

## Open House

## Oregon 42: Lookingglass Creek to Interstate 5 (Winston and Green)



November 15, 2022



## **Project details**

The project will resurface a 4.5-mile section of Oregon 42 from Winston to I-5, install a new traffic signal at Rolling Hills Road, add safety features to help reduce crashes through the Green District, and upgrade sidewalk curb ramps to better accommodate wheelchair users and other pedestrians.



Location: Oregon 42: MP 72.5-77.0 (Winston and Green)

Project Budget: \$17.8 million (funding)

Bid let date: October 31, 2024

Construction schedule: 2025-2026 (estimate)



## What are the problems?



**Pavement:** The four-mile area of Oregon 42 between Lookingglass Creek and Grant Smith Road was last paved in 2006. The pavement shows extensive surface wear and cracking. Turns lanes are heavily rutted.

**Safety:** Oregon 42 through the Green District has seen several serious crashes in recent years, some involving fatalities. Many of these crashes involve turning movements or vehicles departing their lane of travel. Others occur at traffic signals, when drivers must make quick decisions.

**Bridges:** Most of the bridges along this stretch of highway are in need of maintenance and resurfacing.

**Curb ramps:** Pedestrian facilities do not meet Americans with Disabilities Act standards. Sidewalks and curb ramps can be difficult for wheelchair users to navigate.



### What are our solutions?

Paving work: Oregon 42 will receive a 2-inch grind/inlay from Lookingglass Creek to I-5. Areas that are more heavily damaged and rutted, such as turn lanes, will receive a 4-inch grind/inlay.

Merging areas: ODOT will add signs and pavement markings to encourage Oregon 42 motorists in the left and right lanes to take turns merging as they approach the northbound I-5 ramps.

**Bridge repairs:** As part of the resurfacing work, several bridges within the project area will receive new expansion joints, deck seals and overlays.

Curb ramps: Pedestrian facility improvements will involve replacing ADA curb ramps at 14 intersections along Oregon 42 between the Main-Douglas Street (Cheetah) intersection and Grant Smith Road.









## Safety features

This project will include features to improve safety and reduce crashes between the South Umpqua River and Interstate 5.

**Median barrier:** To help reduce the number of crashes that involve turning movements and lane departures, concrete barrier and channelizing islands will be installed along the median in several areas of Oregon 42 between Rolling Hills Road and I-5.



**New traffic signal:** A traffic signal will be installed on Oregon 42 at Rolling Hills Road/Grange Road. The signal will include left-turn lanes, U-turn accommodations, streetlights and crosswalks.

**Yellow lights:** Traffic signals will be adjusted so that fewer drivers are caught in the "dilemma zone," where they must quickly decide whether to stop at a yellow light or try to go through it.



**Safe U-turns:** Due to the new restrictions on left turns, accommodations for safe and legal U-turns will be provided for Oregon 42 motorists at

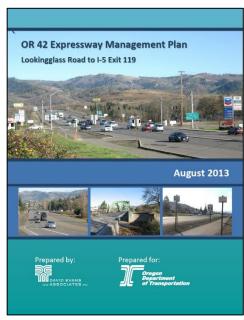
three signalized intersections: Rolling Hills Road/Grange Road, Roberts Creek Road/Carnes Road and Grants Smith Road/Old Hwy 99 S. A protected green arrow phase will be used for left-turns and U-turns.



## OR 42 Expressway Management Plan

In 2011, ODOT initiated a study to look at potential improvements along Oregon 42 from Lookingglass Road to Interstate 5. ODOT worked with a citizen's advisory committee and collected public comments at two open houses.

When it was completed two years later, the OR 42 Expressway Management Plan recommended 23 possible improvements.

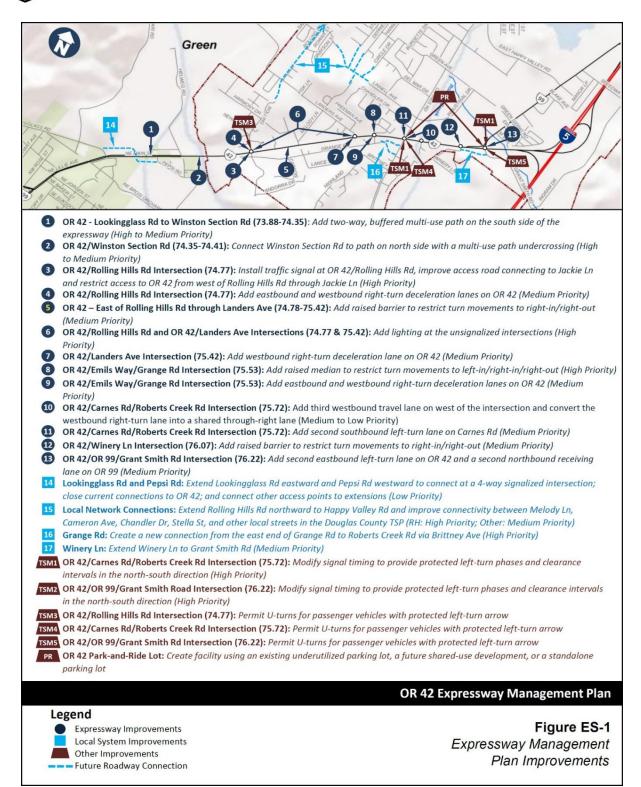


ODOT traffic engineers used a benefitcost analysis to determine which of these improvements would be most cost-effective. Five of those improvements have been added to this project:

- 1. Install a traffic signal at Rolling Hills Road
- 2. Add raised barrier east of Rolling Hills Road
- 3. Add raised median at Emils Way/Grange Road
- 4. Add raised barrier at Winery Lane
- 5. Permit U-turns at three traffic signals



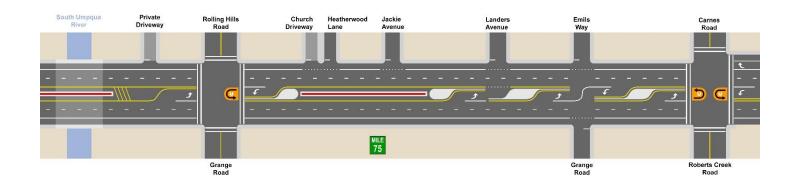
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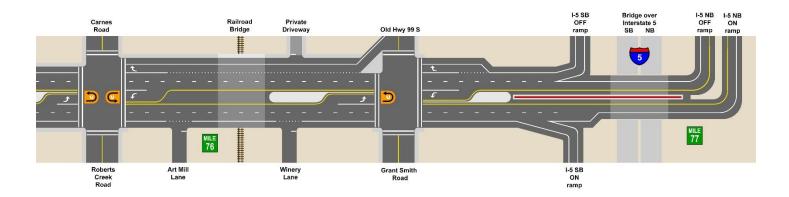


Projects recommended by the OR 42 Expressway Management Plan (2013)

#### LOOKINGGLASS CREEK TO INTERSTATE 5

### Center median barrier





Many serious crashes on Oregon 42 in the Green District involve turning movements.

To improve safety, this project will add raised barrier and traffic separators along the center median to limit left turns.

All three highway traffic signals will be modified to accommodate safe U-turns.





# Which intersections will be affected by barrier or islands?

Right turns will continue to be allowed at all intersections, but left turns in and out may be affected at the following locations:

- Heatherwood Lane (and church): No left turns in or out will be allowed. Right in and out only.
- Jackie Avenue: No left turns in or out will be allowed. Right in and out only.
- Landers Avenue: Eastbound Oregon 42 traffic may turn left into Landers Avenue. Left turns onto eastbound Oregon 42 will not be allowed. Right out only.
- Emils Way/Grange Road: Left-turn lanes will be provided for eastbound and westbound Oregon 42 onto Emils Way and Grange Road at this intersection. However, left turns from the side streets onto the highway will not be allowed.
- Winery Lane: No left turns in or out will be allowed. Right in and out only.

Due to these restrictions, ODOT will adjust all three traffic signals on Oregon 42 in the Green District to accommodate U-turns.



## **Cost and funding**

Approximately \$17.8 million in funding has been approved for this project, but we believe the final cost will be closer to \$13 million or \$14 million. Any unspent funds will be used for other projects.

Here is a rough breakdown of expected costs (as a percentage of funding):

77% — **Preservation** (paving, road repairs, ADA curb ramps)

10% — **Bridge repairs** (joints, deck seals, overlays, etc.)

13% — **Safety features** (traffic signal, barrier, etc.)

### **Project schedule**

This project is currently scheduled to bid on October 31, 2024.

A contractor will usually need 6-8 weeks after a bid before they are ready to begin work.

We estimate this this will be a two-year project, with construction starting around January 2025.



## How can I stay informed?



- Website: Visit www.Winston42.com for project information
- Email updates: Sign up for updates at www.Winston42.com
- Local news media: ODOT will send news releases and updates to local media (newspaper, radio, TV)
- Give us a call: Got a problem or question? Call 541-817-5200

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