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SUPPORTING COMMENTS

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From: STIP Enhance Apps Region1
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2013 3:43 PM
To: HOPES Christina
Subject: FW: Kinsman Road Extension Project

From: Michelle Labrie Ripple
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2013 3:42:06 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)
To: STIP Enhance Apps Region1
Subject: Kinsman Road Extension Project

To Whom it May Concern:

I would like to comment in support of the Kinsman Road Extension Project.

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There are many reasons why this project should be funded including:

- This next segment of Kinsman Road will complete a critical arterial link in Wilsonville's growing transportation network.
- Parallel to I-5, it provides an alternate route for local trips and preserves the capacity of the interstate and two interchanges.
- When this arterial gap is filled, multiple land uses will be connected (residential, commercial and industrial).
- Employment areas on 95th Avenue and Boeckman Road will have more direct access to the WES commuter rail and SMART Central (bus) stations.
- Existing freight and over 260 acres of vacant industrial lands west of I-5 will be better served by the next link on a designated freight route.
- Design phase is funded and underway; the project will be ready for construction in 2016.
- Project cost = \$4.73 million with over 50% matching local funds (\$2.5 million) to leverage the requested state funds (\$2.23 million).

Thank you for considering my input.

Best regards,

Michelle

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To: STIP Selection Committee, ODOT Staff, and the Oregon Transportation Commission

From: City of Wilsonville Planning Commission

Date: June 12, 2013

Re: STIP Enhance Funding for the Kinsman Road Extension (Barber to Boeckman) Project

The Wilsonville Planning Commission recently approved a new and updated Transportation System Plan (TSP) for the City of Wilsonville. While developing the new TSP, we quickly recognized that Wilsonville, a relatively new (incorporated in 1969) and growing community, has an incomplete transportation network where even the arterial grid has not yet been constructed. The Kinsman Road Extension Project (the Project) fills one of the most important gaps in our arterial system.

The Kinsman Road Extension Project is listed as a Higher Priority project in our new TSP. The Project results will be exemplary in achieving each of the seven adopted goals in the TSP. In addition, the Project will provide the many benefits that were sought in the STIP Enhance program objectives. We would like to briefly touch on a few of them for you in this letter of support. We welcome you to review the attached Information Sheet that summarizes the many benefits described in our funding application.

Why is the Project Important to the ODOT System?

Wilsonville is located along I-5 with two interchanges that access the north and south parts of the city. We have worked with ODOT over the years to carefully construct and then preserve capacity at these interchanges. With missing pieces of our local arterial network, many local trips are attracted to I-5 as a convenient and direct route. The Kinsman Road Extension project will construct a new local arterial segment parallel to I-5 which will provide an alternate to using I-5 for those local trips and preserve the capacity of the interstate system for through trips.

Construction of the Kinsman Road Extension Project will also preserve the capacity of the two Wilsonville interchanges. The project will provide a north-south arterial connection to Boeckman Road that crosses over I-5 about midway between the two interchanges. A direct connection to this I-5 overcrossing will reduce the number of trips that currently use the interchanges to cross under I-5.

What Users will the Project Serve?

The Project completes a critical arterial link in our growing community's developing west side multi-modal grid. The project will connect multiple land uses – residential, industrial, and commercial. It will connect jobs, services, neighborhoods, schools, and emergency services. The

project will connect employees, residents, students, and visitors to the WES commuter rail and our SMART Central (local bus transit center). The project fills a gap on a designated freight route (Wilsonville TSP and Metro RTP) that is needed to serve existing haulers and over 260 acres of vacant industrial land on the west side of I-5 in Wilsonville.

Why Now?

The City of Wilsonville has completed the Coffee Creek Industrial Area Master Plan, a Metro-designated regionally significant industrial area, and is embarking on its implementation with infrastructure and land assembly strategic planning. The Kinsman Road Extension is an important link to connect this upcoming Coffee Creek development with the WES station, SMART Central, and residential neighborhoods and commercial services to the south.

After the Project is constructed, emergency response times will be greatly reduced for the existing Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue station located on Kinsman Road south of Barber. With the connection between Barber and Boeckman, the current out of direction travel required for many destinations will be eliminated. The same kind of trip reduction can be noted for the Wilsonville-West Linn School District buses, our own SMART bus service, and the future vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians who will be able to use this new connection rather than “go around”.

The City is already underway on the design and right-of-way acquisition for the Project. The Project will be ready to go for construction in 2016 when the STIP funding becomes available.

It is also important to note that the City is leveraging significant local match to the requested state funding. The project cost is \$4.73 million for which Wilsonville can offer \$2.5 million in local match (over 50%).

Conclusion

The City of Wilsonville Planning Commission strongly believes the Kinsman Road Extension project is a worthy investment of the STIP Enhance state transportation funds. The project will deliver the benefits that the STIP Enhance program is seeking. It will add transportation choices and improve mobility to this growing community. In addition, the Project represents a funding partnership with local funds leveraging state funds and helping other projects to be funded throughout the region.

Thank you for the opportunity to move this important project forward.

Very truly yours,



On behalf of the City of Wilsonville Planning Commission
Ben Altman, Chair

Attachment:

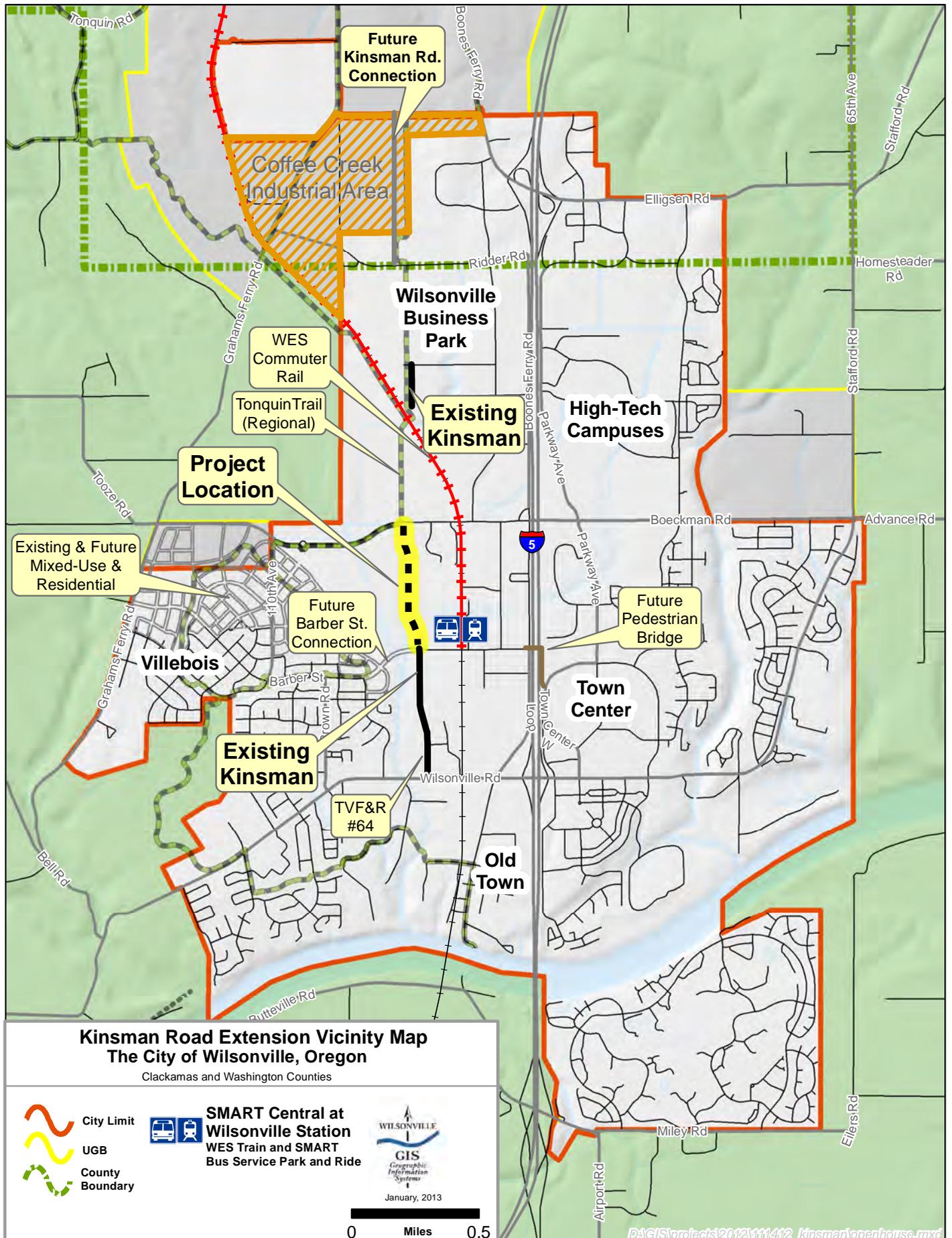
Kinsman Road Extension Project – Barber Road to Boeckman Road

Kinsman Road Extension Project

Barber Road to Boeckman Road

Summary:

The project will construct the next segment of Kinsman Road between Barber Street and Boeckman Road in Wilsonville, OR. The segment completes a critical arterial link in this growing community's developing west side multi-modal grid. Parallel to I-5, it provides an alternative route to I-5 and two interchanges for local trips. Kinsman Road connects residential, industrial, and commercial land uses and accesses the WES commuter rail and SMART Central (bus) stations. It is the next link on a designated freight route (Metro RTP) and is needed to serve existing haulers and over 260 acres of vacant industrial lands west of I-5. Design and right-of-way acquisition are underway, and the project will be ready for construction in 2016.



Kinsman Road Extension Project

Barber Road to Boeckman Road

Summary of Project Benefits

Benefits to State-Owned Facilities

The project reduces demand on I-5 and two interchanges. A gap in the local arterial system will be filled, improving local connectivity and providing a parallel route to I-5 that can be used for local trips. The project advances the ODOT objective of developing local arterials that remove “short-hop” trips on the interstate and maintain traffic capacity for through-trips.

Mobility

The Kinsman Road extension improves mobility for all users by completing a regional freight route segment, improving access to the WES and SMART Central Stations, and shortening travel distances for motorists, pedestrians, bicycles, bus routes, the school district, and Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue.

Accessibility

The project ensures access to various areas and transportation modes by filling a significant gap in the local grid. The project will link existing and planned industrial, employment, residential, and mixed use areas. The improved access provides travel ease for residents, businesses, students, goods, recreation, motorists, cyclists, and walkers from these areas. It will also provide for more direct access to the WES and SMART stations which will expand transportation choices.

Economic Vitality

The Kinsman extension will create the City’s only freight route on the west side of I-5 that will connect to destinations west of Wilsonville such as Tualatin, Sherwood, and Washington County. Existing industrial employers with over 200 employees each, including Coca-Cola Bottling Northwest and Rite Aid Distribution Center, would use the Kinsman Road extension for both freight movement and commuting.

The project is the first of three phases that extends Kinsman Road north through the Coffee Creek employment area (200+ acres of Metro-designated “Regionally

Significant Industrial” land) that is projected to generate 1,470 permanent family-wage jobs and the associated economic benefits to the region as well as state, county, and local tax revenues.

Environmental Stewardship

The project is near the Coffee Lake wetlands and will provide roadway users contact with our natural resources. Degraded wetlands will be enhanced and better connected by project mitigation. The project’s 10-foot multi-use path along the wetland complex will include interpretative signage. Stormwater will be managed with “low impact design” practices using water quality swales along both sides of the road. The project fills a gap in a “complete streets” network that enhances movement between land uses and access to WES commuter rail and SMART transit.

Land Use and Growth Management

The Kinsman Road extension is a major thread in connecting residential, employment, services, SMART and WES commuter rail for efficient travel by all modes. It specifically supports the Villebois Village mixed-use urban village and Coffee Creek Industrial Area land use plans.

Livability

The Kinsman Road extension furthers livability in a growing community by filling a health-friendly travel gap between households and employment, connecting multi-use trails, improving access to transit, and designing around wetland resources. The project will connect the Villebois community with nearby transit and employment, allowing residents to travel along an off-street path system in Villebois to the Kinsman Road extension on the eastern side of the Coffee Lake wetlands.

Safety and Security

The project will connect to Boeckman Road from the south and provide a convenient alternate east-west crossing of I-5 using its overpass. This will provide a safer and less intimidating crossing for

bicycles and pedestrians than Elligson or Wilsonville Road interchanges. The project will reduce response time for Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue by providing a direct link from their station on Kinsman Road to Boeckman Road and the existing industrial uses in northwest Wilsonville.

Equity

Residential neighborhoods to the south and southwest of the proposed Kinsman Road extension are among the lowest income and highest minority populations of the Wilsonville area according to census data. Income levels in the census tract area include 25% of the population below the poverty level. The percentage of the population in the census tract that is minorities is 10%. This may look low, however, residents of those neighborhoods will benefit by gaining improved access to the employment areas to the north and by having multi-modal transportation access to Boeckman Road (which is one of very few options for crossing I-5 from west to east). Residents of those neighborhoods currently rely on the highly congested Wilsonville Road and/or Boones Ferry Road to reach the community’s prime employment areas.

Funding and Finance

The project supports a fiscally responsible investment to develop a multi-modal transportation system in this growing community. Such investments have emphasized the need for a local system that complements the interstate system, recognizing the importance of preserving its capacity and function. Specifically, the project sustains prior investments made in capacity improvements at the Elligson and Wilsonville I-5 interchanges. The project also supports prior public investments made in both WES commuter rail and the SMART transit system by providing direct connections and attracting more riders.

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From: STIP Enhance Apps Region1
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From: Tim Woodley
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Cc: Steve Adams; Nancy Kraushaar; Tim Woodley
Subject: Wilsonville: Kinsman Road: Boeckman Rd - Barber Street

Project Selection Committee: My name is Tim Woodley, Director of Operations, West Linn-Wilsonville School District. I would like to express my strong advocacy in favor of providing funding to construct the Kinsman Road Extension project in Wilsonville.

Last fall, our school district opened the new Lowrie Primary School in the Villebois development area of Wilsonville on the west side of I-5. This new 500-student primary school started classes with about 407 students. With the growth of residential development in the area an additional 45 students were enrolled over the school year, and we are projecting the school to be almost at capacity next fall.

The District also owns and operates Boones Ferry Primary School and Inza Wood Middle School on the west side of Wilsonville. All together, these west-side schools serve over 1700 students and 3400 parents.

Transportation to and from these schools is mission-critical for successful daily operations for school busses, parents, staff and most important, emergency responders.

The Kinsman Road project is a long-awaited transportation route that will provide a critical link from south to north without having to use already-congested I-5 or surface streets on the east side of the interstate. The City of Wilsonville has provided clear rationale for construction of this important project. West Linn-Wilsonville School District concurs with the City position and herein offer our full support.

West Linn-Wilsonville School District respectfully requests the Project Selection Committee fund this critical work.

West Linn-Wilsonville School District
DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS
Tim K. Woodley, Director

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