garfield Road intersection to the S. Valley View Road intersection with standards summarized in Table 2. These standards are based on the most recent revisions to OHP standards adopted in March 2012,² statewide highway classification, and future traffic demand. OAR 734-051 (Division 51): Highway Approaches, Access Control, Spacing Standards, and Medians³ establishes the procedures and approval criteria used by ODOT to implement the OR 99 access management standards.

Table 2. Minimum Access Spacing Standards for OR 99

Milepoints	Segment Description	Posted Speed (mph)	Minimum Spacing ¹ (feet)	
South Medford and Transition to Phoenix Segments				
8.56 to 11.03	Garfield St to Phoenix North City Limits	45	500	
Phoenix Segment				
11.03 to 11.43	Phoenix North City Limits to 5 th St	30	350	
11.43 to 11.85	Special Transportation Area (STA)	Main St (OR 99 SB) from 5 th St to Oak St	30	150 ²
11.43 to 11.85		Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) from 5 th St to Oak St	35	150 ²
11.85 to 11.93	Main St (OR 99 SB) from Oak St to South End of Couplet	30	350	
11.85 to 11.93	Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) from Oak Street to South End of Couplet	35	350	
12.93 to 12.37	South End of Couplet to Phoenix South City Limits	40	500	
Phoenix to Talent Transition Segment				
12.37 to 12.62	Phoenix South City Limits to End of Speed Zone	50	550	
12.62 to 13.86	End of Speed Zone to Talent North City Limits (Colver/Suncrest Rd)	55	700	
Talent Segment				
13.86 to 14.38	Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd	40	500	
14.38 to 15.38	Rapp Road to End Speed Zone (Talent South City Limits)	45	500	
Talent to Ashland Transition Segment				
15.38 to 16.77	Talent South City Limits to 0.25 miles north of S. Valley View Rd	55	700	
16.77 to 17.02	0.25 miles north of S. Valley View Rd to S. Valley View Rd	45	500	

Notes:

- Table 6: Access Management Spacing Standards for District Highway Segments with Annual Average Daily Traffic > 5,000, OAR 734-51 Temporary Rules – Effective January 1, 2012 Amended May 3, 2012 (Table 16 in the revised OHP)
- OHP Table 16, Note 5, “ the minimum access management spacing for driveways is 150 feet or mid-block if the current city block is less than 300 feet.”

² 1999 Oregon Highway Plan Revisions to Address Senate Bill 264 (2011) Policy 3A, website: http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TP/docs/ohp_am/accessm.pdf

³ Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 734, Division 51, Highway Approaches, Access Control, Spacing Standards, and Medians, Effective June 29, 2012, website: http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/ACCESSMGT/docs/pdf/734-051_Perm_Rule.pdf

2.2. Land Use

The OR 99 corridor includes portions of Medford, Phoenix, Talent, and Ashland, as well as Jackson County. The Corridor Plan was developed using assumptions consistent with existing land use conditions from comprehensive plans and zoning ordinances of these five jurisdictions. The existing and planned land uses affect traffic patterns and the operations of highway facilities. *(For more detailed information regarding land use within the corridor, refer to Technical Memorandum #2: Environmental and Land Use Reconnaissance in the Reference Material.)*

2.2.1. Current Designations and Zoning

The Comprehensive Plan map (see Figure 2) provides general guidelines for land uses in Jackson County and each city while the Zoning map (see Figure 3) designates more specific uses and densities within the general land use categories. Figure 2 has been subdivided into two images mapping the north and south sections of the corridor. Figure 3 has been subdivided into four separate images, one for each community, in order to provide adequate zoning detail and legends.

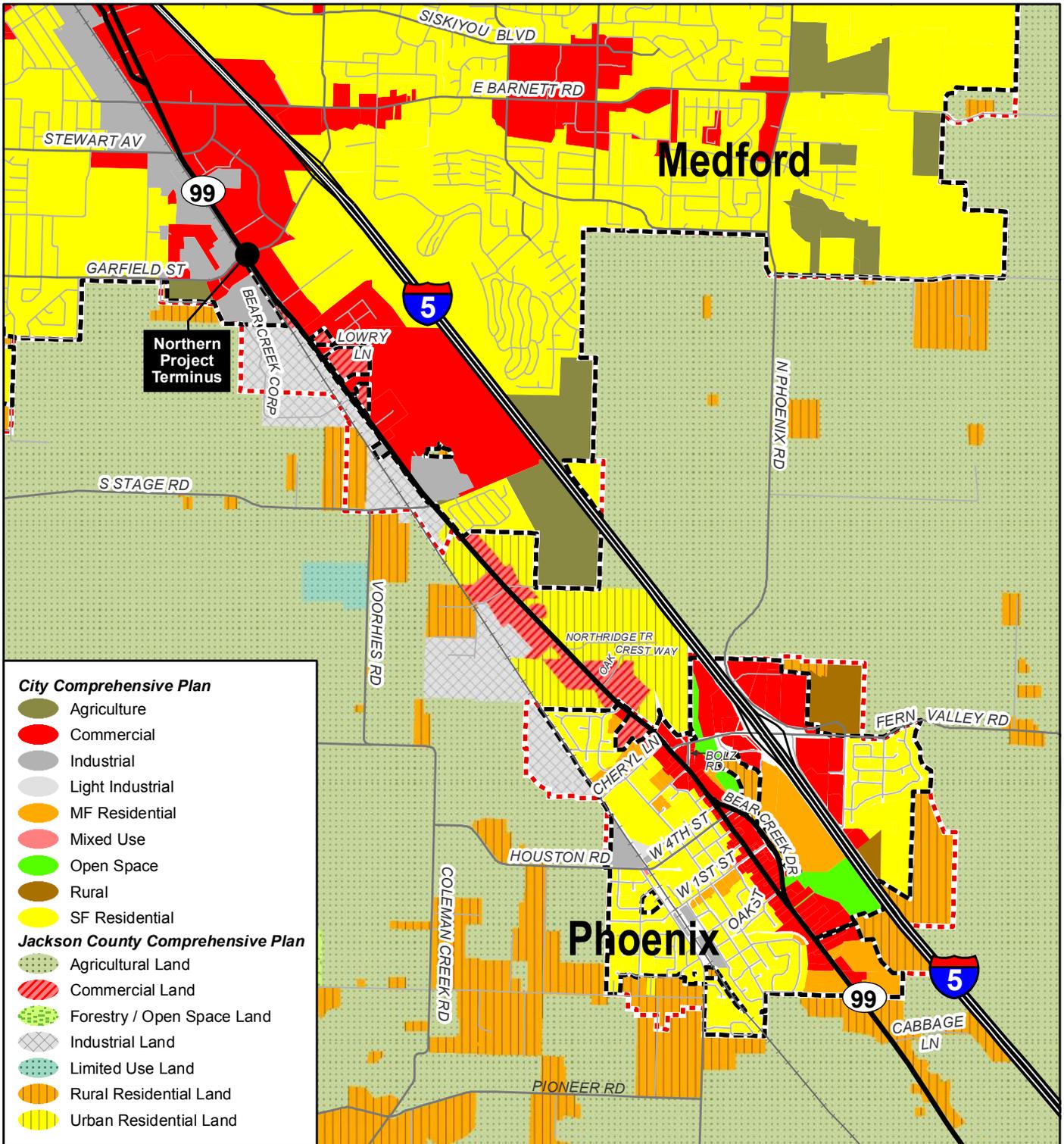
The study area passes linearly through the southern portion of Medford, and through Phoenix, Talent, and northern Ashland, with largely agricultural areas between each city except for between Medford and Phoenix, which is primarily urbanized. Zoned land uses in the study area range from agricultural to industrial, as displayed in Figure 3. Inside city limits, retail, wholesale, and professional service commercial uses dominate along the highway. Farm uses, interspersed with rural residential uses, occupy a majority of the area not in UGBs in the study area. OR 99 is a main street through the cities and a federally designated intermodal connector, reflecting its relationship to the railroad and industrial uses.

2.2.2. Future Land Use

The OR 99 Corridor Plan is based on future land use assumptions that are consistent with Jackson County and regional forecasts by the RVMPO. The Oregon Office of Economic Analysis provides the long-term demographic forecasts for counties and the State that are the source for the more localized population forecasts.

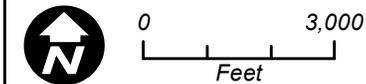
In 2010, the base analysis year for the Corridor Plan, the Jackson County population was approaching 200,000 residents. Long-term forecasts anticipate that population will grow to almost 300,000. The Corridor Plan was developed assuming the area would achieve that milestone around the year 2040.

Recent trends indicate that Jackson County might reach 300,000 population in a time frame closer to 2050. A slower growth rate may result in a longer time period for Corridor Plan implementation but the needs and projects themselves remain valid.



- City Comprehensive Plan**
- Agriculture
 - Commercial
 - Industrial
 - Light Industrial
 - MF Residential
 - Mixed Use
 - Open Space
 - Rural
 - SF Residential
- Jackson County Comprehensive Plan**
- Agricultural Land
 - Commercial Land
 - Forestry / Open Space Land
 - Industrial Land
 - Limited Use Land
 - Rural Residential Land
 - Urban Residential Land

- City Boundary
- Urban Growth Boundary



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Figure 2

*Comprehensive Plan Designations
North Section*

Source Data: Jackson County

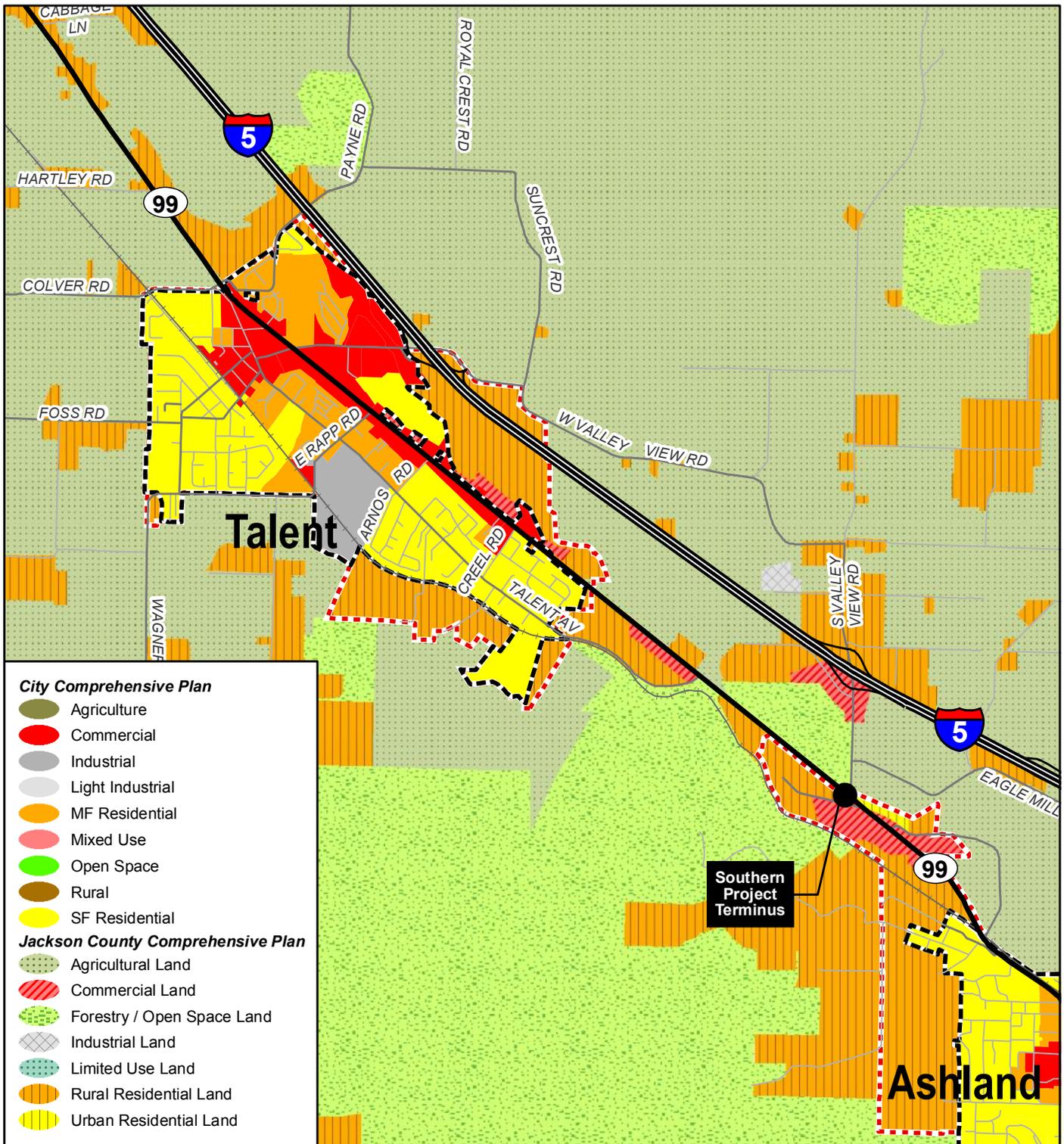
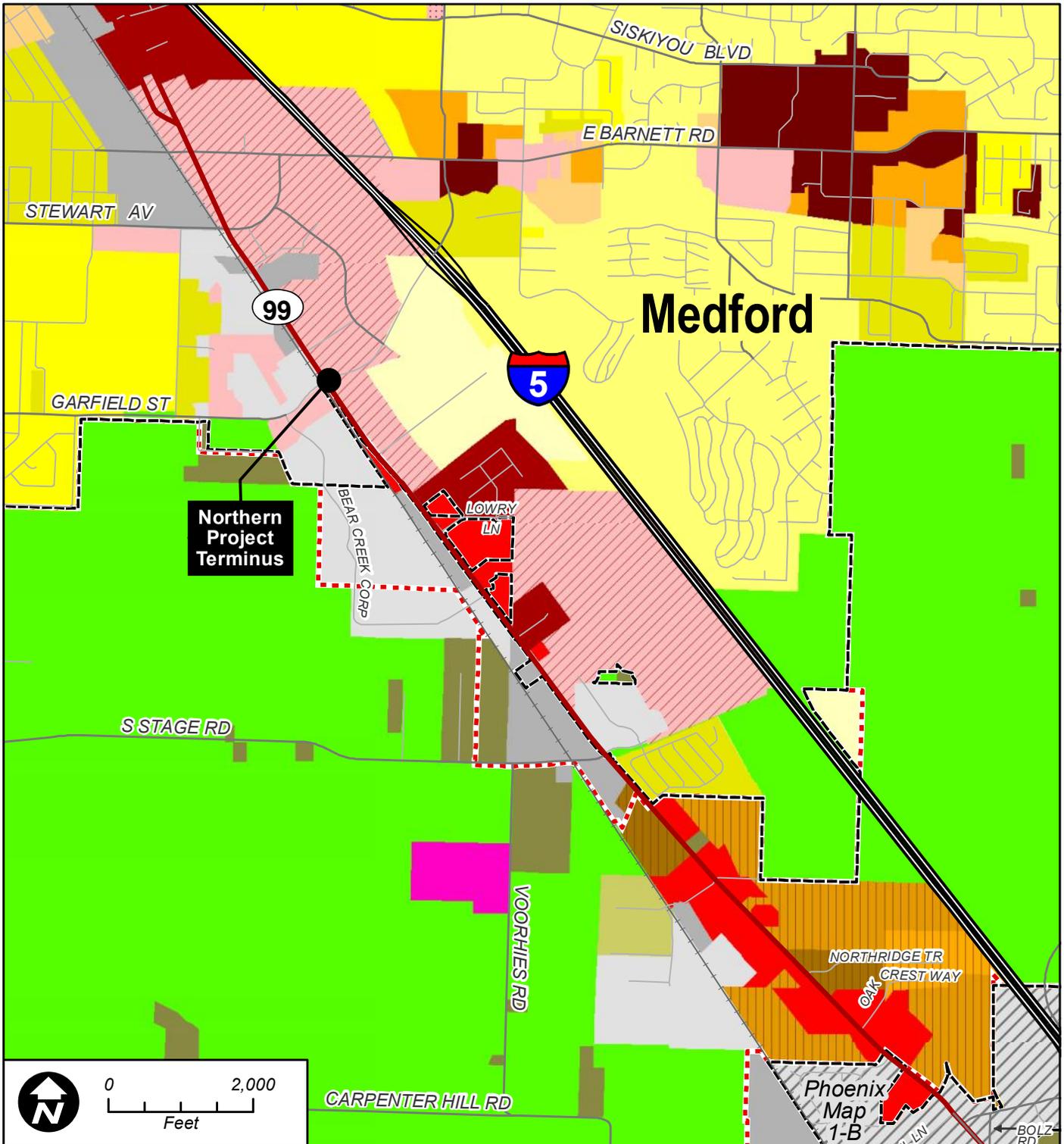


Figure 2

Comprehensive Plan Designations
South Section



Source Data: Jackson County



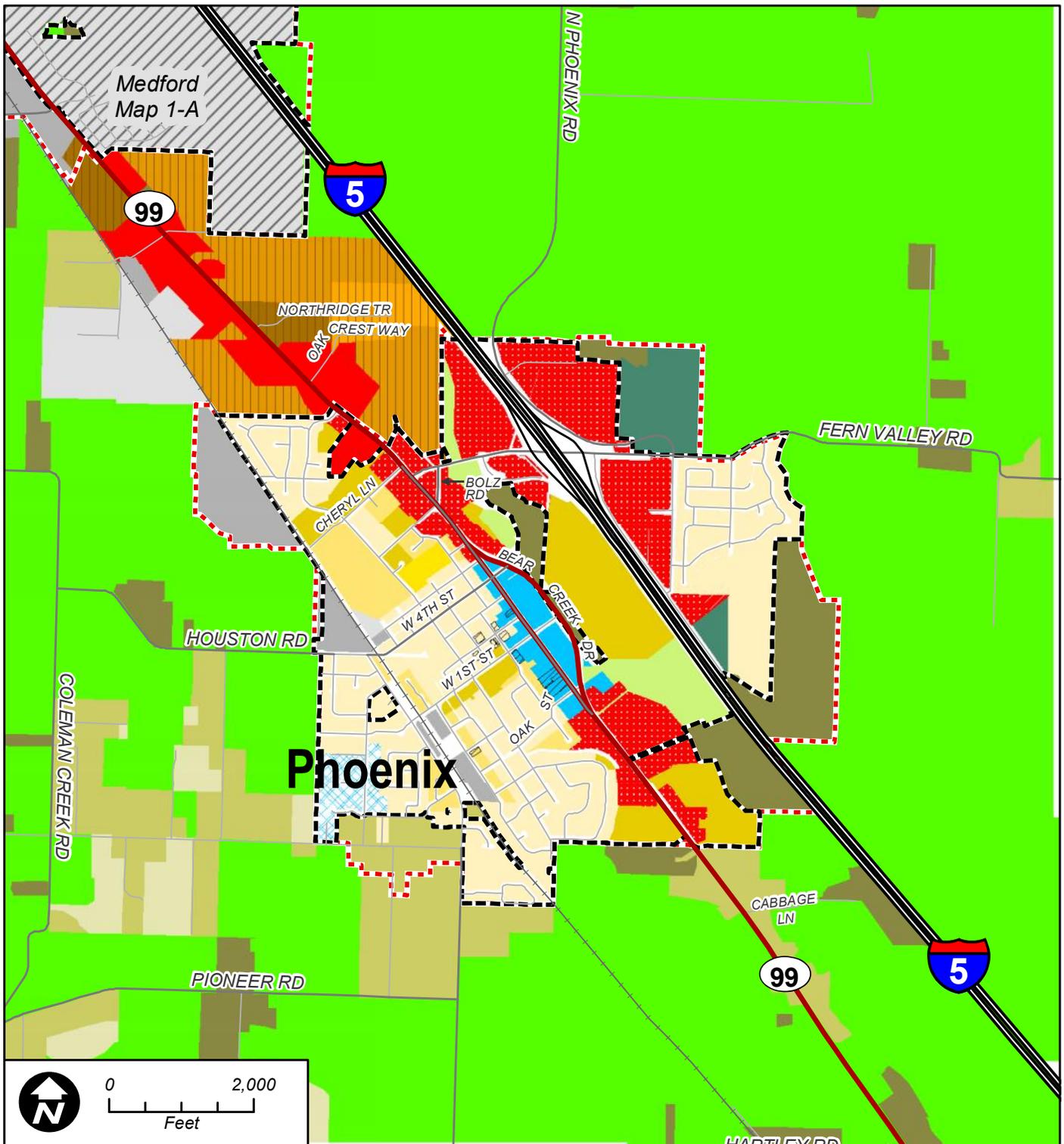
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Figure 3

Zoning Designations South Medford

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Boundary Urban Growth Boundary City of Medford Zoning Community Commercial (C-C) General Commercial (GC) Heavy Commercial (C-H) Neighborhood Commercial (C-N) Regional Commercial (C-R) Service Commercial/Prof. Office (C-S/P) Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) Light Industrial (I-L) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Industrial (I-G) MF Residential - 20 Units/Ac (MFR-20) MF Residential - 30 Units/Ac (MFR-30) Rural Residential - 5 Acre Min (RR-5) SF Residential - 1 dwelling unit/lot (SFR-00) SF Residential - 4 Units/Ac (SFR-4) SF Residential - 6 Units/Ac (SFR-6) SF Residential - 10 Units/Ac (SFR-10) Suburban Res. - 2.5 Acre Min (SR-2.5) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jackson County Zoning Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) General Commercial (GC) General Industrial (GI) Light Industrial (LI) Limited Use (LU) Rural Residential - 2.5 (RR-2.5) Rural Residential - 5 (RR-5) Urban Residential - 8 (UR-8) Urban Residential - 10 (UR-10) Urban Residential - 30 (UR-30) |
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Source Data: Jackson County



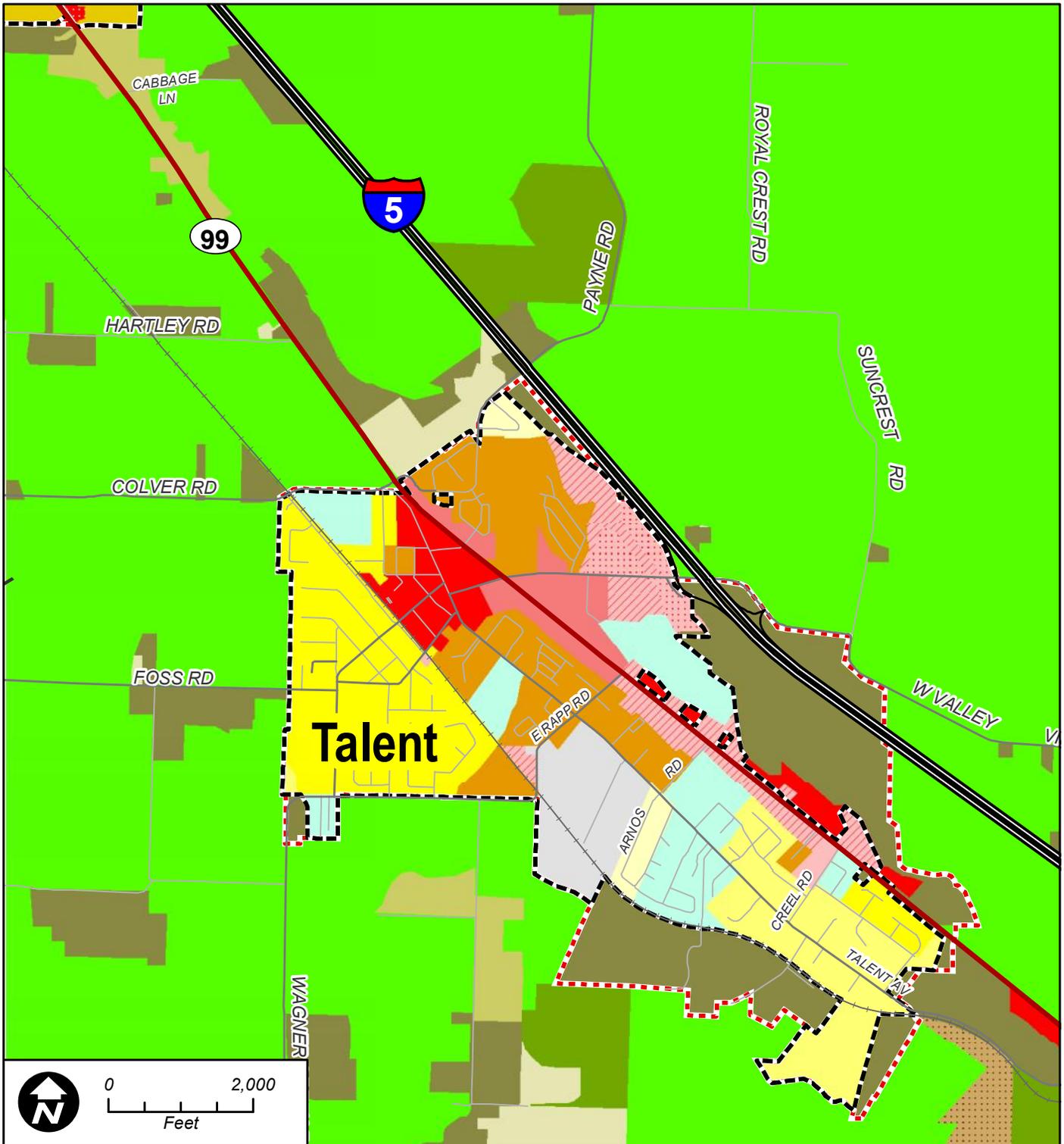
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Figure 3

Zoning Designations
Phoenix

Source Data: Jackson County

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Boundary Urban Growth Boundary 	<p>City of Phoenix Zoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bear Creek Greenway (BCG) City Center (C-C) Commercial Highway (C-H) Commercial Highway (R-1) Farm Residential (F-5) Hilsinger PUD (R-1) Industrial (I) Light Industrial (LI) Low Density Residential (R-1) Medium Density Residential (R-2) Medium Density Residential (R-3) High Density Residential (R-3) 	<p>Jackson County Zoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) General Commercial (GC) General Industrial (GI) Light Industrial (LI) Limited Use (LU) Rural Residential - 00 (RR-00) Rural Residential - 2.5 (RR-2.5) Rural Residential - 5 (RR-5) Urban Residential - 8 (UR-8) Urban Residential - 10 (UR-10) Urban Residential - 30 (UR-30) 	<p>Zoning Overlays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Historic Overlay
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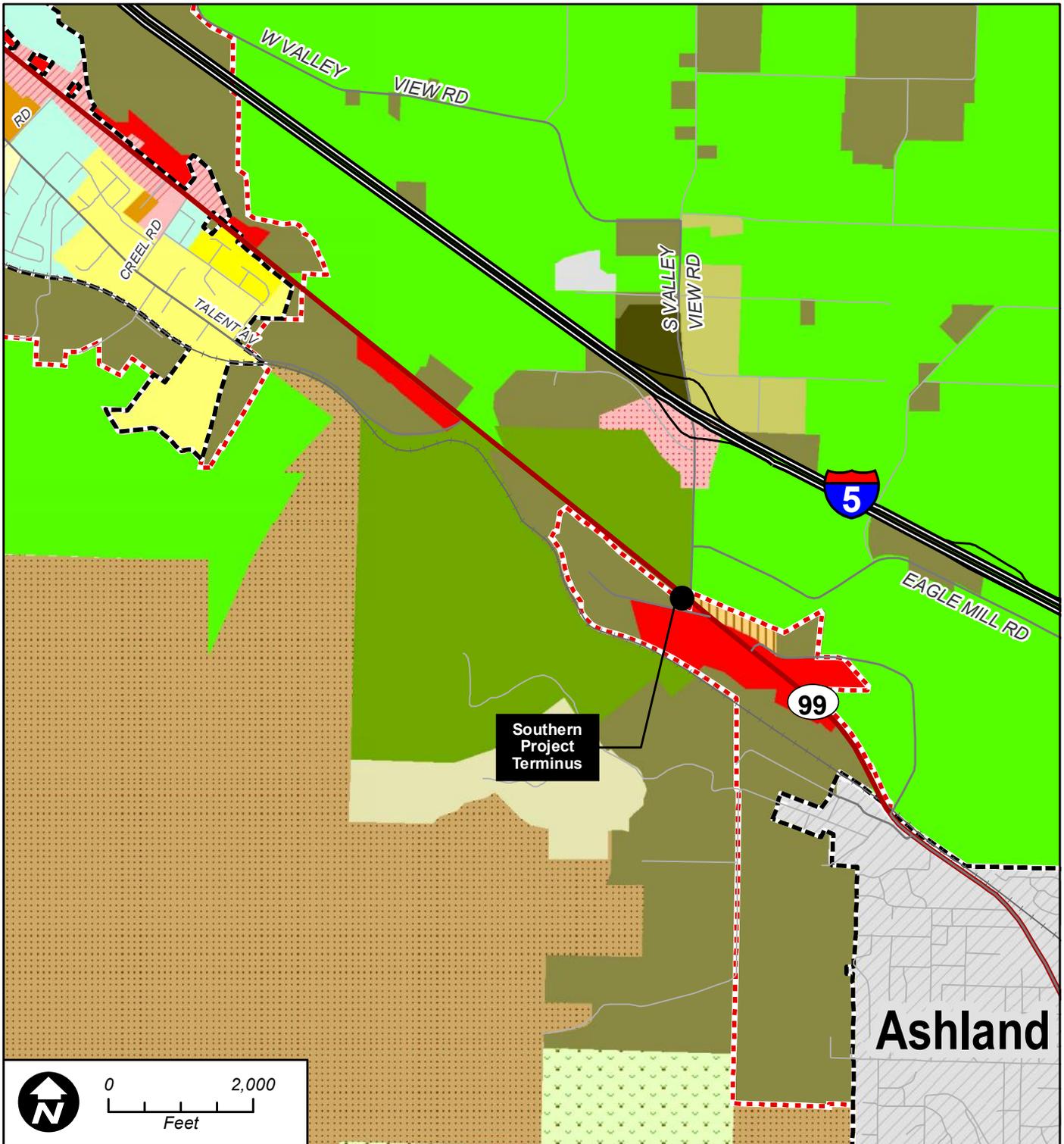
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Figure 3

**Zoning Designations
Talent**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Boundary Urban Growth Boundary | <p>City of Talent Zoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central Business District - Highway (CBH) Commercial (CBD) High Density Residential (RM-22) Interchange Commercial (CI) Light Industrial (IL) Low Density Residential - 6,000 sf Lot (RS-7) Low Density Residential - 8,000 sf Lot (RS-5) Low Density Residential - 8,000 sf Lot (RS-7) Mobile Home (RS-MH) Neighborhood Commercial (CN) Retail-Wholesale Commercial (CH) | <p>Jackson County Zoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) General Commercial (GC) Open Space Reserve (OSR) Rural Residential - 00 (RR-00) Rural Residential - 2.5 (RR-2.5) Rural Residential - 5 (RR-5) Urban Residential (UR-1) Woodland Resource (WR) |
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Source Data: Jackson County



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Figure 3

Zoning Designations North Ashland

Source Data: Jackson County

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Boundary Urban Growth Boundary <p>City of Talent Zoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High Density Residential (RM-22) Low Density Residential - 6,000 sf Lot (RS-7) Low Density Residential - 8,000 sf Lot (RS-5) Low Density Residential - 8,000 sf Lot (RS-7) Mobile Home (RS-MH) Neighborhood Commercial (CN) Retail-Wholesale Commercial (CH) | <p>Jackson County Zoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) Forest Resource (FR) General Commercial (GC) Interchange Commercial (IC) Light Industrial (LI) Open Space Reserve (OSR) Rural Residential - 00 (RR-00) Rural Residential - 2.5 (RR-2.5) Rural Residential - 5 (RR-5) Rural Residential - 10 (RR-10) Urban Residential (UR-1) Woodland Resource (WR) |
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2.3. Environmental, Community, and Cultural Resources

Research and mapping of environmental features and community resources was used to identify known issues and those that may pose potential challenges or barriers to highway improvements. The information gathered was taken primarily from published documents and maps, GIS data, and conversations with appropriate professional contacts. Further resources may exist that are not yet documented or are not visually apparent. *(For more detailed information regarding this research, refer to Technical Memorandum #2: Environmental and Land Use Reconnaissance in the Reference Material.)*

Environmental features researched include:

- Goal 5 – Natural Resources
 - Riparian Corridors
 - Wetlands
 - Wildlife Habitat
 - Recreation Trails
- Threatened and Endangered Species
- Wildlife Crossings
- Floodplains and Floodways
- Air Quality
- Noise Quality
- Hazardous Materials
- Visual Resources

Community and cultural resources include:

- Parks and Recreation Areas
- Historic and Archaeological Resources
- Section 4(f) Resources
- Section 6(f) Resources

Socioeconomic data was also mapped to incorporate environmental justice considerations into the Corridor Plan development.

2.3.1. Potential Design Constraints

Table 3 summarizes resources that may present potential design constraints. Depending on the location of the preferred project, final design and construction details, there will be specific permits, regulatory requirements, or authorizations required prior to construction of the project. Additional design constraints not covered in this corridor plan could include fish passage requirements at stream crossings and storm water treatment requirements.

Table 3. Environmental and Land Use Summary

Feature	Summary of Key Resources and Concept Guidance	Key Potential Conflict Location(s)
Riparian Areas (Goal 5 Resource)	Bear Creek riparian corridor - <i>Disturbance to riparian corridors should be avoided where possible. Water quality impacts should also be avoided or mitigated through design.</i>	Medford, Central Phoenix, mid-Talent to end of study area
Wetlands (Goal 5 Resource)	Potential valley floor - unidentified wetlands associated with Bear Creek and its tributaries - <i>Wetland delineations should be conducted once concept footprints are identified. Impacts to wetlands should be avoided; mitigation and permitting will be necessary if impacts cannot be avoided. Best management practices incorporated into project design and construction can help minimize impacts.</i>	Phoenix, Talent to study area southern terminus, and undeveloped areas of corridor
Wildlife Habitat	Deer and Elk winter range habitat - <i>Disturbance to undeveloped areas especially those near Bear Creek, other riparian corridors or the Deer Elk habitat should be avoided if possible.</i>	Small area south of Talent to study area southern terminus.
Recreation Trails	Bear Creek Greenway - <i>Interference with recreation functions should be avoided.</i>	Southern Medford, Central Phoenix, South of Talent
Wildlife Crossings	Wildlife associated with Bear Creek riparian corridor and Deer and Elk winter range habitat - <i>Wildlife crossings should be considered during concept design.</i>	Small area south of Talent to study area southern terminus
Threatened and Endangered Species	Coho salmon - <i>Concepts should avoid water quality impacts and physical impediments in threatened and endangered species contributing waterways.</i>	Phoenix, Talent to southern study area terminus
Floodplains and Floodways	Wagner Creek Floodway, Bear Creek Floodway and 100-year floodplain - <i>Fill in floodways and floodplains should be avoided. No net rise will have to be demonstrated if improvements involve any sort of fill in floodways. Cut and fill requirements will need to be adhered to in floodplains.</i>	Medford, Downtown Talent, Southern Talent to study area southern terminus
Air Quality	Maintaining air quality standards - <i>Project is anticipated to lessen congestion and help continue to meet applicable air quality goals.</i>	None
Noise Quality	Sensitive noise receivers - <i>Further noise studies should be conducted once concept footprints are identified and relation to sensitive noise receivers can be established.</i>	Northern study area
Hazardous Materials	RCRA Generators, ERNS, ECSI, Fire Marshall Spill, Landfills, LUSTs, USTs - <i>Additional surveys should be completed once concept footprints are established.</i>	Medford to Talent and southern study area terminus
Visual Resources	Valley floor - <i>Consider overall visual effect during concept development, especially with respect to height of potential structures.</i>	None
Socioeconomic and Environmental Justice Impacts	Businesses, affected communities, minorities and low income populations - <i>Displacements should be avoided or minimized.</i>	Throughout corridor
Land Use and Zoning	EFU, Historical Overlays, Floodplain Overlays, Riparian Corridor Overlays, Open Space Reserve - <i>Impacts to resource zones should be avoided. Impacts to EFU and Open Space zones may require goal exception.</i>	Between Talent and southern study area terminus, between Talent and Phoenix, Downtown Phoenix
Community Features	Fire Stations, Police Stations, Schools - <i>Access to these facilities and their specific needs to provide their required level of service should be considered during concept development.</i>	Downtown Phoenix, Downtown Talent
Parks and Recreation	Bear Creek Greenway, Medford Sports Park, Blue Heron Park - <i>Impacts to parks and recreation resources should be minimized so that they can fulfill their intended purpose without loss of enjoyment by users and can realize goals of applicable Comprehensive Plans' elements.</i>	Medford, Phoenix, Southern Talent
Historical and Archaeological Resources	Historical and cultural resources - <i>Further surveys will need to be completed, especially if improvements will include ground-disturbing activities and or right-of-way acquisition of lots with potential historical resources.</i>	Downtown Phoenix, Talent (Historical), Undeveloped Areas (Archaeological)
Section 4(f) Resources	Parks and Historical/Cultural Resources - <i>Avoid resources if possible. Any "use" of Section 4(f) lands will need to demonstrate that it is either a "de minimis" impact or that there was no alternative for the impact.</i>	Medford, Phoenix, Talent, just south of Talent
Section 6(f) Resources	Parks funded by Land and Conservation Funds - <i>Avoid resources if possible. Use of Section 6(f) land needs to be mitigated in kind.</i>	Medford, Phoenix, Talent
Right-of-Way	Existing corridor area - <i>Acquisition and displacements should be avoided where practicable.</i>	Entire corridor
Canals and Culverts	Phoenix and Talent Canals, Culverts - <i>Water quality impacts should be avoided.</i>	South of Phoenix and south of Talent

2.4. Transportation System Inventory

The transportation system inventory examines the highway, intersecting roadways, bridges, pavement conditions, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, transit facilities, Intelligent Transportation Systems and rail facilities. *(For more detailed system inventory information, refer to Technical Memorandum #3: Existing Transportation Facilities Inventory and Analysis in the Reference Material.)*

2.4.1. Roadway Inventory

The OR 99 corridor is part of the National Highway System (NHS) and is designated as a district highway in the Oregon classification system. It serves local and regional vehicular and freight traffic as well as transit, bicycles and pedestrians. Through the study area, OR 99 parallels Interstate 5 (I-5) to the west with occasional connections between the two facilities. Table 4 presents a summary of the corridor study area roadways and classifications. Additionally, the function of the OR 99 corridor will be influenced by the Phoenix Special Transportation Area (STA) which is bounded to the north by 5th Street, south by Oak Street, east by Bear Creek Drive, and west by Church Street.

The OR 99 corridor has four connections to I-5 in the study area:

1. **Interchange 27 (South Medford)** is an urban interchange that serves the entire southern part of Medford and connects I-5 with the city's commercial core and OR 99. The interchange is a Single Point Urban Interchange that brings the I-5 northbound and southbound ramps to a single Intersection with Highland Drive.
2. **Interchange 24 (Fern Valley)** provides access to the City of Phoenix via signalized intersections on Fern Valley Road. The interchange is a standard diamond interchange with frontage roads on both sides of the freeway. Construction of a diverging diamond interchange configuration is underway. Improvements associated with the Fern Valley Interchange (FVI) upgrade extend to OR 99 and the Fern Valley Road and Bolz Road intersection will be reconstructed.
3. **Interchange 21 (W. Valley View)** provides access to the City of Talent via STOP-controlled intersections on W. Valley View Road. The interchange has a gull wing configuration for the northbound freeway ramp terminals and a half-diamond configuration for the southbound terminals.
4. **Interchange 19 (North Ashland)** provides the main link between the I-5 corridor and the northern end of Ashland via OR-99, which intersects S. Valley View Road approximately 2,500 feet south of the interchange. Currently a two-lane facility, S. Valley View Road carries high volumes because of significant intraregional trips between Ashland and Medford as well as serving local residents and businesses in the interchange vicinity. S. Valley View Road is planned for expansion into a five-lane facility between the interchange and the OR 99 intersection.

Table 4. Roadway Inventory

Roadway/ Highway Name	ODOT ¹ /Federal ² Functional Classification	Local Functional Classification	Posted Speed (mph)	No. of Lanes
ODOT Facilities				
OR 99 - Garfield Street through S. Stage Road (South Medford Segment)	District Highway/ Principal Arterial	Arterial	45	5
OR 99 - S Stage Road to Cheryl Lane (Medford to Phoenix Transition)	District Highway/ Principal Arterial	Arterial	45	5/4
OR 99 - Cheryl Lane to Main Street/Bear Creek Drive Couplet (Phoenix Segment)	District Highway/ Principal Arterial	Arterial	30	5
OR 99 - Main Street/Bear Creek Drive Couplet (Phoenix Segment)	District Highway, STA/ Principal Arterial	Arterial	30/35	2/2
OR 99 - Main Street/Bear Creek Drive Couplet to Phoenix S. City Limits (Phoenix Segment)	District Highway/ Principal Arterial	Arterial	41	4
OR 99 - Phoenix S. City Limits to Colver/ Suncrest Road (Phoenix to Talent Transition)	District Highway/ Principal Arterial	State Highway	50	4
OR 99 - Colver/Suncrest Road to Talent S. City Limits (Talent Segment)	District Highway/ Principal Arterial	Major Arterial	40	5
OR 99 – Talent S. City Limits to S. Valley View Road (Talent to Ashland Transition)	District Highway/ Principal Arterial	State Highway	55	4
Medford City Limits³				
Garfield Street/Belknap Road	Minor Arterial	Arterial	NP	5
Bear Creek Corporation Drive	Local	Local	NP	2
Lowry Lane	Local	Local	NP	2
S. Stage Road	Minor Arterial/Local	Arterial/Local	45/NP	2
Phoenix City Limits⁴				
Cheryl Lane	Local	Collector	30	2
Fern Valley Road	Minor Arterial	Arterial	NP	2
E. Bolz Road	Local	Local/Arterial	NP	2
4 th Street	Urban Collector	Collector	NP	2
1 st Street	Minor Arterial	Collector	NP	2
Oak Street	Urban Collector	Collector	NP	2
Talent City Limits⁵				
Colver/Suncrest Road	Urban Collector	Major Collector	35/25	2
W Valley View Road	Minor Arterial	Major/Minor Arterial	40/25	4/2
Rapp Road	Urban Collector	Major Collector	25	2
Arnos Road	Local	Minor Collector	25	2
Creel Road	Urban Collector	Major Collector	30	2
Jackson County⁶				
Talent Avenue/Old Pacific Highway	Rural Major Collector	Collector	NP	2
S. Valley View Rd	District Highway/ Minor Arterial	Arterial	35	2-3

Acronyms: STA= Special Transportation Area, NP = Not Posted

Notes:

- Oregon Highway Plan, 1999
- ODOT Transportation Maps, <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TDATA/Pages/gis/citymaps.aspx>
- City of Medford Transportation System Plan, November 20, 2003
- City of Phoenix Transportation System Plan. October 4, 1999
- City of Talent Transportation System Plan. March 2007
- Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization, 2009-2034 Regional Transportation Plan, April 27, 2009

Lane and Shoulder Widths

Travel lanes are currently 12 feet or greater throughout the OR 99 corridor. Some of the curb lanes are as wide as 16 feet but must also accommodate bicycle traffic because there are no striped bike lanes in these areas. The FVI improvements will add 5-foot bike lanes on OR 99 by narrowing travel lane widths to 11 feet on some segments.

The OR 99 corridor has curbs from the northern project limits in Medford through the couplet in Phoenix. South of the Phoenix couplet, OR 99 has four travel lanes with 1- to 2-foot shoulders which extend to the north city limits of Talent. From Rapp Road in Talent to the southern project limits, the roadway also consists of four travel lanes with 1- to 2-foot shoulders.

Right of Way

Right of way (ROW) is constrained by adjacent development along much of OR 99. In some areas, particularly north of Phoenix, the ROW is only wide enough to accommodate the paved roadway surface and sidewalks, if they exist, are located outside the ROW. Other areas have sufficient ROW to accommodate existing infrastructure and planned improvements.

Access Inventory

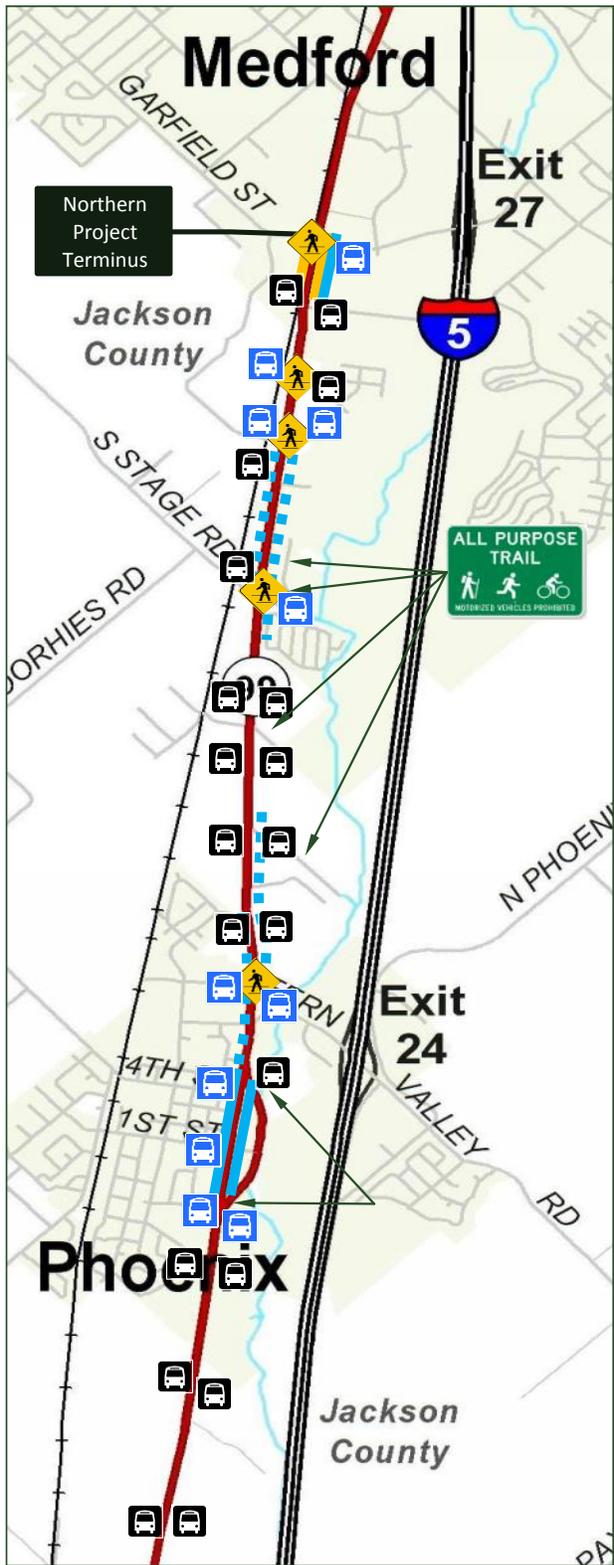
Refer to *Section 5. Access Management Plan*.

2.4.2. Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Inventory

The bicycle and pedestrian facilities along OR 99 are limited throughout the corridor area. The Bear Creek Greenway is a regional bicycle and pedestrian facility that generally parallels I-5. With recent completion of a segment of the greenway in the vicinity of Interchange 27 as part of the South Medford Interchange project, the multi-use trail is now a continuous 21-mile path between Interchange 35 north of Central Point to Oak Street in Ashland. Figure 4 illustrates the location of existing facilities and Table 5 provides more detail regarding other pedestrian and bicycle facilities along OR 99.

2.4.3. Transit Inventory

Rogue Valley Transportation District (RVTD) operates one transit route through the study area: Route 10. Route 10 travels the entire length of the corridor Monday through Friday, three times each hour, between the hours of 5:00 am and 6:30 pm. The route runs along OR 99 in the study area except in Talent, where it runs along Talent Avenue. More than 30 stops are located within the study area, as shown in Figure 4.



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Legend

-  Signalized crosswalk
-  Bus stop with connecting pedestrian facilities
-  Bus stop with limited connecting pedestrian facilities

-  Continuous bike lane
-  Continuous sidewalk
-  Substandard/discontinuous sidewalk
-  Access to Bear Creek Greenway

Figure 4

Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Transit Facilities

Table 5. Corridor Pedestrian and Bicycle Inventory

Segment	Pedestrian Facilities	Bicycle Facilities
All Segments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to Bear Creek Greenway northeast of OR 99 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to Bear Creek Greenway northeast of OR 99
South Medford Segment (Garfield Street to S. Stage Road)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occasional marked crosswalks • Sidewalk on the northeastern side 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present in both directions
Medford to Phoenix Transition (S Stage Road to Cheryl Lane)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sidewalks present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inadequate shoulders
Phoenix Segment ¹ (Cheryl Lane to Phoenix South City Limits)	<p><i>North of Couplet:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous sidewalks on west side, sporadic sidewalks on east side of OR 99 • Crosswalks at Fern Valley Road and E. Bolz Road <p><i>Bear Creek/N. Main Couplet</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous sidewalk on both sides of N. Main Street • No sidewalks along Bear Creek Drive • Crosswalk at 3rd Street and Main Street <p><i>South of Couplet:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sidewalks present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No on-street bike facilities
Phoenix to Talent Transition (Phoenix South City Limits to Colver/Suncrest Road)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sidewalks present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inadequate shoulders
Talent Segment ² (Colver/Suncrest Road Talent South City Limits)	<p><i>Colver/Suncrest Road to Rapp Road</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous sidewalks on southwest side • Incomplete sidewalks on northeast side • Crosswalks at Colver/Suncrest Road, W. Valley View Road, and Rapp Road <p><i>South of Rapp Road</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sidewalks present 	<p><i>Colver/Suncrest Road to Rapp Road</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous bike lanes on both sides to south of Rapp Road <p><i>South of Rapp Road</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No on-street bike facilities
Talent to Ashland Transition (Talent South City Limits to S. Valley View Road)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sidewalks present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inadequate shoulders

Notes:

1. The Fern Valley Interchange project will add bike lanes along OR 99 from Coleman Creek southward through Bolz Road and the OR 99 intersections with both Fern Valley Road (existing) and Bolz Road (future) will have traffic signals with crosswalks.
2. The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program project in Talent (Key Number 17478) will include sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides of OR 99 from Rapp Road southward through Creel Road.

2.4.4. Highway Freight Inventory

Although not a designated freight route, OR 99 is part of the NHS and must provide freight access according to federal regulations. Historically, oversize or overweight trucks are occasionally routed along OR 99 and must be accommodated in the future as well. More information regarding the truck distribution throughout the study area can be found in the Freight Traffic discussion of this report.

2.4.5. Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Inventory

The Rogue Valley region has a sizeable amount of ITS infrastructure currently in place⁴. Along the OR 99 corridor the predominant ITS systems are Automatic Traffic Recorders (ATRs) and Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) Cameras. Additional ATRs and CCTV Cameras are planned in the next 20 years, four and two, respectively. Three of the ATRs are planned for the 6-10 year horizon, while the remaining one is planned for the 11-20 year horizon. The two new CCTV Cameras are also planned for the 11-20 year horizon.

2.4.6. Rail Inventory

The Central Oregon and Pacific Railroad (reporting mark “CORP”) is a short line railroad owned by RailAmerica, Inc., which is based in Jacksonville, Florida. The CORP line runs parallel to the OR 99 corridor throughout the study area. Currently, the railroad lines carries exclusively freight with 90 percent of the delivery consisting of forest products.

No passenger rail service is available in the Rogue Valley; the closest available is AMTRAK located in Eugene, Oregon. Maximum speeds on the CORP line are currently limited to 25 mph or less. Hence, improvements necessary to provide a competitive passenger rail service south to Medford and beyond would require substantial reconstruction.

2.5. Existing Operations and Safety

Existing traffic analysis includes development of Year 2010 existing traffic volumes, traffic operations evaluation and a review of historical crash patterns. *(For more detailed data and evaluation results, refer to Technical Memorandum #3: Existing Transportation Facilities Inventory and Analysis in the Reference Material.)*

⁴ I-5 Rogue Valley Corridor Study Technical Memorandum #2 Data Collection and Review of Existing Plans Figure 9-1. David Evans and Associates, Inc. August 2009

2.5.1. Existing Traffic Volumes

Existing traffic volume data is presented in Figure 5. Data provided by ODOT's Transportation Systems Monitoring Unit includes intersection traffic counts collected primarily in Year 2010.

Average Daily Traffic (ADT) Volumes

Annual traffic volumes on OR 99 have varied considerably over recent years.⁵ Current volumes peak at nearly 16,000 vehicles per day (vpd) north of Fern Valley Road in Phoenix to a low of more than 8,000 vpd near the north Talent city limits. Volumes on OR 99 increase substantially just south of the study area reflecting the activity between I-5 and Ashland.

Design Hourly Volumes

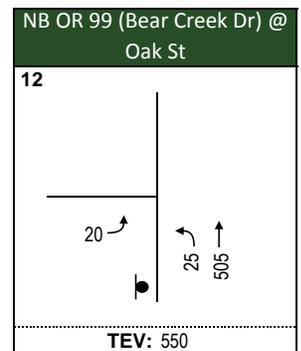
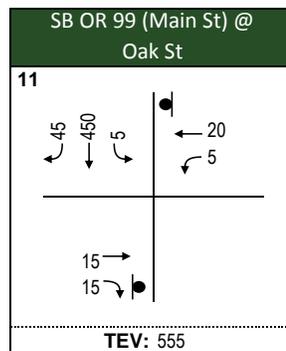
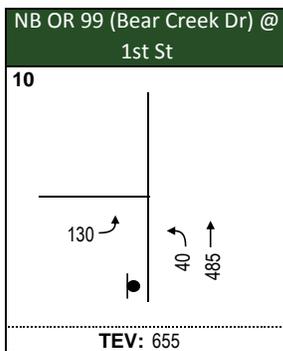
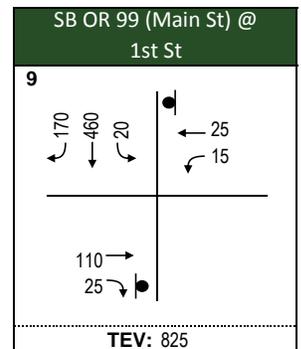
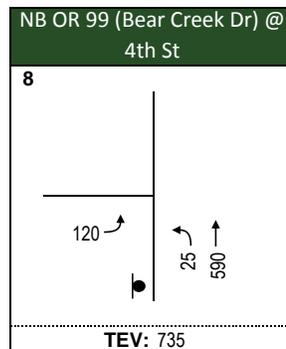
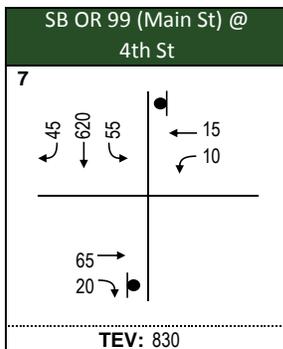
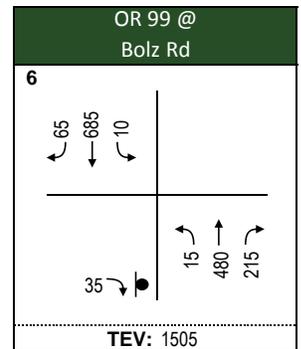
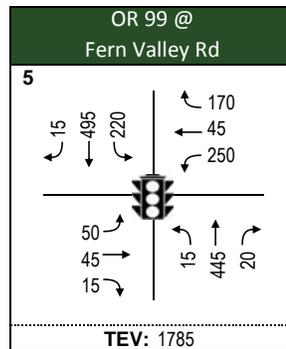
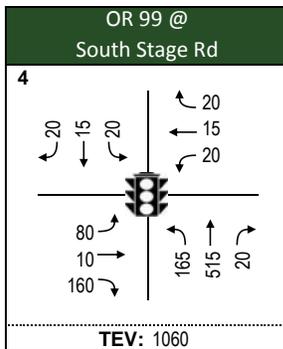
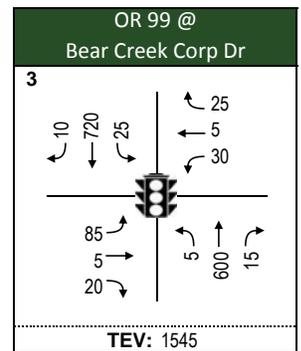
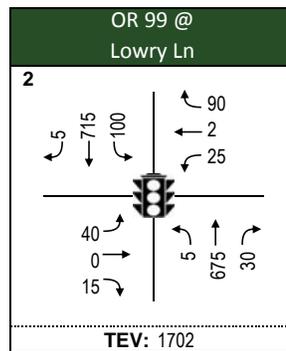
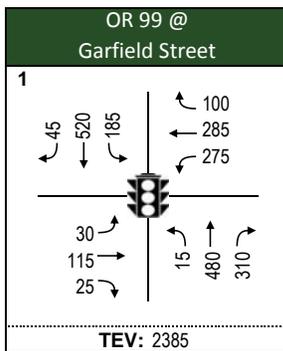
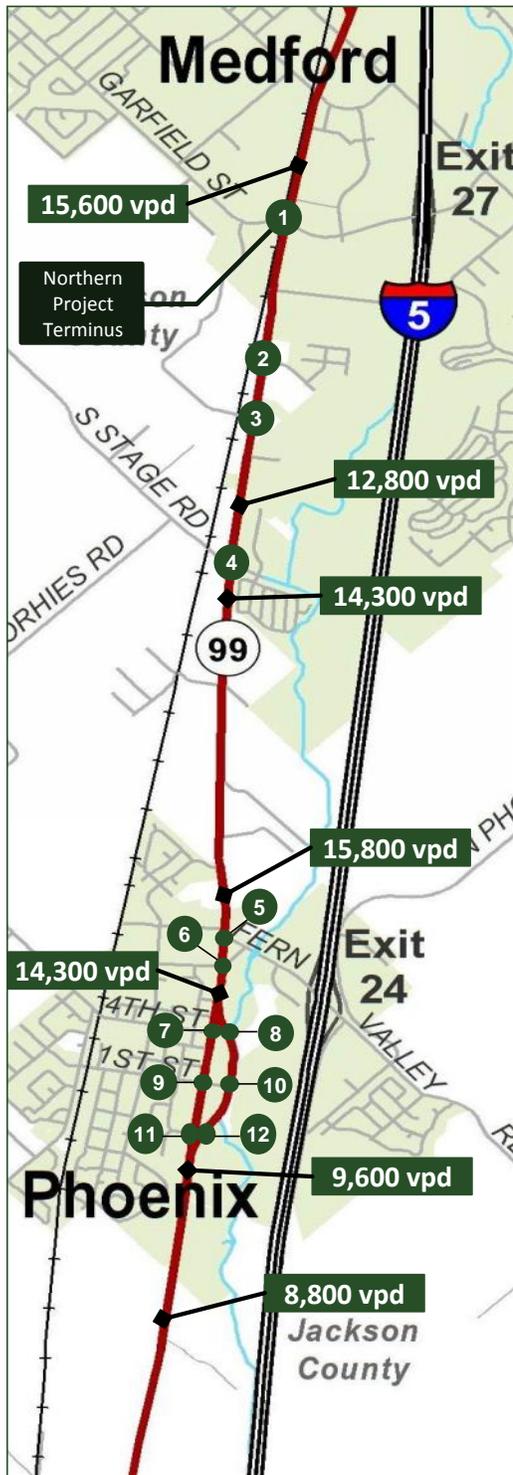
Turning movement count data was collected primarily in the summer of Year 2010. Traffic volumes were seasonally adjusted to correspond to traffic volumes that are seen during the peak months of the year (July/August), also known as the Design Hourly Volume⁶ (DHV). Volumes were balanced to achieve a uniform dataset for analysis. Figure 5 shows the existing balanced PM peak hour volumes developed for this project.

Freight Traffic

Trucks are an important component of traffic for any corridor. According to the classification breakdown for ATR 15-014 (Talent), trucks comprise less than 4% of the total average annual daily traffic in the area. The intersection traffic counts also show relatively low truck percentages. However, this corridor is home to a major agricultural and manufacturing plant, Bear Creek Corporation (also known as Harry and David). Bear Creek Corporation is located between Medford and Phoenix. While it may bring in produce from a variety of sources, it also utilizes the agricultural land located in the Phoenix/Talent area. At harvest time (generally late summer/early fall) truck traffic between the crop sites and manufacturing facility peaks.

⁵ Lower present-day traffic volumes on OR 99 are consistent with trends throughout the state and likely reflect the economic downturn that influenced driver behavior.

⁶ Design hourly volumes were developed following the practices outlined in ODOT's Analysis Procedures Manual, website: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TP/pages/apm.aspx>.



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Legend

- Turning Movement
- ### PM Peak Hour Volume
- TEV Total Entering Volume



Intersection Number



Signalized Intersection



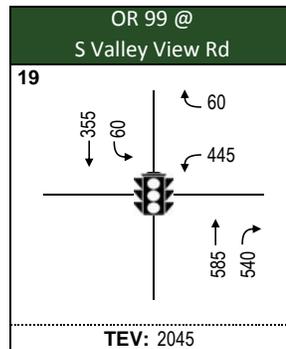
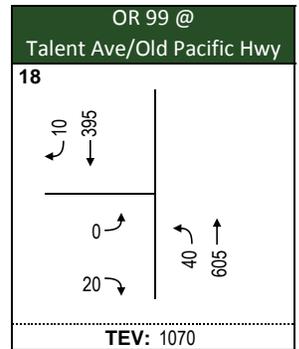
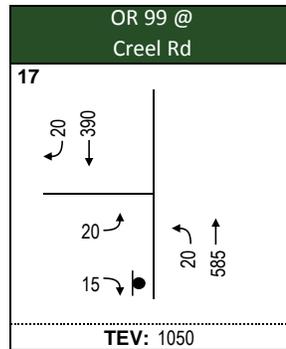
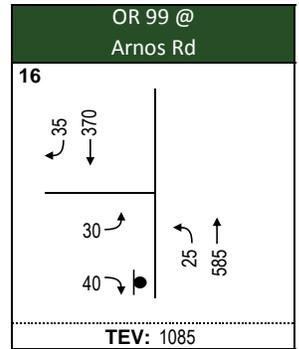
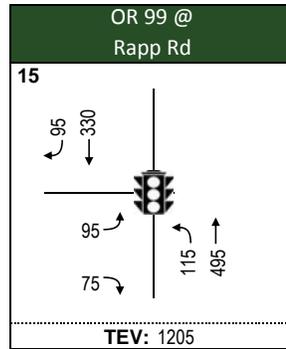
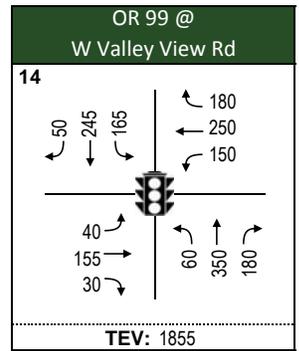
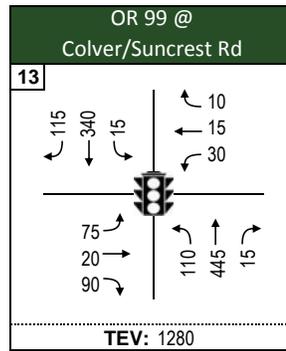
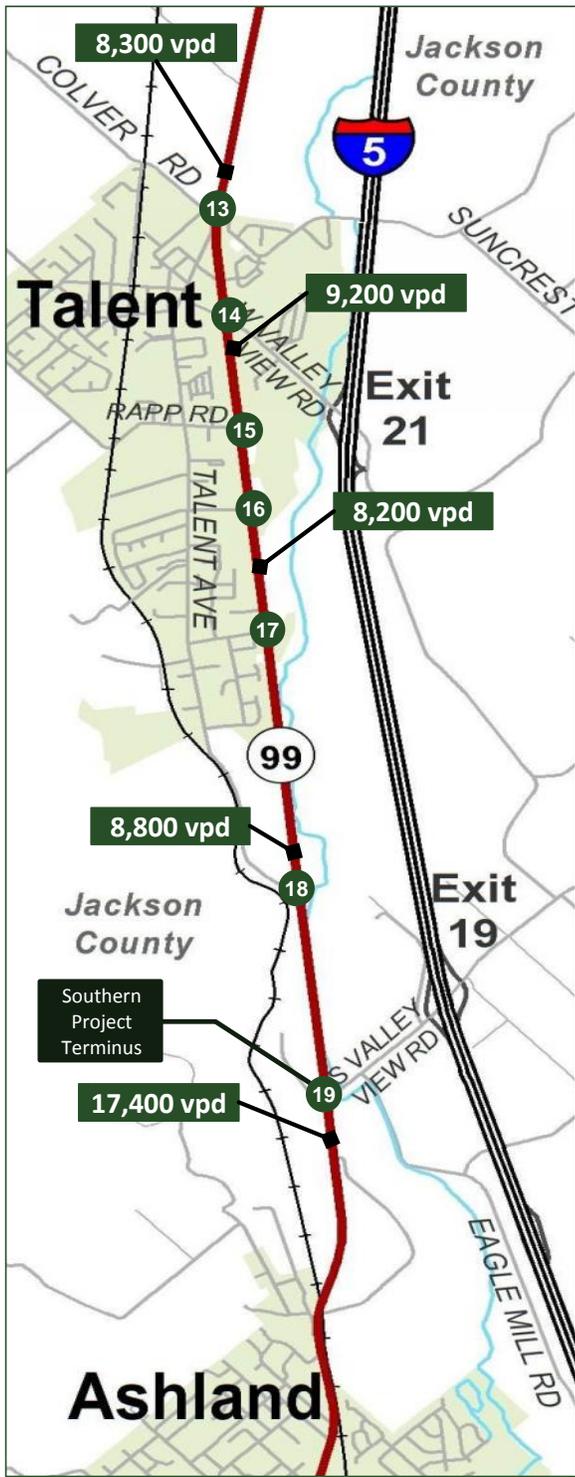
STOP Controlled Intersection



Average Daily Traffic Volume
vpd = vehicles per day

Figure 5

Existing (2010)
Traffic Volumes
North Section



OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan



Legend

- Turning Movement
- ### PM Peak Hour Volume
- TEV Total Entering Volume



Intersection Number



Signalized Intersection



STOP Controlled Intersection



Average Daily Traffic Volume
vpd = vehicles per day

Figure 5

Existing (2010)
Traffic Volumes
South Section

2.5.2. Existing Traffic Operations

Traffic operations were evaluated at the 19 corridor intersections and summarized in Table 6. These findings reflect the 2010 signal timing plans implemented by ODOT at all signalized corridor intersections.

Table 6. Existing (2010) Design Hour Intersection Operations

Intersection	Critical ¹ Movement	2010 PM Peak Hour			Operational Standards ³	
		V/C Ratio ²	LOS ²	Delay ² (sec.)	OHP	City
Medford Segment						
1. OR 99 @ Garfield Street (Signalized)	Overall	0.53	C	21	0.95	D
2. OR 99 @ Lowry Lane (Signalized)	Overall	0.47	A	8	0.95	D
3. OR 99 @ Bear Creek Corp Drive (Signalized)	Overall	0.35	A	6	0.95	D
4. OR 99 @ South Stage Rd (Signalized)	Overall	0.53	B	13	0.95	D
Phoenix Segment						
5. OR 99 @ Fern Valley Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.63	C	38	0.95	0.90
6. OR 99 @ Bolz Road	SB T/R	0.28	A	2	0.95	0.90
7. SB OR 99 (N Main Street) @ 4th Street	EB T/R	0.32	C	10	1.0	0.95
8. NB OR 99 (Bear Creek Drive) @ 4th Street	NB L/T	0.25	A	1	1.0	0.95
9. SB OR 99 (N Main Street) @ 1st Street	EB T/R	0.40	C	9	1.0	0.95
10. NB OR 99 (Bear Creek Drive) @ 1st Street	EB L	0.27	B	8	1.0	0.95
11. SB OR 99 (N Main Street) @ Oak Street	SB T/R	0.19	A	1	1.0	0.95
12. NB OR 99 (Bear Creek Drive) @ Oak St	NB L/T	0.22	A	2	1.0	0.95
Talent Segment						
13. OR 99 @ Colver/Suncrest Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.41	A	8	0.95	NA
14. OR 99 @ W Valley View Rd (Signalized)	Overall	0.56	B	16	0.95	NA
15. OR 99 @ Rapp Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.44	B	9	0.95	NA
16. OR 99 @ Arnos Road	NB L/T	0.23	A	4	0.95	NA
17. OR 99 @ Creel Road	NB L/T	0.24	A	5	0.95	NA
Talent to Ashland Transition						
18. OR 99 @ Talent Avenue/Old Pacific Hwy	NB L/T	0.25	A	8	0.95	--
19. OR 99 @ S Valley View Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.76	C	26	0.95	--

Acronyms: For intersection approaches NB = northbound, SB = southbound, EB = eastbound, and WB = westbound. At the intersection approach L = left-turn movement, T = through movement, and R right-turn movement. Some approaches have shared lanes where two or more travel movements may be permitted as indicated with a slash. NA = Not Available

Notes:

1. The critical movement at a signalized intersection is the overall operation of the intersection. The critical movement at an unsignalized intersection is the movement with the worst v/c ratio.
2. The v/c ratio and LOS are provided from Synchro HCM Intersection Analysis Reports, while delay and queuing values are from SimTraffic.
3. Mobility standards are drawn from Table 6 of the 1999 OHP and corresponding TSPs. All study area intersections are within the UGB and MPO.

Shaded results indicate where mobility standards are not met

Traffic operations are acceptable under existing conditions throughout the corridor. The highest overall or critical movement v/c ratio throughout the corridor is 0.76, and the worst LOS is C. Furthermore, none of the study intersections currently exceed applicable mobility standards.

Only two intersections, OR 99 at Fern Valley Road and at S. Valley View Road, have queuing that either exceeds available storage or extend past the nearest upstream intersection.

2.5.3. Crash History Analysis

A crash history analysis was conducted to determine whether any significant, documented safety issues exist. As part of the crash analysis, historical crash data were reviewed, intersection and segment crash rates were calculated, and the state's SPIS (Safety Priority Index System) was examined. The crash analysis included a review of crash history data supplied by the ODOT Crash Data System (CDS) for the period between January 1, 2005, and December 31, 2009, which were the five (5) most recent full years for which crash data were available at the time of the analysis.

The CDS includes 294 crashes in the corridor, as shown in Figure 6. Thirteen (13) crashes, about 4 percent, resulted in incapacitating injuries. Another 147 crashes (50 percent) resulted in moderate or minor injuries. The remaining 134 crashes (46 percent) of the corridor crashes involved property damage only.

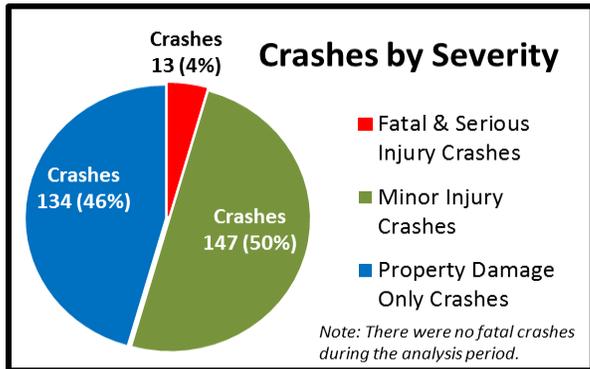
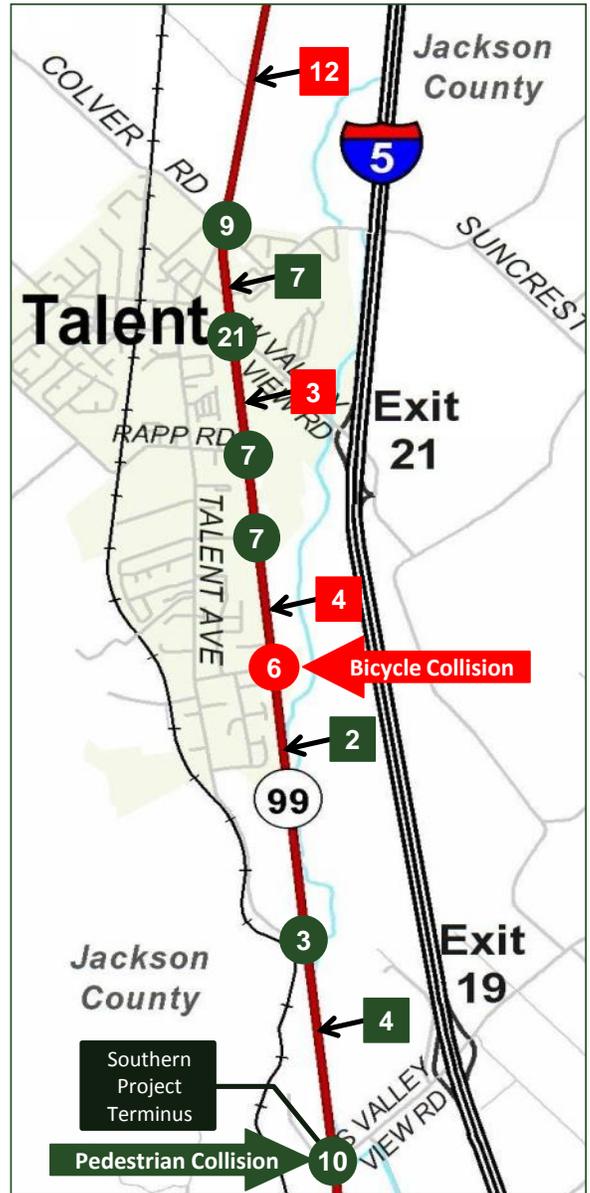
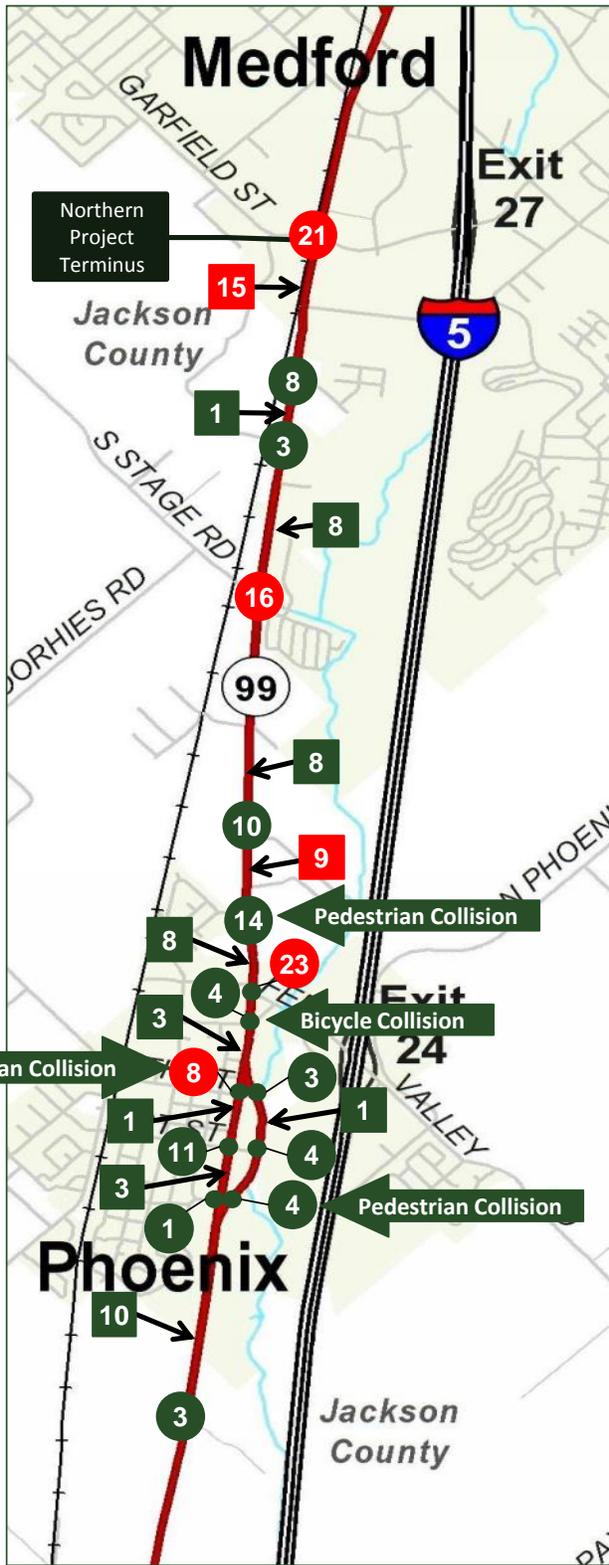
Crash Rates

The overall crash rate for the corridor is estimated at 1.75 crashes per million vehicle miles of travel (crashes/mvm). This rate is below the 2009 urban, non-freeway crash rate of 2.04⁷. Although portions of the corridor lie outside any city limits, the entire corridor lies within a major metropolitan planning area; thus, the analysis assumes the entire corridor is best described as urban.

Crashes by Collision Type and Location

Approximately 40 percent of the corridor crashes occurred at one of the nine signalized intersections with OR 99. Rear end collisions occurred most frequently (50 percent) while turning collisions accounted for 29 percent and angle collisions accounted for 13 percent of the signalized intersection crashes. The remaining 8 percent of collisions are attributed to several other crash types. The locations with the greatest number of crashes include OR 99 at Fern Valley Road (23), Garfield Road (21), W. Valley View Road (21), and S. Stage Road (16).

⁷ 2009 Oregon State Highway Crash Rate Tables, p. 5, ODOT, August 2010.



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Legend

- Intersection Crashes
- Crashes between Intersections
- Locations where a serious injury resulted
- Locations with minor injuries or property damage only

Figure 6

*Summary of Crash History
(January 1, 2005 through
December 31, 2009)*

The remaining 60 percent of the corridor crashes occurred at unsignalized intersections or along roadway segments. Turning collisions related to unsignalized intersections or driveways accounted for 41 percent of these crashes while rear end collisions only accounted for 26 percent and angle collisions were 4 percent. Fixed object collisions (10 percent) and overtaking sideswipe collisions (9 percent) were more common on the sections where turning activity associated with driveways was not a factor. In general, the segment between S. Stage Road and Fern Valley Road had a high frequency of crashes (49 total) with 14 located at or near Rose Street and 10 located at or near Northridge Terrace. Main Street (southbound OR 99) at 1st Street was another unsignalized location with a higher frequency of crashes (11 total).

The corridor had four crashes involving pedestrians and two involving bicycles during the five-year analysis period. Two pedestrian and one bicycle collision occurred within the Phoenix city limits where the posted speed is 30 miles per hour. A third pedestrian collision occurred on Bear Creek Drive in Phoenix when the posted was 40 mph⁸. One bicycle collision occurred at the Creel Road intersection in Talent where the posted speed is 45 mph. One pedestrian collision occurred at S. Valley View Road, where the posted speed is 45 mph.

Safety Priority Index System (SPIS)

The SPIS is a method used in Oregon to identify safety problem areas along state highways. Highways are evaluated in approximately one-tenth mile increments (often grouped into larger segments). Each year these segments are ranked by assigning a SPIS score based on the frequency and severity of crashes observed, while taking traffic volume into account. When a segment is ranked in the worst 10 percent of the index, a crash analysis is typically warranted and corrective actions are considered. There were no segments identified in the top 10% of the 2010 SPIS rankings within the corridor which coincides with the five-year crash analysis period.

The more recent Year 2012 SPIS database indicates a worst 5 percent ranking for OR 99 intersection with Garfield Road and a worst 10 percent ranking for a segment around Northridge Terrace and the Fern Valley Road intersection. All three of these locations showed as having a high number of crashes in the analysis of the five years of crash data from 2005 through 2009.

2.6. Future Baseline Conditions

The analysis of future baseline (Year 2034) conditions examines long-term highway operational and safety concerns. *(For more detailed data and evaluation results, refer to Technical Memorandum #4: Future Baseline Conditions in the Reference Material.)*

⁸ Posted speed on OR 99 was modified from 40 mph to 35 mph by Speed Zone Order J8717 on January 8, 2014.

2.6.1. Transportation Network Assumptions

The network used in the forecasts for the OR 99 corridor is a future network that includes projects from the financially-constrained Tier 1 project lists in the RVMPO's Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). These projects have known funding sources or are likely to be funded in the next 20 years. Many of the projects identified in the RTP are sidewalk and bicycle projects that are not directly reflected in the traffic forecasts; however, the Fern Valley Interchange improvements (I-5 Exit 24) are incorporated into both the forecasts and the analysis. Additionally, a planned project in north Ashland was assumed in the baseline scenario. This project is titled Lithia Springs, and includes development to the southwest of S. Valley View Road at OR 99, which would incorporate a south leg to the study intersection.

2.6.2. Future Traffic Volumes

Turning movement traffic forecasts for intersections were developed for the Year 2034 using the RVMPO v1⁹⁹ forecasting model and the Year 2010 existing traffic data. The process followed the procedures from ODOT's Analysis Procedures Manual (APM). The resulting volumes are shown in Figure 7.

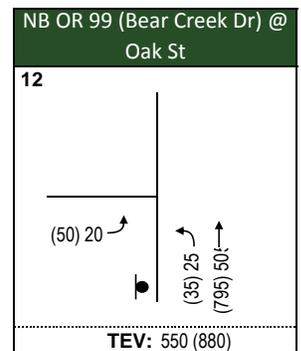
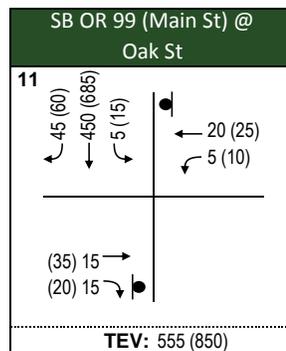
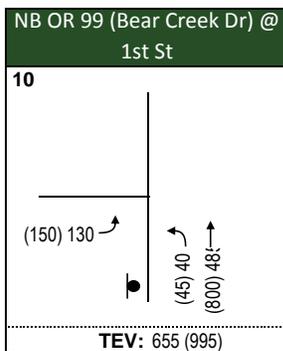
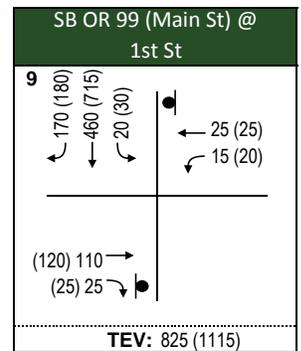
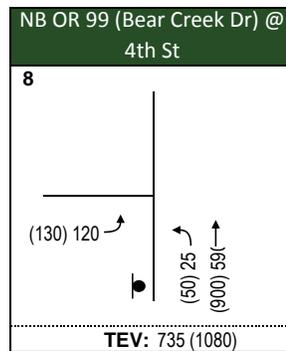
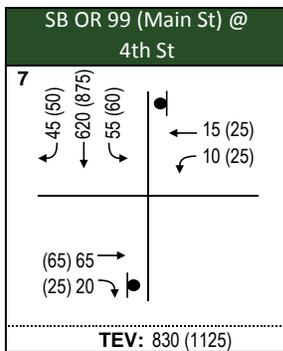
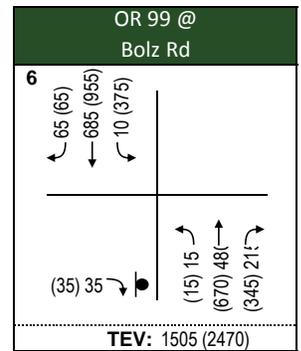
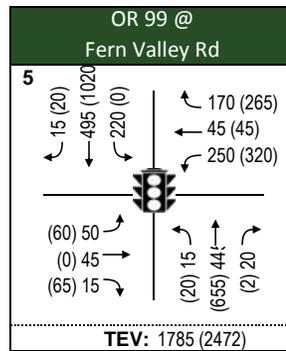
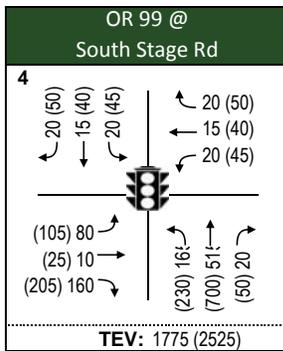
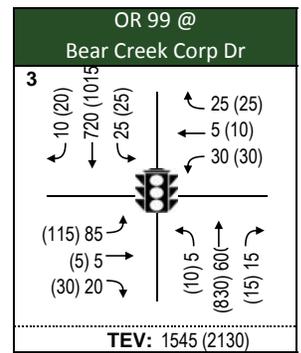
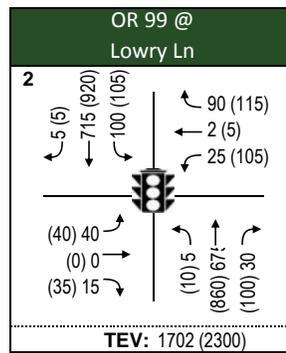
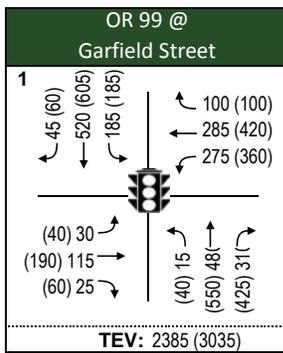
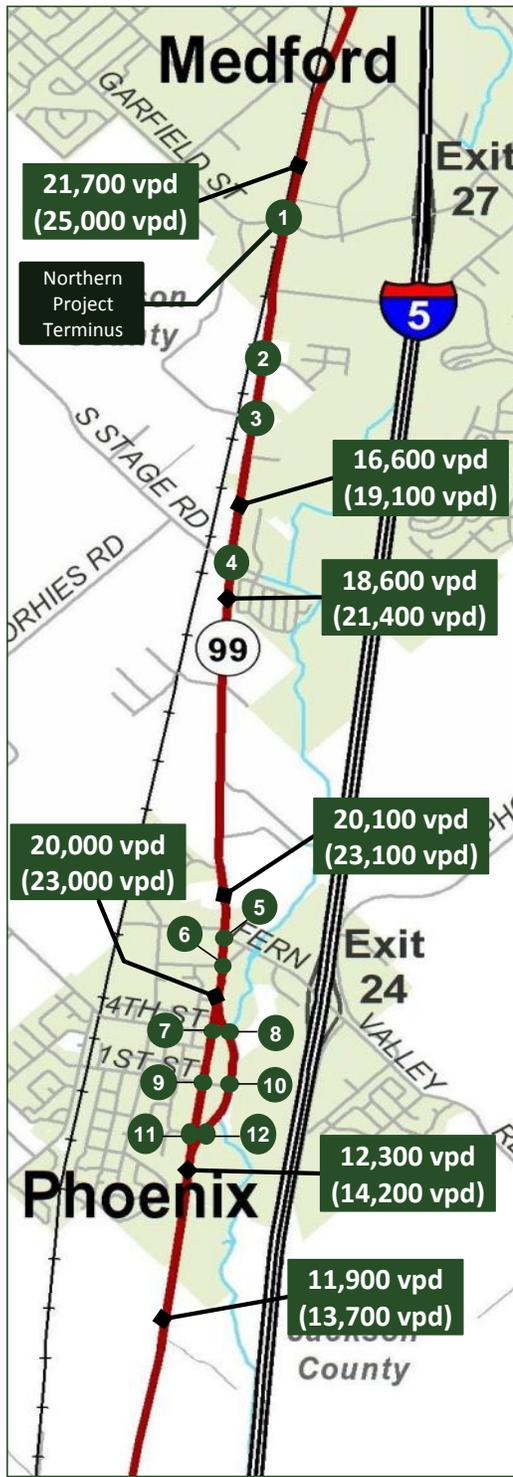
As a result of recent fluctuations in the economy, traffic volumes have seen a decline over the past several years. Because of this trend, developing traffic volume forecasts based on the existing year counts and the travel demand model forecasts may result in lower volumes than would have been estimated just a few years ago. As such, a second future scenario was evaluated that applies a fifteen percent upward adjustment to the baseline scenario volumes to create a sensitivity analysis. These higher volumes allow for an analysis of operations under the assumption that we experience an economic rebound that results in an increase in traffic volumes, to examine the possibility of other system deficiencies. The resulting volumes are shown in Figure 7 in parentheses ().

2.6.3. Future Traffic Operations

Future traffic operations were evaluated at the corridor intersections for the two future scenarios. All traffic signal timing and phasing was assumed to be optimized and coordinated (where applicable). Table 7 summarizes the results of the future traffic operations analysis.

Traffic operations would be acceptable under future baseline conditions throughout the corridor. The worst LOS in the corridor would be E for the stopped side-street movement at two unsignalized intersections.

⁹⁹ The RVMPO v1 has a base year of 2002 and a forecast year of 2030. While there was a newer version of the travel demand model (RVMPO v2) when the traffic forecasts for the Corridor Plan were developed, the v1 model provided the most consistent results for the OR 99 study area.



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- Turning Movement
- ### PM Peak Hour Volume
- TEV Total Entering Volume
- # Intersection Number



Signalized Intersection



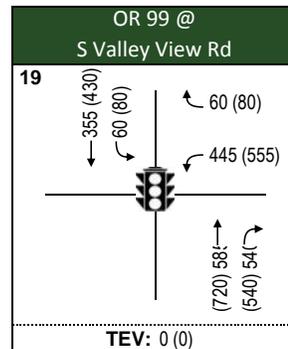
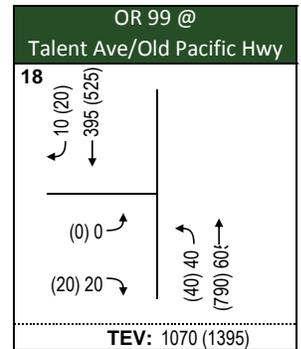
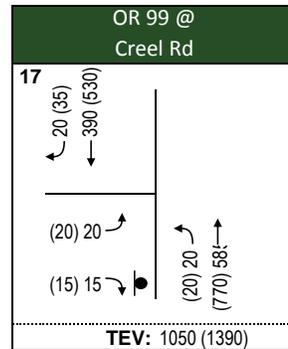
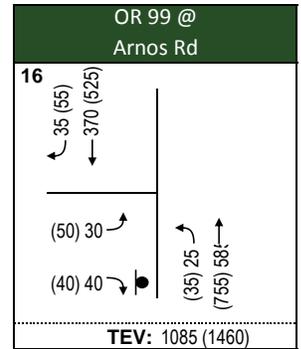
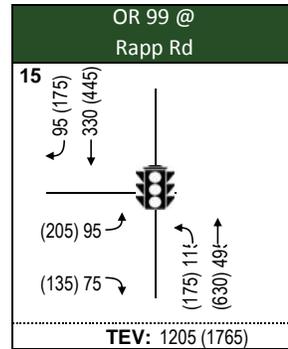
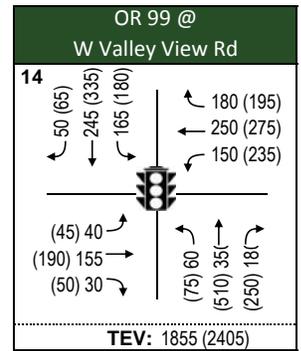
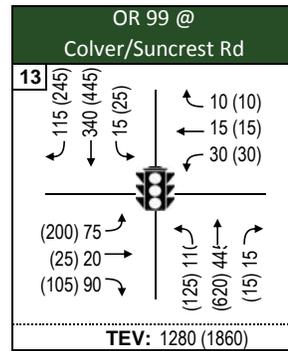
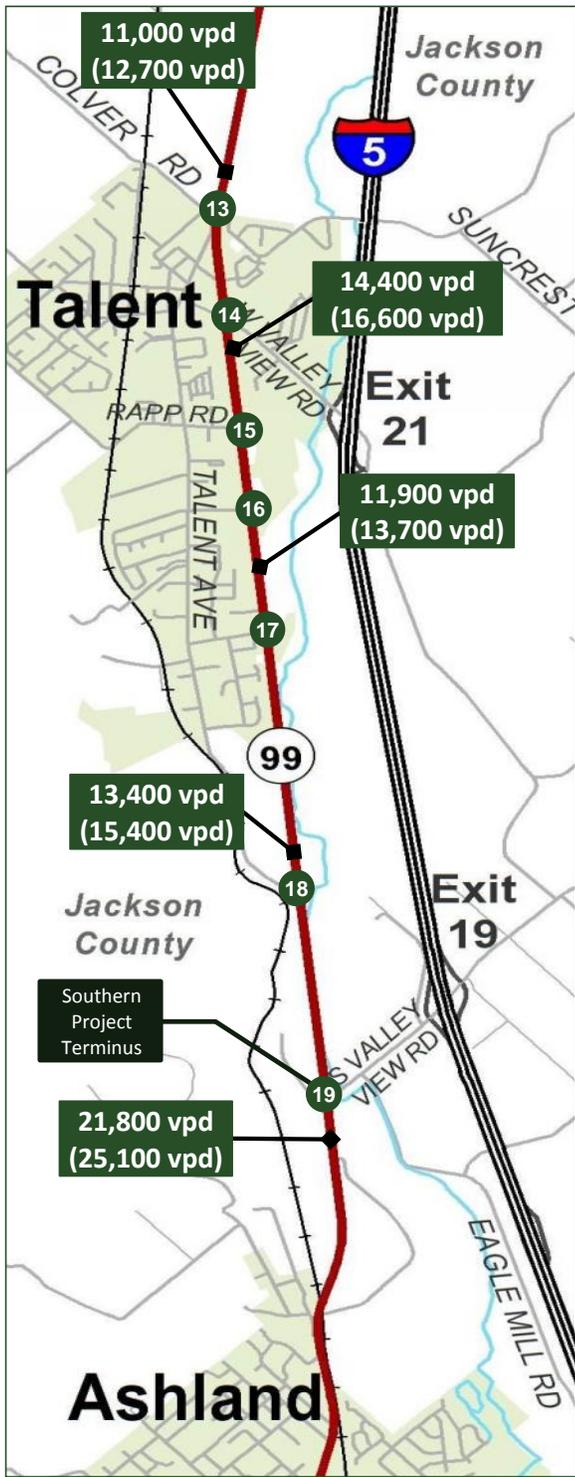
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Average Daily Traffic Volume
Future Baseline Scenario
(Future Sensitivity Scenario)
vpd = vehicles per day

Figure 7

Future (2034) Baseline
Traffic Volumes
North Section



OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan



Legend

- Turning Movement
- ### PM Peak Hour Volume
- TEV Total Entering Volume
- # Intersection Number



Signalized Intersection



STOP Controlled Intersection

vpd
(#####) vpd

Average Daily Traffic Volume
Future Baseline Scenario
(Future Sensitivity Scenario)
vpd = vehicles per day

Figure 7

Future (2034) Baseline
Traffic Volumes
South Section

With the sensitivity volumes, traffic operations would be acceptable under future conditions throughout the corridor, with one exception. The signalized intersection of OR 99 at S Valley View Road would exceed OHP operational standards and capacity with a v/c ratio of 1.01 and an LOS of E. None of the other intersections would fail to meet v/c ratio standards. The worst LOS in the corridor would be F for stopped side-street movements at two unsignalized intersections.

Table 7. Future (2034) Baseline Scenario - Design Hour Intersection Operations

Intersection	Critical ¹ Movement	2034 PM Peak Hour Baseline (Sensitivity)		Operational Standards ³	
		V/C Ratio ²	LOS ²	OHP	City
Medford Segment					
1. OR 99 @ Garfield Street (Signalized)	Overall	0.65 (0.75)	C (D)	0.95	D
2. OR 99 @ Lowry Lane (Signalized)	Overall	0.58 (0.66)	B (C)	0.95	D
3. OR 99 @ Bear Creek Corp Drive (Signalized)	Overall	0.46 (0.55)	A (A)	0.95	D
4. OR 99 @ South Stage Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.75 (0.78)	C (C)	0.95	D
Phoenix Segment					
5. OR 99 @ Fern Valley Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.61 (0.62)	B (B)	0.95	0.90
6. OR 99 @ Bolz Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.43 (0.51)	B (B)	0.95	0.90
7. SB OR 99 (N Main Street) @ 4th Street	EB T/R	0.59 (0.73)	E (F)	1.0	0.95
8. NB OR 99 (Bear Creek Drive) @ 4th Street	EB L	0.31 (0.42)	C (C)	1.0	0.95
9. SB OR 99 (N Main Street) @ 1st Street	EB T/R	0.59 (0.83)	E (F)	1.0	0.95
10. NB OR 99 (Bear Creek Drive) @ 1st Street	EB L	0.33 (0.43)	A (C)	1.0	0.95
11. SB OR 99 (N Main Street) @ Oak Street	EB T/R	0.16 (0.24)	C (C)	1.0	0.95
12. NB OR 99 (Bear Creek Drive) @ Oak Street	NB L/T	0.33 (0.14)	A (B)	1.0	0.95
Talent Segment					
13. OR 99 @ Colver/Suncrest Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.57 (0.63)	B (B)	0.95	N.A.
14. OR 99 @ W Valley View Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.83 (0.93)	D (C)	0.95	N.A.
15. OR 99 @ Rapp Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.67 (0.76)	B (C)	0.95	N.A.
16. OR 99 @ Arnos Road	EB L/R	0.29 (0.39)	C (D)	0.95	N.A.
17. OR 99 @ Creel Road	EB L/R	0.11 (0.18)	C (C)	0.95	N.A.
Talent to Ashland Transition					
18. OR 99 @ Talent Avenue/Old Pacific Hwy	EB L/R	0.04 (0.03)	B (B)	0.95	N.A.
19. OR 99 @ S Valley View Road (Signalized)	Overall	0.87 (1.01)	D (E)	0.95	N.A.

Acronyms: For intersection approaches NB = northbound, SB = southbound, EB = eastbound, and WB = westbound. At the intersection approach L = left-turn movement, T = through movement, and R right-turn movement. Some approaches have shared lanes where two or more travel movements may be permitted as indicated with a slash.

Notes:

1. The critical movement at a signalized intersection is the overall operation of the intersection. The critical movement at an unsignalized intersection is the stopped (or yield) movement with the worst v/c ratio.
2. The v/c ratio and LOS are provided from Synchro HCM Intersection Analysis Reports, while delay and queuing values are from SimTraffic.
3. Mobility standards are drawn from Table 6 of the 1999 OHP and corresponding TSPs. All study area intersections are within the UGB and MPO.

Shaded results indicate where mobility standards are not met

3. SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY DEFICIENCIES



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Deficiencies identified through the corridor inventory and operational analysis are summarized in Table 8.

Table 8. Summary of Deficiencies

Deficiency	Location	Related Goals
Roadway Inventory		
Substandard Shoulders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Phoenix south city limits to Talent north city limits – Does not meet desired 8-ft shoulder or 4-ft minimum. ▪ Talent south city limits to Ashland north city limits – Does not meet desired 8-ft shoulder or 4-ft minimum. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mobility ▪ Safety ▪ Multimodal ▪ Livability
Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Inventory		
Limited Sidewalks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sidewalks are substandard (to narrow) or discontinuous for much of the corridor with some exceptions in downtown Phoenix and Talent. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mobility ▪ Safety ▪ Multimodal ▪ Livability
Limited Bike Lanes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No bike lanes are striped on OR 99 except in Talent from Colver Rd to Rapp Rd; Bear Creek Greenway can function as bike lane from Talent Ave to S. Valley View Rd. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mobility ▪ Safety ▪ Multimodal ▪ Livability
Existing Traffic Operations and Safety		
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The locations with the greatest number of crashes include OR 99 at Fern Valley Rd (23), Garfield Rd (21), W. Valley View Rd (21), and S. Stage Rd (16). ▪ High frequency of crashes along segment from Northridge Terrace to Fern Valley Rd where there are several unsignalized intersections and numerous driveways ▪ Year 2012 SPIS Rating in Worst 5% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Segment including Garfield Rd intersection ▪ Year 2012 SPIS Rating in Worst 10% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Segment around Northridge Terrace - Segment including Fern Valley Rd intersection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Safety
Future Traffic Operations		
Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One (1) intersection is expected to have v/c ratios that would not meet the applicable mobility targets under future conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OR 99 @ S. Valley View Rd 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mobility

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4. CORRIDOR PLAN IMPROVEMENTS

The OR 99 Corridor Plan improvements address identified highway deficiencies, improve the functionality of the corridor, and allow the corridor to accommodate traffic, including freight, safely and efficiently into the future.

4.1. Improvement Development Process

After evaluating existing and future baseline conditions, an initial list of improvement concepts was created to address specific deficiencies, safety issues, or access concerns. These concepts focused on five areas for consideration within the OR 99 corridor:

- **Roadway Segment Improvements** consider systematic improvements throughout each segment of the corridor, including a variety of new cross sections that provide continuous bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
- **Safety Improvements** are targeted at locations with a high frequency of crashes, fatal and serious injuries, or at locations with roadway attributes and environmental factors that may contribute to future crashes.
- **Pedestrian Improvements** link continuous sidewalks with regular crossing opportunities and access to transit throughout the corridor.
- **Bicycle Facility and Shoulder Improvements** link continuous bicycle lanes/shoulders with regular crossing opportunities throughout the corridor.
- **Operational Improvements** address locations that fail to meet operational standards during the 20-year planning horizon or with the sensitivity analysis.

The concept analysis included an assessment of many factors such as:

- **Traffic Operations and Safety** – Traffic operations were evaluated for concepts that were identified to address operational deficiencies. Safety improvements also considered the potential to address historical crash patterns from the five-year analysis period (Years 2005 through 2009).
- **Basic Roadway Geometries and Right of way Requirements** – Illustrations of basic roadway geometry and right of way needs were developed for concepts that involve infrastructure improvements.
- **Environmental and Land Use Assessment** – Impacts or benefits to resources were qualitatively assessed based on the data assembled for the environmental and land use reconnaissance.
- **Concepts Cost Opinions** – Rough order of magnitude cost opinions were developed using present-day dollars and standard estimating methods. The estimates include a contingency factor but do not include right of way (ROW), utility relocation, environmental mitigation or hazardous material costs.

Note: For more detailed information regarding the alternatives evaluation and selection of the preferred improvements, refer to Technical Memorandum #5: Concept Development and Evaluation and Technical Memorandum #6: Preferred Alternative in the Reference Material.

4.2. Summary of Improvements

Table 9 summarizes the Corridor Plan improvements and Figure 8 identifies the location of the improvements. The corridor summary includes a brief description of the project improvement along with a general priority and triggers for the improvement. Some projects identify traffic volumes and safety (i.e. crash patterns) conditions that should be monitored to indicate when conditions may be approaching levels that could trigger an improvement. The proposed projects should be implemented based on need rather than a specific timeline; some may be constructed within the next 20 years while other projects may not be needed until sometime beyond the 20-year planning period.

Note: Only one project listed in Table 9 currently has identified funding but potential funding sources have been included in the table. Additional discussion of potential funding is included in Section 7.2 Potential Funding Sources.

4.3. Project Sheets

Project sheets have been prepared for each Corridor Plan improvement identifying:

- Name
- Location
- Recommended improvement
- Project purpose
- Roadway characteristics
- Existing/future deficiencies without project
- Result of improvements (i.e., how it addresses deficiencies)
- Additional considerations/potential impacts
- Cost opinion
- Implementation (priority, phasing, triggers)
- Illustration

Note: No project sheets have been prepared for the transportation system management (TSM) measures.

Table 9. Summary of OR 99 Corridor Plan Improvements

Concept ID	Description	Milepoint	Mobility	Multimodal	Livability	Safety	Implementation		Related Projects	Estimated Cost ¹	Potential STIP Funding Category		Other Funding ²
							Priority	Trigger			Enhance ²	Fix It ²	
CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS													
1	OR 99 - Garfield St to Charlotte Ann Rd: Construct sidewalks along the west side of OR 99	8.56-8.75		✓	✓	✓	Medium	Existing sidewalk deficiency	3: Sidewalks - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek	\$165,000	◆	◆	
2	OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Modify striping of existing 5-lane roadway cross section to add bike lanes	8.75-11.03		✓	✓	✓	High	Existing bike lane deficiency	3: Sidewalks - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek 4: Median Islands - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek	\$300,000	◆		
3	OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Construct continuous sidewalks on both sides of OR 99	8.75-11.03		✓	✓	✓	Medium	Existing sidewalk deficiency	1: Sidewalks - Garfield to Charlotte Ann 2: Striping - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek 4: Median Islands - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek	\$3.3 million	◆	◆	
4	OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Install median islands at multiple locations where pedestrian crossings occur	8.75-11.03		✓	✓	✓	Medium	Existing crossing deficiency	3: Sidewalks - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek	\$50,000 per location	◆		
5	OR 99/Northridge Terrace Intersection: Improve turning radius on southeast corner	10.58				✓	Medium	Crash pattern of rear end collisions	3: Sidewalks - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek	\$125,000	◆	◆	
6	OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert: Modify striping of existing roadway to add bike lanes and sidewalks while maintaining four through travel lanes (Interim)	11.03-11.04		✓	✓	✓	High to Medium	Existing deficiency	3: Sidewalks - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek 7: Coleman Creek Culvert Replacement	\$350,000	◆	◆	
7	OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert: Replace culvert and widen roadway to add bike lanes and sidewalks	11.03-11.04	✓	✓	✓	✓	Medium	Existing deficiency Fish passage & scouring concerns	3: Sidewalks - Charlotte Ann to Coleman Creek 6: Sidewalks & Bike Lanes – Coleman Creek	\$2-3 million		◆	
8	OR 99 – Bolz Lane to South End of Couplet: Provide sidewalk travel width of 6 feet around utility poles	11.33-11.93	✓	✓	✓		Ongoing	Concurrent with other projects With redevelopment	11: 21:	TBD			◆
9	OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Add gateway treatments at north and south ends of Couplet to emphasize upcoming downtown area	11.37 & 11.93		✓	✓	✓	Phoenix TSP	Downtown Phoenix redevelopment Available funding	10: Downtown Phoenix bike lane striping 11: Downtown Phoenix crossing enhancements 21: Enhanced greenway connections in Phoenix	TBD			◆
10	OR 99 - Downtown Phoenix: Modify striping to add bike lanes	11.37-11.93		✓	✓	✓	Phoenix TSP	Existing bike lane deficiency	9: Downtown Phoenix gateway treatments 10: Downtown Phoenix crossing enhancements 21: Enhanced greenway connections in Phoenix	TBD	◆	◆	◆
11	OR 99 - Downtown Phoenix: Enhance crossing opportunities with pedestrian-activated devices, curb extensions, and additional crosswalk striping	11.37-11.93		✓	✓	✓	Phoenix TSP	Downtown Phoenix redevelopment Crash pattern involving pedestrians	9: Downtown Phoenix gateway treatments 10: Downtown Phoenix bike lane striping 21: Enhanced greenway connections in Phoenix	\$300,000	◆	◆	◆
12	OR 99 - South of couplet to City Limits: Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks	11.93-12.36	✓	✓	✓	✓	Medium	Existing bike and sidewalk deficiency 20-year forecast ADT below 18,000 vpd	9,10,11: Downtown Phoenix improvements 13: Striping modifications - Phoenix to Talent	\$1.2 million	◆	◆	
12A	OR 99 - South of couplet to City Limits: Widen roadway to include four through travel lanes (two in each direction), bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks	11.93-12.36	✓	✓	✓	✓	Medium	Existing shoulder deficiency 20-year forecast ADT above 18,000 vpd	Alternative to Project 12	\$1.8 million	◆	◆	
13	OR 99 - Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits: Restructure roadway to provide a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), and shoulders	12.36-13.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Medium	Existing shoulder deficiency 20-year forecast ADT below 18,000 vpd	12: Roadway restructure – south Phoenix	\$225,000	◆	◆	
13A	OR 99 - Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits: Widen roadway to provide minimum 6-foot shoulders on both sides	12.36-13.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Medium to Low	Existing shoulder deficiency 20-year forecast ADT above 18,000 vpd	Alternative to Project 13	\$4-5 million	◆	◆	

Table 9. Summary of OR 99 Corridor Plan Improvements

Concept ID	Description	Milepoint	Mobility	Multimodal	Livability	Safety	Implementation		Related Projects	Estimated Cost ¹	Potential STIP Funding Category		Other Funding ²
							Priority	Trigger			Enhance ²	Fix It ²	
14	OR 99 - Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd: Upgrade or fill in missing sidewalks	13.86-14.59		✓	✓	✓	Medium	▪ Adjacent development	15: Midblock crossing at Wagner Creek Trail 16: Roadway restructure –Rapp to Creel	NA			◆
15	OR 99 - Wagner Creek Greenway Trail: Consider future midblock crossing with pedestrian-activated device	14.39		✓	✓	✓	Medium	▪ Completion of trail connections	14: Sidewalk infill – east side of OR 99	\$100,000	◆	◆	◆
16	OR 99 – Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits): Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks	14.71-15.67	✓	✓	✓	✓	High	▪ Currently identified in STIP (Key Number 17478)	14: Sidewalk infill – east side of OR 99 15: Midblock crossing at Wagner Creek Trail	\$3.3 million ³	◆		
17	OR 99 –Creel Rd to Bear Creek Greenway connection: Construct a multi-use path along the east side of the highway	15.34-15.67		✓	✓	✓	High	▪ Existing shoulder deficiency	16: Roadway restructure –Rapp to Creel 20: Enhanced greenway connections & wayfinding	\$250,000	◆	◆	◆
18	OR 99 – Creel Rd (Talent City) Limits to S Valley View: Modify striping of existing roadway to provide a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), and shoulders	15.34-16.92	✓	✓	✓	✓	Medium	▪ Existing shoulder deficiency ▪ 20-year forecast ADT below 18,000 vpd	16: Roadway restructure –Rapp to Creel	\$250,000	◆	◆	
18A	OR 99 – Creel Rd (Talent City) Limits to S Valley View: Widen roadway to provide minimum 6-foot shoulders on both sides (except east side where Bear Creek Greenway is adjacent to highway)	15.34-16.92	✓	✓		✓	Medium to Low	▪ Existing shoulder deficiency ▪ 20-year forecast ADT above 18,000 vpd	Alternate to Project 18	\$4-5 million	◆	◆	
18B	OR 99/Talent Ave Intersection: Widen roadway to provide left-turn lane	16.29	✓	✓		✓	Medium to Low	▪ Continued pattern of left-turn crashes ▪ Left-turn warrants met ▪ 20-year forecast ADT above 18,000 vpd	Alternate to project 18	\$1.6 million		◆	
19	OR 99/S Valley View Rd Intersection: Widen S Valley View Rd to provide dual westbound left-turn lanes at OR 99	17.02					Medium to Low	▪ Persistent congestion (v/c > 0.95)		\$15 million ⁴	◆	◆	
OTHER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS													
20	Bear Creek Greenway: Enhance connections to OR 99 throughout corridor with wayfinding signage and other amenities	8.56-17.02		✓	✓		High	▪ Available funding	21: Improved greenway connections in Phoenix 17: Multi-use path from Creel to Greenway	\$50,000			◆
21	Bear Creek Greenway: Improve connections to OR 99/Bear Creek Dr at 4 th St and Oak St to provide parallel and convenient bicycle and pedestrian facilities	11.33-11.92		✓	✓	✓	Medium	▪ Existing bike lane and sidewalk deficiency	9,10,11: Downtown Phoenix improvements 20: Enhanced greenway connections & wayfinding	\$400,000	◆	◆	◆
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES													
TSM1	OR 99 Corridor: Develop a traffic operations emergency plan	8.56-17.02	✓				High	▪ Available funding		\$25,000			◆
TSM2	OR 99/South Stage Rd Intersection: Modify traffic signal timing to add clearance intervals and protected left-turn phases in the east-west direction	9.79	✓			✓	High	▪ Continued pattern of turning & angle collisions in east-west direction		\$25,000		◆	
TSM3	OR 99 – Northridge Terrace to Coleman Creek: Evaluate potential access modifications to address high crash frequency	10.58-11.04	✓			✓	High	▪ Continued pattern of turning & angle collisions ▪ Identified in worst 10% of SPIS		TBD		◆	
TSM4	OR 99/W Valley View Rd Intersection: Modify traffic signal timing to add clearance intervals and protected left-turn phases in the east-west direction	14.20	✓			✓	High	▪ Continued pattern of turning & angle collisions in east-west direction		\$25,000		◆	

Acronyms: TBD = To be determined, ADT = Average Daily Traffic, vpd = vehicles per day

Notes:

1. Estimated costs exclude right of way acquisition, hazardous materials mitigation, natural resource mitigation, and utilities relocation.
2. Assumes projects that involve both state and local agency participation will have costs split at 70% funding from state/federal sources and 30% from local match. Assumes ODOT will fund 100% of state highway projects. Assumes local agencies will fund projects that are not within state jurisdiction.
3. Cost estimate from 2012-2015 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Amended as of April 25, 2014.
4. Cost estimate from Table 5.6.1, Project Number 951 – South Valley View Bridge Replacement [and roadway widening], 2013-2038 Rogue Valley Regional Transportation Plan, March 26, 2013



- 1** OR 99 - Garfield St to Charlotte Ann Rd (8.56-8.75): Construct sidewalks along the west side of OR 99 (Medium Priority)
- 2** OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek (8.75-11.03): Modify striping of existing 5-lane roadway cross section to add bike lanes (High Priority)
- 3** OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek (8.75-11.03): Construct continuous sidewalks on both sides of OR 99 (Medium Priority)
- 4** OR 99 - Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek (8.75-11.03): Install median islands at multiple locations where pedestrian crossings occur (Medium Priority)
- 5** OR 99/Northridge Terrace Intersection (10.58): Improve turning radius on southeast corner and sight distance for exiting traffic (Medium Priority)
- 6** OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert (11.03-11.04): Modify striping of existing roadway to add bike lanes and sidewalks while maintaining four through travel lanes (Interim) (High to Medium Priority)
- 7** OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert (11.03-11.04): Replace culvert and widen roadway to add bike lanes and sidewalks (Medium Priority)
- 8** OR 99 – Bolz Lane to South End of Couplet (11.33-11.93): Provide sidewalk travel width of 6 feet around utility poles (Ongoing Priority)
- 9** OR 99 in downtown Phoenix at north & south ends of Couplet (11.37 & 11.93): Add gateway treatments to emphasize upcoming downtown area (Phoenix TSP Priority)
- 10** OR 99 in downtown Phoenix (11.37-11.93): Modify striping to add bike lanes (Phoenix TSP Priority)
- 11** OR 99 in downtown Phoenix (11.37-11.93): Enhance crossing opportunities with pedestrian-activated devices, curb extensions, and additional crosswalk striping (Phoenix TSP Priority)
- 12** OR 99 - south of couplet to City Limits (11.93-12.36): Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes, bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks (Medium Priority)
- 12A** OR 99 - south of couplet to City Limits (11.93-12.36): Restructure roadway to include four through travel lanes, bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks (Alternative) (Medium Priority)
- 13** OR 99 - Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits (12.36-13.75): Modify striping of existing roadway to provide a center turn lane, two through travel lanes, and shoulders (Medium Priority)
- 13A** OR 99 - Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limit (12.36-13.75): Widen roadway to provide minimum 6-foot shoulders on both sides (Alternative) (Medium to Long Priority)
- 14** OR 99 - Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd (13.86-14.59): Upgrade or fill in missing sidewalks (Medium Priority)
- 15** OR 99 – Wagner Creek Trail (14.39): Consider future midblock crossing with pedestrian-activated device (Medium Priority)
- 16** OR 99 - Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) (14.71-15.67): Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes, bike lanes, curbs and sidewalks (High Priority)
- 17** OR 99 - Creel Rd to Bear Creek Greenway connection (15.34-15.67): Construct a multi-use path along the east side of the highway (High Priority)
- 18** OR 99 - Talent City Limits to S Valley View (15.34-16.92): Modify striping of existing roadway to provide a center turn lane, two through travel lanes, and shoulders (Medium Priority)
- 18A** OR 99 - Talent City Limits to S Valley View (15.34-16.92): Widen roadway to provide minimum 6-foot shoulders on both sides (Alternative) (Medium to Long Priority)
- 18B** OR 99/Talent Ave Intersection (16.29): Widen roadway to provide left-turn lane (Alternative) (Medium to Long Priority)
- 19** OR 99/S. Valley View Rd Intersection (17.02): Widen S Valley View Rd to provide dual westbound left-turn lanes at OR 99 (Medium to Long Priority)
- 20** Bear Creek Greenway (8.56-17.02): Enhance connections to OR 99 throughout corridor with wayfinding signage other amenities (High Priority)
- 21** Bear Creek Greenway (11.33-11.92): Enhance connections to OR 99/Bear Creek Dr at 4th St and Oak St to provide parallel and convenient bicycle and pedestrian facilities (Medium Priority)
- TSM1** OR Corridor (8.56-11.02): Develop a traffic operations emergency plan (High Priority)
- TSM2** OR 99/S. Stage Rd Intersection (9.79): Modify traffic signal timing to add clearance intervals and protected left-turn phases in the east-west direction (High Priority)
- TSM3** OR 99 – Northridge Terrace to Coleman Creek (10.58-11.04): Evaluate potential access modifications to address high crash frequency (High Priority)
- TSM4** OR 99/W. Valley View Rd Intersection (14.2): Modify traffic signal timing to add clearance intervals and protected left-turn phases in the east-west direction (High Priority)

OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan

Figure 8

Locations of OR 99 Corridor Plan Improvements



Legend

- #** Corridor Improvement Projects
- X** Other System Improvement Projects
- TSM#** Transportation System Management Strategies

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Project 1. OR 99 – Garfield St to Charlotte Ann Rd: Sidewalk Improvements

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	8.56 to 8.75
Description	Construct sidewalks along the west side of OR 99 with fencing to separate from the railroad tracks.
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide facilities for all travel modes Address existing safety concerns Bring roadway closer to standard
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width is 72-99' Available ROW is 70-100' Posted speed on OR 99 is 45 mph 5-lane cross-section Sidewalk present on east side of roadway Transit stop opposite Charlotte Ann Rd Current (2010) ADT = 16,000 to 17,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 23,000 to 24,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 26,000 to 27,000



How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pedestrians have no sidewalk on the west side of OR 99 on this segment Transit stop has no pedestrian connectivity
	With Improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sidewalk would improve safety of pedestrians along the corridor Sidewalk would provide access to the existing transit stop Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations
	Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional ROW or sidewalk easements may be needed A fence could be located between the sidewalk and railroad tracks to separate pedestrians from rail traffic and discourage them from crossing the tracks Assumes curb and drainage already in place Additional storm water treatment needed with impervious surface
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$165,000 (excluding any ROW acquisition, hazardous materials mitigation, natural resource mitigation, or utilities relocation) 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium priority Based on existing sidewalk deficiency Related to Project 3. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Sidewalk Improvements 	



**Project 2. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek:
Modified Lane Striping**

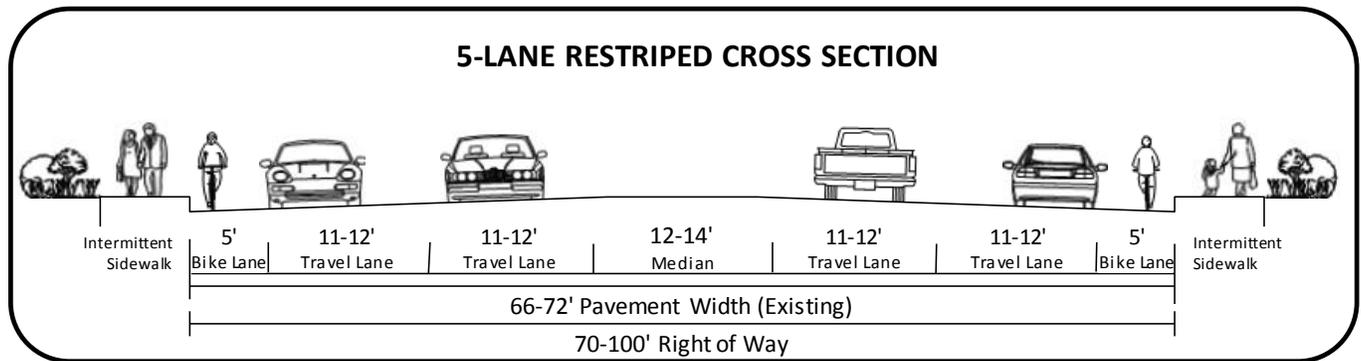
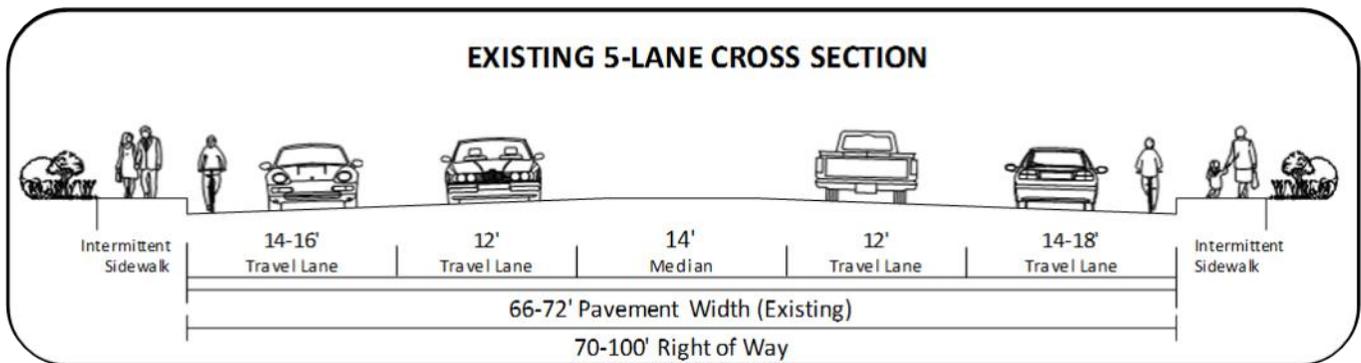
*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Preliminary Alignment Concept



Existing Traffic Signal — Extent of Improvements

Potential Roadway Cross Section



**Project 3. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek:
Sidewalk Improvements**

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	8.75 to 11.03
Description	Construct continuous sidewalks on both sides of OR 99
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide facilities for all travel modes Address existing safety concerns Bring roadway closer to highway design standard
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 66-72' Available ROW is minimum 70' with some sections up to 100' Posted speed on OR 99 is 45 mph 5-lane cross-section Transit stops throughout segment Current (2010) ADT = 13,000 to 17,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 17,000 to 24,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 19,000 to 27,000
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing sidewalks are intermittent and many are substandard width or in poor condition Pedestrians must sometimes walk in street Wheelchairs or scooters cannot travel on many existing sidewalks and must use roadway Many transit stops have no pedestrian connectivity
	With Improvement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improves safety of pedestrians along the corridor from continuous sidewalks Provides access to transit stops Accommodates wheelchairs or scooters with ADA width sidewalks and curb cuts Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations



Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paved width remains same as existing (66-72') Some culvert extensions needed Additional ROW (up to 16' depending on location) or easements needed to accommodate sidewalks Some property impacts (including parking lots) to add sidewalks but no building impacts anticipated; Some existing substandard sidewalks may remain to avoid building impacts) Requires better access definition in some areas Additional storm water treatment needed with increased impervious surface Design exceptions may be required
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Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$3.3 million (excluding any ROW acquisition, hazardous materials mitigation, natural resource mitigation, or utilities relocation)
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Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium priority Based on existing sidewalk deficiency Related to Project 2. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Modified Lane Striping Related to Project 4. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Median Islands Related to Project 6. OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert: Interim Sidewalk and Bike Lane Improvements &
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**Project 3. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek:
Sidewalk Improvements**

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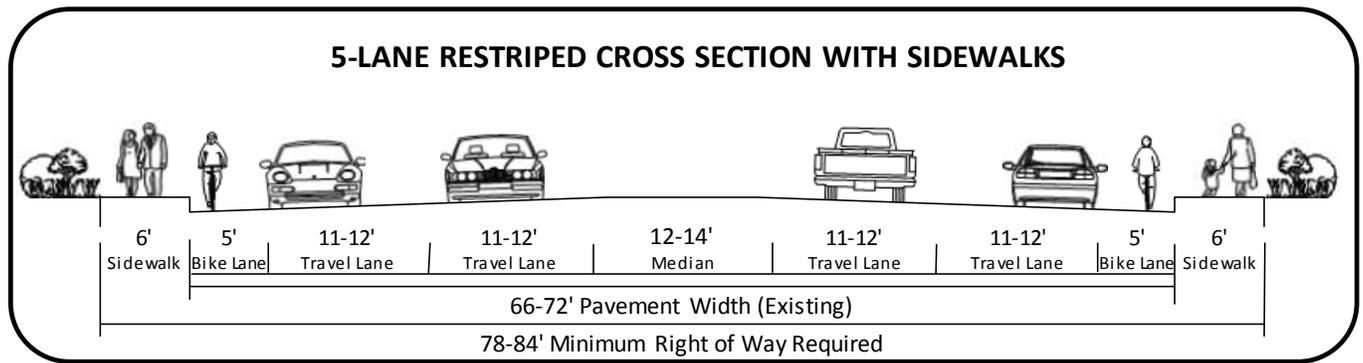
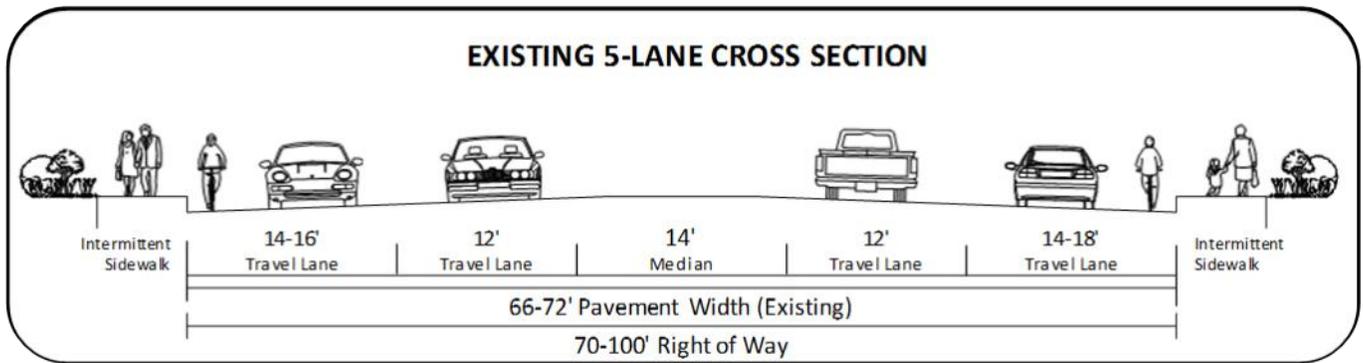
Project 7. OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert: Replacement

Preliminary Alignment Concept



Existing Traffic Signal Extent of Improvements

Potential Roadway Cross Section



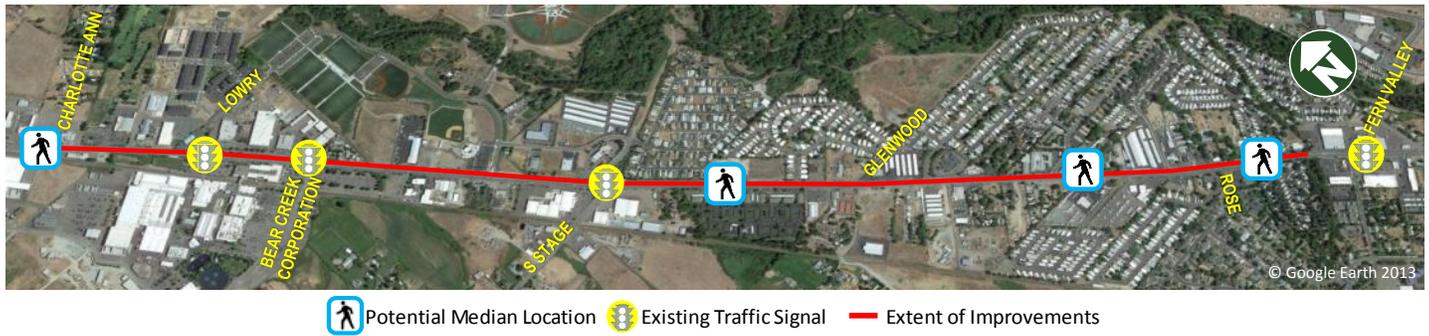
**Project 4. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek:
Median Islands**

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

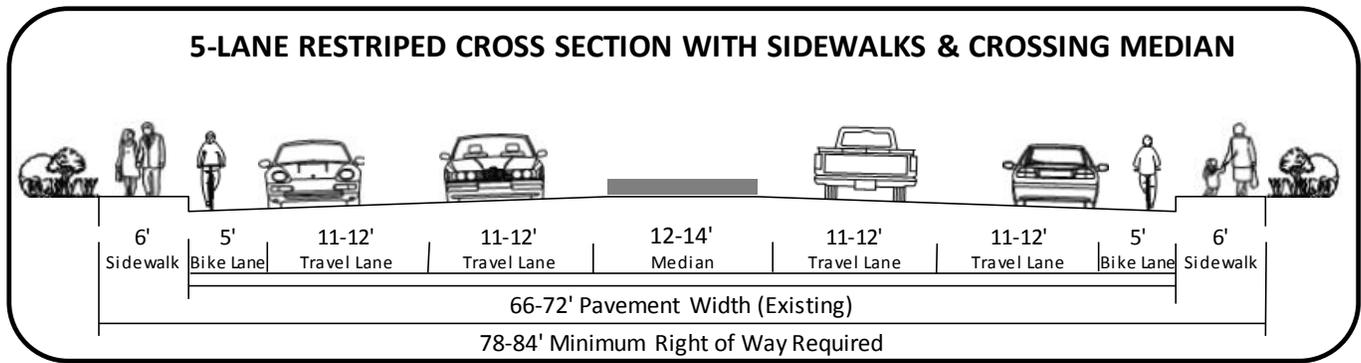
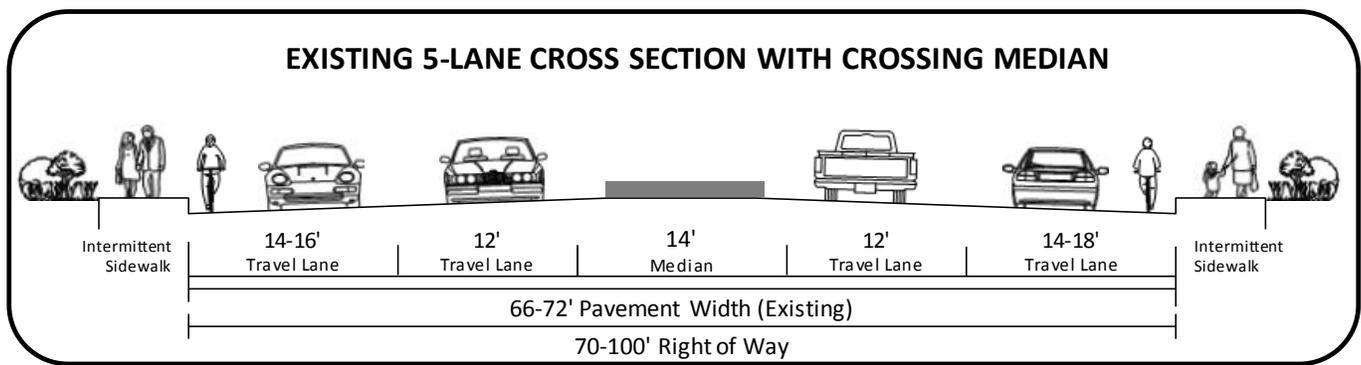
Milepoint	8.75 to 11.03
Description	<p>Install median islands at multiple locations where pedestrian crossings occur – potential locations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Near Charlotte Anne Rd (MP 8.81) ▪ Near Alder St (MP 10.03) ▪ Near Birch St (MP 10.35) ▪ Near Northridge Terrace (MP 10.58) ▪ Near Walnut Way (MP 10.91)
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Enhance safety for pedestrians crossing midblock or at unsignalized locations
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Existing roadway width 66-72' ▪ Posted speed on OR 99 is 45 mph ▪ 5-lane cross-section ▪ Transit stops throughout segment ▪ 1 pedestrian collision (MP 10.95) during 5-year analysis period ▪ Current (2010) ADT = 13,000 to 17,000 ▪ Forecast (2034) ADT = 17,000 to 24,000 ▪ Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 19,000 to 27,000
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	<p style="text-align: center;">Existing/Future Deficiency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Protected crossing opportunities limited to five signalized intersections in 2.3 miles ▪ Currently 9 bus stops along segment not located at or near a signalized intersection ▪ Most bus riders need to cross the highway at either the beginning or end of a round trip made by transit
	<p style="text-align: center;">With Improvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ More substantial mid-street refuge for pedestrians crossing roadway ▪ Provide transit users or other pedestrians with opportunity to break up crossing movement into two stages ▪ No impacts to traffic operations ▪ Raised medians that eliminate some left-turn movements can improve vehicular safety ▪ Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Some locations could include pedestrian activated crossing devices ▪ Locations focused on nearby transit access and types of adjacent land use - transit stop relocation should be considered to better coordinate with refuge islands ▪ Designs would need to be coordinated with future access management plans ▪ Could affect access at some driveway locations – might limit movements to right-in/right-out ▪ No ROW impacts
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$50,000 per location (excluding utilities relocation)
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium priority ▪ Based on limited crossing opportunities on existing higher speed roadway ▪ Related to Project 2. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Modified Lane Striping ▪ Related to Project 3. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Sidewalk Improvements



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Crossing Median Images



**Project 5. OR 99/Northridge Terrace
Intersection: Safety Improvements**

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	10.58
Description	Improve turning radius on southeast corner
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address existing safety concerns
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 crashes at MP 10.58 during 5-year analysis period, mostly turning collisions 2 rear-end collisions involving the northbound-right turn movement. Existing roadway width 66' Available ROW is 70' Posted speed on OR 99 is 45 mph 5-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 16,000 to 17,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 23,000 to 24,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 26,000 to 27,000



Existing/Future Deficiency

How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current turn radius is approximately 10'
	With Improvement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improves current turn to approximately 25' Allows for a higher-speed turn

Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential ROW impacts to be determined at time of design Would not impact structures but would require relocating/replacing existing fencing
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Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$125,000 Includes minimal ROW acquisition but excludes hazardous materials mitigation, natural resource mitigation, or utilities relocation
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Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium priority Continued crash pattern of rear end collisions related to northbound right turns Related to Project 3. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Sidewalk Improvements
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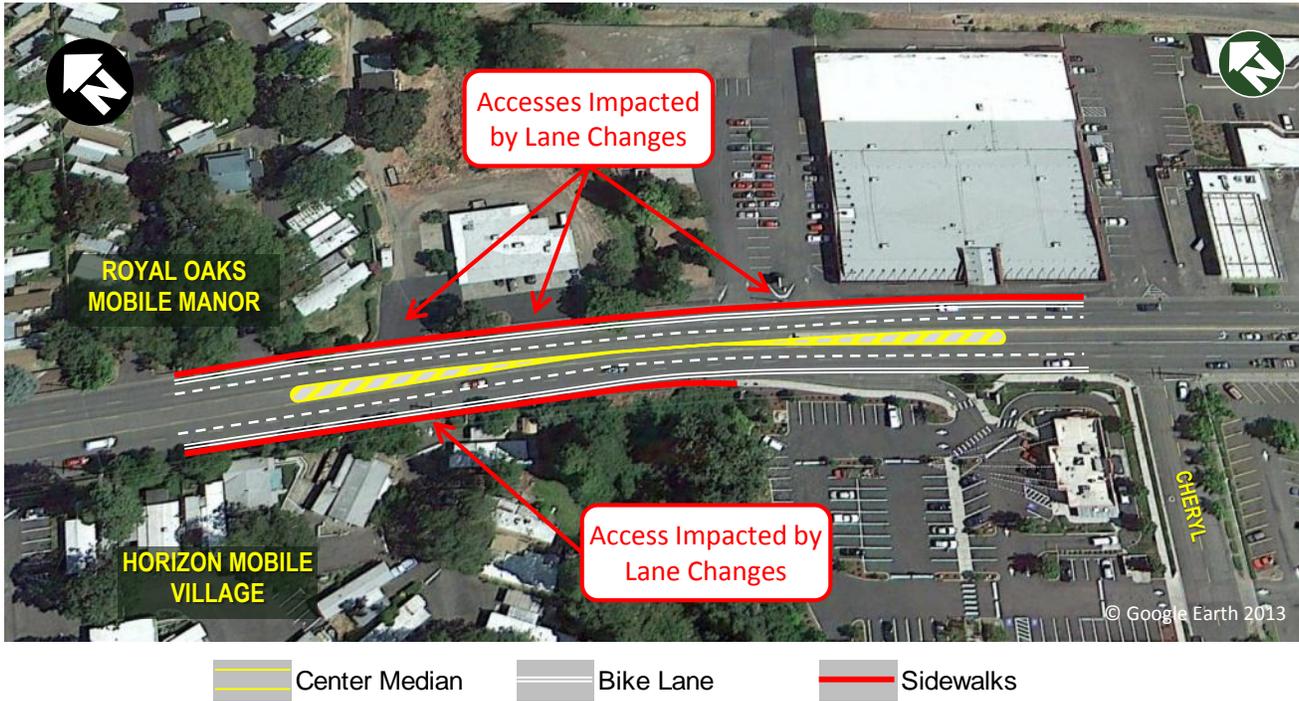


Project 6. OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert: Interim Sidewalk and Bike Lane Improvements

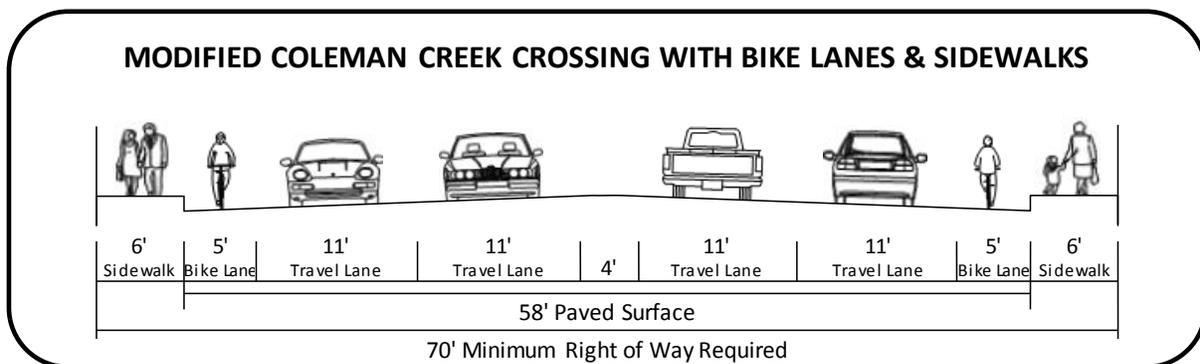
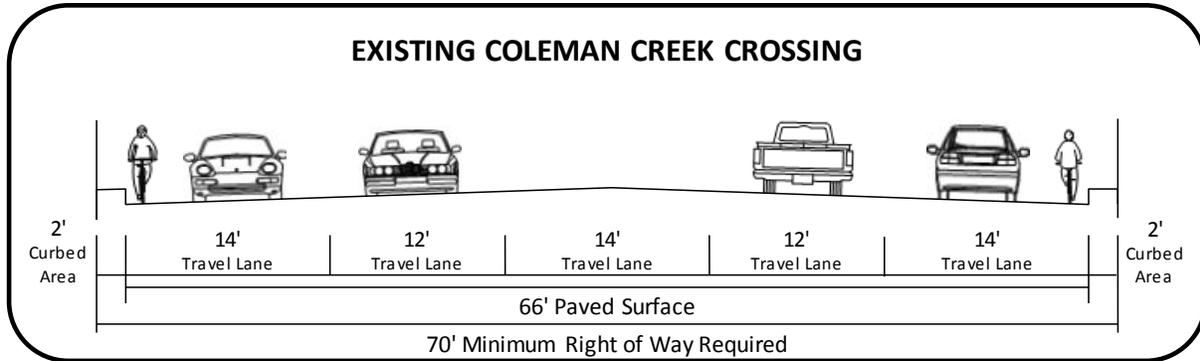
*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.03 to 11.04	
Description	Modify striping of existing roadway to add bike lanes and sidewalks while maintaining four through travel lanes (Interim)	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide facilities for all travel modes Address existing safety concerns 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing surface between curbs is 66' Coleman Creek culvert under OR 99 is 75' supporting ~70' of roadway structure ROW is 90' near Creek and ~70' to north and ~75' to south Posted speed on OR 99 is 30 mph 5-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 15,000 to 16,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 20,000 to 21,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 23,000 to 24,000 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No sidewalks or bike lanes on structure Pedestrians must walk on 2' curbed area or in the street Wheelchairs or scooters must use roadway Bicycles traveling in 14' curb lane with traffic 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	With Improvement	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides 6' sidewalks on both sides of roadway Provides 5' bike lanes on both sides of roadway Provides 11-12' through travel lanes Narrows center turn lane to 4' which would affect 4 accesses Could result in minor reduction in capacity when vehicles turn left from through travel lane Provides 29' wide "hole in the air" for freight Improves safety of pedestrians along the corridor with continuous sidewalks Provides access to transit stops Accommodates wheelchairs or scooters with ADA width sidewalks and curb cuts Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations 	
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum transitions extend 150 to south and 225 feet to north Loss of center turn lane would impact 4 accesses and may warrant turn restrictions and raised median Retains existing structure which has fish passage issues Narrower travel lanes match cross section for Fern Valley Interchange striping on OR 99 Design exceptions may be required 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$350,000 Excludes natural resource mitigation 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High to Medium priority Addresses existing sidewalk and bike lane deficiencies Related to Project 2. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Modified Lane Striping Related to Project 4. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Median Islands Related to Project 7. OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert: Replacement 	

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Project 7. OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert: Replacement

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.03 to 11.04
Description	Replace Coleman Creek Culvert and widen roadway to add bike lanes and sidewalks
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide facilities for all travel modes Address existing safety concerns
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing surface between curbs is 66' Coleman Creek culvert under OR 99 is 75' supporting ~70' of roadway structure ROW is 90' near Creek and ~70' to north and ~75' to south Posted speed on OR 99 is 30 mph 5-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 15,000 to 16,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 20,000 to 21,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 23,000 to 24,000

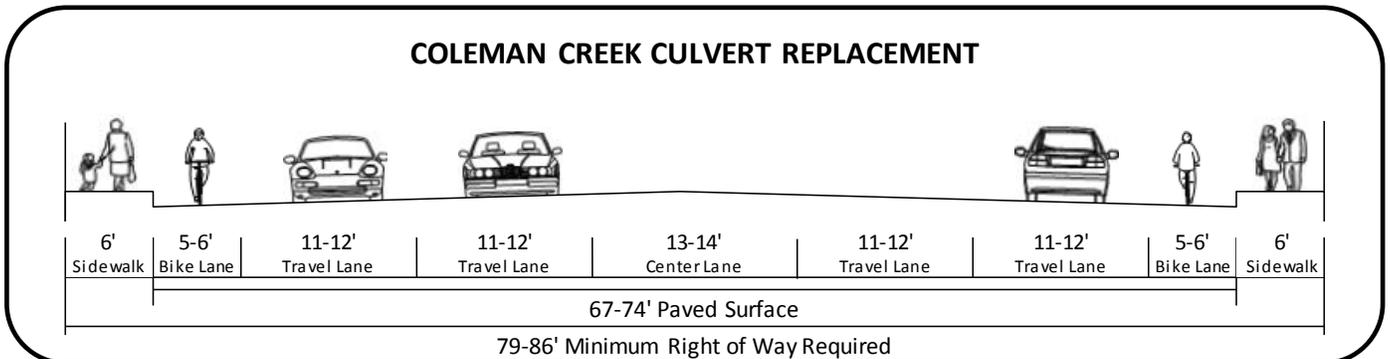
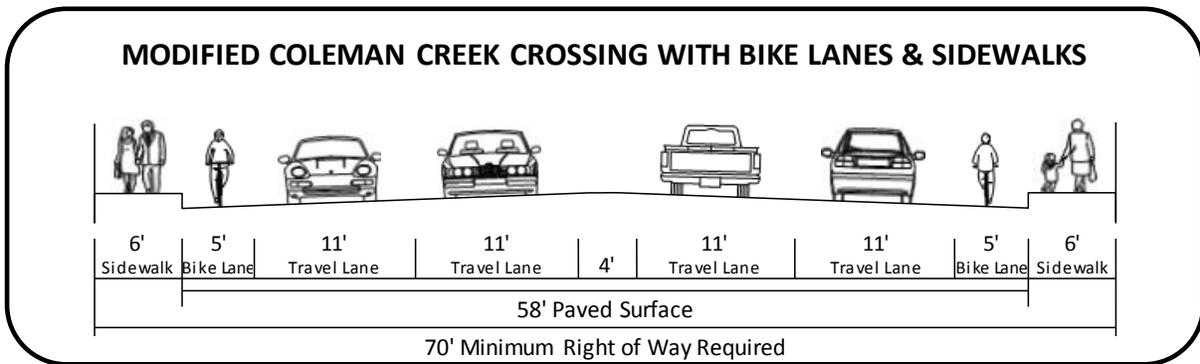


How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No sidewalks or bike lanes on structure Pedestrians must walk on 2' curbed area or in the street Wheelchairs or scooters must use roadway Bicycles traveling in 14' curb lane with traffic
Additional Considerations	With Improvement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides 6' sidewalks on both sides of roadway Provides 5-6' bike lanes on both sides of roadway Provides 11-12' through travel lanes Provides 13-14' center median lane Provides 34-37' wide "hole in the air" for freight Improves safety of pedestrians along the corridor with continuous sidewalks Provides access to transit stops Accommodates wheelchairs or scooters with ADA width sidewalks and curb cuts Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be constructed to full standard with 86' cross section or with narrower cross section of 79' matching roadway striping to either side Assumes full structure replacement with adequate width to accommodate a 79-86' roadway structure Addresses existing fish passage concerns and stream scouring Design exceptions may be required
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2-3 million Assumes full structure replacement but detailed estimate not prepared Excludes ROW acquisition, hazardous materials mitigation, or utilities relocation
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium priority Addresses existing sidewalk and bike lane deficiencies Related to Project 2. OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Modified Lane Striping Related to Project 6. OR 99/Coleman Creek Culvert: Interim Sidewalk and Bike Lane Improvements

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**Project 8. OR 99 – Bolz Ln to South End of Couplet:
Pedestrian Facility Improvements**

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.33 to 11.93	
Description	Relocate utility poles outside of the sidewalk area or widen sidewalks to provide a travel width of 6' around utility poles in coordination with other planned projects or new development	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance functionality of pedestrian facilities 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sidewalks generally complete on OR 99 and Main Street Current (2010) ADT = 9,500 to 15,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 13,000 to 20,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 14,000 to 23,000 Volumes are approximately half in each direction on couplet 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utility poles are located in the middle of the sidewalk and sometimes in the corner ramps limiting the effective travel width 	
Additional Considerations	With Improvements	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relocated utility poles would increase the available sidewalk width for pedestrians, and improve the pedestrian level-of-service Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Costs will be incorporated into other infrastructure or development projects over time 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concurrent with other projects With redevelopment Related to Project 11. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Pedestrian Facility Improvements 	

Project 9. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Gateway Treatments

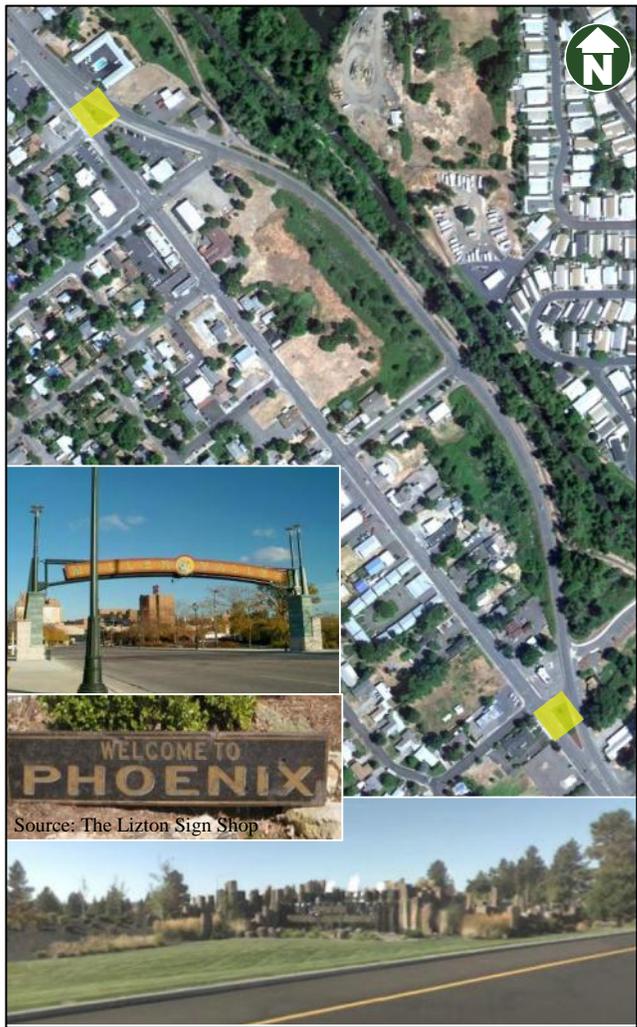
*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.37 & 11.93
Description	Add gateway treatments to emphasize upcoming downtown area
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce travel speeds Enhance downtown environment
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Downtown couplet with 2 lanes in each direction Posted speed on Main St (OR 99 SB) is 30 mph and Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) is 35 mph 21 crashes on Main St and 16 crashes on Bear Creek Dr during 5-year analysis period Current (2010) ADT = 9,500 to 15,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 13,000 to 20,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 14,000 to 23,000 Volumes are approximately half in each direction on couplet



How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Downtown has higher vehicular and pedestrian crossing volumes than other roadway segments Speed transition on NB OR 99 south of downtown
	With Improvement
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improves safety by alerting drivers of change in roadway function and environment (entering a downtown community) Focus improvements within existing public ROW Construct features that will not interfere with sight distance of pedestrian visibility
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be determined based on features selected by City of Phoenix
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priority determined by City of Phoenix in TSP Related to urban renewal projects Related to Project 10. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Bike Facilities Related to Project 11. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Pedestrian Facility Improvements Related to Project 12. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Restructuring

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Project 10. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Bike Facilities

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.37 to 11.93	
Description	Modify striping to add bike lanes	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide facilities for all modes of travel Enhance downtown environment Address existing safety concerns 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Downtown couplet with 2 lanes in each direction Main St (OR 99 SB) is 44' with on-street parking and posted speed of 30 mph Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) is 28' with posted speed of 35 mph 21 crashes on Main St and 16 crashes on Bear Creek Dr during 5-year analysis period Current (2010) ADT = 9,500 to 15,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 13,000 to 20,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 14,000 to 23,000 Volumes are approximately half in each direction on couplet 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main St is wide with no definition of travel lanes or parking other than center line Bear Creek Dr is not wide enough to accommodate two travel lanes and a bike lane 	
	Main St (OR 99 SB) with Improvement	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main St can be restriped to add bike lanes while maintaining 1 or 2 travel lanes and on-street parking Clearly defined travel lanes may encourage slower travel speeds through downtown 6' bike lane provides clearly defined travel way for bicyclists Parking lane striping helps define boundary between travel lane and parking lane Reduction to 1 through travel lane may cause some congestion and parking maneuvers will interfere with traffic flow 	
	Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) with Improvements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bear Creek Dr can be restriped to add bike lanes while maintaining 1 travel lane or improved connections to Bear Creek Greenway (Project 21) can accommodate bicyclists and 2 travel lanes can be maintained Adding 6' bike lane provides clearly defined travel way for bicyclists Using Bear Creek Greenway for bicycle traffic provides a slightly less convenient route but allows two travel lanes to be maintained on Bear Creek Dr Reduction to 1 through travel lane may cause some congestion 		
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adding bike lanes on Main St does not require changing roadway width and can be achieved with restriping Adding bike lanes on Bear Creek Dr requires a reduction in through travel lanes Using Bear Creek Greenway for bicycle traffic is identified as Project 21 and has both engineering and environmental considerations that would need to be addressed Providing bicycle facilities can be combined with any of the downtown improvement concepts under consideration by the City of Phoenix for the OR 99 couplet 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be determined based on features selected by City of Phoenix 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priority determined by City of Phoenix in TSP Related to urban renewal projects Related to Project 9. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Gateway Treatments Related to Project 11. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Pedestrian Facility Improvements Related to Project 12. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Restructuring Project 21. Bear Creek Greenway: Improve Connections in Downtown Phoenix 	

Project 11. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Pedestrian Facility Improvements

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.37 to 11.93	
Description	Enhance crossing opportunities with pedestrian-activated devices, curb extensions, and additional crosswalk striping	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide facilities for all modes of travel Enhance downtown environment Address existing safety concerns 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Downtown couplet with 2 lanes in each direction Main St (OR 99 SB) is 44' with 30 mph posted speed Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) is 28' with 35 mph posted speed 2 pedestrian collisions occurred during 5-year analysis period Current (2010) ADT = 9,500 to 15,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 13,000 to 20,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 14,000 to 23,000 Volumes are approximately half in each direction on couplet 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main St is wide with some curb extensions and a crosswalk striped on the south side of 3rd St Bear Creek Dr is narrower with higher travel speeds than Main St and some sight distance issues 	
	Main St (OR 99 SB) with Improvement	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crosswalk striping with or without curb extensions could be implemented at 5th, 4th, 1st, and Oak Sts Crosswalks on north side of intersection have higher pedestrian visibility for motorists on cross streets Pedestrian-activated crossing devices such as the Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) with crosswalk striping should be considered at 4th St and a location near Oak St (RRFBs increase driver awareness of pedestrian presence at a crossing and have higher driver compliance than striped crosswalks alone) Curb extensions shorten crossing distance, increase pedestrian visibility, and further enhance downtown Marked crosswalks identify the presence of pedestrian activity in the area Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations 	
	Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) with Improvements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crosswalk striping should be considered at 4th St and a location near the entrance to Blue Heron Park Crosswalks on south side of intersection have higher pedestrian visibility for motorists on cross streets Pedestrian-activated crossing devices such as the RRFB should be considered at both crosswalk locations Marked crosswalks identify the presence of pedestrian activity in the area Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations 		
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use striping or materials that maximizes crosswalk visibility A short sidewalk connection would be required on the east side of the 5th Street crossing location Drainage with curb extensions must be considered in design RRFBs can be solar-powered pole-mounted units but an overhead sign could be provided by a mast arm RRFBs can include advance warning signage and beacons as well Limited sight distance on Bear Creek Dr near Blue Heron Park would need to be addressed Improving pedestrian facilities can be combined with any of the downtown improvement concepts under consideration by the City of Phoenix for the OR 99 couplet 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be determined based on features selected by City of Phoenix 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priority determined by City of Phoenix in TSP Related to urban renewal projects Related to Project 9. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Gateway Treatments Related to Project 10. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Bike Facilities Related to Project 12. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Restructuring 	

Project 12. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Restructuring

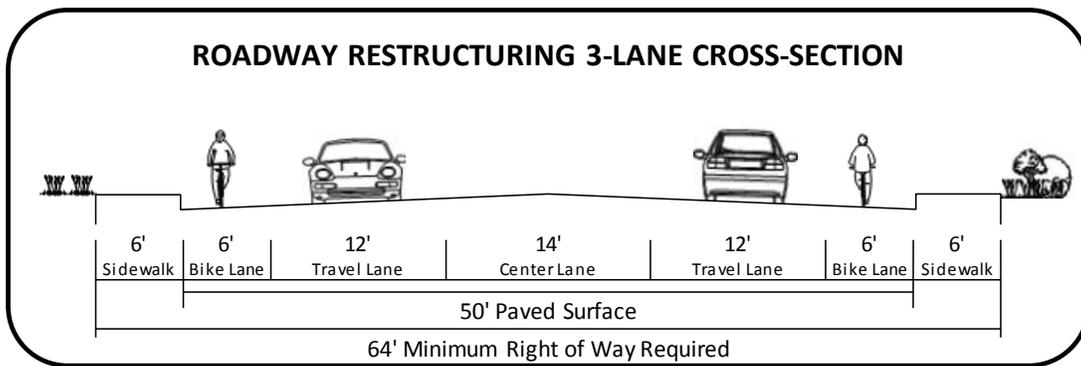
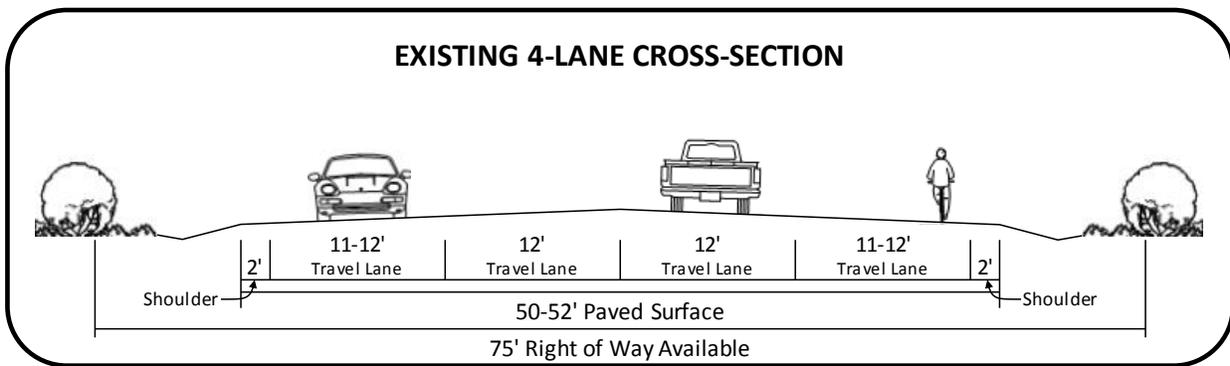
*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.93 to 12.36	
Description	Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), bike lanes, curbs, and sidewalks	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide facilities for all travel modes Address existing safety concerns 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 50-52' Available ROW is 75' Posted speed on OR 99 is 40 mph 4-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 9,000 to 10,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 12,000 to 13,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 13,000 to 15,000 	
	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No curbs, sidewalks, or bike lanes No center lane; left-turns from through travel lanes 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	With Improvement	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6' bike lanes provide clearly defined travel way for bicyclists 6' sidewalks improve pedestrian safety and access to transit Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations Center median lane improves safety with buffer between travel lanes and refuge for turning vehicles and pedestrians Meets HDM V/C ratio standard of 0.85 and OHP target of 0.95 on mainline and side streets Shorter crossing distances than widening to add bike lanes 3-lane cross-section has lower predicted crash rate than 4- or 5-lane cross-section Maintains existing "hole in the air" of 25' for freight 	
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be constructed within existing 75-foot ROW No change in roadway surface – can add bike lanes with reduction from 4 lanes to 3 lanes Curbs and sidewalks can be added with or without landscape buffer Can potentially be completed in phases Need to consider transitions between 3-lane and 4-lane cross sections No impacts to adjacent properties Addition of curbs and sidewalks will require storm water treatment Addition of sidewalks could require extension of culverts and fish passage may need to be considered 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.2 million Excludes hazardous materials mitigation, natural resources mitigation, or utilities relocation 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium priority Based on existing sidewalk and bike facility deficiency 20-year forecast ADT must be below 18,000 Alternative to Project 12A. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Widening Related to Project 9. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Gateway Treatments Related to Project 10. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Bike Facilities Related to Project 11. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Pedestrian Facility Improvements Related to Project 13. OR 99 – Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits: Roadway Restructuring 	

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Project 12A. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Widening

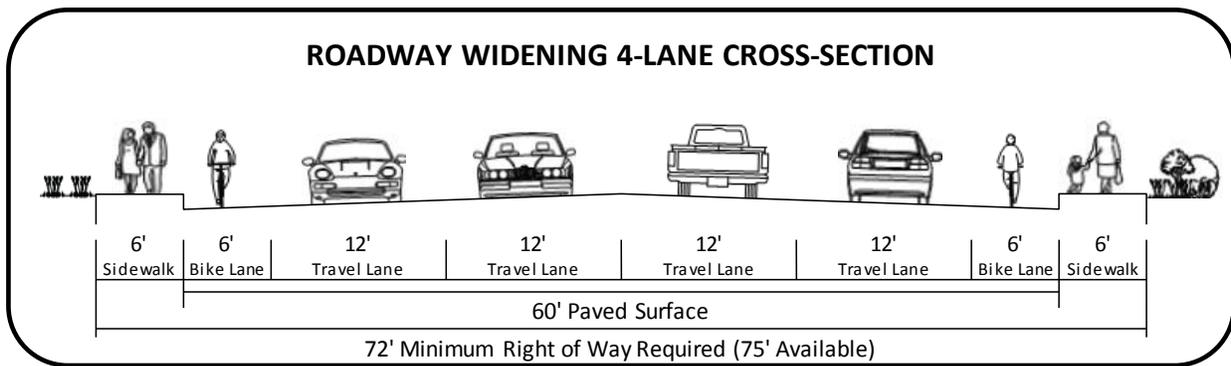
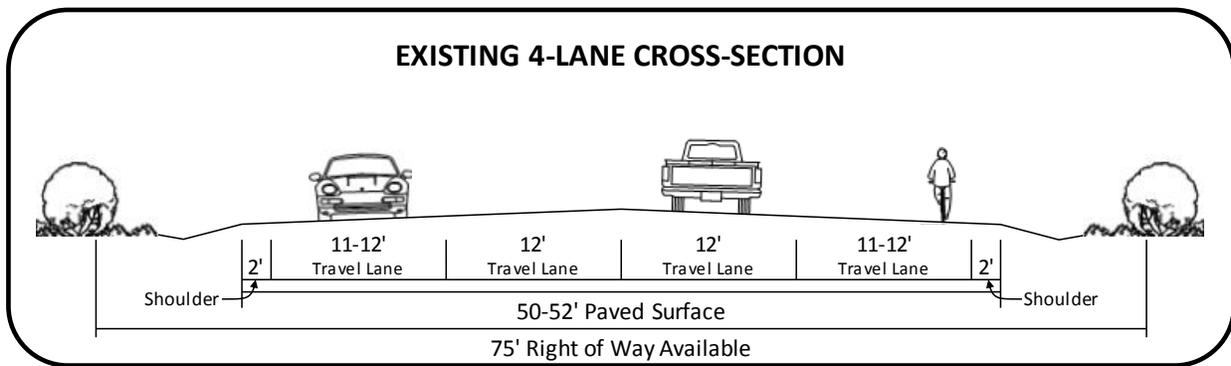
*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.93 to 12.36	
Description	Widen roadway to include four through travel lanes (two in each direction), bike lanes, curbs, and sidewalks	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide facilities for all travel modes Address existing safety concerns 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 50-52' Available ROW is 75' Posted speed on OR 99 is 40 mph 4-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 9,000 to 10,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 12,000 to 13,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 13,000 to 15,000 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	<p style="text-align: center;">Existing/Future Deficiency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No curbs, sidewalks, or bike lanes No center lane; left-turns from through travel lanes 	
	<p style="text-align: center;">With Improvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6' bike lanes provide clearly defined travel way for bicyclists 6' sidewalks improve pedestrian safety and access to transit Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations Meets HDM V/C ratio standard of 0.85 and OHP target of 0.95 on mainline and side streets Increases "hole in the air" to 30' for freight 	
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be constructed within existing 75-foot ROW No impacts to adjacent properties Addition of curbs and sidewalks will require storm water treatment Wider road structure (sidewalk and pavement) could require extension of culverts and fish passage may need to be considered 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.8 million Excludes hazardous materials mitigation, natural resources mitigation, or utilities relocation 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium priority Based on existing sidewalk and bike facility deficiency Alternative to Project 12. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Restructuring if 20-year forecast ADT is above 18,000 Related to Project 9. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Gateway Treatments Related to Project 10. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Bike Facilities Related to Project 11. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Pedestrian Facility Improvements Related to Project 13. OR 99 – Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits: Roadway Restructuring 	

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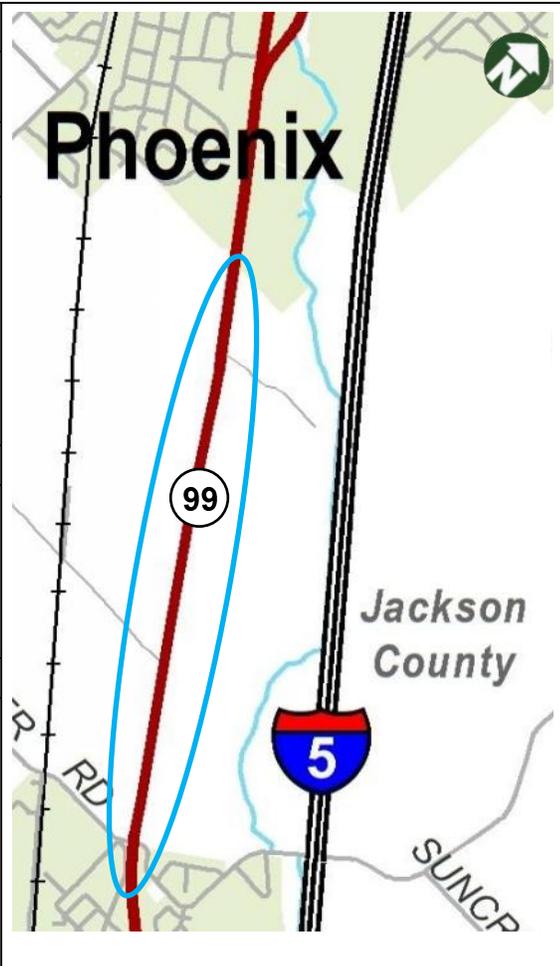
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Project 13. OR 99 – Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits: Roadway Restructuring

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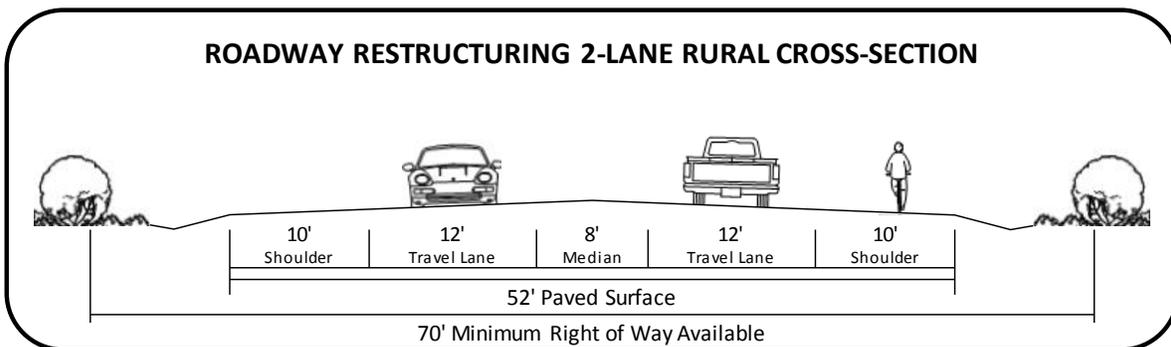
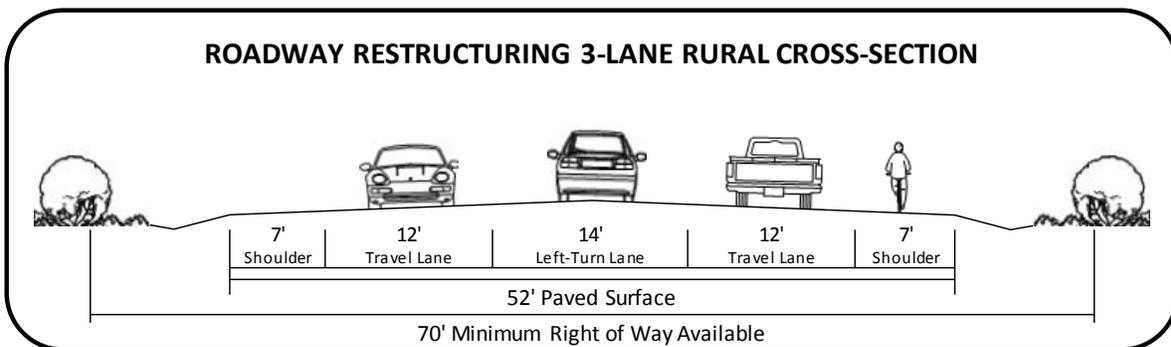
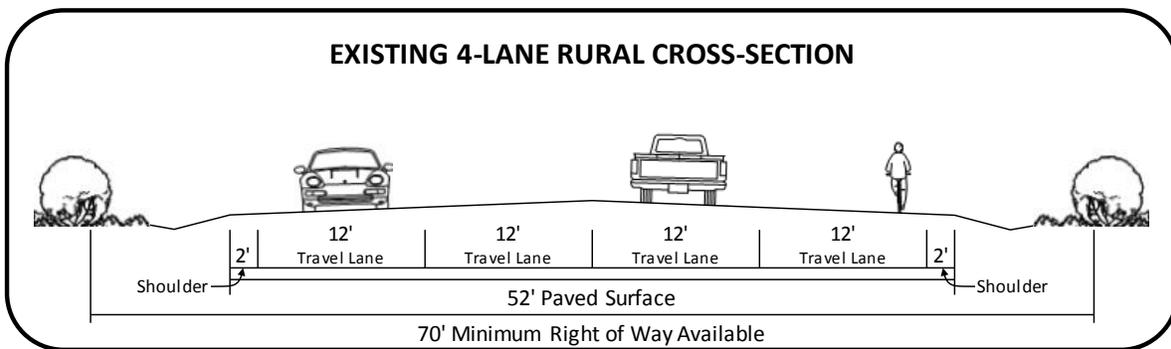
Milepoint	12.36 to 13.75
Description	Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), and shoulders
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve safety Provide facilities for all travel modes
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 52' Available ROW is 70' minimum Posted speed on OR 99 is 50 to 55 mph 4-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 11,000 to 12,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 13,000 to 14,000
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shoulder widths are narrow (2') for most of the segment widening to 6' near Colver/Suncrest Rd Bicyclists (and pedestrians) must use the outer lane to travel through the area Transit buses may stop in travel lane
	With Improvement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two restructuring options within existing paved surface: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3-lane cross section with 7' shoulders, 12' travel lanes, and 14' center lane 2-lane cross section with 10' shoulders, 12' travel lanes, and 8' median Wider shoulders (7-10') accommodate bicyclists or pedestrians and allow vehicles to pull off the roadway, if necessary Center median lane improves safety with buffer between travel lanes and refuge for turning vehicles and pedestrians Shorter crossing distances Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations 3-lane cross-section has lower predicted crash rate than 4-lane cross-section Meets HDM V/C ratio standard of 0.85 and OHP target of 0.95 on mainline and side streets Maintains existing "hole in the air" of 26' for freight
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change in roadway surface – can widen shoulders with reduction from 4 lanes to 2 or 3 lanes Need to consider transitions between cross sections with 2 travel lanes and 4 travel lanes No impacts to adjacent properties
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$225,000 Assumes restriping and signage, no pavement overlay
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium priority Based on existing shoulder deficiency 20-year forecast ADT must be below 18,000 Alternative to Project 13A. OR 99 – Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits: Roadway Widening Related to Project 12. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Restructuring



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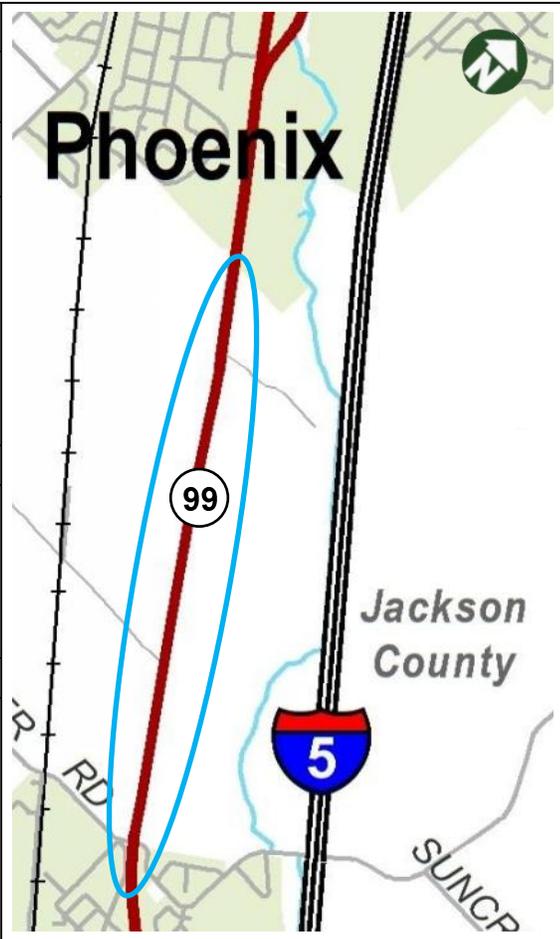
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Project 13A. OR 99 – Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits: Roadway Widening

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Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

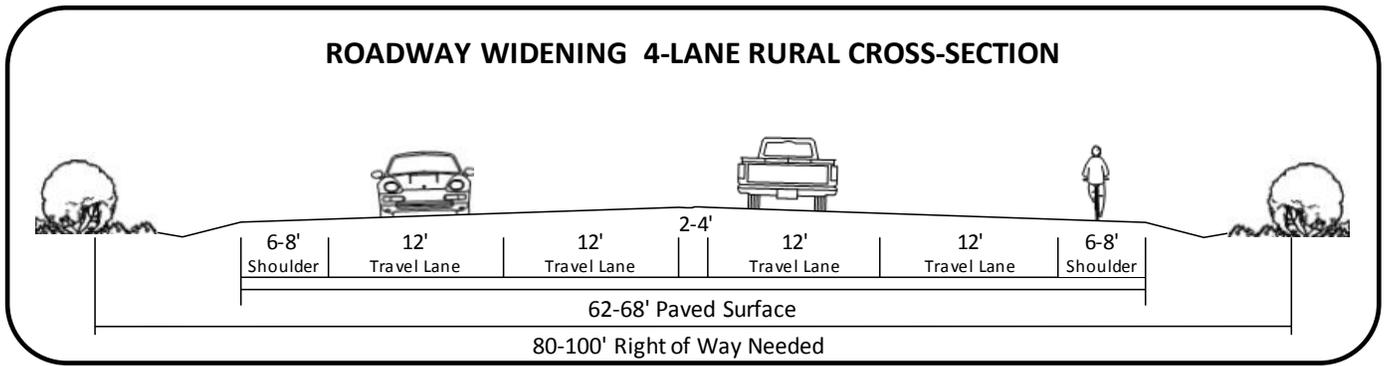
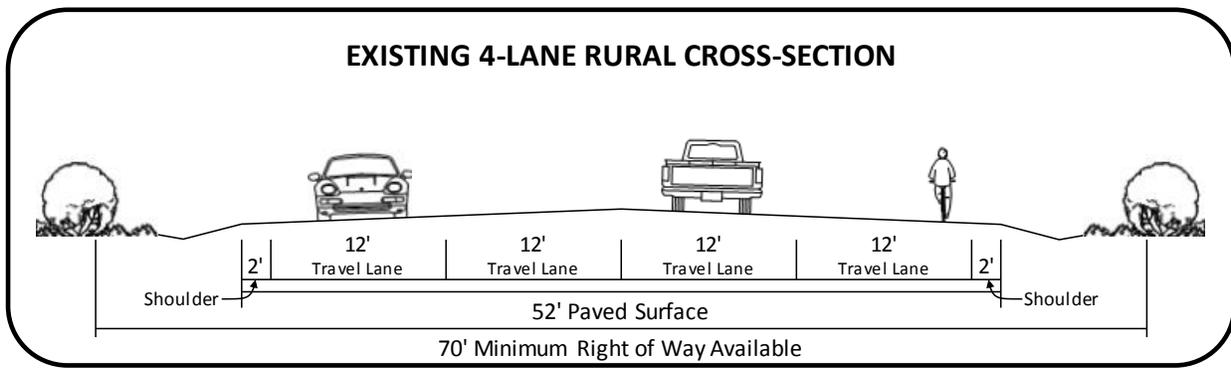
Milepoint	12.36 to 13.75
Description	Widen roadway to provide minimum 6' shoulders on both sides
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve safety Provide facilities for all travel modes
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 52' Available ROW is 70' minimum Posted speed on OR 99 is 50 mph 4-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 11,000 to 12,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 13,000 to 14,000
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shoulder widths are narrow (2') for most of the segment widening to 6' near Colver/Suncrest Rd Bicyclists (and pedestrians) must use the outer lane to travel through the area Transit buses may stop in travel lane
	With Improvement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Widen to provide 6-8' shoulders and 2-4' painted median No significant changes to roadway capacity Wider shoulders (6-8') safer for bicyclists (and pedestrians) Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations Improved safety with more separation between directions Shoulders provide space for vehicles to pull off the road in the event of a breakdown Increases "hole in the air" to at least 31' for freight
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paved width increases to 62' with desired ROW ~85'-95' or 68' with desired ROW ~90-100' for slopes and drainage Significant excavation for ditches Extension of cross culverts and relocation of all parallel culverts needed but impacts greater Some potential ROW impacts Some small wetlands (palustrine, emergent) located at south end of corridor could require mitigation Fish passage may need consideration with culvert extensions Additional storm water treatment with increased surface Consideration of Statewide Planning Goals needed
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$4-5 million Excludes ROW acquisition, hazardous materials mitigation, natural resources mitigation, or utilities relocation
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium to Low priority Based on existing shoulder deficiency Alternative to Project 13. OR 99 – Phoenix City Limits to Talent City Limits: Roadway Restructuring if 20-year forecast ADT is above 18,000 Related to Project 12. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Restructuring



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Potential Roadway Cross Section



**Project 14. OR 99 – Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd:
Pedestrian Facility Improvements**

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	13.86 to 14.59	
Description	Upgrade or fill in missing sidewalks	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete pedestrian system 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5-lane cross section with bike lanes Sidewalks complete on west side of OR 99 Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,500 Forecast (2034) ADT = 11,000 to 15,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 12,000 to 17,000 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spot locations have been paved to standard sidewalk width as development has occurred Some narrow sidewalks due to existing development restrictions Remaining area is dirt or narrow asphalt path 	
	With Improvements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous paved sidewalks improve pedestrian safety Continuous sidewalk supports walking within community Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations 		
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development on existing parcels may not allow for a full-width sidewalk Some easements or additional ROW may be required Construction assumed to occur with development or redevelopment of adjacent properties 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Costs assumed to be incurred by adjacent development or redevelopment over time 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Related to Project 15. OR 99 at Wagner Creek Greenway Trail: Midblock Crossing Related to Project 16. OR 99 – Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits): Roadway Restructuring 	

**Project 15. OR 99 at Wagner Creek Greenway Trail:
Midblock Crossing**

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Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

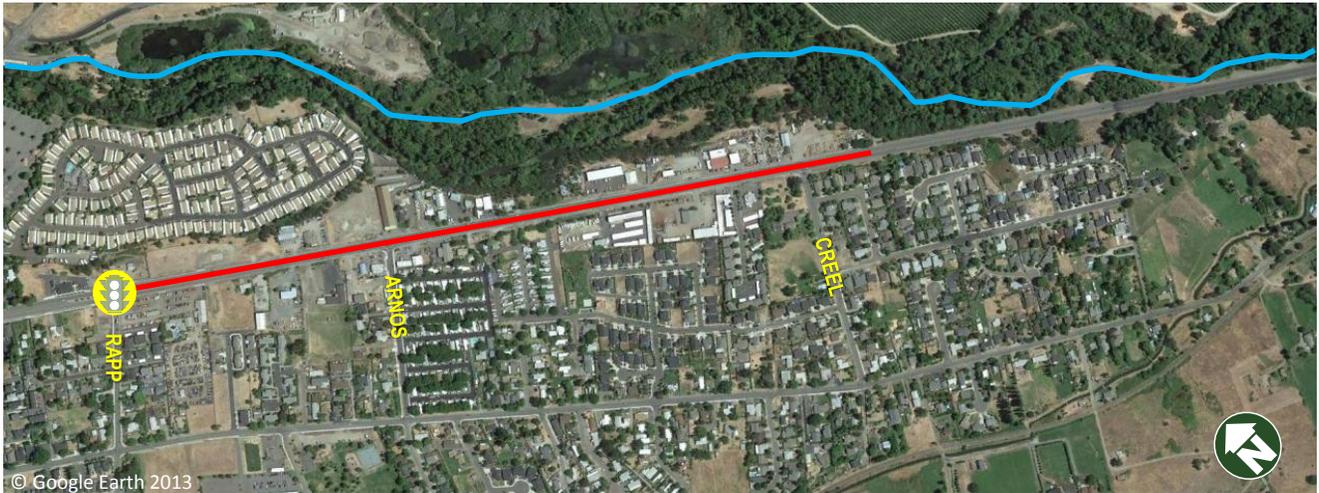
<p>Milepoint</p>	<p>14.39</p>	
<p>Description</p>	<p>Consider future midblock crossing with pedestrian activated devices</p>	
<p>Purpose</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitate future trail crossing at OR 99 	
<p>Roadway Characteristics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OR 99 has a 5-lane cross section with bike lanes and sidewalks Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,500 Forecast (2034) ADT = 11,000 to 15,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 12,000 to 17,000 Wagner Creek Greenway Trail is a planned 1.5-mile multimodal connection between downtown Talent and the Bear Creek Greenway 	
<p>How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies</p>	<p>Existing/Future Deficiency</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wagner Creek Greenway Trail will eventually cross OR 99 midway between the W. Valley View Rd and Rapp Rd. intersections Short-term recommendation from the <i>Wagner Creek Greenway Connection Conceptual Plan</i> calls for signage requiring pedestrians/cyclists to turn right and use the sidewalk/bike lane to access the signalized intersections at Rapp Rd and W. Valley View Rd 	
	<p>With Improvements</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long-term recommendation from the <i>Wagner Creek Greenway Connection Conceptual Plan</i> calls for a mid-block crossing with a center refuge island Pedestrian-activated crossing devices such as the RRFB should be considered at the future crossing (RRFBs increase driver awareness of pedestrian presence at a crossing and have higher driver compliance than striped crosswalks alone) Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations 	
<p>Additional Considerations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RRFBs should be installed on both sides of the road and on the center refuge island RRFBs can be solar-powered pole-mounted units or an overhead sign could be provided by a mast arm Advance warning RRFBs should be considered with posted speed of 40 mph 	
<p>Cost Option</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$100,000 Assumes installation of solar-powered pole-mounted RRFBs and median island Interconnected advance warning RRFBs were not included in cost Excludes ROW acquisition 	
<p>Implementation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium priority Coordinated with completion of Wagner Creek Greenway Trail connections Related to Project 14. OR 99 – Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd: Pedestrian Facility Improvements 	

Project 16. OR 99 – Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits): Roadway Restructuring

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Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

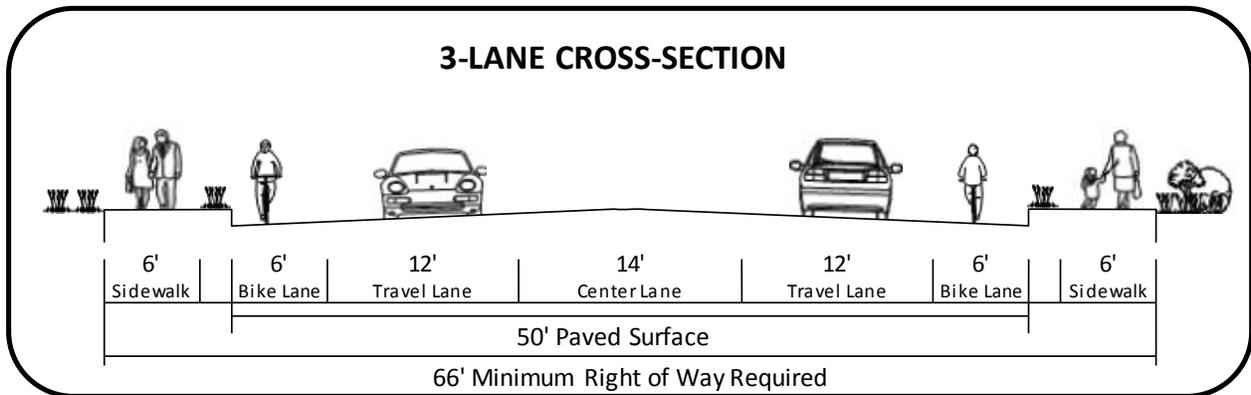
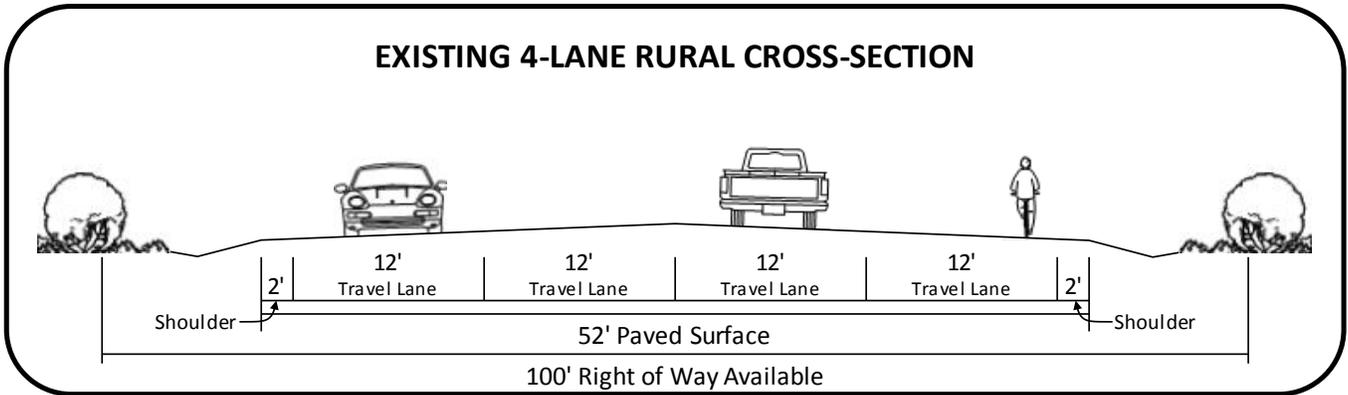
Milepoint	14.71 to 15.67	
Description	Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), bike lanes, curbs, and sidewalks STIP Key Number 17478	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve safety Provide facilities for all travel modes 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 50-52' Available ROW is 100' Posted speed on OR 99 is 45 mph 4-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 11,000 to 12,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 13,000 to 14,000 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	<p>Existing/Future Deficiency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No curbs, sidewalks, or bike lanes No center lane; left-turns from through travel lanes 	
	<p>With Improvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> STIP project will restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), bike lanes, curbs, and sidewalks 6' bike lanes provide clearly defined travel way for bicyclists 6' sidewalks improve pedestrian safety and access to transit Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations Center median lane improves safety with buffer between travel lanes and refuge for turning vehicles and pedestrians Meets HDM V/C ratio standard of 0.85 and OHP target of 0.95 on mainline and side streets 3-lane cross-section has lower predicted crash rate than 4- or 5-lane cross-section Maintains existing "hole in the air" of 25-26' for freight 	
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be constructed within existing 75-foot ROW No change in roadway surface – can add bike lanes with reduction from 4 lanes to 3 lanes Curbs and sidewalks can be added with or without landscape buffer Can potentially be completed in phases Need to consider transitions between 3-lane and 4-lane cross sections No impacts to adjacent properties Addition of curbs and sidewalks will require storm water treatment Addition of sidewalks could require extension of culverts and fish passage may need to be considered 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$3.3 million Cost estimate from 2012-2015 STIP Amended as of April 25, 2014 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High priority - Funded Related to Project 14. OR 99 – Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd: Pedestrian Facility Improvements Related to Project 17. OR 99 – Creel Rd to Bear Creek Greenway Connection: Multiuse Pathway Related to Project 18. OR 99 – Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Restructuring 	

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Existing Traffic Signal Extent of Improvements Bear Creek Greenway

Potential Roadway Cross Section



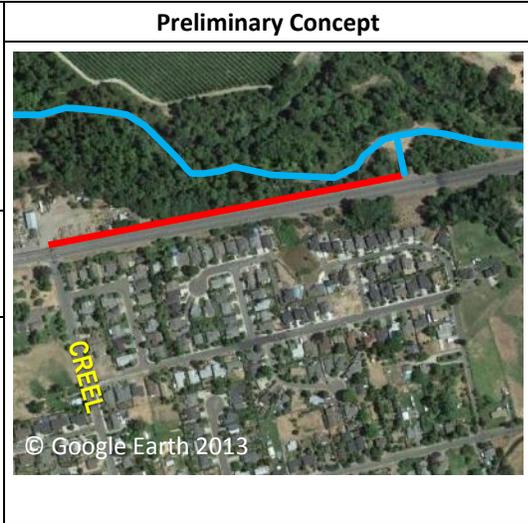
**Project 17. OR 99 – Creel Rd to Bear Creek
Greenway Connection: Multiuse Pathway**

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Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

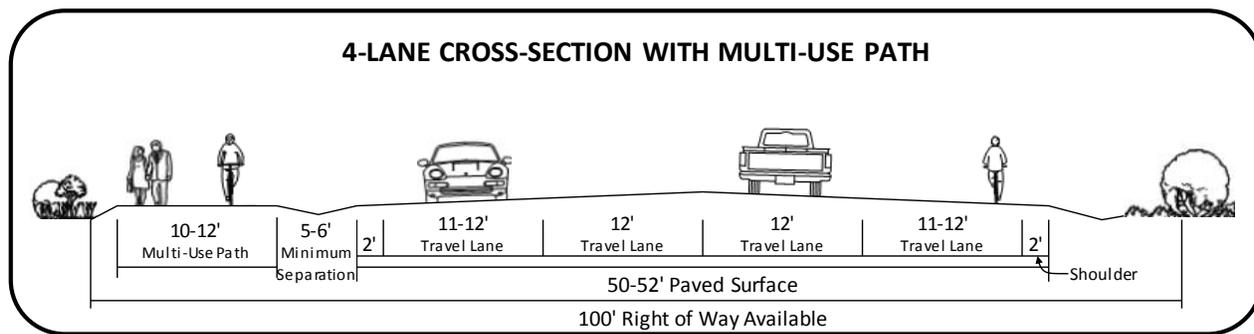
Milepoint	15.34 to 15.67	
Description	Construct a multiuse path along the east side of OR 99 between Creel Rd and the first paved connection with Bear Creek Greenway	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve safety Provide facilities for all travel modes 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 50-52' Available ROW is 100' Posted speed on OR 99 is 45 mph transitioning to 55 mph 4-lane cross-section Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 11,000 to 12,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 13,000 to 14,000 	

How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shoulder widths are narrow (2') Bicyclists (and pedestrians) must use the outer lane to travel through the area
	With Improvement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10-12' paved multi-use trail connection from bike lanes on Creel Road and OR 99 to Bear Creek Greenway Minimum desired separation between path and highway is 5-6'

Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be constructed within existing ROW Driveway/trail interactions may require some access modifications for adjacent properties Addition of multi-use path will require storm water treatment considerations Section 4(f) and 6(f) consideration for Trail connections
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$250,000 Excludes hazardous materials mitigation, or utilities relocation
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High priority Existing shoulder deficiency Related to Project 16. OR 99 – Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits): Roadway Restructuring Related to Project 18. OR 99 – Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Restructuring



Potential Roadway Cross Section

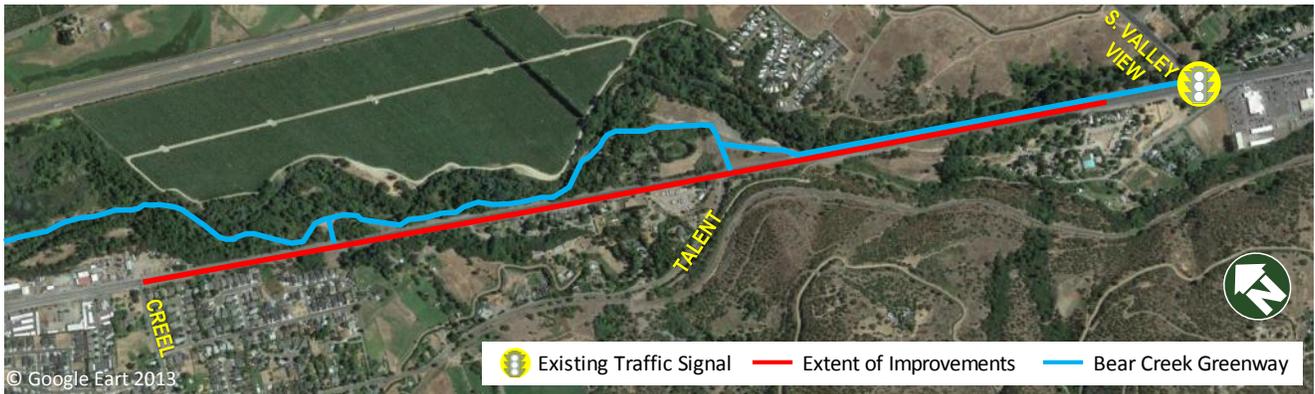


Project 18. OR 99 –Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Restructuring

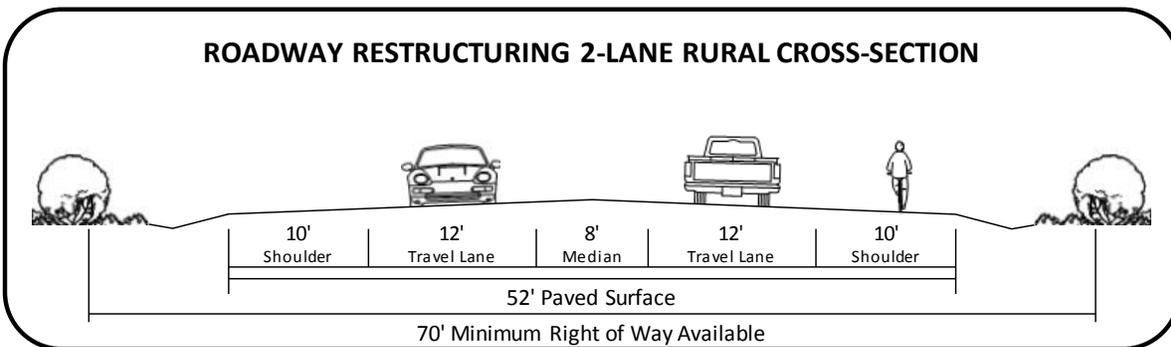
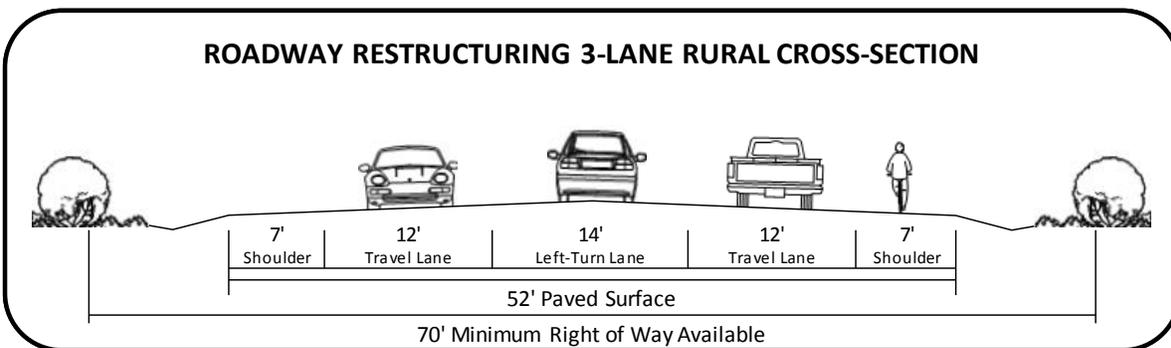
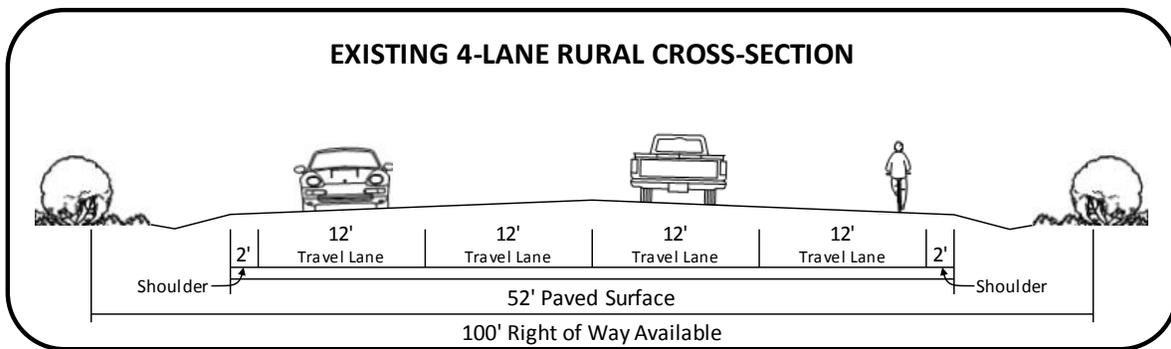
**OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road**

Milepoint	15.34 to 16.92	
Description	Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), and shoulders	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improve safety ▪ Provide facilities for all travel modes 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Existing roadway width 50-52' ▪ Available ROW is 100' ▪ Posted speed on OR 99 is 55 mph ▪ 4-lane cross-section ▪ Multiuse path on east side of OR 99 from milepoint 16.26 to 17.02 ▪ Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,000 ▪ Forecast (2034) ADT = 13,000 to 14,000 ▪ Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 15,000 to 16,000 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shoulder widths are narrow (2') ▪ Bicyclists (and pedestrians) must use the outer lane to travel through the area ▪ Transit buses may stop in travel lane 	
	With Improvement	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Two restructuring options within existing paved surface: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3-lane cross section with 7' shoulders, 12' travel lanes, and 14' center lane ○ 2-lane cross section with 10' shoulders, 12' travel lanes, and 8' median ▪ Wider shoulders (7-10') accommodate bicyclists or pedestrians and allow vehicles to pull off the roadway, if necessary ▪ Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations ▪ Center median lane improves safety with buffer between travel lanes and refuge for turning vehicles and pedestrians ▪ Shorter crossing distances ▪ 3-lane cross-section has lower predicted crash rate than 4-lane cross-section ▪ Meets HDM V/C ratio standard of 0.85 and OHP target of 0.95 on mainline and side streets ▪ Maintains existing "hole in the air" of 26' for freight 	
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No change in roadway surface – can widen shoulders with reduction from 4 lanes to 2 or 3 lanes ▪ Need to consider transitions between cross sections with 2 travel lanes and 4 travel lanes ▪ No impacts to adjacent properties 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$250,000 ▪ Assumes restriping and signage, relocation of automatic traffic counter, no pavement overlay 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium priority ▪ Based on existing shoulder deficiency ▪ 20-year forecast ADT must be below 18,000 ▪ Alternative to Project 18A. OR 99 –Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Widening and Project 18B. OR 99/Talent Ave Intersection: Left-Turn Lane ▪ Related to Project 16. OR 99 – Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits): Roadway Restructuring ▪ Related to Project 17. OR 99 – Creel Rd to Bear Creek Greenway Connection: Multiuse Pathway 	

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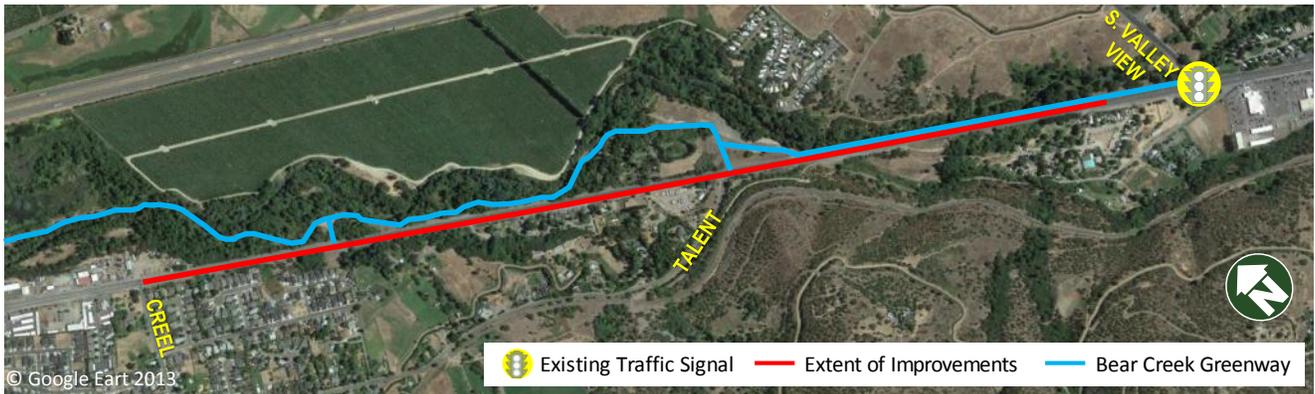


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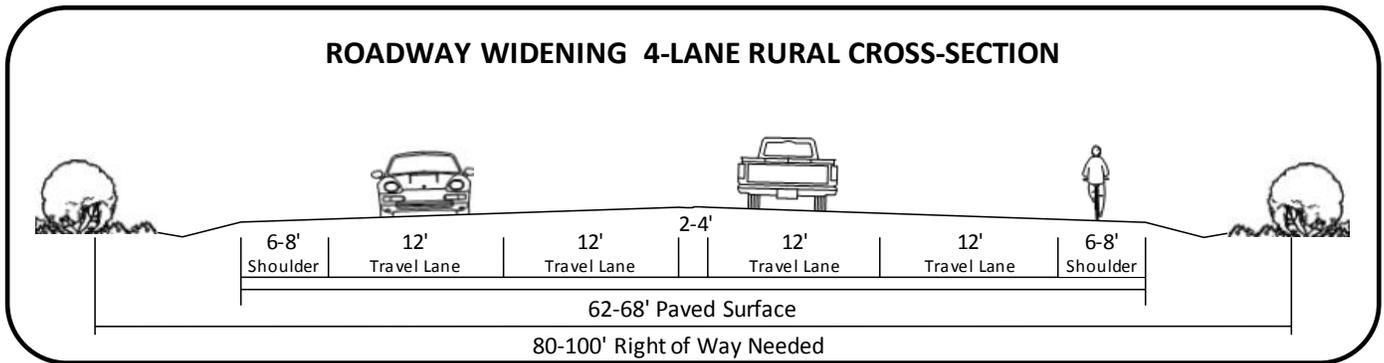
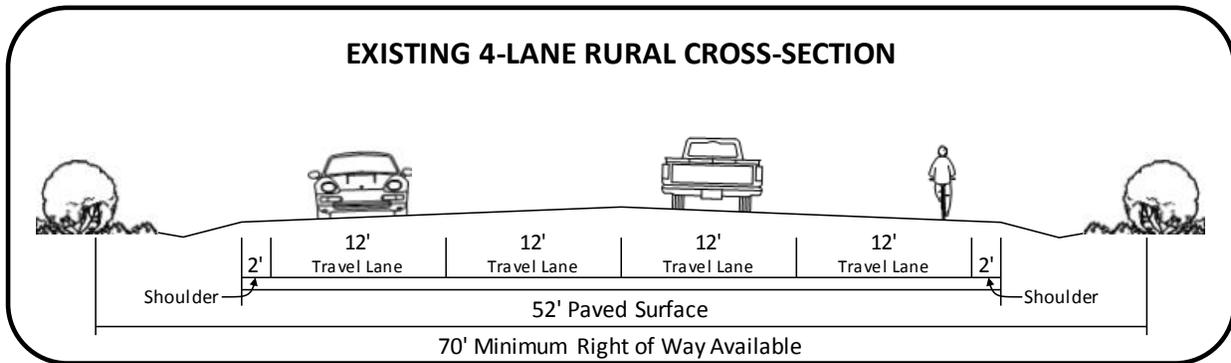
**OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road**

Milepoint	15.34 to 16.92	
Description	Restructure roadway to include a center turn lane, two through travel lanes (one in each direction), and shoulders	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve safety Provide facilities for all travel modes 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 50-52' Available ROW is 100' Posted speed on OR 99 is 55 mph 4-lane cross-section Multiuse path on east side of OR 99 from milepoint 16.26 to 17.02 Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 13,000 to 14,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 15,000 to 16,000 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	<p style="text-align: center;">Existing/Future Deficiency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shoulder widths are narrow (2') Bicyclists (and pedestrians) must use the outer lane to travel through the area Transit buses may stop in travel lane 	
	<p style="text-align: center;">With Improvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Widen to provide 6-8' shoulders and 2-4' painted median No significant changes to roadway capacity Wider shoulders (6-8') safer for bicyclists (and pedestrians) Improved pedestrian and transit access benefits disadvantaged populations Improved safety with more separation between directions Shoulders provide space for vehicles to pull off the road in the event of a breakdown Increases "hole in the air" to at least 31' for freight 	
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paved width increases to 62' with desired ROW ~85'-95' or 68' with desired ROW ~90-100' for slopes and drainage Significant excavation for ditches Extension of cross culverts and relocation of all parallel culverts needed but impacts greater Some potential ROW impacts Some small wetlands (palustrine, emergent) located at south end of corridor could require mitigation Fish passage may need consideration with culvert extensions Additional storm water treatment with increased surface Consideration of Statewide Planning Goals needed 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$4-5 million Excludes ROW acquisition, hazardous materials mitigation, natural resources mitigation, or utilities relocation 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium to Low priority Based on existing shoulder deficiency Alternative to Project 18. OR 99 –Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Restructuring if 20-year forecast ADT is above 18,000 Related to Project 16. OR 99 – Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits): Roadway Restructuring Related to Project 18B. OR 99/Talent Ave Intersection: Left-Turn Lane 	

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Potential Roadway Cross Section



Project 18B. OR 99/Talent Ave Intersection: Left-Turn Lane

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	16.29	
Description	Widen roadway to provide a northbound left-turn lane on OR 99 at Talent Ave	
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve safety 	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing roadway width 50-52' Available ROW is 100' Posted speed on OR 99 is 55 mph 4-lane cross-section 3 crashes during a 5-year analysis period including 2 rear-end collisions Current (2010) ADT = 8,000 to 9,000 Forecast (2034) ADT = 13,000 to 14,000 Sensitivity Forecast ADT = 15,000 to 16,000 	

How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Left turns from OR 99 to Talent Ave made from through travel lane Turning traffic may stop in through lane to yield to oncoming traffic 	
	With Improvement	
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 16' left-turn lane provides refigure for stopped vehicles yielding to oncoming traffic Improves safety for left-turning vehicles Mid-street refuge for pedestrians crossing roadway to improve safety can be included on north side Significant excavation needed in steep slopes on southwest side of OR 99 Could include shoulder widening to 6' or more Additional storm water treatment needed with increased impervious surface Must consider impacts to Bear Creek Greenway access 	

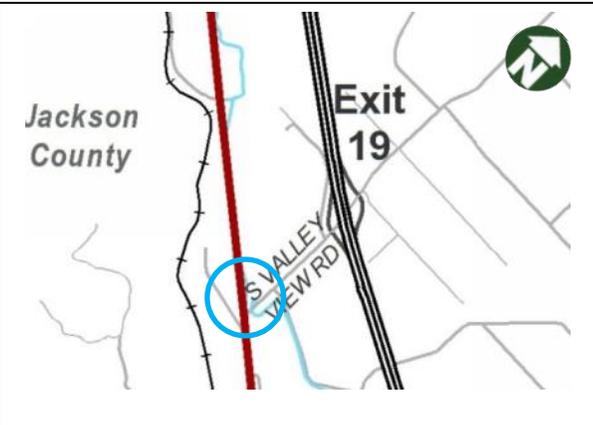
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.6 million <p>Excludes hazardous materials mitigation, natural resource mitigation, or utilities relocation</p>
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Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium to Low priority Continued crash pattern of rear end collisions related to northbound left turns Alternative to Project 18. OR 99 –Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Restructuring if 20-year forecast ADT is above 18,000 Related to Project 16. OR 99 – Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits): Roadway Restructuring Related to Project 18A. OR 99 –Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Widening
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**Project 19. OR 99/S. Valley View Rd Intersection:
Dual Left-Turn Lanes on S. Valley View Rd**

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	17.02
Description	Widen S. Valley View Rd to provide dual southbound left-turn lanes onto OR 99
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increase capacity ▪ Improve safety
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Current (2010) v/c =0.76 ▪ Forecast baseline (2034) v/c=0.87 ▪ Sensitivity analysis indicates intersection would be over capacity in 2034 ▪ 10 crashes in 5-year analysis period including 3 rear end and 2 turning collisions



How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Intersection capacity is constrained by single lane approach on S. Valley View Rd arising from Bear Creek bridge ▪ Future demand will eventually exceed capacity and long queues will form on S. Valley View Rd
	With Improvement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Forecast baseline (2034) v/c = 0.62 with dual southbound left-turn lanes ▪ Improved operations could mean fewer stops at the intersection thus reducing rear end collision potential
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jackson County zoning is open space reserve and exclusive farm use along S Valley View Rd ▪ S Valley View Bridge crosses Bear Creek and the Greenway Trail ▪ Section 4(f) and 6(f) impacts to Greenway Trail ▪ Impacts to Bear Creek and wildlife associated with bridge replacement ▪ Additional storm water treatment needed with increased impervious surface ▪ Consideration of Statewide Planning Goals needed ▪ ROW impacts anticipated



Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$15 million from Table 5.6.1 of the 2013-2038 RTP
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium to Low priority ▪ Persistent congestion (v/c > 0.95) ▪ Related to Project 18. OR 99 –Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Restructuring if 20-year forecast ADT is below 18,000 ▪ Project 18A. OR 99 –Creel Rd (Talent City Limits) to S. Valley View Rd: Roadway Widening if 20-year forecast ADT is above 18,000

Project 20. Bear Creek Greenway: Enhance Connections to OR 99

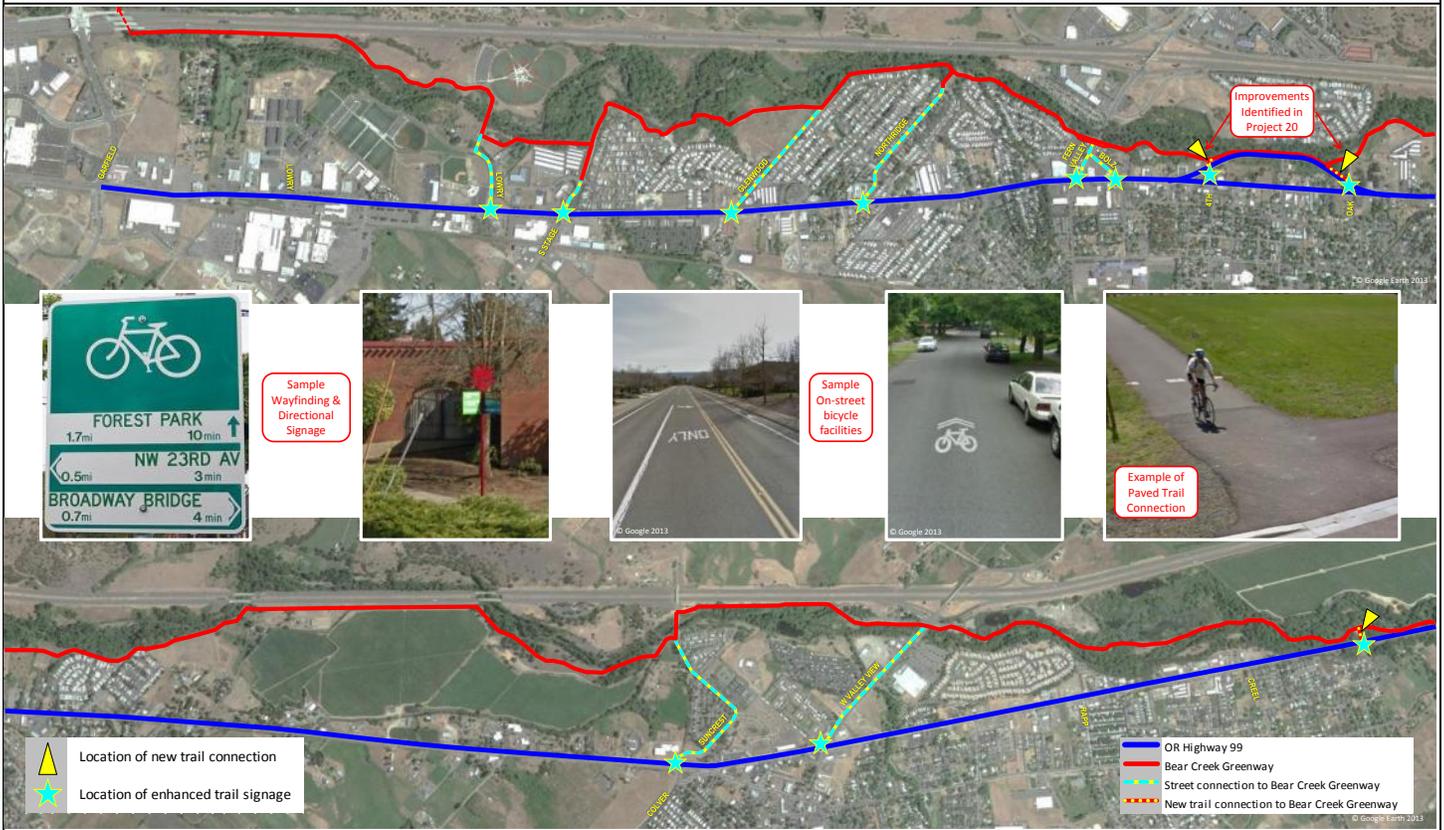
**OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road**

Milepoint	8.56 to 17.02
Description	Enhance connections to OR 99 throughout corridor with wayfinding signage and other amenities at existing and new trail access points
Purpose	Increase visibility of, and connections to, the Bear Creek Trail
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nine existing street connections between OR 99 and the Bear Creek Greenway
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Most connections have no wayfinding signage on OR 99 indicating proximity to trail ▪ Some but not all existing connections have sidewalks on at least one side of the street ▪ Most connections have bikes and motor vehicles sharing travel lanes
	With Improvement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3 new or improved connections to Bear Creek Greenway ▪ Bike indicators such as sharrows or bike lanes on existing connections ▪ Paved trail connections rather than gravel ▪ Wayfinding signage on both OR 99 and Bear Creek Greenway
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No roadway geometry changes are anticipated ▪ Enhanced signage along OR 99 placed within ODOT ROW ▪ Any striping or signage that may also be added to local streets be placed within public ROW ▪ New path connections may require additional ROW or easements ▪ New access points may require some additional ROW - could be addressed with easement or public/private partnership ▪ One connection would require wetlands mitigation (See Project 21. Bear Creek Greenway: Improve Connections in Downtown Phoenix)
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$4-5 million ▪ Excludes ROW acquisition, hazardous materials mitigation, natural resources mitigation, or utilities relocation
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High priority ▪ Available funding

Project 20. Bear Creek Greenway: Enhance Connections to OR 99

**OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road**

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Potential Improvements

Locations	Existing Facilities	Potential Improvements
Enhanced Trail Signage		
OR 99 at Lowry Ln	Sidewalks on north side	Could add bicycle sharrows
OR 99 at South Stage Rd	Existing bike lanes & sidewalks	No changes
OR 99 at E Glenwood Rd	Unpaved easement	Consider paving to trail
OR 99 at Northridge Try	Sporadic sidewalks	Could add bicycle sharrows
OR 99 at Fern Valley Rd	Bike lanes & sidewalks constructed as part of Interchange project	No changes
OR 99 at Bolz Rd		
OR 99 at 4 th St	Sidewalks on north side	Could add bicycle sharrows or possible bike lane striping
OR 99 at Oak St	No facilities	Could add bike lane striping and sidewalks
OR 99 at Suncrest Rd	Some bike lane striping, continuous sidewalk on one side	Could add bicycle sharrows
OR 99 at West Valley View Rd	Existing bike lanes & sidewalks	No changes
New Connection Opportunities		
Connection to Bear Creek Dr opposite 4 th St	Currently unpaved	Project 21 includes paving gravel connection
Connection to Bear Creek Dr at entrance to Blue Heron Park	Currently use park entrance to connect to trail	Project 21 includes constructing a new direct connection
Connection to OR 99 south of Creel Rd	Currently informal connection	Pave connection and include signage

Project 21. Bear Creek Greenway: Improve Connections in Downtown Phoenix

*OR 99 Rogue Valley Corridor Plan:
Garfield Road to S. Valley View Road*

Milepoint	11.33 to 11.92	
Description	Improve connections to OR 99/Bear Creek Dr at 4 th St and Oak St/Blue Heron Park to provide parallel and convenient bicycle and pedestrian facilities	
Purpose	Provide facilities along OR 99 for all modes of travel	
Roadway Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bear Creek Dr is 28' and carries northbound traffic only ▪ Current (2010) ADT = 5,000 to 8,000 ▪ Forecast (2034) ADT = 7,000 to 10,000 	
How Improvement Addresses Deficiencies	Existing/Future Deficiency	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bear Creek Dr is not wide enough to accommodate two travel lanes and multimodal facilities (i.e., bike lane and/or sidewalks) 	
	With Improvement	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ South Connection: 12' paved multi-use path connection from Bear Creek Dr to Greenway at park entrance ▪ North Connection: 12' paved multi-use connection from Trail to Bear Creek Dr at 4th St ▪ From North Connection: Sidewalk added on OR 99 to extent of Fern Valley Interchange Improvements ▪ Provides convenient connections to off-street trail for bicycles/pedestrians traveling on east side of OR 99 ▪ Adds some travel time for a bicyclist when compared to traveling on roadway, but provides safety benefits ▪ Existing street lighting along Bear Creek Dr illuminates Greenway Trail but additional lighting may be desirable ▪ New OR 99 sidewalks would widen around existing utility poles or poles would need to be relocated 	
Additional Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ South connection would include short retaining wall and protective railing ▪ South connection through wetland area would require mitigation ▪ Section 4(f) and 6(f) consideration for Trail connections 	
Cost Option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$400,000 for south connection ▪ \$50,000 for north connection ▪ Excludes ROW acquisition, hazardous materials mitigation, or utilities relocation 	
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medium priority ▪ Existing bicycle and pedestrian deficiency ▪ Related to urban renewal projects ▪ Related to Project 11. OR 99 – Downtown Phoenix: Pedestrian Facility Improvements ▪ Related to Project 12. OR 99 –South of Couplet to Phoenix City Limits: Roadway Restructuring 	

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5. ACCESS MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Access Management Plan represents actions that may be triggered as; (1) land use changes occur (new development or redevelopment); (2) future highway improvements are implemented; or (3) highway safety and operational issues arise.

5.1. Access Management Standards

The OR 99 Access Management Plan governs ODOT's decisions of all road approaches to OR 99 from the Garfield Road intersection to the S. Valley View Road intersection. Table 10¹⁰ establishes the standards applicable to the OR 99 corridor. These standards are based on roadway OHP standards, district highway classification, and future traffic demand.

Table 10. Access Spacing Standards for OR 99

Milepoints	Segment Description	Posted Speed (mph)	Minimum Spacing ¹ (feet)	
South Medford and Transition to Phoenix Segments				
8.56 to 11.03	Garfield St to Phoenix North City Limits	45	500	
Phoenix Segment				
11.03 to 11.43	Phoenix North City Limits to 5 th St	30	350	
11.43 to 11.85	Special Transportation Area (STA)	Main St (OR 99 SB) from 5 th St to Oak St	30	150 ²
11.43 to 11.85		Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) from 5 th St to Oak St	35	150 ²
11.85 to 11.93	Main St (OR 99 SB) from Oak St to South End of Couplet	30	350	
11.85 to 11.93	Bear Creek Dr (OR 99 NB) from Oak Street to South End of Couplet	35	350	
11.93 to 12.37	South End of Couplet to Phoenix South City Limits	40	500	
Phoenix to Talent Transition Segment				
12.37 to 12.62	Phoenix South City Limits to End of Speed Zone	50	550	
12.62 to 13.86	End of Speed Zone to Talent North City Limits (Colver/Suncrest Rd)	55	700	
Talent Segment				
13.86 to 14.38	Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd	40	500	
14.38 to 15.38	Rapp Road to End Speed Zone (Talent South City Limits)	45	500	
Talent to Ashland Transition Segment				
15.38 to 16.77	Talent South City Limits to 0.25 miles north of S. Valley View Rd	55	700	
16.77 to 17.02	0.25 miles north of S. Valley View Rd to S. Valley View Rd	45	500	

Notes:

- Table 6: Access Management Spacing Standards for District Highway Segments with Annual Average Daily Traffic > 5,000, OAR 734-51 Temporary Rules – Effective January 1, 2012 Amended May 3, 2012 (Table 16 in the revised OHP)
- OHP Table 16, Note 5, “ the minimum access management spacing for driveways is 150 feet or mid-block if the current city block is less than 300 feet.”

¹⁰ Table 10 is the same as Table 2 presented in Section 2.1.2. *Applicable Access Management Standards.*

Ideally, a project includes provisions by which access can be made fully compliant with the OR 99 Corridor Plan spacing standards established in Table 2 (repeated in Table 10). In many instances, access needed for existing development will not allow these standards to be met. When the requirements and standards cannot be met, progress toward meeting the applicable standards must be demonstrated or a deviation must be justified and approved by the Region Access Management Engineer.

5.2. Access Inventory

Access inventory data was obtained from ODOT's Official Project Access List (OPAL) for OR 99 from just south of South Stage Road (MP 9.97) to Jackson Road (MP 17.80). These data include public street intersections and public/private approaches to OR 99. Some additional (non-OPAL) data was provided between Garfield Street (MP 8.56) and South Stage Road (MP 9.97); however, the majority of the streets/approaches in this section of roadway were identified by visual assessment of an aerial and do not include milepoint or coordinates (latitude/longitude). A total of 434 accesses were identified (219 on the left side, 215 on the right side).

ODOT requires approach permits for approaches to highways under its jurisdiction, but many driveways and public streets predate the permitting process or have come into existence without permits. Of the accesses that have permits, some have been cancelled or are expired. Existing access permits were found for 110 accesses along the corridor, four of which are public roadways. Based on the revised Division 51, ODOT will no longer require a permit for public road approaches.

Along the OR 99 corridor, speeds and traffic volumes vary as does the adjacent land characteristics (urban or rural). Table 11 summarizes the driveway access spacing between the public roadways that intersect OR 99. Because access spacing is measured along one side of the roadway without regard for connections on the opposite side Table 11 considers spacing on the "right" and "left" sides of the roadway when traveling from south to north (ascending mile points).

Table 11. Driveway Access Spacing between Public Roadways

Segment on OR 99	Begin MP	Distance (miles)	Posted Speed (mph)	Spacing Standard ¹ (feet)	No. of Driveway Accesses	No. of Accesses Meeting Standard
ACCESS POINTS ON RIGHT SIDE OF OR 99 (Ascending Milepoints)						
Garfield Street to Bear Creek Corp	8.56	0.71	45	500	2	2
Bear Creek Corp to S. Stage Road	9.27	0.52			6	1
S. Stage Road to E. Glenwood Street	9.79	0.64			8	0
E. Glenwood Street to Rose Street	10.23	0.62			32	0
Rose Street to Posted Speed Change	10.86	0.17			3	0
Posted Speed Change Cheryl Avenue	11.03	0.08	30	350	1	0
Cheryl Avenue to Bolz Lane	11.11	0.14			3	0
Bolz Lane to 6 th Street	11.25	0.11			4	0
6 th Street to 5 th Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.36	0.06	30/35	350	2 (2/0)	0
5 th Street to 4 th Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.43	0.06	30/35	150	4 (3/1)	1 (0/1)
4 th Street to 3 rd Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.49	0.06			2 (1/1)	2 (1/1)
3 rd Street to 2 nd Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.55	0.06			3 (3/0)	0
2 nd Street to 1 st Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.61	0.06			2 (2/0)	0
1st Street to Oak Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.67	0.18			11 (11/0)	0
Oak Street to Couplet End (Main/Bear Creek)	11.85	0.08	30/35	350	6 (5/1)	0
Couplet End to Phoenix City South Limits	11.93	0.44	40	500	13	0
Phoenix South City Limits to End Speed Zone	12.37	0.25	50	550	10	0
End Speed Zone to Hartley Road	12.62	0.75	55	700	13	1
Hartley Road to Colver Road	13.37	0.49			3	1
Colver Road to New Street	13.86	0.21	40	500	5	0
New Street to W. Valley View Road	14.07	0.13			5	0
W. Valley View Road to Rapp Road	14.20	0.39			12	0
Rapp Road to Arnos Lane	14.59	0.31	45	500	10	1
Arnos Lane to Tulipan Road	14.90	0.36			9	0
Tulipan Road to Creel Road	15.26	0.08			1	0
Creel Road to End Speed Zone	15.34	0.04			0	1
End Speed Zone to Talent Avenue	15.38	0.89	55	700	20	0
Talent Avenue to Begin Speed Zone	16.26	0.51			5	2
Begin Speed Zone to S. Valley View Road	16.77	0.25	45	500	2	0
ACCESS POINTS ON LEFT SIDE OF OR 99 (Ascending Milepoints)						
Garfield Street to Charlotte Anne Road	8.56	0.25	45	700	2	1
Charlotte Anne Road to Lowry Lane	8.81	0.26			3	1
Lowry Lane to Matt Loop	9.07	0.33			3	1
Matt Loop to Lowry Road	9.41	0.19			1	1
Lowry Road to S. Stage Road	9.59	0.20			0	NA
S. Stage Road to W. Glenwood Street	9.79	0.45			9	1
W. Glenwood Street to Northridge Terrace	10.24	0.35			12	0
Northridge Terrace to Oak Crest Way	10.58	0.19			5	0
Oak Crest Way to Posted Speed Change	10.77	0.26			11	0
Posted Speed Change to Fern Valley Road	11.03	0.12			30	350
Fern Valley Road to Bolz Lane	11.15	0.10	2	0		
Bolz Lane to 5 th Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.25	0.18	30/35	350	9 (5/4)	0
5 th Street to 4 th Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.43	0.06	30/35	150	3 (1/2)	1 (1/0)
4 th Street to 1 st Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.49	0.18			10 (10/0)	0
1 st Street to W. Oak Street (Main/Bear Creek)	11.67	0.18			13 (13/0)	0
Oak Street to Couplet End (Main/Bear Creek)	11.85	0.08	30/35	350	4 (1/3)	1

Table 11. Driveway Access Spacing between Public Roadways

Segment on OR 99	Begin MP	Distance (miles)	Posted Speed (mph)	Spacing Standard ¹ (feet)	No. of Driveway Accesses	No. of Accesses Meeting Standard
Couplet End to Phoenix South City Limits	11.93	0.44	40	500	16	0
Phoenix South City Limits to Cabbage Lane	12.37	0.22	50	550	11	0
Cabbage Lane to End Speed Zone	12.59	0.03	55	700	0	0
End Speed Zone to Suncrest Road	12.62	1.24			29	1
Suncrest Road to Fairview Drive	13.86	0.21	40	500	3	0
Fairview Drive to W. Valley View Road	14.07	0.13			1	0
W. Valley View Road to Rapp Road	14.20	0.18			7	1
Rapp Road to End Speed Zone	14.38	1.00			29	0
End Speed Zone to Begin Speed Zone	15.38	1.39	55	700	5	3
Begin Speed Zone to S. Valley View Road	16.77	0.25	45	500	1	0

Notes:

1. Table 6: Access Management Spacing Standards for District Highway Segments with Annual Average Daily Traffic > 5,000, OAR 734-51 Temporary Rules – Effective January 1, 2012 Amended May 3, 2012 (Table 16 in the revised OHP)
2. No OPAL database information available. Data is based on visual assessment of an aerial.

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5.3. Key Principles of Access Management Plan

The Access Management Plan was developed balancing the key principles of safety and mobility for all users with regional and local economic vitality, which is consistent with the overarching corridor plan goals. These principles were applied in the following manner:

1. **Safety:** Crash data was evaluated to identify locations where turning or angle collisions have occurred at accesses along the highway. These types of collisions generally result in more frequent and severe injuries.
 - **Recommended Actions:** Evaluate potential access modifications to address high crash frequency (Northridge Terrace to Coleman Creek).
 - **Triggers:** Access modifications would be considered where a continued pattern of turning and angle collisions that can be reduced through access restriction or a location is in the worst 10% in the SPIS.
 - **Economic Considerations:** Access restrictions would not be constructed without reasonable alternate access unless an identified hazard that adversely affects public health, safety, or welfare prevails. Raised medians have been identified to support pedestrian crossings near unsignalized transit stops but are not identified for access control in the Access Management Plan.
2. **Mobility:** Projects were identified that improve corridor mobility for all system users while maximizing the use of existing infrastructure.
 - **Recommended Actions:** Projects include creating a complete sidewalk system along OR 99, adding bike facilities along OR 99, adding center turn lanes where none currently exist, and widening shoulders. Access management would be considered with implementation of each project.

- ***Triggers:** Most of the improvements address existing deficiencies of the corridor. Roadway restructuring would be considered where the 20-year forecast ADT is less than 18,000 vpd and widening would be considered where the 20-year forecast ADT is greater than 18,000 vpd.*
- ***Economic Considerations:** Multimodal accessibility to businesses and residences throughout the corridor realizes numerous economic benefits (improved land values, health, and equity; reduced congestion, vehicle costs, energy usage, and pollution). Projects that maximize the use of existing infrastructure can have fewer property impacts and may trigger fewer access changes. The identified projects do not reduce the vehicle-carrying capacity required for freight movement on the highway.*

5.4. Access Management Actions

The Access Management Plan for OR 99 includes a variety of techniques that can be applied to the highway and adjacent land use characteristics. Access management techniques would be implemented when one or more of the following triggers occur:

1. Applications for land use changes or development are submitted
2. Future highway improvement projects move into design and construction
3. Safety and/or operational problems arise

However, approval or delay of implementation may be determined by the Region Access Management Engineer.

Note: Access management techniques shall be applied with a desire to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards over time.

5.4.1. OR 99 from South Medford to Phoenix

The OR 99 Corridor Plan includes seven projects along the segment of OR 99 between Garfield Street and north of Cheryl Avenue. All but one of these projects include modifications to the roadway cross section including: new sidewalks, median island installation, intersection improvements, and culvert reconstruction or replacement.

The OR 99 Corridor Plan recommended access management actions are illustrated in Figure 9 and summarized below:

1. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.

Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:

- *Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.*

- *Sidewalks are constructed on OR 99 (Garfield Rd to Charlotte Ann Rd – MP 8.56-8.75 west side, Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek – MP 8.75-11.03 both sides).*
- *Median islands are constructed on OR 99 (assorted locations).*
- *Intersection improvements are constructed (Northridge Terrace – MP 10.58).*
- *The Coleman Creek crossing is reconstructed or replaced (Coleman Creek – MP 11.03-11.04).*
- *The annual accident rate is 20 percent greater than the statewide rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10 percent.*

The section of OR 99 between Northridge Terrace and 42nd Avenue (MP 10.58-10.98, circled on Figure 9) has a high frequency of crashes and should be a priority location for driveway closures/consolidation. Additional actions, such as the installation of a median to restrict turning movements, are not assumed or shown in the Access Management Plan but may be necessary if a continued pattern of turning collisions is demonstrated.

5.4.2. OR 99 Phoenix Segment

The OR 99 Corridor Plan includes five projects along the segment of OR 99 between north of Cheryl Avenue and Cabbage Lane. One of these projects, which has two alternatives depending on forecast volume, includes modifications to the roadway cross section.

The OR 99 Corridor Plan recommended access management actions are illustrated in Figure 9 and summarized below:

2. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.

Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:

- *Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.*
- *OR 99 is reconstructed to include sidewalks and bike lanes (south of the couplet to Phoenix south city limits – MP 11.96-12.36).*
- *The annual accident rate is 20 percent greater than the statewide rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10 percent.*

In addition to measures identified on the highway, opportunities to construct local network connections should be considered with adjacent development to expand access options for both future and existing parcels.

The Fern Valley Interchange Project is reconstructing the portion of OR 99 from Coleman Creek to north of 6th Street. The project includes access changes that are not yet reflected in the access inventory but move towards compliance with access spacing standards.

5.4.3. OR 99 from Phoenix to Talent

The OR 99 Corridor Plan includes one project with two alternative cross sections depending on forecast volume along the segment of OR 99 between north of Cabbage Lane and Culver/Suncrest Road. One of these alternatives includes modifications to the roadway cross section.

The OR 99 Corridor Plan recommended access management actions are illustrated in Figure 9 and summarized below:

3. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.

Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:

- *Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.*
- *OR 99 is widened to increase shoulder widths (Phoenix south city limits to Talent north city limits – MP 12.37-13.86).*
- *The annual accident rate is 20 percent greater than the statewide rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10 percent.*

5.4.4. OR 99 Talent Segment

The OR 99 Corridor Plan includes four projects along the segment of OR 99 between the city limits (Culver/Suncrest Road and south of Creel Road). Three of these projects focus on sidewalk, pathway, or pedestrian crossing improvements. The other project is a STIP project that would improve the highway from Rapp Road southward through Creel Road.

The OR 99 Corridor Plan recommended access management actions are illustrated in Figure 9 and summarized below:

4. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.

Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:

- *Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.*
- *Sidewalks are constructed on OR 99 (Culver/Suncrest Road to Rapp Road – MP 13.86-14.59).*
- *An unsignalized crosswalk with pedestrian-activated devices is constructed on OR 99 as part of the Wagner Creek Greenway Trail (MP 14.39)*

- *OR 99 is reconstructed to include curbs and sidewalks, bike lanes, two through travel lanes, and a center median lane (STIP project: Rapp Road to south of Creel Road – MP 14.71-15.67).*
- *A multi-use path is constructed on the east side of OR 99 from Creel Road to the a new connection with the Bear Creek Greenway (MP 15.34-15.67)*
- *The annual accident rate is 20 percent greater than the statewide rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10 percent.*

5.4.5. OR 99 from Talent to Ashland

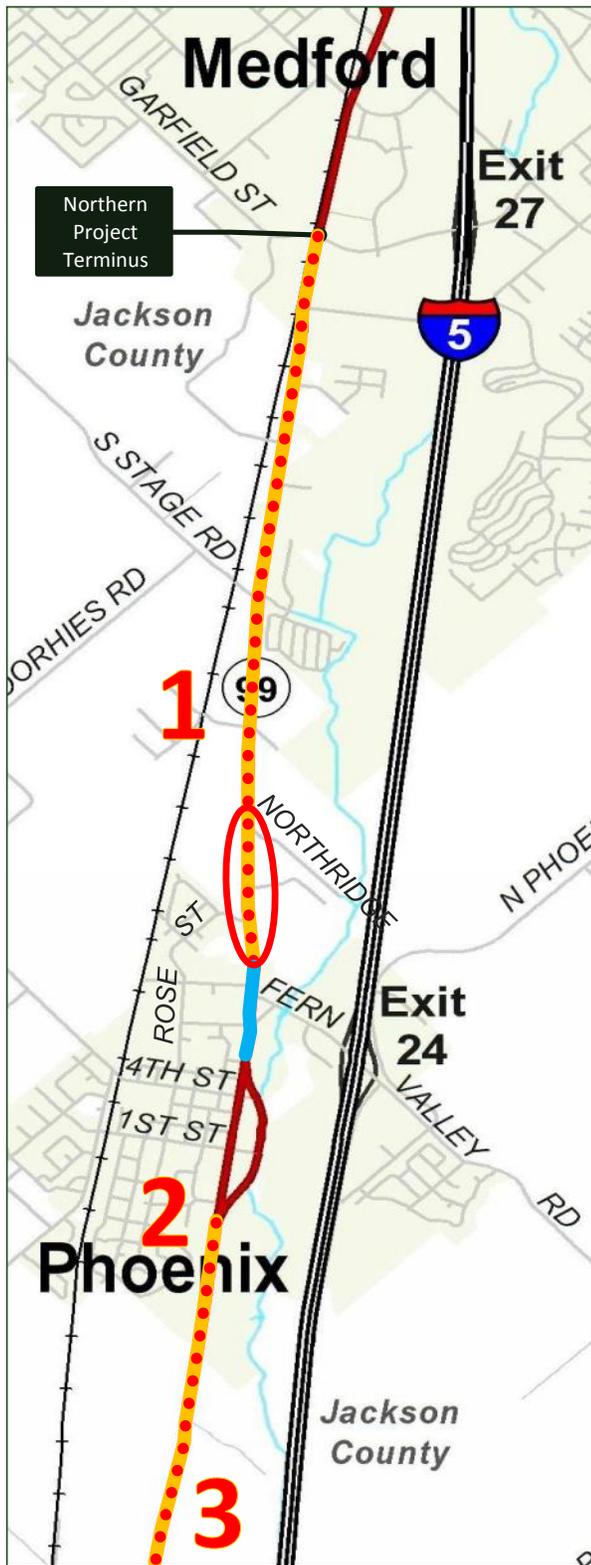
The OR 99 Corridor Plan includes two projects along the segment of OR 99 between the southern city limits (south of Creel Road) to S. Valley View Road. Both of these projects have alternative cross sections depending on forecast volume. Additionally, an alternative intersection improvement dependent of forecast volume is included in the project list. Both projects on this segment include roadway modifications such as intersection turn lanes, providing a wider bike lane/shoulder, and additional lane capacity.

The OR 99 Corridor Plan recommended access management actions are illustrated in Figure 9 and summarized below:

5. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.

Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:

- *Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.*
- *OR 99 is widened to increase shoulder widths (south of Creel Road to Entrance to Jackson Hot Springs – MP 15.34-16.92).*
- *Left-turn lanes are added on OR 99 at intersections (Talent Avenue – MP 16.26)*
- *The annual accident rate is 20 percent greater than the statewide rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10 percent.*



Recommended Access Management Actions

1. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.
 - Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:
 - Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.
 - Sidewalks are constructed on OR 99 (Garfield Rd to Charlotte Ann Rd – MP 8.56-8.75 west side, Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek – MP 8.75-11.03 both sides).
 - Median islands are constructed on OR 99 (assorted locations).
 - Intersection improvements are constructed (Northridge Terrace – MP 10.58).
 - The annual accident rate is 20% greater than the statewide rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10%.

2. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.
 - Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:
 - Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.
 - OR 99 is reconstructed to include sidewalks and bike lanes (south of the couplet to Phoenix south city limits – MP 11.96-12.36).
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 - OR 99 is widened to increase shoulder widths (Phoenix south city limits to Talent north city limits – MP 12.37-13.86).
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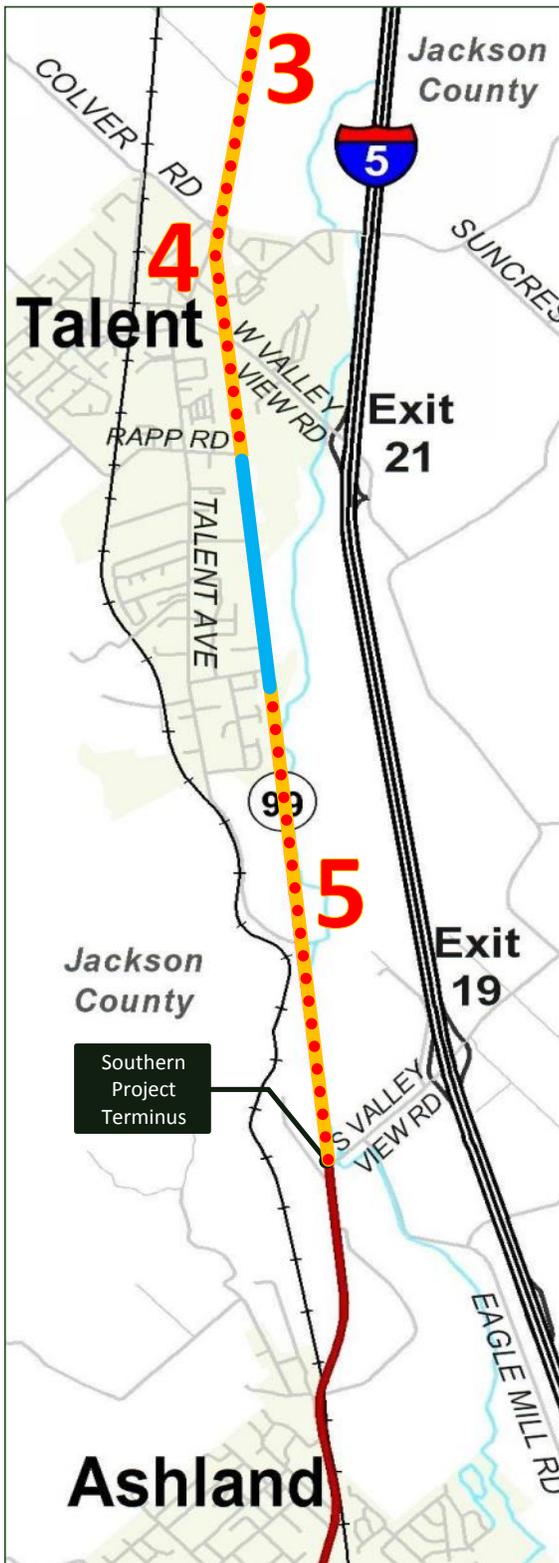
Figure 9



Legend

- Segment with Recommended Improvement Project
- Access Consolidation/Closure/Turn Restriction
- Near-Term Funded Improvement Project
- Area with High Crash Rate Associated with Access Turning Movements

OR 99 Access
Management Plan
North Section



Recommended Access Management Actions

3. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.
 - Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:
 - Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.
 - OR 99 is widened to increase shoulder widths (Phoenix south city limits to Talent north city limits – MP 12.37-13.86).
 - The annual accident rate is 20% greater than the statewide annual average accident rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10%.

4. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.
 - Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:
 - Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.
 - Sidewalks are constructed on OR 99 (Colver/Suncrest Road to Rapp Road – MP 13.86-14.59).
 - An unsignalized crosswalk with pedestrian-activated devices is constructed on OR 99 as part of the Wagner Creek Greenway Trail (MP 14.39)
 - OR 99 is reconstructed to include curbs and sidewalks, bike lanes, two through travel lanes, and a center median lane (STIP project: Rapp Road to south of Creel Road – MP 14.71-15.67).
 - A multi-use path is constructed on the east side of OR 99 from Creel Road to the a new connection with the Bear Creek Greenway (MP 15.34-15.67)
 - The annual accident rate is 20% greater than the statewide annual average accident rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10%.

5. Consolidate/close driveways in an effort to move towards achieving applicable access spacing standards.
 - Consolidation or closure of driveways and/or turn movement restrictions should be considered when any of the following conditions are met:
 - Properties develop or redevelop and when reasonable access can be provided with a single access point or via a local street.
 - OR 99 is widened to increase shoulder widths (south of Creel Road to Entrance to Jackson Hot Springs – MP 15.34-16.92).
 - Left-turn lanes are added on OR 99 at intersections (Talent Avenue – MP 16.26)
 - The annual accident rate is 20% greater than the statewide annual average accident rate for similar roadways or a section has an ODOT SPIS rating in the worst 10%.

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Legend

- Segment with Recommended Improvement Project
- Access Consolidation/Closure/Turn Restriction
- Near-Term Funded Improvement Project
- Area with High Crash Rate Associated with Access Turning Movements

Figure 9

OR 99 Access Management Plan North Section

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6. OTHER MANAGEMENT ACTIONS

Other management actions are included to protect and extend the life of the corridor and provide for all modes of travel in the OR 99 corridor.

6.1. Transportation System Management Measures

Transportation System Management (TSM) measures are designed to maximize the use of existing transportation facilities.

6.1.1. Traffic Operations Emergency Plan

The OR 99 corridor is a vital element for north-south travel between Ashland and Medford especially when travel on I-5 is limited by traffic incidents (i.e., crashes). A traffic operations emergency plan would provide guidance to area response teams to maximize efficiency along OR 99 when it must carry traffic routed from the freeway. Guidance elements could include detour signing from I-5, signal timing/flagging at key locations, standard messages to deploy with area ITS, and other measures.

The plan would need to be periodically updated to reflect the current roadway conditions in the OR 99 corridor. In areas where roadway restructuring to implement complete streets results in through travel lane reductions, the plan should be updated as part of the project development process.

6.1.2. Traffic Signal Timing Modifications

To address existing safety issues at two of the signalized intersections in the corridor, the following signal timing modifications are recommended:

OR 99/S. Stage Road Intersection:

- Provide protected left-turn phases in the east-west direction (S. Stage Road)
- Add clearance intervals for appropriate traffic phases in the east-west direction

OR 99/W. Valley View Road Intersection:

- Provide protected left-turn phases in the east-west direction (W. Valley View Road)
- Add clearance intervals for appropriate traffic phases in the east-west direction

Current signal timing provides for protected left-turn phasing in the north-south direction (OR 99) but only permitted (i.e., left-turning vehicles must look for breaks in the oncoming traffic stream) left-turn phasing in the east-west direction. The addition of protected left-turn phasing in the east-west direction would potentially decrease the number of turning collisions

that are occurring at both intersections by allocating time for vehicles to turn left from the side streets to OR 99 without any conflicting vehicular movements.

Neither of the signals has east-west clearance time programmed into the signal phasing. The addition of “all red” timing into the signal cycle would potentially decrease the number of angle collisions by allowing vehicles in the east-west direction to fully clear the intersection before north-south traffic flow begins.

6.1.3. Access Management Evaluation

The section of OR 99 from Northridge Terrace to Coleman Creek has a higher than average crash rate associated unsignalized streets and driveways. The Access Management Plan indicates that access consolidation/closure/turn restrictions should be considered on this segment when Projects 3 (OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Sidewalk Improvements), 4 (OR 99 –Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek: Median Islands), or 5 (OR 99/Northridge Terrace Intersection: Safety Improvements) are implemented. However, because some of this segment is also identified in the worst 10% locations in the SPIS, evaluation of potential access management measures should be prioritized, even if other improvements take longer to implement. Triggers for this improvement include a continued pattern of turning and angle collisions and an ongoing rating in the worst 10% locations in the SPIS.

6.2. Transportation Demand Management Measures

Transportation Demand Management (TDM) measures are designed to reduce vehicular demand, especially for commuter trips in the peak periods. Goals and policies of the State, the RVMPO, and Jackson County contain provisions that embrace TDM measures.

TDM measures include strategies that shift modes away from the single-occupancy vehicle, such as carpooling, vanpooling, transit, bicycling, and walking programs; strategies that shift trips to non-peak periods, such as flexible work schedules and off-peak shifts; and telecommuting, which eliminates trips. TDM strategies are most effective in areas with high concentrations of employment and where a robust transit system exists.

Generally, the strategies are easiest to implement where there are large employers or where a Transportation Management Association (TMA) has been established to pool the efforts of many smaller employers. The Rogue Valley TMA, which encompasses the Medford metropolitan area, was established in Year 2002 but has been inactive in recent years. Funds for the program are identified in the RTP and are programmed in the current Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP). The funding would come from a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grant. Coordinating with the Rogue Valley TMA or revitalizing it, and educating employers about it may help reduce congestion along the OR 99 corridor.

6.3. Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities

The addition of improved bicycle and pedestrian facilities throughout the OR 99 corridor improves connectivity for these travel modes and can reduce traffic demand on the highway. More importantly, these facilities serve the portion of the population who do not have access to a personal means of motorized transportation and rely on walking, bicycling, and transit for mobility.

In addition to improving or adding new facilities to the system, the plan supports improved connections to the Bear Creek Greenway. These improvements will involve partnering with Jackson County, the Cities of Medford, Phoenix, and Talent, and greenway proponents.

6.4. Transit Operations

In support of the existing RVTD Bus Route 10 that travels along the OR 99 corridor, this plan includes projects that:

- Provide sidewalks to every urban transit stop on the highway
- Provide medians, crosswalks, and some pedestrian-activated crossing devices to facilitate crossing the highway near many of the urban transit stops
- Widen shoulders on rural sections of the highway

When implementing projects, particularly those that involve restructuring the roadway, consideration should be given to including transit pullouts, if appropriate.

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The OR 99 Corridor Plan relies on monitoring of traffic volumes, congestion, and crash history to identify when specific projects should be considered for implementation. When traffic conditions are within five (5) years of an identified traffic threshold, funding opportunities for specific projects should be pursued. Project funding is briefly summarized in this section along with other opportunities that could be considered.

7.1. Traffic Conditions Monitoring

The projects identified in both the Corridor Plan and the Access Management Plan include triggers that identify when a project and/or strategy may be warranted. Although some priority has been assigned to the projects, periodic monitoring by the agency should occur to identify when specific projects may be needed. In some cases, project priority may be elevated based on traffic volume trends or crash history, while other projects may be delayed.

The Monitoring Program includes two elements:

6. **Systematic Agency Monitoring** of traffic and crash data used to identify the need for capacity and safety improvements. Table 12 summarizes the types of projects and data collection that should be monitored. At a minimum, data collection should include:
 - *Intersection traffic volumes should be collected and analyzed every three (3) to five (5) years to identify the need for traffic signals, left-turn lanes, right-turn lanes, and other capacity and/or safety improvements.*
 - *Crash rates should be reviewed every two (2) to three (3) years and SPIS rankings should be reviewed annually to identify when safety improvements such as left-turn lanes, right-turn lanes, and access management measures may be necessary.*
7. **Developer Traffic Impact Studies (TIS)** for proposed development projects should be part of the monitoring process. Proposed developments could generate a sufficient number of trips to impact intersections and/or other public intersections along OR 99. Actions related to TIS preparation include:
 - *Minimum trip thresholds for when a TIS is required should be reviewed for consistency with monitoring needs of the OR 99 Corridor Plan.*
 - *Improvements that are triggered by development projects should be incorporated into local government conditions of approval.*

Table 12. Monitoring for System Improvements

Project Type	Potential Locations	Monitoring
Traffic Signal Phasing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OR 99/S. Stage Rd Intersection ▪ OR 99/W. Valley View Rd Intersection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monitor for continued pattern of turning and angle collisions in the east-west direction
Roadway Restructuring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OR 99 – South of Couplet to South Phoenix City Limits ▪ OR 99 – Phoenix to Talent City Limits ▪ OR 99 – Talent City Limits to S. Valley View Rd 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monitor for pattern of crashes related to vehicles stopping in the through travel lane ▪ Monitor existing and 20-year forecast traffic volumes to determine which improvements are most applicable
Left-Turn Lanes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OR 99/Talent Avenue Intersection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monitor for pattern of rear-end crashes related to left-turn movements ▪ Monitor intersection traffic volumes to determine if left-turn lane warrants are met or will soon be met
Other Safety Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OR 99/Northridge Terrace Intersection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monitor crash patterns for increased frequency of crashes related to northbound right -turn movement
Access Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All roadway segments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monitor crash rates to identify when the annual crash rate is 20% higher than the statewide rate for similar roadways ▪ Monitor ODOT SPIS database to identify segments with a rating in the worst 10%. ▪ Monitor for development
Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OR 99 – Garfield Rd to Charlotte Ann Rd ▪ OR 99 – Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek ▪ OR 99 – Coleman Creek Culvert ▪ OR 99 – Bolz Ln to South End of Couplet ▪ OR 99 – Colver/Suncrest Rd to Rapp Rd ▪ OR 99 – Creel Rd to Bear Creek Greenway Connection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Current Deficiencies ▪ Monitor for continued bicycle and pedestrian activity along OR 99 ▪ Monitor for development
Highway Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OR 99 – Charlotte Ann Rd to Coleman Creek ▪ OR 99 – Couplet in Downtown Phoenix ▪ OR 99 – Wagner Creek Greenway Trail Crossing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monitor segment traffic volumes including pedestrians and cyclists to determine if crossing warrants are met ▪ Monitor transit stop ridership

7.2. Potential Funding Sources

Only one of the projects listed in *Section 4. Corridor Plan Improvements* currently has an identified funding source (Project 16. OR 99 – Rapp Rd to Creel Rd (Talent City Limits): Roadway Restructuring). Funding for plan projects is anticipated to come from a variety of public and private sources as projects develop during the planning period.

The inclusion of an improvement in the OR 99 Corridor Plan does not represent a commitment by ODOT to fund, allow, or construct the project. Projects on OR 99 are not considered “planned” projects until they are programmed into the Statewide Transportation Improvement

Program (STIP). As such, local governments and/or private developers cannot rely upon the projects proposed in the OR 99 Corridor Plan to mitigate significant traffic effects unless they are programmed into the STIP, or a local Capital Improvement Program (CIP), or funded privately through a Cooperative Improvement Agreement (CIA) with ODOT. Highway projects that are programmed in the STIP to be constructed may have to be altered or cancelled at a later time to meet changing budgets or unanticipated conditions such as environmental constraints.”

7.2.1. STIP Funding

Beginning in Year 2012, funding in the STIP is divided into two categories:

1. **Enhance:** “Activities that enhance, expand, or improve the transportation system.”
2. **Fix-It:** “Activities that fix or preserve the transportation system.”

According to a summary of the new program,¹¹ the **Enhance** portion of the program is expected to receive less than one-quarter of the STIP funding, while the **Fix-It** portion would receive more than three-quarters of the STIP funding. This allocation reflects an emphasis on preserving the existing system. Another aspect of the program revisions is the need to address a wide range of issues and fund multi-modal solutions that best address system problems.

1. Projects that may be eligible for the **Enhance** category of funds include:
 - Bicycle and/or pedestrian facilities on or off the highway right of way
 - Development STIP projects (projects not ready for construction within 4-year cycle)
 - Modernization projects that add capacity to the highway system (per Oregon Revised Statute [ORS] 366.507)
 - Most projects previously eligible for Transportation Enhancement funds
 - Projects previously eligible for Flex Funds (Bicycle and Pedestrian, Transit, and TDM projects, plans, programs, and services)
 - Protective right of way purchases
 - Public transportation (capital projects only, not operations)
 - Safe Routes to School (infrastructure projects)
 - Scenic Byways (construction projects)
 - Transportation Alternatives (the federal transportation authorization, MAP-21)
 - TDM projects
2. Project activities eligible for the **Fix-It** category of funds include:
 - Bicycle and pedestrian facilities on state routes only
 - Bridges (state owned)
 - Culverts

¹¹ Introduction to *Enhance* and *Fix-It* for the 2015-2018 STIP, ODOT website:
http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TP/pages/stip_guide.aspx.

- High risk rural roads
- Illumination, signs and signals
- Landslides and rock falls
- Operations (includes ITS)
- Pavement preservation
- Rail-highway crossings
- Safety
- Salmon (fish passage)
- Site mitigation and repair
- Storm water retrofit
- TDM (part of operations)
- Work zone safety (project specific)

Note: Table 9 (Summary of Corridor Plan Improvements) identifies the potential funding STIP category that apply to each project based on this breakdown of eligibility.

7.2.2. Other Project Funding

Other project funding may come from public or private sources. Public funding opportunities could include local government Capital Improvement Programs (CIPs) and possible agency partnerships with local governments to combine funding resources for related projects. Private development could be another source for funding through required mitigation and/or public/private partnerships with local governments and developer contributions to a larger project.

Note: None of the OR 99 Corridor Plan improvements are reasonably likely to be constructed and cannot be relied upon to mitigate significant effects unless they are funded by the State of Oregon, a local government or a private entity.