

NWACT 2010-2013 STIP Project Proposal

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Project Name: Tillamook County TSP Project priorities SRD 13 – Hwy 101 Northbound Passing Lane North of Manzanita to Clatsop County, Oregon public outreach process.

Transportation Problem: This section of Hwy 101 climbs uphill and does not have passing lanes creating traffic to slow for larger trucks and recreational vehicles. In addition to slowing traffic, it causes smaller, faster vehicles to want to pass the slow traffic often times causing safety hazards to the south traveling traffic. During a good portion of the summer season the traffic makeup has an increased mix of recreational vehicles, with the passenger and truck transport.

Transportation Solution: The construction of a northbound passing lane will allow for additional capacity and mobility for traffic flow up the hill and improve the safety conditions of this section of Highway. This improvement will serve more than 5000 ADT. This project scope only includes the public outreach elements and does not include the design or construction components.

Project History: In the early 1990's this project was identified and was moving forward through the process. A select group of citizens opposed the project due to the potential of cutting trees to add this passing lane, and provided their comments in a public forum. As a result of that public comment, the project was eliminated. Within the following years, the Tillamook PUD cut many of the trees in question to protect their power lines. This project is part of the Tillamook County Transportation and Oregon Coast Highway Plans. This project has been rated as a priority 2 by Tillamook County.

Project Cost: The Public Outreach component of this project is estimated to be \$500,000.

Project Criteria—Describe how the project meets the following criteria:

ODOT Minimum Eligibility:

- Project is included and consistent with the applicable adopted comprehensive plan or transportation system plan (TSP).
- Project is consistent with the Oregon Highway Plan policy on Major Improvements (Policy 1G, Action 1.G.1) where applicable.

ODOT Prioritization Factors:

- Project Readiness
- Support Freight Mobility
- Leverage Other Funds and Public Benefit
- (If applicable) Have completed an Environmental Milestone

NWACT Prioritization Criteria:

- Addresses System-wide Congestion
- Support Economic and Community Development
- Addresses Transportation Safety
- Contributes to Community Partnerships
- Improves Intermodal Connections