



Oregon Department of Transportation

Highway Project Information

Area 3 Project Office: Salem

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State Highway Development and Construction in Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties

OR99E @ Checkerboard Road Safety Project

Project location

- Pacific Hwy East, OR99E, at the intersection of Checkerboard Road (Marion County) near the City of Gervais (MP 37).

Project purpose and need

- This intersection experiences a substantial number of serious crashes. Checkerboard Road connects to OR 99E at a skewed angle. There is a business located in the area between OR99E and Checkerboard Road that has open access to OR99E. The Average Daily Traffic counts on this highway make it difficult at peak hours to make turning movements.

Construction overview

- Construct a new alignment for Checkerboard Road, connecting with OR99E approximately 800 feet north of the present location and disconnect present alignment.
- Construct left turn lane for north to west turning movements.
- Apply an access management strategy within the project limits.
- Construction will be staged and mostly off the system, minimal traffic impacts. Night work will be required for lane closures.
- No height, weight and length restrictions anticipated.
- Single Trip, over width loads will need to be coordinated with Construction Project Manager

Cost estimate

- Estimated construction cost—\$1, 700,000
- Federal funding through the safety program

Key project milestones

- Project Design — will be coordinated with Marion County
- Right of Way — October 2008
- Bid Let Date — Target Spring 2010
- Construction — Summer 2010

How to get involved

- Letters to affected property owners at project kick off
- Meeting with property owners
- News release prior to construction

For more information or to schedule a meeting with your organization, contact:

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