OR 99: Rogue River Bridge - Gold Hill Spur Jackson County

Project Description

Improve existing 1927 bridge over Rogue River. Widen the existing bridge deck, strengthen the historic structure and replace timber walkway. Widen existing 20-foot-wide bridge deck to 24 feet and add 5-foot walkway for bicycle and pedestrians that is Americans with Disability Act (ADA) compliant.

Purpose And Need

Improve safety and mobility for all modes, including emergency services and freight, on this critical crossing into Gold Hill and Sams Valley area.

Anticipated Benefits

By improving this bridge to accommodate today's traffic, including freight and emergency vehicles, all vehicles will be able to use this bridge. It is currently too narrow for two trucks to meet at the same time and some heavier loads avoid it altogether.

Improvements will keep Gold Hill connected, especially in case of emergency. Any full closure of the bridge will mean out of direction travel for Gold Hill traffic.

These improvements will also keep bicycle and pedestrian access connected on this important Rogue River crossing.



A snow-covered log truck crosses the Gold Hill Bridge



The narrow bridge is frequently struck by passing cars

Proposed Solutions

Widen and strengthen this bridge to handle today's traffic. This project may need temporary full closures to construct improvements. A comprehensive traffic control plan and outreach to community and region traffic users will be critical to project success.

Estimated Project Cost

Total estimated cost:	\$13 million
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