



Project Information

Oro Dell Bridge Repair - 2011

U.S. 30 Grande Ronde River / UPRR (ORO Dell) Br # 08431

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Project location

- U.S. Highway 30 milepost zero, approximately two miles west of La Grande in Union County.
- Adjacent to Interstate 84 Exit 259.

Public Outreach

- Flyers were distributed and ODOT's Project Leader met with local businesses Fall 2010
- A public informational meeting was held Nov. 22 in La Grande.
- Future updates will also be provided to the public through media notices as plans progress.

Bridge description

- Bridge constructed in 1960.
- 678 feet long and 23.7 feet wide with 20-foot wide travel lane.
- Structure crosses the Grande Ronde River and the Union Pacific railroad tracks.
- Serves as the I-84 westbound on-ramp at Exit 259 for traffic leaving La Grande from the northern end of the city.



Looking east at Oro Dell Bridge from I-84 eastbound Exit 259 off-ramp

Overview of construction activity

- The Oregon Department of Transportation who is responsible for the bridge has identified repair and preservation needs to maintain the continued use and service of the structure. A project is scheduled for the construction season in 2011 to address the following items:
 - Remove existing rails on both sides of the bridge and replace with new.
 - Seal cracks in the box girder.
 - Repair bearings
 - Strengthen the beam ledges.
 - Install fencing along rail to protect rail road as required.
 - Replace and update expansion joints.
 - Apply micro silica overlay to the entire deck of the bridge.
- The project bid letting is scheduled for January 2011.
- The ODOT La Grande Construction office will administer the contract after it is awarded.

Construction impacts

- The structure will be closed to traffic during construction work due to narrow bridge width of 23.7 feet (there will not be adequate room to stage activities from side to side in a safe and effective manner).
- The closure is expected to take place over several months during the 2011 construction season.
- During the bridge closure the travelling public can use Exit 261 or Exit 265 to access the westbound freeway.
- The I-84 eastbound Exit 259 off-ramp will remain open.

Key project milestones (estimated)

- Start of construction: Spring 2011
- End of construction: Late 2011

Project cost and funding

- Contract cost: \$2.5 million
- This project is funded with \$2.5 million dollars through the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and is on the state’s priority list for bridge repair work.

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Project location map

