



ODOT paving & safety project coming soon

The Oregon Department of Transportation is currently finalizing the construction contract to begin work on the U.S. 26 Rhododendron to MP 49.2 Project. Construction is estimated to begin in mid-June and be completed by October 2011.

Project Elements

- Paving and striping U.S. 26 from milepost 44.1 to 49.2.
- Creating a westbound passing lane, westbound chain removal area, and eastbound chain-on area between milepost 47.8 and 48.6.
- Realigning Kiwanis Road to improve sight distance and turning movements.
- Improving safety through the eastbound curve at milepost 47, including guardrail installation (access at milepost 47.1 will be permanently closed).
- Improving signage throughout the project area.

Traffic impacts

During construction, drivers can expect single lane closures controlled by flaggers. Drivers will be directed through the work area by pilot cars. ODOT anticipates that the majority of work will take place during nighttime hours.

Nighttime construction

Nighttime construction noise may be audible to residents along the project corridor. However, noise levels dissipate as distance from the source increases. The paving operation is continually moving, which means that noise will not be concentrated in one particular area for any significant length of time. To report noise issues **during nighttime work hours only**, please call 541-980-2800 or 541-993-1583.

For questions or concerns during **daytime work hours**, please call Elizabeth Craig at 503-731-8237 or email elizabeth.craig@odot.state.or.us

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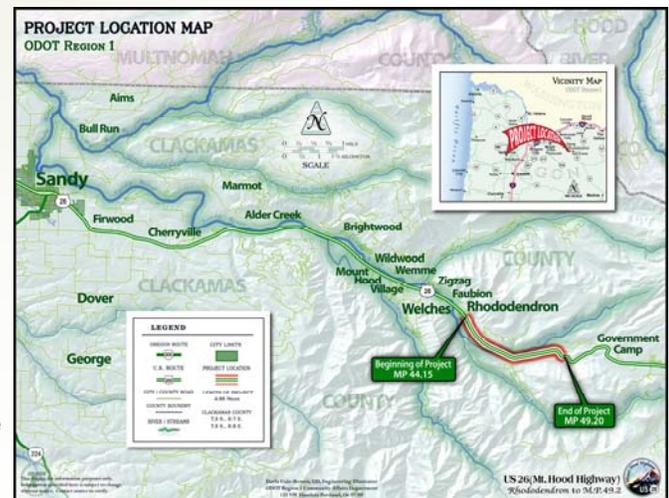
Visit the project website for the latest information. Weekly construction updates will be provided on the site or you can send your email address to elizabeth.craig@odot.state.or.us to automatically receive weekly updates via email. Traffic updates are also available at www.tripcheck.com or by calling 5-1-1.

Project Updates

- No trees will be removed as part of this project.*
- Construction of a westbound passing lane between milepost 47.8 and 48.6 has been added to the project.

To learn more, join us at the **project open house** (details on reverse) and/or visit the project website.

**A separate project to remove select trees for safety reasons is being considered as a necessary ODOT Maintenance and U.S. Forest Service action. We will provide updates to the community as we move forward.*



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US 26 (Mt. Hood Highway) Rhododendron to M.P. 49.2

U.S. 26: Rhododendron to Milepost 49.2 Project Open House

Tuesday, May 31, 2011
5 p.m. to 7 p.m. (drop in any time)
Mt. Hood RV Village - Fireside Room
65000 E. Highway 26
Welches, OR 97067

The public is invited to stop in at any time during the open house. Project team members will be on hand to discuss project details and answer questions.

Accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities. If a sign language interpreter is needed, please call (503) 731-8237 or TTY (800) 735-2900 48 hours prior to the meeting.

¿Habla usted español? Podemos proveer la información en esta publicación en español. Para recibir la información en español, por favor llámé al (503) 731-4128.

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