

# South Stage Road

Extension Plan

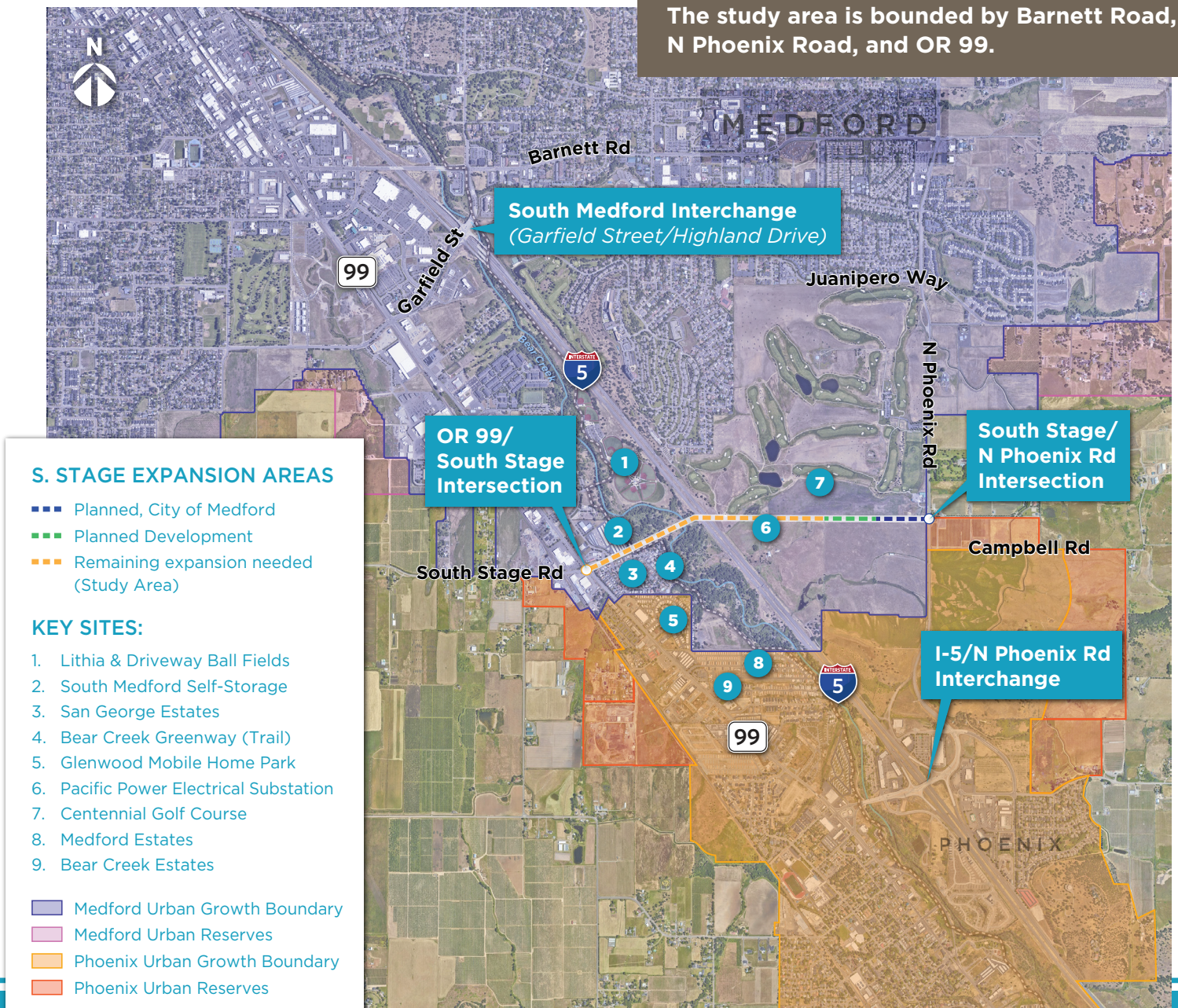
## Project Overview

Today, no roads cross Interstate 5 and Bear Creek for an approximate three-mile stretch between the Phoenix interchange (at Exit 24) and South Medford interchange (at Exit 27). The lack of local east-west roads force users to make out-of-direction trips, resulting in longer travel times. This puts stress on other area interchanges and local roads, creating backups and safety concerns. Planned development and growth will exacerbate current challenges.

To address this, ODOT, in partnership with the City of Medford, is preparing a Facility Plan to evaluate potential transportation improvements across I-5 between the Phoenix interchange and South Medford interchange to improve east-west connectivity and safety, reduce congestion, improve emergency response, evacuation, and recovery times, and reduce travel times. The project will evaluate options for potential system improvements, a new overpass and/or interchange.

## Study Area

The study area is bounded by Barnett Road, N Phoenix Road, and OR 99.



# Community Engagement

Information on upcoming events will be shared on the project website. The project website will include information on upcoming events, including:



Online open houses in early 2024 and summer 2024



In-person open house in spring 2024



Additional community meetings and briefings throughout the project

The information in this document may be adopted or incorporated by reference into a future environmental review process to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act.

## Schedule

The project started summer 2023 and is anticipated to conclude in late 2024, with adoption by the City of Medford and Oregon Transportation Commission.

	2023							2024												
	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
<b>PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND HEARINGS</b>					[Blue bar spanning Oct 2023 to Sep 2024]															
Joint Transportation Commission and Planning Commission Meetings									●			●			●	● (PC Only)				
City Council Meetings									●			●			●	●				
Environmental Justice Community Meetings								●			●									
Public Advisory Committee					●			●			●			●						
Online Open House and Live Virtual Presentation								[Blue bar]						[Blue bar]						
In-Person Open House											●									
<b>PLANNING AND CONCEPTUAL DESIGN</b>	[Orange bar spanning Jun 2023 to Sep 2024]																			
Purpose, Objectives and Evaluation Criteria	[Orange bar]																			
Background Materials and Preliminary Planning		[Orange bar]																		
Alternative Development and Screening Analysis				[Orange bar]																
<b>DEVELOP AND ADOPT FACILITY PLAN</b>															[Dark blue bar]					

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