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Weekly Construction Update: Nov. 30-Dec. 7, 2024*

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The following highways have projects included in this week's construction report. Scroll down to see traffic impacts in the following order (interstate, U.S., and state highways).

Sat. 11/30	Sun. 12/1	Mon. 12/2	Tues. 12/3	Wed. 12/4	Thurs. 12/5	Fri. 12/6	Sat. 12/7
I-5: Periodic lane closures on I-5 and SW 26th Ave.							
I-84: Exit 58 closed							
I-205: Ln closures (Clackamette Dr, Willamette Falls Dr, OR 43)							
US 26: Ln closures (99th-174th)							
US 30: Ln closures (Bridge Ave-Kittridge, Hood River); Road closure (Wahkeena-Multnomah Falls)							
US 30BY: Ln closures (Holman-149th)							
OR 8: no traffic impacts							
OR 35: no traffic impacts							
OR 99E: Ln closures (Maple St); Auxiliary Ln closure (near I-205)							
OR 99W: Ln closures (I-5 to McDonald)							
OR 141: Hall overpass closed (OR 217 near Pfaffle St)							
OR 127: no traffic impacts							
OR 211: Ln closures (Molalla to Colton)							
OR 213: no traffic impacts							
OR 217: Auxiliary Ln closures (SB Scholls Ferry-OR 99W, NB Scholls Ferry-Denney, NB OR 99W-72nd Ave)							
Region wide: Ln closures (OR 99W at 60th, 64th, 68th/69th, Beef Bend, Walnut)							

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Interstate 5 – Pacific Highway – I-5 Over 26th Avenue Improvements (23T030503)

Project Description: Improves the I-5 bridge over SW 26th Avenue in Southwest Portland with a new structure and upgrades SW 26th Avenue with better lighting, bike lanes, and sidewalks.

Traffic Impacts: Periodic lane closures on I-5 and SW 26th Ave.

Project website: bit.ly/swi-5prepair

Interstate 84 – Columbia River Highway – McCord Creek Bridge (utility work)

Project Description: We are preparing to replace the aging bridge that carries I-84 east over McCord Creek near Warrendale in 2025-2026. Replacing the bridge will eliminate a dip in the roadway and increase safety, earthquake resilience, and the lifespan of the highway. In 2024, a utility provider is relocating lines with impacts to the adjacent Historic Columbia River Highway State Trail.

Traffic Impacts: Expect flaggers directing traffic on the Historic Highway State Trail near McCord Creek during daylight hours on weekdays.

No impact to I-84.

Project website: www.i84gorgeconstruction.org

Interstate 84 – Columbia River Highway – Mitchell Point Tunnel (21T027255)

Project Description: The iconic Mitchell Point Tunnel was a highlight of the original Historic Highway, but the construction of Interstate 84 destroyed the tunnel. Now, we are constructing a new tunnel and Historic Highway State Trail segment adjacent to I-84 east near Exit 58.

Traffic Impacts: I-84 east Exit 58 closed around the clock.

Project website: <https://www.oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=HCRHMP>

Interstate 205 – East Portland Freeway – Improvements Project Phase 1A Abernethy Bridge (22T046983)

Project Description: The I-205 Improvements Project is part of a regional [Urban Mobility Strategy](#) to comprehensively reduce congestion and crashes, while also making travel times shorter and more predictable. The first phase of the project will upgrade the Abernethy Bridge to withstand a major earthquake, improve interchanges at OR 43 and OR 99E, along with improving on- and off- ramps to improve safety. Abernethy Bridge will also be widened to accommodate a third lane in each direction. Final lane configuration will be completed in a future phase.

Traffic Impacts: Single lane closures on Clackamette Drive, Willamette Falls Drive. Auxiliary lane closure on OR 99E north. Pedestrian detours on OR 43 and OR 99E.

Single lane closures on OR 43 as weather allows.

Project website: i205corridor.org

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U.S. 26 – Powell Boulevard – Outer Powell Transportation Safety Project (22T075374)

Project Description: We are constructing safety improvements to help people travel Outer SE Powell Boulevard more safely from SE 99th Avenue to SE 122nd Avenue and SE 136th Avenue to just east of SE 174th Avenue (the Portland/Gresham city limits). The first phase, from SE 122nd Avenue to SE 136th Avenue, is complete.

The overall Outer Powell Project will add a center turn lane, sidewalks and bike lanes. These improvements reduce the frequency and severity of crashes as well as help people driving, taking transit, walking and biking share the road with fewer conflicts. Pre-construction activities are underway through 2024. Road construction is expected to begin spring 2025 and last five years.

Traffic Impacts: Lane closures, traffic shifts, shoulder closures and up to 20-minute traffic holds 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. weekdays.

Flaggers periodically directing traffic.

Project website: www.OuterPowellSafety.org

U.S. 30 – NW St. Helens Road – NW Industrial Paving Project (22T032490)

Project Description: We are making safety improvements for people walking, biking, rolling, driving and moving freight on U.S. 30 (NW St. Helens Road), between NW Bridge Avenue and NW Kittridge Avenue. We are repaving the roadway, replacing traffic signals, adjusting vehicle lane widths, building curb ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements and improving conditions for people biking.

Traffic Impacts: Periodic daytime lane closures. Pedestrian detours. Bicycles use roadway travel lanes.

Project website: bit.ly/NWIndustrialAreaRepavement

U.S. 30 – Historic Columbia River Highway – Sidewalk curb ramps (24T088709)

Project Description: We are improving safety and access for all by upgrading sidewalk curb ramps to the current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility standards on a section of U.S. 30 (Cascade Avenue and Oak Street in Hood River) from Mt. Adams Avenue to E 2nd Street.

Traffic Impacts: Lane closures with flaggers directing traffic from 4th to 6th Street.

Periodic side street closures during work hours. Lane closure hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays, until 3 p.m. Friday.

Project website: www.i84GorgeConstruction.org

U.S. 30 – Historic Columbia River Highway – Multnomah Falls Viaducts (24T016894)

Project Description: Two 100 year-old elevated roadways that provide access to Multnomah Falls require repairs to continue providing access to one of Oregon's most iconic sites. The elevated roadways – called viaducts – carry vehicles and bicycles to the Falls and Lodge from the Historic Columbia River Highway. The west viaduct will be closed fall 2024 through spring 2025. The east viaduct will be closed fall 2025 through spring 2026.

Traffic Impacts: A section of the Historic Columbia River Highway/U.S. 30 between Wahkeena Falls and Multnomah Falls is closed to all users until Memorial Day 2025.

Use I-84 Exit 31 or take transit to visit Multnomah Falls. There is no vehicle or bicycle access to Multnomah Falls heading eastbound on the Historic Highway. The Wahkeena-Multnomah Falls return trail #442 is open to hikers.

Project website: www.i84GorgeConstruction.org

U.S. 30 BY – St. Johns Bridge – Bridge Repair (22T088503)

Project Description: We are improving the long-term safety and lifespan of the St. Johns Bridge by repairing the concrete on the pier columns and arches under the bridge. Repairing the concrete will protect the bridge's steel internal frame and reinforcements from corrosion, maintaining the service life of this beloved Portland Historic Landmark.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: <https://www.oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=37899>

U.S. 30 BY – North Lombard Street, NE Lombard Street, NE Killingsworth Street, NE Sandy Boulevard – sidewalk curb ramps (24T025322)

Project Description: This project rebuilds 300 sidewalk curb ramps at unsignalized intersections along U.S. 30 Bypass in Portland between N. Syracuse Street and NE 165th Avenue to meet ADA accessibility standards.

Traffic Impacts: Around-the-clock lane closures between Holman Street and 149th Street. Pedestrian detours.

Project website: www.R1ADA.org

Oregon 99E – Pacific Highway East – Paving in Canby (22T096643)

Project Description: This project will repave and reconstruct sections of Oregon 99E between South Pine Street and Southwest Berg Parkway in Canby and make safety improvements.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: Bit.ly/canbypaving

Oregon 99E – SE McLoughlin Boulevard – Pedestrian Safety (24T088834)

Project Description: This project installs an overhead RRFB with a pedestrian refuge island median, ADA compliant curb ramps with push buttons, speed feedback signs and illumination.

Traffic Impacts: Periodic single lane closures 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays at SE Maple Street. Pedestrian detours.

Project website: tinyurl.com/OR99EatMapleSt

Oregon 99W – Pacific Highway West – Paving: I-5 to McDonald Street (23T031577)

Project Description: The project area begins where OR 99W crosses Interstate 5 near SW 64th Avenue. It continues along OR 99W south to SW McDonald Street in Tigard. It will create a fully connected sidewalk network in the corridor, smoother and safer road surface, increase bike lane connectivity, and reconstruct sidewalk curbs so they comply with Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

Traffic Impacts: Nighttime single lane closures 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Project website: tinyurl.com/OR99Wpaving

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Oregon 127 – NW Cornelius Pass Road – NW Skyline Boulevard Storage Site (24T041148)

Project Description: A new ODOT storage site is being constructed at the southeast corner of OR 127 and NW Skyline Boulevard to provide maintenance crews with access to supplies and equipment for maintaining safety and operations of NW Cornelius Pass Road and during winter weather events.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Oregon 211 – Main Street – Private Development (Molalla) (24T030890)

Project Description: A private development is underway off OR 211 near Ona Way in Molalla.

Traffic Impacts: Shoulder closures and pedestrian detours.

Oregon 211 – Woodburn-Estacada Highway – Safety Corridor (24T070588)

Project Description: The Oregon Department of Transportation designated eight miles of OR 211 from Molalla to Colton (milepost 14.0 to 22.0) as a Safety Corridor in October 2021 in response to high crash rates. ODOT builds safety improvements in 2024 to reduce crashes with new signage, striping, lighting and rumble strips..

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Website: tinyurl.com/OR211SafetyCorridor

Oregon 213 – SE 82nd Avenue – Paving and Safety Improvements (23T079513)

Project Description: We are repaving and making safety improvements on SE 82nd Avenue from SE Foster Road to SE Thompson Road. We will repave SE 82nd Avenue in both directions between SE Foster Road and SE Lindy Street. Pedestrian safety improvements from SE Foster to SE Thompson Road include four new Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs), upgrades to curb ramps that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements and adding new sidewalks between SE Clatsop Street and SE Cornwell Street.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: tinyurl.com/82ndAveFosterToThompson

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Oregon 217 – Beaverton-Tigard Highway – Auxiliary Lanes (21T119060)

Project Description: This project will address long-standing congestion on OR 217 between Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway and OR 99W due to too many closely spaced interchanges: 10 interchanges in just over seven miles! This is some of the shortest merging spacing in the region.

Traffic Impacts: Sidewalk closure on the south side of Hall Boulevard between Scholls Ferry Road and Cascade Avenue.

Ongoing closures: Hall Boulevard over OR 217 in Tigard is closed until early 2025 to replace the bridge. Auxiliary lane closures on OR 217 south from Scholls Ferry Road to OR 99W and on OR 217 north from Scholls Ferry Road to Denney Road. Expect shoulder closures on OR 217, various on- and off-ramps, and on local roads near the highway ramps. Various on- and off-ramps temporarily narrowed. Pedestrian detours on the Hall Boulevard overpass in Beaverton.

Project website: www.hwy217.org

Various Highways – Central ARTS

Project Description: The ARTS Program aims to reduce serious crashes at various intersections on state highway and on local roads. Intersections typically have high rates of crashes. The Central ARTS program improves safety at intersections and streets in the central Portland metro area. Improvement corridors include U.S. 30 Bypass, Powell Boulevard (U.S. 26), Foster Road, and Interstate 205.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: www.bit.ly/ARTSProgram

Various Highways – West ARTS

Project Description: The ARTS Program aims to reduce serious crashes at various intersections on state highway and on local roads. Intersections typically have high rates of crashes. The West ARTS program improves safety at intersections and streets in the west Portland metro area. Improvement corridors include U.S. 30, Tualatin Valley Highway (OR 8), Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway (OR 10), Barbur Boulevard (OR 99W), Macadam Avenue (OR 99E) and Hall Boulevard (OR 141).

Traffic Impacts: Daytime single lane closures on OR 99W at the following intersections: Beef Bend Road, 60th Avenue, 64th Avenue, 68th/69th and Walnut Street.

Project website: www.bit.ly/ARTSProgram

Various Highways – Washington County ARTS

Project Description: The ARTS Program aims to reduce serious crashes at various intersections on state highway and on local roads. Intersections typically have high rates of crashes. This ARTS project improves safety at intersections and streets in Washington County. Improvements include 54 intersections on OR 8, OR 10, OR 47 and OR 219.

Traffic Impacts: No traffic impacts.

Project website: tinyurl.com/WACountyARTS

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Tips for driving safely in work zones

An inattentive driver is the most common cause of work zone crashes. Drivers and their passengers — not workers — make up the majority of work zone fatalities. What you can do:

- **SLOW DOWN!**
- **Pay attention**
- **Obey signs and flaggers**

Know before you go! Call 511 or visit www.TripCheck.com to check routes, work zones and road and weather conditions before you head out.

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