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Town Meeting to discuss Oregon 47 safety improvements

The Oregon Department of Transportation invites the public to a Town Meeting at **6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, in the Forest Grove Community Auditorium, 1915 Main St., Forest Grove** to discuss possible safety improvements to the intersection of Oregon 47 and Verboort and Purdin Roads. ODOT will share data from new safety investigations and listen to residents' and motorists' safety concerns.

"We were very saddened to hear of the recent tragic accident at Verboort/Purdin Roads and Highway 47," said ODOT Region 1 Manager Jason Tell. "ODOT is currently investigating this intersection to determine if there are other safety improvements that can be made." ODOT is reviewing traffic movements, speeds, volumes and crash data.

In 2005, a safety improvement project near the intersection built new left and right turn lanes to allow vehicles to move out of travel lanes to wait for sufficient clearance to make turns safely.

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