

About the project

The Oregon Department of Transportation will begin construction soon on a project to increase safety on **the Kruse Way (OR 217) bridge over I-5**. The project will install a new protective screening and a new bridge railing on the Kruse Way bridge.

This work is part of a larger project that includes installing new protective screening on twelve bridges over ODOT highways in the Portland area, and new railings on four of the twelve bridges. Work began in 2021 and we expect it to continue through early 2022.

Benefits

New protective screening on the bridge will improve safety by reducing the ability for objects to fall or be thrown off the bridge onto the highway below. New railing will bring the bridge rail up to current safety standards.

Schedule

We expect construction to begin in mid-September and last about two months. Work will happen in two stages, one side of the bridge at a time.

The project schedule is subject to change. To learn which side of the bridge crews are working on, check out our website or visit **TripCheck.com**.



An example of protective screening similar to what ODOT will install on the Kruse Way bridge over I-5. We will also install new railing on both sides of the bridge.

Construction hours

- **Work on this project will happen during daytime and nighttime hours**, but lane closures on Kruse Way will remain around the clock to create a barrier for safety since crews have to remove the existing bridge rail to install the new rail. The hours for nighttime work will be 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., Monday through Friday nights.

Kruse Way/OR 217 impacts

- **24/7 right lane closures on only one side of the bridge at a time**. Expect periodic delays on Kruse Way.

I-5 traffic impacts

- Nighttime single lane closures on I-5 in both directions from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sometimes a second lane will close at 10 p.m.

Impacts for people walking, rolling and biking

- The separate pedestrian bridge next to Kruse Way will remain open at all times for people biking, walking and rolling.

Construction noise

- Residents in the area may hear some noise at night from typical construction equipment. For nighttime noise concerns, please call our 24/7 noise hotline at 503-412-2349.

Questions or comments? Contact:

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You can also find project information and sign up for updates at:

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Portland Area Bridge Screening & Rail Retrofit

Lane closures begin soon on Kruse Way and I-5

New bridge railing and protective screening coming to the Kruse Way bridge over I-5; Expect 24/7 traffic impacts on Kruse Way for about two months.

Find more information inside.

About the project

ODOT is increasing safety on twelve bridges over state highways in the Portland area in 2021 and 2022 by installing protective screening to reduce the ability for objects to fall or be thrown off the bridge. ODOT will also install new railings on four bridges.

For more information about the project and anticipated traffic impacts near you, visit the project website:

tinyurl.com/R1BridgeScreening