

Frequently Asked Questions:

Why is a traffic light going in and not a roundabout?

There are a couple of reasons why the City of Hood River recommended a traffic light instead of a roundabout. First, the steep roads to the north and south would make it very difficult to fit a roundabout in this location. In addition, a roundabout would have to be big enough to allow for the large trucks that travel on state highways. Due to the large size, it was not possible to design a roundabout without severely impacting nearby businesses and private properties.

Will the new intersection be accessible?

The new intersection plans have many features that will make it accessible to everyone. New sidewalk and curb ramps will be installed at all four corners of the intersection to make crossing easier and safer. The intersection will also have lighting for pedestrians, and a visual and audible pedestrian crossing signal.

Who is paying for this new intersection?

The City of Hood River and ODOT are both contributing funds towards this project, with ODOT contributing \$750,000 and the City covering the remaining costs.

Are other nearby intersections being looked at for improvement?

ODOT currently has no other projects in this immediate area, but the City of Hood River is currently evaluating additional improvements to this entire corridor on a planning level. For more information on City of Hood River projects click [here](#).