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## COMMUNITY UPDATE

### Interim Safety Project at Oregon Highway 99E and Territorial Road

#### ODOT Moving Forward to Build Modifications Based on Public Comment

The Oregon Department of Transportation will move forward to construct interim safety improvements at the Intersection of OR 99E and Territorial Road. ODOT Region 1 Manager, Matthew Garrett, presented an adjusted proposal to the Canby City Council on July 21. This plan incorporates many of the constructive comments made at the public meeting held in Canby on June 24. Most significant is the change that keeps two northbound lanes, with channelized left turns on to Territorial Road. Southbound traffic will be narrowed to one lane with a right turn lane on to Territorial Road. Construction will be completed by October of this year.

#### Project Details

##### 1. Maintain Two Northbound Lanes

The intersection will be channelized to allow left turns onto Territorial Road from 99E, while restricting cross traffic and left turns onto the highway from Territorial Road. This will be accomplished by reducing traffic near the intersection to one southbound through lane with a right-turn lane onto Territorial Road. As a result of input from the community, two northbound lanes will be maintained.

##### 2. Control Speed

ODOT will work to see if the speed limit at the intersection can be reduced to 45 mph, and will work with Clackamas County on their traffic control issues on Territorial Road, as well as other affected streets and intersections.

##### 3. Coordinate Signals

ODOT will coordinate the signal at Sequoia/Redwood and 99E to ensure optimum mobility.

##### 4. Increase Traffic Law Enforcement

Increased speed zone law enforcement will be requested.

The intent of these interim improvements is to balance the need for immediate safety improvements with the need to keep surrounding neighborhoods safe and livable. The short-term modifications would have prevented more than 80% of the accidents recorded at this intersection.

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The constructive comments from the community and the support of Canby's Mayor and City Council have been key to the successful development of this plan and will continue to be essential to the work in this area.

ODOT is committed to a comprehensive project to install a traffic signal and make other improvements at the intersection of Highway 99E and Territorial Road. This full project is scheduled for construction in 2006. Concerns for safety in the short-term prompted community members to ask ODOT to investigate immediate actions to reduce the number of accidents in this intersection.

If you have questions or comments about the interim plan or the 2006 full project, please contact the project leader: Rick Keene at 503.731.3289 or by e-mail to [Rick.K.Keene@ODOT.state.or.us](mailto:Rick.K.Keene@ODOT.state.or.us) for more information.

We appreciate your continued support as we strive to keep your state roads operating smoothly and safely. If you have any general questions, comments or concerns about ODOT projects in this area, please call Judy Shioishi, Region 1 Community Affairs at 503.731.8237 or by e-mail to [Judy.A.Shioishi@ODOT.state.or.us](mailto:Judy.A.Shioishi@ODOT.state.or.us).

