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U.S. 26 tunnel project open houses next week

Meetings in Cannon Beach and Banks will showcase Dennis Edwards Tunnel work

ODOT today announced two open houses next week to provide details about work planned throughout the winter inside the Dennis Edwards Tunnel on U.S. 26 (Sunset Highway).

The work begins in mid-January. Attendees at the open houses will learn about the project schedule, traveler impacts and detour route. Each open house is scheduled from 4 to 6:30 p.m.:

Wednesday, Jan. 12

Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce
207 N Spruce Street
Cannon Beach

Thursday, Jan. 13

Banks Christian Academy
22785 NW Fisher Road
Buxton

The timber lining inside the Dennis Edwards Tunnel has reached the end of its service life and must be replaced. Other work includes upgrading drainage and lighting and performing concrete repairs.

ODOT recognizes U.S. 26 is a key route to the coast. During the work, the tunnel will be open all weekend, every weekend and on weekdays. The tunnel will only close on weeknights from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday and 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Thursday.

To learn more about tunnel closures visit www.dennisedwardstunnel.org.

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