

OR 140: Quartz Creek

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Project Components:

- Replace the existing culvert with one that is appropriately sized to meet the hydraulic needs of the creek, and allows fish passage.

Project Location

The project is located 27 miles west of Lakeview, OR (see attached vicinity map).

Why this project is needed

OR 140 is an important part of the State's transportation system in south central Oregon. It provides an important economic transportation link between Jackson, Klamath and Lake Counties, and is classified a Freight Route. Keeping these roads in good condition and providing for safe travel are critical parts of the mission for the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT).

The existing culvert has a history of modifications and extensions that have resulted in sink holes that needed short term repairs until a long term fix could be made. Replacement is a high priority because there is risk of a significant failure in its present condition. If flooding required closing the road, a detour would be lengthy affecting mobility as well as safety.



Quartz Creek as it passes under OR 140 west of Lakeview, OR.

What is being planned

The existing corrugated metal pipe will be replaced with an arched pipe that meets hydraulic and fish passage needs.

Traffic control during construction

During construction traffic will be restricted to one lane and controlled by flaggers 24/7. Motorists can expect short delays.

Key Project Milestones

Final Plans	February 2015
Bid opening	May 2015
Construction	Summer 2015

ODOT awarded a construction contract to Knife River to replace a culvert at Quartz Creek. Work began in early August and was completed in September 2015.

Preliminary Project Cost Estimate

~\$700 thousand

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