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Atten; Bob Thompson

RE; Local Bridge Application Information Request

Bridge # 25E10, and 25E11

These two bridges are on the same road and about 100 yards apart, so anything pertaining to one also pertains to the other.

The structures are primarily used by local ranchers and agriculture people moving hay, cows and other commodities, although in the past, and hopefully again in the future logs will be transported over this route.

The current use is pretty much year around at this point, with maybe some higher truck volumes in the summer months.

The Van Drewsey Road which these structures are located on connects to State Highway 20, approximately 40 miles North of Burns Or.

The average daily truck traffic was determined using 5% of the estimated ADT.

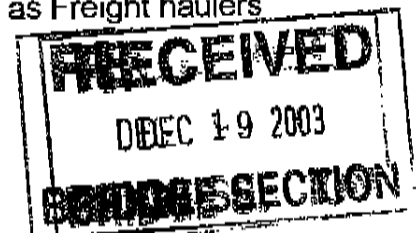
Bridge #25D01

This structure carries all of the local truck traffic from one end of Harney County to the other, as The Catlow Valley Road is the only paved road that goes from one end to the other. The Catlow Valley Road is actually an extension of State Highway 205 which dead ends at the Roaring Springs Ranch, and then becomes a County Road. There are also some Freight haulers using the route going from Nevada, north, to either Idaho or Washington.

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Bridge #25A82

This structure is located on the South Harney Road, which connects State Highway 20 to State Highway 78. It is a paved road which is used by virtually all kinds of trucks, including local agriculture, rock and construction materials, as well as Freight haulers moving products from North to South in Oregon.



This bridge has more truck traffic than most in Harney County but as we do not have any actual truck counts, we again based the average daily truck traffic on 5% of the estimated ADT.

Bridge #25A16

This bridge is located on a road in the Silver Creek Valley, west of Burns. It is the only road from the Silver Creek Valley to State Highway 20. Currently the truck traffic is mostly local Agriculture moving from Silver Creek to the highway, but when timber harvest again becomes a reality the structure will carry many logging trucks from both the Malheur and Ochoco National Forests to market.

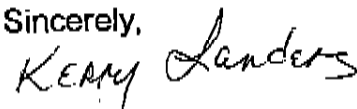
The average daily truck traffic was again determined using 5% of the estimated ADT.

Bridge #25A55 and Bridge #25A56 ^{perm taken to refer to #25A58 12/23/03 vjd} are located in the same area a few miles east of Burns, and again are predominantly used by local farmers and ranchers moving products from the rural county to Burns. Both structures are also on roads that connect State Highway 20 to State Highway 78, and are used by AG. Trucks, Contractors, and freight haulers wishing to avoid the congestion of downtown Burns.

Again as with all of the other structures, the average daily truck traffic was determined using 5% of the estimated ADT.

It is important to realize, that although these roads and bridges are located in a rural part of the State, where traffic volumes are low, they still contribute to a very necessary transportation system that is vital to the State of Oregon.

Sincerely,



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