



Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan Washington County, Oregon March 1, 2013

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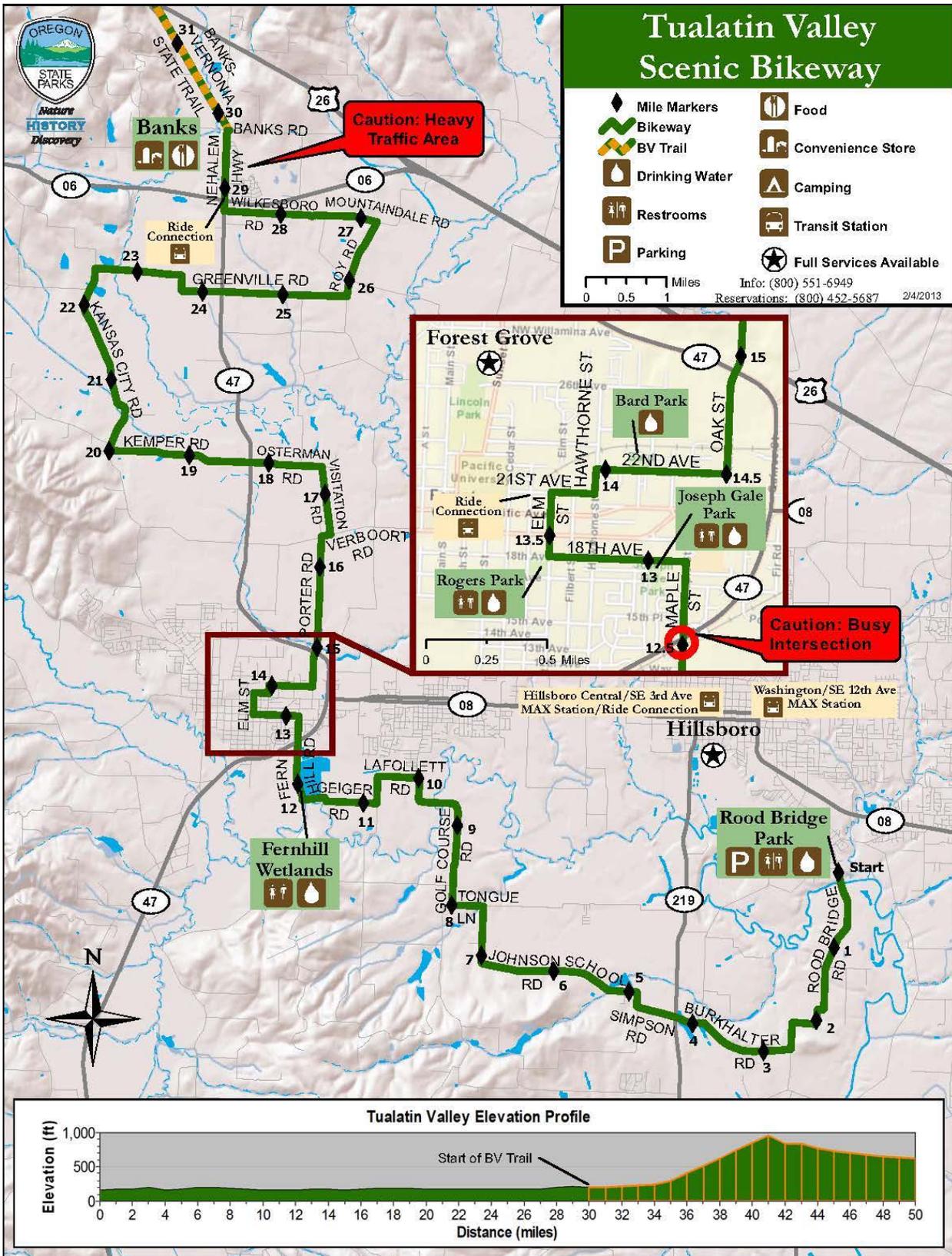
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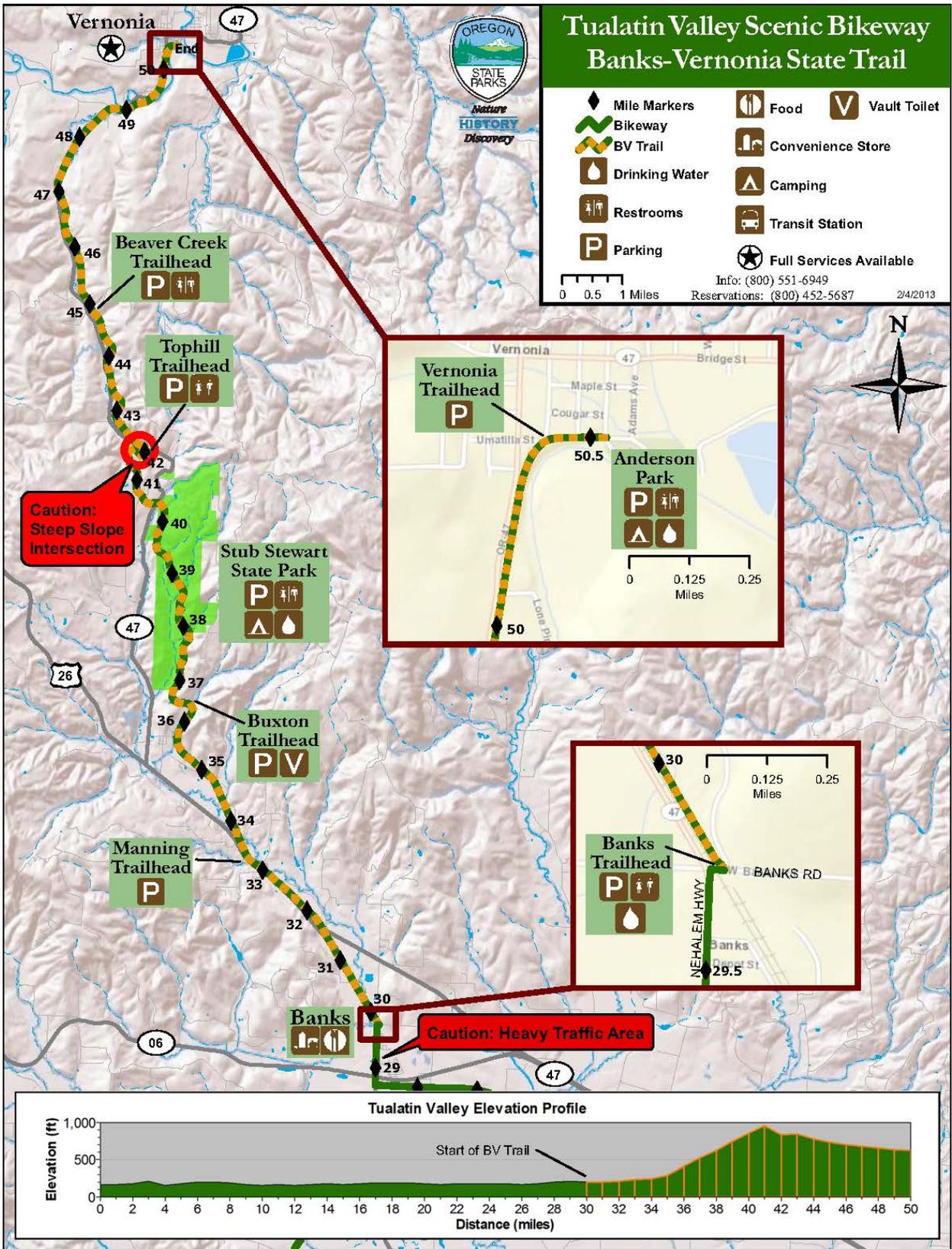
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Bruce Buffington President NW Bicycle Safety Council	4804 NW Bethany Blvd., Ste. 12 PMB 250 Portland, OR 97229 Phone: 971-570-4791 Email: nwbsc@comcast.net	To educate and promote safety and harmony between cyclists and others who share the road
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Route Map, Rood Bridge to Banks



Route Map, Banks to Vernonia



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Sign Plan Introduction

The Sign Plan developed for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway consists of installing navigational signs at key points along the route and is displayed in the tables below. The plan accommodates travel in two directions along the route, was created in coordination with the appropriate road/trail agencies and reflects their input and review.

As lead proponent of the Bikeway, WCVA is committed to funding the needed navigational signs and will work through the vendor suggested by State Parks for sign procurement. WCVA will coordinate with each road or trail agency to have the agencies carry out installation of the signs, and will reimburse them for costs as needed.

The sign quantities and locations called for in this plan reflect our best current knowledge and understanding. As we progress into the installation phase, we will remain open to working with each jurisdiction to revise details of this plan as needed based upon ongoing joint assessment. In particular, this may be the case with regard to sign specifics along the Banks-Vernonia State Trail and the public parks at each end of the route.

Signs planned for intersection points of a bicyclist's northbound route from Rood Bridge Park in Hillsboro to Anderson Park in Vernonia are shown in the upper table. Signs planned for intersection points of a bicyclist's southbound route from Anderson Park in Vernonia to Rood Bridge Park in Hillsboro are shown in the lower table.

This Sign Plan calls for installing 35 signs along each of the northbound and southbound routes, for a total of 70. A numbering system is used below to identify each sign individually. Signs for northbound travel are numbered from N1–N35 and signs for southbound travel are numbered from S1–S35. Also listed are each sign's jurisdictional location, directional arrow and size, as based on the Scenic Bikeway Program sign guide.

A breakdown on the number of signs per jurisdiction is:

Washington County – 40

City of Banks – 2

City of Forest Grove – 14

City of Hillsboro – 2

City of Vernonia – 1

State Parks – 9

ODOT – 2

TOTAL – 70 signs

Sign Location Table

SCENIC BIKEWAY SIGNS - Northbound travel from Rood Bridge Park to Anderson Park						
Sign No.	Route Road/Trail	Intersection with	Action (Sign Type)	Jurisdiction	Contact	Sign Size
N1	Rood Bridge Park	Rood Bridge Rd.	Start/Welcome + Left turn	Hillsboro	Amica Bose, Project Engineer, Hillsboro Public Works Dept., 150 E. Main St., Hillsboro, OR 97123. 503-681-6147. amica.bose@hillsboro-oregon.gov	Large
N2	SW Rood Bridge Rd.	SW Burkhalter Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Ian Amweg, Engineering Technician II, Traffic Engineering, Washington County - Land Use & Transportation, 1400 SW Walnut St., Hillsboro, OR 97123. 503-846-7944. ian_amweg@co.washington.or.us	Large
N3	SW Burkhalter Rd.	SW Minter Bridge Rd.	Veer left	Washington County	Same	Large
N4	SW Burkhalter Rd.	Hwy. 219	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
N5	SW Johnson School Rd.	SW Tongue Ln.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N6	SW Tongue Ln.	SW Golf Course Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N7	SW Golf Course Rd.	SW Lafollett Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N8	SW Geiger Rd.	SW Fern Hill Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N9	SW Fern Hill Rd.	Hwy. 47	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
N10	Maple St.	18th Ave.	Left turn	Forest Grove	Derek Robbins, Civil Engineer, Forest Grove Engineering Dept., 1928 Council St., Forest Grove, OR 97116. 503-992-3292. djrobbins@forestgrove-or.gov	Regular
N11	18th Ave.	Elm St.	Right turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
N12	Elm St.	21st Ave.	Right turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
N13	21st Ave.	Hawthorne St.	Left turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
N14	Hawthorne St.	22nd Ave.	Right turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
N15	22nd Ave.	Oak St.	Left turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
N16	Oak St.	Hwy. 47	Straight ahead	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
N17	NW Porter Rd.	NW Verboort Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N18	NW Verboort Rd.	NW Visitation Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N19	NW Osterman Rd.	Hwy. 47	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large

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Sign No.	Route Road/Trail	Intersection with	Action (Sign Type)	Jurisdiction	Contact	Sign Size
N20	NW Kemper Rd.	NW Kansas City Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N21	NW Kansas City Rd.	NW Greenville Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N22	NW Greenville Rd.	Hwy. 47	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
N23	NW Greenville Rd.	NW Roy Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N24	NW Roy Rd.	NW Harrington Rd.	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
N25	NW Roy Rd.	NW Mountaindale Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N26	NW Mountaindale Rd.	NW Wilkesboro Rd.	Veer right	Washington County	Same	Large
N27	NW Wilkesboro Rd.	Hwy. 47	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N28	Hwy. 47 / Main St.	NW Banks Rd.	Right turn	ODOT	David Neys, District 1 Manager, ODOT, 350 W. Marine Dr., Astoria, OR 97103. 503-325-7222. david.j.neys@odot.state.or.us	Large
N29	NW Banks Rd.	NW Sellers Rd.	Left turn	Banks	Tom Tuski, Director, Banks Public Works Dept., 42441 NW Market St., Banks, OR 97106, 503-324-5112. ttuski@cityofbanks.org	Regular
N30	NW Sellers Rd.	Banks Trailhead - Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
N31	Banks Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for NB (northbound) bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Justin Parker, Manager, Stub Stewart State Park & Banks-Vernonia State Trail. 503-324-0606 x222. justin.parker@state.or.us	Regular
N32	Manning Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for NB bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Same	Regular
N33	Buxton Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for NB bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Same	Regular
N34	Tophill Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for NB bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Same	Regular
N35	Beaver Creek Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for NB bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Same	Regular

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SCENIC BIKEWAY SIGNS - Southbound travel from Anderson Park to Rood Bridge Park						
Sign No.	Route Road/Trail	Intersection with	Action (Sign Type)	Jurisdiction	Contact	Sign Size
S1	Anderson Park, Vernonia / Vernonia Trailhead - Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for SB (southbound) bicyclists	Start/Welcome + Left turn	Vernonia	Bill Haack, Vernonia City Administrator, 1001 Bridge St., Vernonia, OR 97064. 503-429-5291 x102. bill@vernonia-or-gov	Regular
S2	Beaver Creek Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for SB bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Same	Regular
S3	Tophill Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for SB bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Same	Regular
S4	Buxton Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for SB bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Same	Regular
S5	Manning Trailhead, Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Visible at trailhead area for SB bicyclists	Straight ahead	State Parks	Same	Regular
S6	Banks-Vernonia State Trail	NW Sellers Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Regular
S7	NW Sellers Rd.	NW Banks Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S8	NW Banks Rd.	Hwy. 47 / Main St.	Left turn	Banks	Same	Regular
S9	Hwy. 47	NW Wilkesboro Rd.	Left turn	ODOT	Same	Large
S10	NW Wilkesboro Rd.	NW Mountaindale Rd.	Veer left	Washington County	Same	Large
S11	NW Mountaindale Rd.	NW Roy Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S12	NW Roy Rd.	NW Harrington Rd.	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
S13	NW Roy Rd.	NW Greenville Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S14	NW Greenville Rd.	Hwy. 47	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
S15	NW Greenville Rd.	NW Kansas City Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S16	NW Kansas City Rd.	NW Kemper Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S17	NW Kemper Rd.	Hwy. 47	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
S18	NW Visitation Rd.	NW Verboort Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large

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SCENIC BIKEWAY SIGNS - Southbound travel from Anderson Park to Rood Bridge Park						
Sign No.	Route Road/Trail	Intersection with	Action (Sign Type)	Jurisdiction	Contact	Sign Size
S19	NW Verboort Rd.	NW Porter Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S20	NW Porter Rd.	Hwy. 47	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
S21	Oak St.	22nd Ave.	Right turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
S22	22nd Ave.	Hawthorne St.	Left turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
S23	Hawthorne St.	21st Ave.	Right turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
S24	21st Ave.	Elm St.	Left turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
S25	Elm St.	18th Ave.	Left turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
S26	18th Ave.	Maple St.	Right turn	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
S27	Maple St.	Hwy. 47	Straight ahead	Forest Grove	Same	Regular
S28	SW Fern Hill Rd.	SW Geiger Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S29	SW Lafollett Rd.	SW Golf Course Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S30	SW Golf Course Rd.	SW Tongue Ln.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S31	SW Tongue Ln.	SW Johnson School Rd.	Right turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S32	SW Simpson Rd.	Hwy. 219	Straight ahead	Washington County	Same	Large
S33	SW Burkhalter Rd.	SW Minter Bridge Rd.	Veer right	Washington County	Same	Large
S34	SW Burkhalter Rd.	SW Rood Bridge Rd.	Left turn	Washington County	Same	Large
S35	SW Rood Bridge Rd.	Rood Bridge Park	Right turn	Hillsboro	Same	Large

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Field-Checked turn-by-turn cue sheet

Travel from Rood Bridge Park to Vernonia					
Road	Interval Mileage	Intersection With	Action	Total Mileage	Notes
Rood Bridge Park	0.00	SW Rood Bridge Rd.	Start - L	0.00	4000 SE Rood Bridge Rd., Hillsboro, OR 97123 <i>Rood Bridge Park: water (Feb.-Nov.) restrooms, parking</i>
SW Rood Bridge Rd.	2.59	SW Burkhalter Rd.	R	2.59	
SW Burkhalter Rd.	1.55	Hwy. 219	S	4.14	Stay left at intersection at SW Minter Bridge Rd. SW Burkhalter Rd. becomes SW Simpson Rd. after crossing Hwy. 219
SW Simpson Rd.	0.52	SW Johnson School Rd. / SW Reidweg Rd.	R	4.66	
SW Johnson School Rd.	2.87	SW Tongue Ln.	L	7.53	
SW Tongue Ln.	0.37	SW Golf Course Rd.	R	7.90	
SW Golf Course Rd.	1.99	SW Lafollett Rd.	L	9.89	
SW Lafollett Rd.	0.84	SW Geiger Rd.	R	10.73	
SW Geiger Rd.	0.92	SW Fern Hill Rd.	R	11.65	
SW Fern Hill Rd.	0.71	Hwy. 47	S	12.36	SW Fern Hill Rd. becomes Maple St. after crossing Hwy. 47 <i>Fernhill Wetlands: water, restrooms</i>
Maple St.	0.29	18th Ave.	L	12.65	<i>Joseph Gale Park: water, restrooms (May-Oct.)</i>
18th Ave.	0.56	Elm St.	R	13.21	<i>Rogers Park: water (May-Oct.) restrooms</i>
Elm St.	0.26	21st Ave.	R	13.47	
21st Ave.	0.18	Hawthorne St.	L	13.65	
Hawthorne St.	0.11	22nd Ave.	R	13.76	<i>Bard Park: water (May-Oct)</i>
22nd Ave.	0.53	Oak St.	L	14.29	
Oak St.	0.41	Hwy. 47	S	14.70	Oak St. becomes NW Porter Rd. after crossing Hwy. 47
NW Porter Rd.	1.43	NW Verboort Rd.	R	16.13	
NW Verboort Rd.	0.11	NW Visitation Rd.	L	16.24	
NW Visitation Rd.	0.84	NW Osterman Rd.	L	17.08	
NW Osterman Rd.	0.88	Hwy. 47	S	17.96	NW Osterman Rd. becomes NW Kemper Rd. after crossing Hwy. 47
NW Kemper Rd.	1.75	NW Kansas City Rd.	R	19.71	
NW Kansas City Rd.	2.46	NW Greenville Rd.	R	22.17	
NW Greenville Rd.	1.74	Hwy. 47	S	23.91	
NW Greenville Rd.	1.55	NW Roy Rd.	L	25.46	
NW Roy Rd.	0.99	NW Mountaindale Rd.	L	26.45	
NW Mountaindale Rd.	0.79	NW Wilkesboro Rd.	VR	27.24	
NW Wilkesboro Rd.	1.10	Hwy. 47	R	28.34	
Hwy. 47	1.00	NW Banks Rd.	R	29.34	
NW Banks Rd.	0.03	NW Sellers Rd.	L	29.37	
NW Sellers Rd.	0.04	Banks-Vernonia State Trail	L	29.41	
Banks-Vernonia State Trail (trailhead)	0.05	Banks-Vernonia State Trail	S	29.46	<i>Banks Trailhead: parking, restrooms, water Stub Stewart State Park: restrooms, water, camping</i>
Banks-Vernonia State Trail	21.00	Banks-Vernonia State Trail - Vernonia Trailhead	S	50.46	<i>Anderson Park: parking, restrooms, water, camping</i>
Banks-Vernonia State Trail - Vernonia Trailhead	0.00	n/a	Finish	50.46	Anderson Park
Total Mileage	50.46				

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Field-Checked turn-by-turn cue sheet

Travel from Vernonia to Rood Bridge Park					
Road	Interval Mileage	Intersection With	Action	Total Mileage	Notes
Banks-Vernonia State Trail - Vernonia Trailhead	0.00	Banks-Vernonia State Trail	Start	0.00	Anderson Park: <i>parking, restrooms, water, camping</i> Stub Stewart State Park: <i>restrooms, water, camping</i>
Banks-Vernonia State Trail	21.00	Banks-Vernonia State Trail - Banks Trailhead parking	L	21.00	Banks Trailhead: <i>parking, restrooms, water</i>
Banks-Vernonia State Trail	0.05	NW Sellers Rd.	R	21.05	
NW Sellers Rd.	0.04	NW Banks Rd.	R	21.09	
NW Banks Rd.	0.03	Hwy. 47	L	21.12	
Hwy. 47	1.00	NW Wilkesboro Rd.	L	22.12	
NW Wilkesboro Rd.	1.10	NW Mountaindale Rd.	VL	23.22	
NW Mountaindale Rd.	0.79	NW Roy Rd.	R	24.01	
NW Roy Rd.	0.99	NW Greenville Rd.	R	25.00	
NW Greenville Rd.	1.55	Hwy. 47	S	26.55	
NW Greenville Rd.	1.74	NW Kansas City Rd.	R	28.29	
NW Kansas City Rd.	2.46	NW Kemper Rd.	L	30.75	
NW Kemper Rd.	1.75	Hwy. 47	S	32.50	NW Kemper Rd. becomes NW Osterman Rd. after crossing Hwy. 47
NW Osterman Rd.	0.88	NW Visitation Rd.	R	33.38	
NW Visitation Rd.	0.84	NW Verboort Rd.	R	34.22	
NW Verboort Rd.	0.11	NW Porter Rd.	L	34.33	
NW Porter Rd.	1.43	Hwy. 47	S	35.76	NW Porter Rd. becomes Oak St. after crossing Hwy. 47
Oak St.	0.41	22nd Ave.	R	36.17	
22nd Ave.	0.53	Hawthorne St.	L	36.70	Bard Park: <i>water (May-Oct)</i>
Hawthorne St.	0.11	21st Ave	R	36.81	
21st Ave.	0.18	Elm St.	L	36.99	
Elm St.	0.26	18th Ave.	L	37.25	Rogers Park: <i>water (May-Oct.) restrooms</i>
18th Ave.	0.56	Maple St.	R	37.81	Joseph Gale Park: <i>water, restrooms (May-Oct.)</i>
Maple St.	0.29	Hwy. 47	S	38.10	Maple St. becomes SW Fern Hill Rd. after crossing Hwy. 47 Fernhill Wetlands: <i>water, restrooms</i>
SW Fern Hill Rd.	0.71	SW Geiger Rd.	L	38.81	
SW Geiger Rd.	0.92	SW Lafollett Rd.	L	39.73	
SW Lafollett Rd.	0.84	SW Golf Course Rd.	R	40.57	
SW Golf Course Rd.	1.99	SW Tongue Ln.	L	42.56	
SW Tongue Ln.	0.37	SW Johnson School Rd.	R	42.93	
SW Johnson School Rd.	2.87	SW Simpson Rd.	R	45.80	
SW Simpson Rd.	0.52	Hwy. 219	S	46.32	SW Simpson Rd. becomes SW Burkhalter Rd. after crossing Hwy 219
SW Burkhalter Rd.	1.55	SW Rood Bridge Rd.	L	47.87	Stay right at intersection with Minter Bridge Rd.
SW Rood Bridge Rd.	2.59	Rood Bridge Park	R	50.46	
Rood Bridge Park	0.00	n/a	Finish	50.46	4000 SE Rood Bridge Rd., Hillsboro, OR 97123 Rood Bridge Park: <i>restrooms (Feb.-Nov.) parking, water</i>
Total Mileage	50.46				

Legend			
Abbreviation	Action	Abbreviation	Action
R	Right Turn	VR	Veer Right
L	Left Turn	S	Continue Straight Ahead
VL	Veer Left		

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan
Final Letters of Support from all road jurisdictions

Washington County
Columbia County

City of Banks
City of Forest Grove
City of Hillsboro
City of Vernonia

ODOT District 1
ODOT District 2B

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department: L.L. "Stub" Stewart State Park/Banks-Vernonia State Trail

NW Bicycle Safety Council
Washington County Bicycle Transportation Coalition
Vernonia Parks Committee



January 7, 2013

Alex Phillips
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Dear Ms. Phillips,

As the Chair of the Board of Commissioners for Washington County, I would like to confirm our general support for the Washington County Visitors Association's (WCVA) Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway (TVSB).

Washington County has jurisdiction over most of the roadways within the recommended route; with the exceptions of the Banks/Vernonia Trail, Highway 47, and the roads within the cities of Forest Grove and Banks. The route is very suitable for bicycle travel.

We look forward to working with the WCVA and providing input for the TVSB as it progresses through the Scenic Bikeway Management Plan process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in red ink that reads "Andy Duyck".

Andy Duyck, Chairman
Washington County Board of Commissioners

cc: Carolyn McCormick, WCVA President
Andrew Singelakis, LUT Director

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February 25, 2013

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Re: Support for Proposed Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway

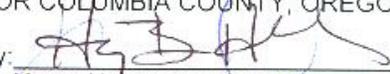
Dear Ms. Phillips:

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners are pleased to provide this letter of support for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway and that the bikeway route includes the Banks-Vernonia State Trail. The State Trail is an important asset for recreation and economic development in both Columbia County and Washington County, and is a great example of the shared interests and partnership between our counties. We see the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway as building on that base of cooperation and helping better position our region as a destination for bicycling tourism.

Columbia County appreciates the opportunities we've had for input into planning for the bikeway, especially with regard to its connection into Vernonia. We are hard at work in planning and making improvements to the Crown-Zellerbach Trail, which is a popular multi-use trail that will connect Vernonia to the Columbia River. This could give visitors to the State Trail and Scenic Bikeway easy access to a complementary cycling experience and further enhance Vernonia as a hub for bicycle recreation.

Columbia County sees this new Scenic Bikeway as a welcome addition to our community and one that will have a positive impact on local businesses. We look forward to ongoing coordination with the Washington County Visitors Association once the bikeway is operational.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 
Henry Heimuller, Chair

By: 
Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

By: 
Earl Fisher, Commissioner



July 10, 2012

Ms. Alexandra Phillips
Bicycle Recreation Coordinator
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Dear Ms. Phillips,

I am pleased to present this strong letter of support for a Scenic Bikeway application from the Washington County Visitors Association Scenic Bikeway Committee. The Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway route is proposed to pass through the City of Banks on Oregon Highway 47 (the Oregon Department of Transportation being the jurisdictional road agency), which is our Main Street and the heart of our city. The Banks Main Street / Highway 47 portion of the proposed scenic bikeway is in an ODOT-designated Special Transportation Area (STA) and Banks has an abiding interest in the transportation design and operation of the area. A portion of Main Street has ODOT-designated bicycle lanes, and the remainder is sufficiently wide to provide for minimal automobile / bicyclist interaction.

The Oregon Scenic Bikeways Program is designed to provide a high quality system of cycling routes that inspires people to experience Oregon's natural beauty and cultural heritage by bicycle, and offers economic and social benefits to the state's communities, residents and visitors. We believe that the proposed Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway route, especially through the City of Banks, provides for each of the delineated attributes of the Program.

The City of Banks is at the Metro-centric end of the Banks-Vernonia State Trail, and is an active participant in the Council Creek Regional Trail Coordinating Committee. Banks has adopted a Parks & Recreation Master Plan, one component of which is an urban hike-bike system. Banks is an informal Metro Local Trail Partner and Champion participant and is a member of The Washington County Visitors Association Scenic Bikeway Subcommittee of the Valley & Vineyard Scenic Byway Technical Advisory Committee, the subcommittee being a scenic bikeway coordinating group in support of the Washington County

Convention and Visitors Association in their scenic bikeway endeavor. The recently Banks Strategic Plan has, as one of its components, the goal to "Establish Banks as a regional recreational hub centered on the Banks-Vernonia State Trail and the Council Creek Regional Trail."

As part of our desire to engage the citizenry in the designation process, each of our boards and committees, as well as other local organizations in Banks, has been polled regarding support of the scenic bikeway designation and each (Library Advisory Board, Banks Historical Society, Banks Chamber of Commerce, Park Management Committee, Tree Advisory Board and Planning Commission) has strongly recommended that the City Council support scenic bikeway designation. Hence, on behalf of the Banks City Council, please accept our recommendation that the Washington County Visitors Association scenic bikeway application be approved.

While we have high recreational trail aspirations, we are a small entity that fully supports the coordination of recreational bicycling in western Washington County that such scenic bikeway designation would engender. There is a demonstrable need for a safe, scenic, and social non-motorized route through the bucolic countryside of western Washington County, especially in Banks. Walking, biking, and hiking are on the rise in our community and businesses are responding accordingly. Banks is in the process of designating a small, historic, pocket park on Main Street (Oregon Highway 47) as a bicycle rest area with water, seating, and toilet facilities readily available. With the anticipated influx of users, the need for coordinated information distribution is genuine and scenic bikeway designation, with the accompanying signage and printed information, would enhance the use of our facilities as well as increase the enjoyment of the hiking, biking, and walking public. This same park, as a bicycle rest area, has also experienced newly restored bus service in our community as the one of only two Bus Stops in Banks; after some 50 years of no regular bus service. That kind of coordinated multi-modal information needs to be distributed to the potential users of nearby hike, bike, and walking community, which the scenic bikeway designation will provide.

All of this information is provided to reinforce our strong support for the health aspects of hiking, biking, and walking in the region, and the coordination that a user-friendly designated scenic bikeway would provide and enhance. Economic benefits would also be realized, as well as enhanced eco tourism, especially in using the Banks-Vernonia State Trail.

Please approve the Washington County Visitors Association application and provide western Washington County, as well as the entire state, with a superb scenic bikeway.

Sincerely,



Mayor John Kinsky



August 27, 2012

Alex Phillips
Bicycle Recreation Coordinator
Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
725 Summer Street NE, Suite C
Salem, Oregon 97301-0792

**RE: WASHINGTON COUNTY VISITORS ASSOCIATION
TUALATIN VALLEY SCENIC BIKEWAY**

Dear Ms. Phillips:

The City of Forest Grove strongly supports the officially recommended route of the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway. We specifically support the portion of the route that passes through the City of Forest Grove (*access locations at Maple Street and Oak Street*). This route provides suitable travel for bicyclists.

The Oregon Scenic Bikeway program is designed to provide a high quality system of cycling routes that offer the opportunity to see Oregon's natural beauty, heritage, and communities by bicycle. We believe that the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway system provides this opportunity to residents and visitors.

We will continue to provide input and support to the Washington County Visitors Association as the Scenic Bikeway Management Plan moves forward.

Sincerely,
CITY OF FOREST GROVE


Michael Sykes
City Manager

cc: Rob Foster, Public Works Director
Teri Koerner, Chamber of Commerce

CITY OF HILLSBORO



August 30, 2012

Alex Phillips
Bicycle Recreation Coordinator
Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
725 Summer Street, NE
Salem, Oregon 97301-0792

RE: Hillsboro Support for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway for Oregon Scenic Bikeway Designation

Dear Ms. Phillips:

As Mayor of the City of Hillsboro, I am pleased to support the Oregon Scenic Bikeway Committee's official recommendation of the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway for Oregon Scenic Bikeway designation. The official designation will further enhance the area's reputation as a popular and attractive cycling destination; and provide recreational opportunities for residents and visitors alike.

The Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway begins at Rood Bridge Park in Hillsboro, which is not far from several MAX Light Rail stations, the Pacific University Health Campus, and Hillsboro's historic downtown with a variety of bike shops, parks and attractions including the Glenn and Viola Walters Cultural Arts Center. The bike route then connects through Forest Grove and Banks, before merging with the popular Banks-Vernonia State Trail. It is a route that is suitable for cyclists to travel and explore Washington County at their own pace.

This area's reputation as a recreational cycling destination has seen tremendous growth in recent years. The Scenic Bikeway designation underscores our commitment to encourage an active lifestyle and support economic development. Hillsboro staff has worked closely with the Washington County Visitors Association (WCVA) throughout the planning process of the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway. As the Scenic Bikeway Management Plan moves forward, we look forward to continue working closely with and providing the necessary support to WCVA.

Sincerely,
CITY OF HILLSBORO



Jerry W. Willey
Mayor

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January 7, 2013

Alex Phillips
Bicycle Recreation Coordinator
Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
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Salem, OR 97301

Re: Vernonia Support for Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway

Dear Ms. Phillips:

I am pleased to state our support for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway. The Bikeway route includes the Banks-Vernonia State Trail, of which the northern start/end point lies in our city's Anderson Park. Vernonia representatives have discussed the Scenic Bikeway with the Washington County Visitors Association (WCVA) and have reviewed the route as well as potential impacts on Anderson Park. We appreciate the opportunity for input into the Management Plan, especially with regard to vehicle parking at Anderson Park, and look forward to ongoing coordination with WCVA once the Bikeway is operational.

As an emerging hub for bicycle recreation, Vernonia sees this new Scenic Bikeway as a welcome addition to our community and one that will have a positive impact on local businesses. We note that the Crown-Zellerbach Trail, a popular mountain bike trail which is currently unimproved but for which a formal improvement planning process is under way, could eventually also connect into Vernonia at Anderson Park. This could give visitors to the State Trail and Scenic Bikeway easy access to off-road riding.

We believe Anderson Park makes a great northern start/end point for the Bikeway. The park offers RV hook-ups, tent camping, group camping, a covered picnic shelter, restrooms, a shower facility, drinking water and river access for fishing and swimming. The park is also a part of 177 acres of land owned by the City that we intend to master plan for multiple recreational uses.

Please contact me at 503-429-5291 should additional information be useful.

Sincerely,

William Haack
City Administrator

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John A. Kitzhaber, MD, Governor

Department of Transportation

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Letter of support for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway

DATE: December 4, 2012

I have reviewed the proposed route for the scenic bikeway and I recommend support for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway that will cross over ODOT highway 47 in the Banks area of District 1. I see no reason why bike travel should not be supported within this area.

David J. Neys
District 1 Manager





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Department of Transportation

Highway Maintenance, District 2B

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Clackamas, OR 97015

Phone: (971) 673-6200

FAX: (503) 653-5655

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Letter of support for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway

DATE: August 10th, 2012

I have reviewed the proposed route for the scenic bikeway and I recommend support for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway that will cross over ODOT highways 219 and 47 in the Hillsboro and Forest Grove areas of District 2B. I see no reason why bike travel should not be supported within this area.

Michael L. Strauch
District 2B Manager



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John A. Kitzhaber, MD, Governor

Parks and Recreation Department

L.L. Stub Stewart Management Unit

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October 17, 2012

Alex Phillips
Bicycle Recreation Coordinator
Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
725 Summer Street NE, Suite C
Salem, OR 97301

**Final Letter of support: Oregon Scenic Bikeway Designation
 Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway**

Dear OPRD,

I am the manager of the OPRD "LL" Stub Stewart Management Unit. This unit includes LL "Stub" Stewart State Park and the Banks to Vernonia State Trail. Both of these park properties would be affected by the designation of the *Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway*.

I am happy to lend my full support to the effort to add this new scenic bikeway to the state system. The proposed bikeway will utilize the Banks to Vernonia State Trail extensively. This existing trail has the capacity to handle increased bicycle riders. I frequently hear from bicycle riders how much they enjoying using the trail. I am excited by the possibility of increased visitation to the area made possible by the bikeway designation.

By this letter, I am indicating that the Stub Stewart Management Unit of OPRD will partner with the Washington County Visitors Association should the designation happen. Multiple preliminary discussions have taken place. We are ready to do our part to make the designation a success (e.g. signage, maintenance, publications).

Please feel free to contact me if there are questions or more information is needed.

Sincerely,

Justin Parker
Park Manager



September 5, 2012

Alexandra Phillips
Oregon Parks & Recreation Department
725 Summer Street NE, Ste. C
Salem, OR 97301-0792

RE: Support for Scenic Bikeway Application in Washington County

Dear Ms. Phillips:

I am pleased to inform you of our support for the application by Washington County Visitors Association (WCVA) for a Scenic Bikeway in Washington County. The proposed route is full of scenic vistas, appealing farms and wineries, Oregon territory heritage, and numerous recreational opportunities.

We believe Washington County has the excellent bicycling conditions, supportive cycling community, and energized and coordinated local jurisdictions needed to make a Scenic Bikeway work. Additionally, our Banks-Vernonia State Trail and Stub Stewart State Park are established recreational facilities that will contribute wonderfully to a Scenic Bikeway experience.

The mission of the **NW Bicycle Safety Council** is to educate and promote safety and harmony between cyclists and others who share the road, as well as strengthen community and family ties through cycling-related programs and events. With the help of many supporters, we teach youth the rules of the road, the way to properly maintain their bicycle so it is safe to ride, and how to access other resources for information. Good access to the trails and roads in Washington County creates a foundation for life-long active recreation and appreciation of the outdoors.

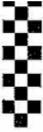
We believe a Scenic Bikeway will be an asset for tourism promotion and development here. As WCVA continues to strategically grow its recreation activities for tourism development, bicycling-based tourism is seen as a good market.

Sincerely,

Bruce Buffington
President/CEO
NW Bicycle Safety Council



• The science of propelling one's self safely through the environment to enhance well-being



The mission of the WashCo BTC is to promote bicycle transportation, protect bicyclist's rights, and improve bicycling conditions throughout Washington County, Oregon through education, advocacy and community.



September 10, 2012

To: Alex Phillips
Bicycle Recreation Coordinator
Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
725 Summer Street, NE
Salem, Oregon 97301-0792

I am writing this letter to voice the support of the Washington County Bicycle Transportation Coalition (WashCo BTC) for acceptance and approval of the "Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway" as proposed by the Washington County Visitors Association (WCVA).

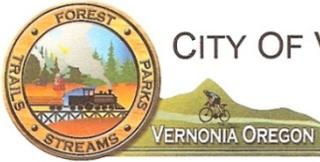
As advocates for 'improving bicycling conditions throughout Washington County' designating this as a scenic route helps further our mission and vision and will establish a route that will benefit many bicyclists as well as non-bicyclists.

The way-finding signs, maps, and promotions by businesses and organizations such as ours will enhance the state's tourism status and add a wonderful boost to the burgeoning bicycle tourism industry taking hold in the county.

We believe the destinations of the routes and sights and experiences along the way will persuade you to adopt this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Boughton
Board Chair
Washington County Bicycle Transportation Coalition



CITY OF VERNONIA

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January 7, 2013

To Whom It May Concern,

The Parks Committee of the City of Vernonia would like to express their support for the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway.

The City of Vernonia is excited to see bicycle tourism being promoted in Oregon. This trail would connect to the already successful and often used Banks-Vernonia State Linear Trail. This trail has a trail head in Vernonia and Vernonia also connects to the recently completed Crown Zellerbach Trail, making Vernonia an important hub in the development of bicycle trail systems in this region of Oregon.

The Vernonia community has already seen an increase in bicycle traffic since the recent improvements were made to the Bank-Vernonia Trail.

Our community is excited about the opportunities that this new trail designation and bicycle tourism in general provides for economic stimulus.

The Vernonia Parks Committee is strongly in favor of the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway.

Sincerely,

Scott Laird
Vernonia Parks Committee Chair

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Records of Public Notification

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See Exhibit "A"

Press Releases
Public Meeting Notices
Public Meeting Minutes and Feedback
News Articles and Online Posts
Citizen Participation Organization (CPO) Newsletters
Scenic Bikeway Workshop Notes

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan

Map Features

State, city or county parks that are useful for cyclists

- Mile 00 – Rood Bridge, city park - Hillsboro
- Mile 12 – Fernhill Wetlands, Forest Grove
- Mile 13 – Joseph Gale Park , city park - Forest Grove
- Mile 14 – Bard Park, city park - Forest Grove
- Mile 29 – Log Cabin Park, city park - Banks
- Mile 30–52 – Banks–Vernonia State Trail
- Mile 37–40 – Stub Stewart State Park, Buxton
- Mile 52 – Anderson Park, city park - Vernonia

Campgrounds

- Mile 37–40 – Stub Stewart State Park, Buxton
- Mile 52 – Anderson Park, city park - Vernonia

Public restrooms accessible to cyclists

- Mile 00 – Rood Bridge, city park - Hillsboro (Feb.–Nov.)
- Mile 12 – Fernhill Wetlands - Forest Grove
- Mile 13 – Joseph Gale Park, city park - Forest Grove (May–Oct.)
- Mile 13 – Rogers Park, city park - Forest Grove (year-round)
- Mile 30 – Banks Trailhead, B–V State Trail
- Mile 37 – Buxton Trailhead, B–V State Trail
- Mile 39 – Stub Stewart State Park welcome center
- Mile 42 – Tophill Trailhead, B–V State Trail
- Mile 45 – Beaver Creek Trailhead, B–V State Trail
- Mile 52 – Anderson Park, city park - Vernonia

Public drinking water accessible to cyclists

- Mile 00 – Rood Bridge, city park - Hillsboro
- Mile 12 – Fernhill Wetlands - Forest Grove
- Mile 13 – Joseph Gale Park , city park - Forest Grove (May–Oct.)
- Mile 13 – Rogers Park, city park - Forest Grove (May–Oct.)
- Mile 14 – Bard Park, city park - Forest Grove (May–Oct.)
- Mile 30 – Banks Trailhead, B–V State Trail
- Mile 39 – Stub Stewart State Park welcome center
- Mile 52 – Anderson Park, city park - Vernonia

Confusing or particularly hard-to-navigate intersections

- ~Mile 3.75 – Burkhalter Rd. EB and WB at Minter Bridge Rd.
- Mile 30 – (Hwy. 47) Main St. NB transition to Banks Rd. and then to Banks - Vernonia State Trail NB (Banks Trailhead) / Banks-Vernonia State Trail SB transition to Banks Rd. and then (Hwy. 47) Main St.

Particularly important geological or historical markers

- Mile 12 – Fernhill Wetlands (open to public)
- Mile 16 – Historic Giant Sequoias, Visitation Church - Verboort area
- Mile 29 – Log Cabin Park, city park - Banks. The Log Cabin houses the Banks Historical Society and publicly accessible historical displays.

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan *Map Features, continued*

Full-service towns (meaning towns that have restaurants, hotels, grocery stores)

- Hillsboro – all of the above
- Forest Grove – all of the above
- Banks – restaurants and grocery store, no lodging; limited camping at Sunset Park
- Vernonia – all of the above

Services outside of full-service towns, such as a stand-alone convenience store

- ~Mile 04 – Oak Knoll Winery, 29700 SW Burkhalter Rd., Hillsboro, OR 97123. 503-648-8198
- ~Mile 07 – Duyck's Peach-Pig Farm Stand, 34840 SW Johnson School Rd., Cornelius, OR 97113
503-357-3570
- ~Mile 13.5 – Olson's Bicycles, 904 Elm St., Forest Grove, OR 97116. 503-359-4010. Sales, service and rentals
- Mile 30 – Banks Bicycle Repair and Rental, Banks Trailhead – B-V State Trail/14175 NW Sellers Rd., Banks, OR 97106. 503-680-3269

Transit Connections

- About 2 miles from Rood Bridge Park (Mile 0) – MAX Light Rail connection: Washington/SE 12th Ave. Station, Hillsboro
- About 3 miles from Rood Bridge Park (Mile 0) – MAX Light Rail Connection: Hillsboro Transit Center Station, Hillsboro + Bus Connections: Tri-Met and Ride Connection bus service
- 1 block from Scenic Bikeway (along Elm St./21st Ave.), Forest Grove (Mile 13) – Ride Connection bus service: Forest Grove Senior Center (2037 Douglas St.)
- Mile 29 – Log Cabin Park, Banks – Ride Connection bus service

(Note: Two different MAX stations are listed here because they each have unique value - the Washington/12th Ave. station is the closest to Rood Bridge Park, while the Hillsboro Transit Center station has bus service by Ride Connection, which connects into Forest Grove and Banks at points on or very near the Bikeway route.)

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan *State Congressional Representatives*

SENATE

District 12, Sen. Brian Boquist (includes parts of Hillsboro)
District 15, Sen. Bruce Starr (includes parts of FG and rural areas)
District 16, Sen. Betsy Johnson (includes Banks and rural areas)

HOUSE

District 24, Rep. Jim Weidner (includes parts of Hillsboro)
District 29, Rep. Ben Unger (includes parts of Forest Grove)
District 31, Rep. Brad Witt (includes Banks and rural areas)
District 32, Rep. Deborah Boone (includes rural areas)

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan

Overarching Objective

Strengthen the assets and framework for recreational bicycling in Washington County and position bicycling on par with birding, paddling and hiking as a recreational tourism draw that helps further grow room nights and related economic activity. Increase the role of bicycling as a motivator for visitors making recreational overnight stays in Washington County.

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan

Business Target Markets

Businesses to be contacted the first year

Business	City	Route location	Who will contact
Banks Bicycle Repair and Rental	Banks	on	Allison George
Banks Café	Banks	on	Allison George
Banks Chamber of Commerce	Banks	near	Allison George
Banks Trail Café	Banks	near	Allison George
Jim's Thriftway	Banks	near	Allison George
Main Street Pizza	Banks	on	Allison George
Oriental Garden	Banks	near	Allison George
Subway	Banks	near	Allison George
NW Bicycle Safety Council	Beaverton	n/a	Bruce Buffington
L.L. Stub Stewart State Park	Buxton	on	Allison George
Forest Hills Golf Course	Cornelius	on	Allison George
1910 Main An American Bistro	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Best Western University Inn & Suites	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Fernhill Wetlands (Friends of)	Forest Grove	on	Allison George
Maggie's Buns	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
McMenamins Grand Lodge	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Olson's Bicycles	Forest Grove	on	Allison George
Pizza Schmizza	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
SakeOne	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Schlegel's Bicycle Center	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Cruise In Country Diner	Hillsboro	near	Allison George
Hillsboro Bike Company	Hillsboro	near	Allison George
Jackson Bottom	Hillsboro	on	Allison George
Meriwether National Golf Course	Hillsboro	on	Allison George
Oak Knoll Winery	Hillsboro	on	Allison George
Washington Co. Bicycle Transportation Coalition	Hillsboro	n/a	Steve Boughton
Abby Creek Vineyard	North Plains	near	Allison George
Corner Bistro	North Plains	near	Allison George
Giraldi's	North Plains	near	Allison George
King Torta	North Plains	near	Allison George
Mason Hill Orchard	North Plains	Near	Allison George
North Plains Market	North Plains	near	Allison George

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan
Business Target Markets, continued

Businesses to be contacted the first year

Business	City	Route location	Who will contact
North Plains Senior Center	North Plains	near	Allison George
Old Hitchin Post	North Plains	near	Allison George
Pumpkin Ridge Golf Course	North Plains	near	Allison George
The Last Watering Hole	North Plains	near	Allison George
The Rouge	North Plains	near	Allison George
Oregon Bike Tours	Portland	n/a	Allison George
Pedal Bike Tours	Portland	n/a	Allison George
Randall's Bike Shop	Tigard	n/a	Allison George
Santiam Bicycle	Tigard	n/a	Allison George
Tigard Cycle & Ski	Tigard	n/a	Allison George
Black Bear Coffee Co.	Vernonia	near	Allison George
Blue House Café	Vernonia	near	Allison George
Coastal Mountain Sport Haus	Vernonia	near	Allison George
Rock Creek Bed & Breakfast	Vernonia	near	Allison George
The Old Mill House Inn Bed & Breakfast	Vernonia	near	Allison George
Vernonia Chamber of Commerce	Vernonia	near	Allison George
Vernonia Coffee Roasters	Vernonia	near	Allison George
Vernonia Sentry Market	Vernonia	near	Allison George

Businesses to be contacted the second year

Business	City	Route location	Who will contact
Killin Wetlands (Metro)	Banks	near	TBA
Quail Valley Golf Club	Banks	near	Allison George
Caffe Montecassino	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Cornerstone Pub & Grill	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Friendly Vine Wine Shop	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Grendel's	Forest Grove	near	Allison George
Sunset Grove Golf Club	Forest Grove	on	Allison George
Urban Decanter	Forest Grove	near	Allison George

Allison (or other contact as noted) will reach out to the owner or manager of each business listed either in-person, or via phone and/or email. "TBA" indicates "to be assigned." The main objectives for this outreach will be to:

- Invite businesses to the January 15, 2013 public meeting and February 5, 2013 workshop
- Build awareness of the Bikeway and its potential benefits to the community as a tourism draw
- Establish a channel of communication* for the Bikeway
- Provide the necessary tools {map, description and talking points} to the business and encourage it to leverage the Bikeway to attract people to the business

* The Washington County Visitors Association will compile and maintain an email mailing list of all contacts who wish to receive periodic updates and important, timely news pertaining to the Scenic Bikeway.

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan *Cyclist Categories*

Beginning Cyclists

Although the terrain of the entire Bikeway route is flat to rolling (with the exception of a steeper slope in the middle of the B-V trail) it is not intended for beginning cyclists. Less experienced, occasional leisure cyclists and families with small children are encouraged to enjoy the traffic-free environment of the linear, paved Banks-Vernonia State Trail portion of the Scenic Bikeway. A bike rental shop is also conveniently located right at the Banks Trailhead for those riders who do not own a bike or did not travel with one. There are also suitable trails for beginning riders around Rood Bridge Park.

Intermediate and Advanced Cyclists

Intermediate and advanced cyclists are riders in good cycling condition, with a solid knowledge of their bicycle and the rules of the road, are able to ride 4-6 hours and are adept at riding on rural roads with no bike lanes, speeds greater than 45 miles per hour and high-traffic. The terrain is flat to rolling, with the challenge of a steep slope at the mid-point of the Banks-Vernonia Trail and plenty of mileage.

Cycling Visitor Categories

Day Trippers and Destination-Based visitors: Intermediate to advanced cyclists who are visiting the area for other purposes, but would be interested in discovering the Scenic Bikeway and/or rental options allowing them to explore by bike (beginning cyclists are encouraged to experience the Scenic Bikeway via the Banks-Vernonia State Trail). These visitors may prefer to base themselves in a particular town and explore the local area via different day cycle rides during their stay.

Touring Cyclists: Intermediate to advanced individuals and small groups interested in multi-day cycling trips. These visitors carry gear on their bikes, camp or stay in hotels and occasionally use support vehicles.

Organized Rides/Groups: Organizations or individuals that conduct group travel and/or cycling events who are seeking great new outdoor experiences for their participants (cycling clubs, bicycle tour operators); event examples: Banks, Beaverton and Beyond, Tour de Parks and the Harvest Century.

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan ***Web Action Items and Ongoing Online Communications***

- The WCVA, working with other volunteers and Scenic Bikeway committee members will check “Ride Oregon Ride” maps for route accuracy immediately after Bikeway is posted.
- The WCVA will create a dedicated web page on its website (oregonswashingtoncounty.com) to serve as an informational “clearinghouse” for all key resources related to the Bikeway, including but not limited to:
 - The official OPRD Bikeway map
 - Links to the OPRD Bikeways web page, rideoregonride.com for mobile map access, turn-by-turn directions, and information about amenities and attractions along the route
 - Links to the dedicated Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Facebook page and Twitter profile
- The WCVA will post on its website, Facebook page, Twitter profile, rideoregonride.com and will send information to the State Parks department for posting on the state website and other online platforms/websites, seasonal updates affecting the Bikeway, including road closures and weather-related information.

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan

Web Action Items and Ongoing Online Communications, continued

- The WCVA will post on its website, Scenic Bikeway Facebook page, Twitter profile and other online platforms/website, updates affecting the Bikeway, such as road construction.
- The WCVA will post stories, pictures and links to the dedicated Bikeway web page on its Facebook, Twitter and other applicable social media platforms.
- The WCVA will create a Facebook page and Twitter profile dedicated to the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway promoting the bikeway and to provide updated information about amenities and attractions along the route.
- The WCVA will encourage riders to post/share pictures of their travels along the route to the WCVA's Facebook and Pinterest pages and rideoregonride.com.
- The WCVA will write blog posts about seasonal, scenic opportunities along the Bikeway, and will encourage travel partners to repost stories on their blogs.

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan

General Marketing Action Items

- Distribute a press release about the launch of the Bikeway
- Develop route logo for marketing and branding purposes
- Organize a local launch event, inviting local media, elected officials, travel industry partners and other VIPs, with a group ride along a section of the route, reception and ribbon cutting
- Create a Scenic Bikeway brochure, to include map(s), turn-by-turn directions, information about bike-friendly amenities and attractions along and near the route
- Add the Bikeway route to the next reprint of the Washington County Bike Map (distribution: 25,000)
- Dedicate two pages in the Washington County Visitor Guide to the Scenic Bikeway (distribution 150,000)
- Organize media familiarization tours around the Bikeway, inviting regional and national travel and cycling media to attend
- Pitch story ideas about the Bikeway to travel/cycling/lifestyle media outlets, freelance writers, and industry partners (e.g. Travel Oregon, Travel Portland) for inclusion in newsletters, online, print publications
- Create ads promoting the Scenic Bikeway to out-of-area visitors
- Encourage local cycling groups/events to include all or part of the Scenic Bikeway in their routes; investigate partnering with a local cycling group to organize a "Pedalpalooza"
- Pitch out-of-area cycling groups/event organizers the possibility of bringing new cycling events to Washington County, utilizing all or part of the Scenic Bikeway as the official route
- Offer a commemorative souvenir as an incentive for signing a route log book or by stopping into a local bike-friendly designated business to submit route comments (ideas: bike passport, bicycle pins or buttons, Bikeway geocache coin, cycling jersey)

Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway Management Plan

Ride Description

The Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway captures the best of the northern Willamette Valley, from friendly downtowns to fertile farmlands and lush natural areas. Set in the heart of Washington County, the Bikeway runs point-to-point over 50 miles and includes the Banks-Vernonia State Trail.

Mostly rural roads comprise 30 miles of the route, while the woodsy, off-road Banks-Vernonia State Trail accounts for 20 miles. Bikeway terrain ranges from plains to rolling hills, with the middle portion of the state trail featuring a climb of about 600 feet. The Scenic Bikeway is rated as a moderately challenging ride and is enjoyed by a wide range of cyclists.

Pleasing views of the Coast Range, farms, vineyards, natural areas near quaint downtowns are afforded riders, while the smell of fresh-cut hay or flutter of waterfowl engages other senses. The primary natural feature is the Tualatin River and the surrounding river basin, which is dotted with wetlands and forest stands. Farm produce stands, farmers' markets and a winery along the route offer a wonderful seasonal mix of activities, enabling riders to easily partake in the area's agricultural bounty. The valley's mild weather makes the Bikeway a draw through most of the year; however, rain gear may be useful in winter.

With the route's layout, cyclists have many overnight options for multi-day rides, while day trips covering sub-sections of the route are easy, too. L.L. Stub Stewart State Park is adjacent to the State Trail and offers camping, while Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Banks and Vernonia offer lodging, dining and other services. The route's northern and southern hubs are public parks, each with parking, restrooms and drinking water. Several other parks on the route offer picnic shelters and restrooms. Transit connections are available in Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Banks.

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Talking Points

- The Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway captures the best of the northern Willamette Valley, from friendly downtowns to fertile farmlands and lush natural areas.
- Set in the heart of Washington County, the Bikeway runs 50 miles over terrain ranging from plains to rolling hills.
- Mostly rural roads comprise 30 miles of the route, while the woodsy, off-road Banks-Vernonia State Trail accounts for 20 miles.
- The middle portion of the popular Banks-Vernonia State Trail, Oregon's first rails-to-trails project, features a climb of 600 feet.
- The Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway is rated as a moderately challenging ride and is enjoyed by a wide range of cyclists.
- Views of the Chehalem Mountains, Coast Range, farms, vineyards, wetlands and Tualatin River are afforded riders.

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Talking Points, continued

- Notable points along the route include Oak Knoll Winery, Fernhill Wetlands, the quaint, nearby main streets of Forest Grove and Banks, Verboort’s country church and landmark, 125-year-old giant sequoia trees, Hillsboro’s expansive Lloyd Baron Rhododendron Garden and the Banks-Vernonia State Trail’s Horseshoe Trestle and Buxton Trestle—two 600-foot long, 80-foot high railroad trestles.
- Cyclists have many overnight options for multi-day rides, while day trips covering sub-sections of the route are easy, too. L.L. Stub Stewart State Park is adjacent to the State Trail and offers camping, while Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Banks and Vernonia offer lodging, dining and other services.
- Bicycle rentals and service are available at two bike shops along the route, Olson’s Bicycles in Forest Grove and Banks Bicycle Repair and Rental.
- The route’s northern and southern hubs are public parks with parking and restroom facilities.

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Measureable Objectives

- Add the Scenic Bikeway route to the next printed version of the Washington County Bike Map and track all requests for Scenic Bikeway, Washington County Bike Map and cycling-related visitor information via phone, email and Web site traffic on a monthly basis.
- Collect anecdotal reports of visitor-driven business activity at key bicycling-related businesses and Washington County hotel stakeholders.
- Provide Scenic Bikeway log books at key locations/businesses along the route and encourage cyclists to sign in and share their story. Determine the most appropriate places to add comment boxes along the route to capture rider feedback and suggestions.
- Launch a “Cyclist Welcome” program recognizing and promoting special cycling related services or amenities offered by local businesses; recruit lodging, food services, attractions, and other businesses and organizations in Washington County and southern Columbia County, Oregon.
- Create a Facebook and Twitter account dedicated solely to the Scenic Bikeway

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Preservation and Enhancement Goals

Existing levels of bicycling along and near the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway route indicate that the area already has numerous characteristics making it a great place to ride. The scenery, the riding conditions, the mix of experiences available and proximity to other transportation connections all contribute and are worth preserving.

In addition, proponents believe certain additions or improvements would increase the quality of the Scenic Bikeway as a visitor experience. The items identified as preservation and enhancement goals are laid out here in short-term and long-term categories, and will help guide future stewardship of the Bikeway by proponent groups.

Preservation and Enhancement Goals

Short-Term

- Coordinate with partner agencies to preserve existing bicyclist-accessible restrooms and drinking water along the route, and collaborate with targeted businesses, such as Oak Knoll Winery, Forest Hills Golf Course and Sunset Grove Golf Course, to reduce gaps in availability of restrooms and drinking water elsewhere along the route.
- Strengthen coordination with selected businesses, organizations and other sites along the middle portion of the route to enable vehicle parking for Scenic Bikeway riders and channel such parking away from rural roads lacking appropriate capacity for it. Maintain ongoing dialogue with landowners along rural parts of the route to monitor concerns over parking and other issues related to the Bikeway.
- Address occasional parking capacity issues at Rood Bridge Park by investigating partnership with Hillsboro School District to establish a plan for overflow parking at Hillsboro High School. The high school is within about a half-mile of the park.
- Facilitate communication and outreach to existing and potentially new proponent groups, such as the “Adopt-A-Road” groups along the route, the Tualatin River Watershed Council, etc.
- Capitalize on available space in existing kiosks at each trailhead along the Banks-Vernonia State Trail to provide informational materials on the Scenic Bikeway. Contact park manager Justin Parker to establish how much space can be used, basic dimension requirements for design and recommended materials.
- Coordinate with Washington County and ODOT to explore possible addition to the route at points where it crosses over Hwy 219 (at one point) and Hwy 47 (at four points) of signs or signals to help increase safety at these crossings. For bicyclists riding the route, signs could warn that oncoming traffic is traveling at a high rate of speed, does not stop, etc. For motorists, signs could announce “Scenic Bikeway Crossing Ahead.” Check with State Parks on similar such signs used along Banks-Vernonia State Trail where it crosses Hwy 47.
- Coordinate with road jurisdictions and property owners along the route to explore whether and how we can add “navigation assurance” markers in between road signs. The intent would be to develop low cost stickers or placards marked to identify the Scenic Bikeway route and post the markers on existing structures such as utility poles or fence posts to provide assurance to bicyclists that they are on the route as intended. Prioritize the addition of such markers to stretches of the route where there are 1- or 2-mile gaps between road signs.
- Coordinate with Tri-Met and the City of Hillsboro to provide information to aid bicyclists in navigating from MAX stations to the southern end of the Scenic Bikeway at Rood Bridge Park. Promote the Nehalem Valley Fixed Bus Route with service to Stub Stewart State Park operated by the Columbia County Rider, aka “CC Rider.”

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Preservation and Enhancement Goals, continued

Long-Term

- Participate with Washington County and the Rural Roads Operations and Maintenance Advisory Committee (RROMAC) on planned development of a Rural Roads Safety Strategic Plan (RRSSP). The RRSSP is intended to create a community dialogue among users to discuss rural road safety issues and identify strategies and solutions to reduce user conflicts and improve safety conditions. The Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway will serve as a key reference point in development of the RRSSP, which is likely to identify new steps in areas including education, outreach, enforcement, road signs and maintenance. After completion of the plan, pursue opportunities to implement pertinent changes and improvements where feasible, especially those that qualify for grant funding or fall under the annual maintenance plan for county roads.
- Continue to assess the route, particularly those segments characterized by narrow, curvy, hilly and/or minimal-shoulder conditions on rural roads. Identify specific locations at which shoulder widening, turnouts, addition of “sharrows” and other targeted road improvements would help improve bicycling safety.
- Improve or establish rest areas along the Scenic Bikeway route for use by bicyclists, and explore addition of restrooms, benches, picnic tables, bike racks or visitor interpretation at these sites. One example is the addition of bike racks at Fernhill Wetlands. Trying to minimize big gaps between restrooms and drinking water for riders has been one area of focus in developing these goals. Such gaps at present are between Rood Bridge Park and Fernhill Wetlands (12 miles) and between Forest Grove and Banks (15 miles), so an initial implementation step would consist of further study of these segments to identify workable sites to host needed additions.
- Coordinate with Oregon State Parks on making bicyclist-friendly additions to facilities in L.L. Stub Stewart State Park, such as adding bike racks at the welcome center, which is immediately adjacent to the Banks-Vernonia State Trail portion of the Scenic Bikeway route. Contact park manager Justin Parker to determine feasible additions and provide input into planning and also collaborate with Friends of Banks-Vernonia State Trail in planning process.
- Work with the City of Hillsboro to develop an informational kiosk at Rood Bridge Park. The park features links with the Tualatin River Water Trail, Rock Creek Trail and Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway, and serves as a recreational hub where a kiosk could provide information about each of these assets along with the range of recreational options available to visitors and residents around Washington County. Explore whether it works to use the same material/design as will be used at kiosks along Banks-Vernonia State Trail.
- Partner with the City of Hillsboro (Rood Bridge Park) and the City of Vernonia (Anderson Park) to maximize availability of bicyclist-friendly amenities, including bike racks and preferred parking at these parks, which sit on the northern and southern ends of the Bikeway.
- Explore the possibility of establishing arrangements for on-call assistance for bicyclists along the route to aid with bike maintenance issues, navigation questions or other issues.
- Continue efforts to coordinate and partner with Visitation Church (in Verboort area) and St. Francis Church (Roy area) to address challenges posed by bicyclists using their restrooms. Concepts identified to date include funding port-a-potties at each church during peak riding season, establishing donation boxes so cyclists can be encouraged to contribute a dollar or two, and asking cyclists to refrain from using these facilities.

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Long-Term

- Explore the possibility of establishing a system for ongoing monitoring of road conditions along the route, and for identifying and reporting road maintenance issues.
- Coordinate with Washington County and other neighboring jurisdictions to explore the addition of a series of directional signs at appropriate points on/adjacent to the route directing bicyclists to services and points of interest in addition to those along the route itself (enabling bicyclists to do a self-directed detour into North Plains or to Killin Wetlands, for example).