



Work is beginning in June 2012 on an ODOT project to pave U.S. 26 (Sunset Highway) in both directions between the Sylvan Interchange and I-405 in the City of Portland. This two-mile stretch of highway was last repaved in 1994 and is severely rutted. Project completion is slated for the end of summer 2013. The project elements include:

- ◆ Grind, pave and restripe U.S. 26 in both directions from just east of the Sylvan interchange to I-405. This includes the highway lanes, shoulders, ramps and the Vista Ridge Tunnel (milepost 71.5 to milepost 73.7)
- ◆ Repair pavement on the east side of the Vista Ridge Tunnel
- ◆ Install one new sign structure and replace one sign structure
- ◆ Upgrade highway signs in the project area
- ◆ Add a ramp meter to the U.S. 26 eastbound on-ramp from the Zoo
- ◆ Replace approximately 60 light poles and light heads between the Zoo and the Vista Ridge Tunnel

Schedule

Work is scheduled to begin in early June 2012. In June, the contractor plans to remove ivy on the Jefferson Street on-ramp to U.S. 26 westbound, work on manholes and perform concrete repair. Grinding, paving and striping will take place in July and August. September through the end of the project in summer 2013 will include sign bridge installation, light pole replacement, sign installation and ramp meter installation. This schedule is subject to change.

Highway sign changes

There are some language changes planned on select highway signs in the project area. The most notable change is the off-ramp from U.S. 26 eastbound currently signed "Canyon Rd. JELD-WEN Field" will be changed to "**Jefferson St JELD-WEN Field.**" ODOT strives to display the street name the highway user will most immediately encounter. In this case, Jefferson Street is the more accurate location. This sign change, and others, are expected to occur as early as September 2012, but could be delayed into 2013. For businesses, please check driving directions on your websites and printed materials and make necessary changes. The project website details additional sign changes and will have current information on timing of the changes.

Nighttime noise

Traffic volumes are too high on U.S. 26 for lane closures during the day. Any work requiring lane closures – which is the majority of construction – will take place at night. ODOT has obtained a noise permit from the City of Portland for the nighttime work. The contractor will work intermittent nights (Monday through Friday) throughout the construction period. There may be occasional work on Saturday and Sunday nights, but no work during official holidays. The contractor will be required to turn off backup alarms during nighttime work between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. For more information about nighttime noise on this project, visit the project website. A 24-hour noise hotline is available to be used at all hours should a noise concern arise: 503-412-2352.

Traffic impacts

During construction, motorists may encounter single and double lane closures on U.S. 26 between 8 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Motorists should expect short delays on U.S. 26 during nighttime lane closures. There will also be intermittent nighttime ramp closures.

During the installation of the new sign structures, U.S. 26 from Sylvan to I-405 will be closed in both directions between 11:30 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. This is planned for four different nights during construction. Advance notice will be provided to the public. A signed detour will be in place directing motorists to OR 217 and I-5. The website will have more specific information about the closures and all traffic impacts once construction begins.

Join ODOT staff at a public meeting on Wednesday, May 30, 2012, from 5 - 7 p.m. Details on the reverse.

Visit the project website: www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION1/26Pres_SylvanI405/

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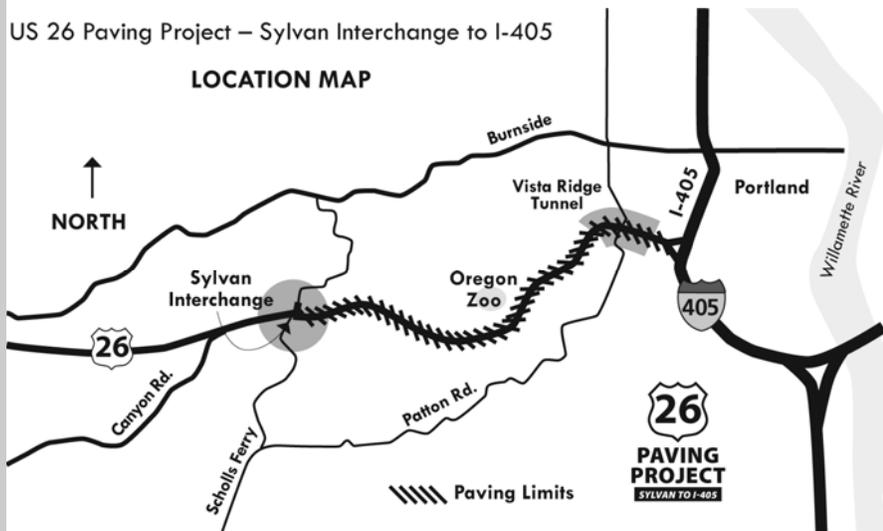
ODOT is hosting a public meeting on **Wednesday, May 30, from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.** (stop by anytime) for neighbors to come learn more about the project, including schedule and traffic impacts. **The meeting is at the Portland Fire Bureau Station #16 (1715 SW Skyline Blvd).** There is limited ADA parking on-site. Please contact Lili Boicourt at 503-731-8247 if you need ADA parking. Car parking is available across Skyline Boulevard from the Fire Station. TriMet bus #58 stops within close proximity of the Fire Station.

For more information, to be added to the mailing list or to provide comments, please contact:

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Accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities. If a sign language interpreter is needed, please call (503) 731-8247 or TTY (800) 735-2900 48 hours prior to the open house.

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