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<http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION1/ProjectPage.shtml>

## **ODOT Open House for I-5 Viaduct Replacement**

***Public invited to attend Open House Wednesday, Dec. 9, at the Portland French School***

The Oregon Department of Transportation invites area residents, homeowners and businesses to an Open House to learn more about a project to replace the Interstate 5 Viaduct that crosses the ravine at SW Iowa St. in Portland, just north of the Terwilliger Curves (milepost 298).

### **Open House Details**

**When:** Wednesday, Dec. 9, 4:30 pm – 7 pm

**Where:** Portland French School Lobby, 6318 SW Corbett St., Portland, OR 97239

**What:** Informal Open House to learn about potential traffic, noise, construction and trail impacts

**Project Background:** The columns and support superstructure of the I-5 viaduct at SW Iowa Street do not meet roadway standards and the bridge deck is in poor condition. The replacement viaduct will maintain three lanes in each direction of I-5, with 12-foot shoulders, wider center medians, higher concrete barrier and retaining walls along the freeway.

A temporary detour bridge will be built to the west of the current viaduct to allow work to take place on the existing viaduct without reducing lanes on I-5. Approximately 145,000 vehicles use this I-5 viaduct every day. Construction on the estimated three-year viaduct replacement project is expected to begin in spring 2010.

To view a map of the project area or to learn more about this viaduct replacement, visit the project Web site at <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION1/iowaviaduct/>. For general questions, contact Mike Mason, ODOT Community Affairs Coordinator: 503.731.8246 or [michael.w.mason@odot.state.or.us](mailto:michael.w.mason@odot.state.or.us).

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