



Community Benefits Advisory Group Meeting



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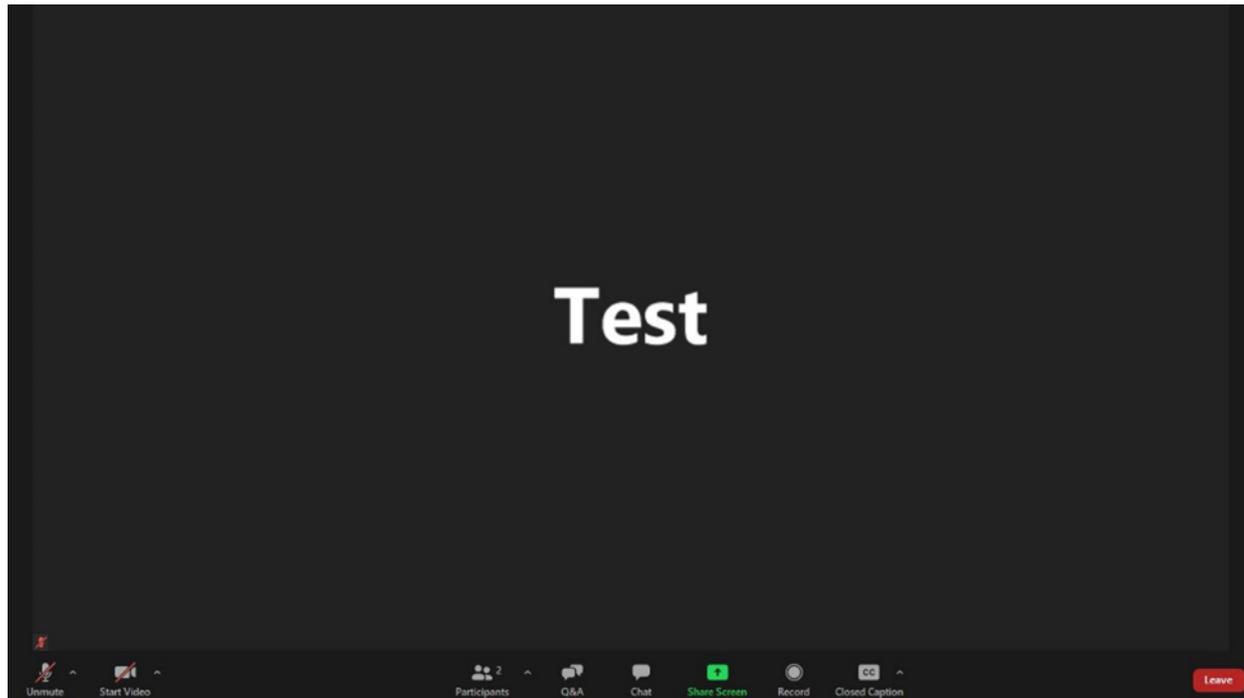
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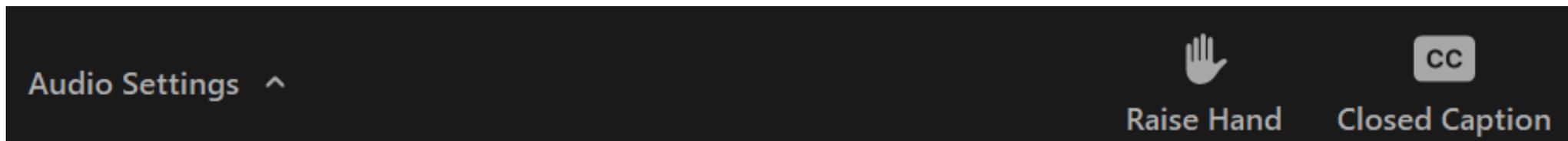
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- ▶ In the effort to continue to center equity there is an ASL interpreter in addition to closed captioning.
- ▶ To make sure the interpreter is always visible please right click their video and select spotlight video.
- ▶ For those watching on YouTube, when we screenshare, you will be able to see the slideshow, closed captioning and the ASL interpreter. You will still be able to hear different people speaking but may not see them.

Public Input Instructions

- ▶ There will be an opportunity to provide brief public input later in the meeting today (around 9:50 AM).
- ▶ Verbal public comment will be welcome in the Zoom webinar during the designated time, with the option to turn on your camera.
 - Please use the link located in the meeting description on the YouTube meeting page or on the IBR CBAG meeting webpage.
 - Commenters will not be allowed to share their screens and will be removed from the room once the public comment period concludes.
- ▶ **To comment by phone:**
 - Dial: +1 646 931 3860 US or +1 408-638-0968
 - Enter meeting ID: 823 5803 3783, passcode: 385815
 - Dial *9 to raise your hand
 - After you are invited to speak, dial *6 to unmute yourself.



Group Agreements

- ▶ Put relationships first.
- ▶ Keep focused on our common goal.
- ▶ Notice power dynamics in the room.
- ▶ Create a space for multiple truths and norms.
- ▶ Be kind and brave.
- ▶ Practice examining racially biased systems and processes.
- ▶ This is a learning space for everyone, look for learning.
- ▶ Advisory group members will turn cameras on as you share this space together.
- ▶ Take care of your personal needs as they come up. Let the facilitator know if you need to step away.
- ▶ Virtual participants can participate by taking written notes, as well as using the 'Raise Hand' and 'Speak' features for active engagement.
- ▶ Welcome diverse perspectives; it's okay to disagree.
- ▶ Move Up, Move Up
- ▶ Assume and have good intentions.



Welcome CBAG Members

Greg Johnson, Program Administrator

Meeting Agenda

Time	Topic
9:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Call to order• Welcome & introductions• Meeting overview and outcomes
9:50 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public comment
10:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Program update
10:05 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss and confirm CBAG recommendations for the Avoid Further Harm category
10:25 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation on Tribal government consultation and Section 106<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Q&A
10:40 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Small group discussion - Review, edit/propose recommendations
11:10 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large group report
11:25 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closing and next steps

CBAG Sharing

▶ Introductions — CBAG Members

- Please introduce yourself starting with your name, organizational affiliation or at large status, and pronouns.
- Check in question:
 - *What activities are you looking forward to doing in the spring?*

Public Comment

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- ▶ Dial *6 to unmute yourself
- ▶ Please provide your name and affiliation
- ▶ 10-minute timeframe will be divided among the number of requested speakers

If we run out of time and you have not had a chance to speak, you can still provide comments after the meeting.



Comment Instructions

To submit comments after the meeting:



- ▶ Fill out the comment form on the program website or email your comments to info@interstatebridge.org with “CBAG Public Comment” in the subject line.
- ▶ Call **360-859-0494** (Washington), **503-897-9218** (Oregon), **888-503-6735** (toll-free) and state "CBAG Public Comment" in your message.
- ▶ Written comments need to explicitly say “**CBAG Public Comment**” in the subject line or in the body of the message for them to be identified and distributed to CBAG members.
- ▶ All written comments must be received prior to 48 hours in advance of each upcoming meeting in order to be distributed to advisory group members. Comments received after that point will be distributed to members in advance of their next meeting.



Program Update

Greg Johnson, Program Administrator

Recent Activities

- ▶ U.S. Sec. of Transportation Pete Buttigieg visit
- ▶ Federal Highways Administrator Shailen Bhatt visit
- ▶ Equity Roundtable
- ▶ Industry Engagement:
 - Small Business Roundtable
 - Apex/CREDC
 - Association of General Contractors Tour
- ▶ Community Outreach:
 - Vancouver Innovation, Technology, and Art (VITA) School
 - Youth press conference and tour
- ▶ Transportation Commissions form Bi-State Tolling Subcommittee
 - First subcommittee meeting: Feb. 23



New Draft SEIS Webpage



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PROGRAM UPDATES

Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS)

The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) is expected in spring 2024 !

The program is preparing to release the document this spring, which will kickoff a 60-day public comment period.

This page will provide the information necessary to **learn about the process** and how to **review the document**, as well as when and where to find opportunities to **provide feedback**.

www.interstatebridge.org/draftseis

A collage of images related to the Interstate Bridge Replacement Program. It includes a construction site with cranes, a green semi-truck on a bridge, and people looking at a large map or document. The Interstate BRIDGE Replacement Program logo is in the top left corner.

Interstate Bridge Replacement Program

DRAFT Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement + DRAFT Section 4(f) Evaluation

Spring 2024

Produced in partnership with:

- Federal Transit Administration
- FHWA
- Oregon Department of Transportation
- Washington State Department of Transportation
- TRI MET
- C-TRAN
- Metro
- Portland Metropolitan Regional Transportation Board

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Discuss and Confirm Recommendations for Avoid Further Harm Category

Emilee Thomas-Peralta, Equity Team

Community Benefits Recommendations

▶ Avoid Further Harm

- Consider monitoring for noise, vibration, and air quality
- Dashboard showing results and subsequent actions to mitigate
- Mitigate noise and dust impacts to homes during and after construction
- Require Contractors to install several electric charging stations to encourage the use of low/no emission vehicles on the site
- Work with highly-impacted residents to determine mitigations during construction, such as hotel vouchers during the noisiest/overnight operations if certain noise levels are exceeded

Community Benefits Updated Recommendations

- ▶ Avoid Further Harm — all elements below will reflect leading and best practices and accommodate any local context and standards
 - ~~Consider~~ Establish systems for continuous monitoring for noise, vibration, and air quality during and after program construction, ensuring that pre-construction conditions are measured to use as a baseline.
 - Publicly accessible Community Benefits Dashboard showing ~~results and subsequent actions to mitigate~~ progress on all community benefits proposals and projects
 - Mitigate noise and dust impacts to homes and businesses prior to, during, and after construction
 - Require contractors to arrange off-street parking for their site employees
 - Limit closures of sidewalks, bike lanes, and bus lanes near construction sites to minimize impacts on non-motorized transit
 - Set up portable speed monitoring signs on adjacent neighborhood streets
 - ~~Set up temporary speed bumps or speed tables to be established in key locations to prevent speeding on adjacent streets~~ Create a process to monitor volumes and speeds on local streets within program area and, when warranted per local traffic code, install speed bumps or tables to address safety during construction

Community Benefits Recommendations

▶ Avoid Further Harm

- Set up portable speed monitoring signs on adjacent neighborhood streets
- Set up temporary speed bumps or speed tables to be established in key locations to prevent speeding on adjacent streets
- Require a percentage of the contractor's equipment be low or no emission
- Retrofit diesel construction vehicles to curb air pollution
- Explore options to build permanent electric vehicle charging stations beyond temporary uses during construction phase
- Consider including the installation of electric lines in advance to avoid future disruption for charging stations

Community Benefits Updated Recommendations

- ▶ **Avoid Further Harm — all elements below will reflect leading and best practices and accommodate any local context and standards**
 - ~~Require a percentage of the Contractor's equipment be low or no emission~~ Establish challenging electric vehicle or low-emissions requirements as part of contract documents
 - ~~Require Contractors to install several electric charging stations to encourage the use of low/no emission vehicles on the site~~ Install electric charging stations in the construction zone for contractor use to meet EV requirements. These charging stations are to be placed so that they may become convenient public facilities after construction is complete
 - ~~Explore options to build permanent electric vehicle charging stations beyond temporary uses during construction phase~~ *Note: consolidate with point above*
 - Install electric lines in advance of the start of construction to avoid future disruption for charging stations
 - Work with highly-impacted residents to determine mitigations during construction, such as installation of sound and dust-proof windows in a timely fashion before construction begins, and hotel vouchers during the noisiest/overnight operations if certain noise levels are exceeded, etc.
 - Retrofit diesel construction vehicles to curb air pollution prior to the start of construction

Tribal Government Consultation and Section 106 Overview

Kassie Rippee, Tribal Liaison

Hayli Reff, Cultural Resources Program Manager

Tribal Government Consultation Overview

- ▶ Tribal consultation is a government-to-government process.
- ▶ Consultation happens separately from any public process.
 - Engagement with tribal members and members of the Indigenous community as interested members of the public does not constitute tribal consultation.
- ▶ Oregon ORS 182.162-168
- ▶ Washington RCW 43.376
- ▶ Centennial Accord

Section 106 Overview

- ▶ Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966 requires federal agencies to consider the effects on historic properties of projects they carry out, assist, fund, permit, license, or approve throughout the country.
 - Under Section 106, historic properties are those that are listed, or eligible to be listed, in the National Register of Historic Places.



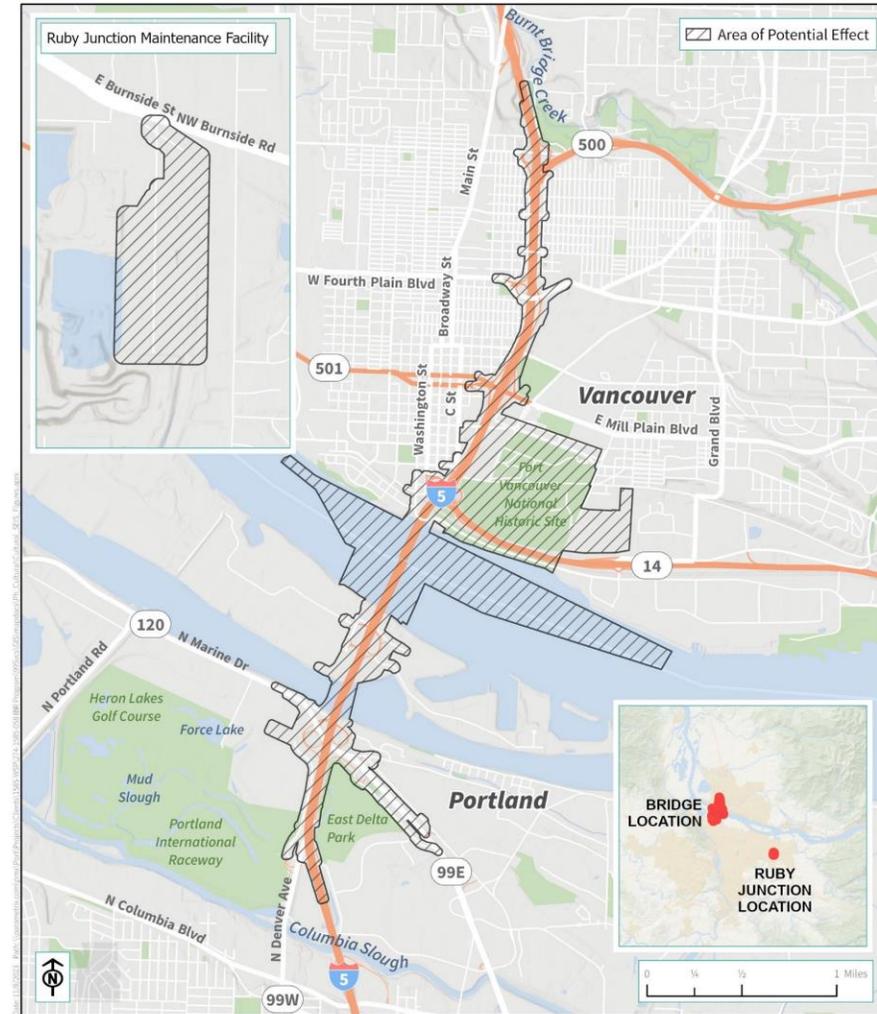
Lyndon B. Johnson signed seven conservation bills on October 15, 1966, including the National Historic Preservation Act (LBJ Presidential Library).

Section 106 Overview

- ▶ **Step 1: Initiating Section 106**
 - Consulting Parties
 - Area of Potential Effect (APE)
- ▶ **Step 2: Identifying Historic Properties**
- ▶ **Step 3: Assessing Effects**
- ▶ **Step 4: Achieving a Resolution**

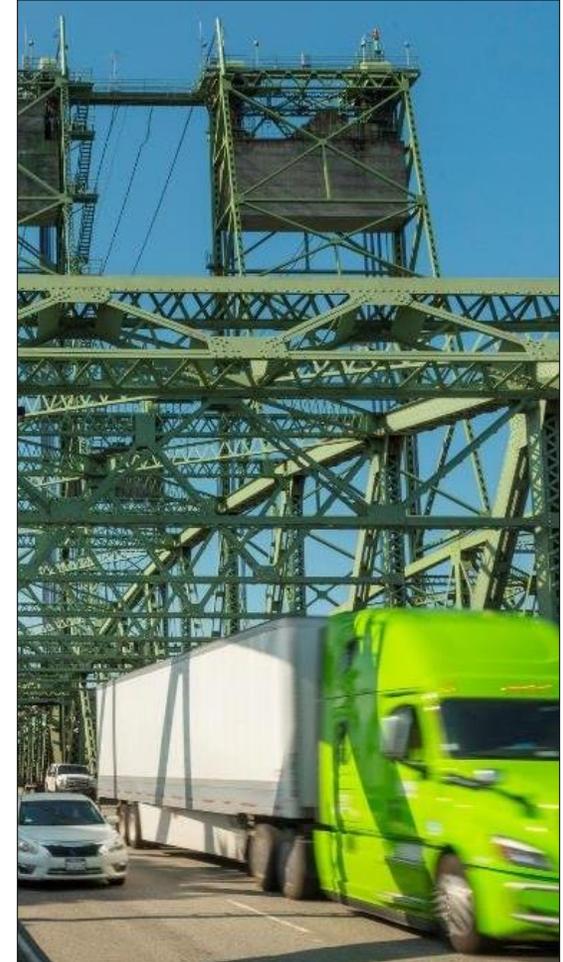


Cultural Resources Area of Potential Effect



Section 106 and the IBR Program

- ▶ Historic Built Environment Baseline Survey Reports
- ▶ Section 106 Determinations of Eligibility (DOEs)
- ▶ Section 106 Findings of Effect (FOEs)
 - No Effect
 - No Adverse Effect
 - Adverse Effect



Section 106 and the IBR Program

▶ Programmatic Agreement

- A Programmatic Agreement establishes the roles and responsibilities of the agency and consulting parties, the agreed-upon measures to resolve adverse effects, and processes for the phased identification and evaluation of historic properties and protocols for involving stakeholders in consultation as effects are identified and resolved.

Section 106 and the IBR Program: Next Steps

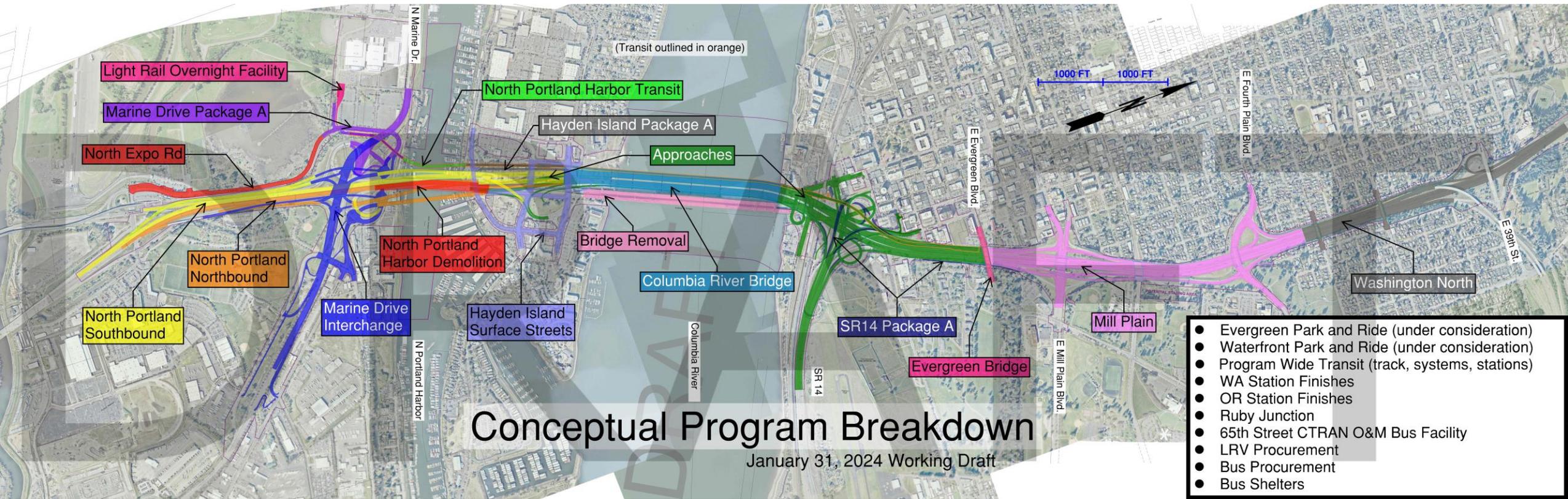
- ▶ Publish first formal draft of the Programmatic Agreement (spring 2024)
- ▶ Facilitate conversations around resolving Adverse Effects to historic properties (ongoing)
- ▶ Programmatic Agreement consultation (ongoing)



IBR Community Benefits Examples: Workforce Equity and Economic Opportunity

Emilee Thomas-Peralta, Equity Team

Conceptual Construction Packaging Map



This graphic is intended only to show potential contract packages. It does not reflect all design options under environmental study and does not reflect design decisions.

The IBR program delivery plan is a work in progress; this map is subject to ongoing modifications.

Examples of Potential Community Benefits

► DBE Support:

- Host regular workshops for DBEs.
- Assess needs for back-office support and technical support (i.e. accounting, payroll, estimating, plan reading, understanding specifications, etc.).
- Host prime contractor & DBE networking events.
- Institute prompt pay requirements on all construction contracts.
- Fund technical assistance, training, outreach, and support.

Examples of Potential Community Benefits

► DBE Support:

- Unbundle work packages to create DBE prime contracting opportunities
- Require all major prime contractors to employ a DBE liaison
- Require prime contractors to have an internship/mentor program so minority college students can be exposed to project management skills
- Create dashboard for tracking DBE data
- Implement contracting and workforce strategies that hire and train local DBEs for both short-term and long-term jobs, using strategies that align with regional Construction Careers Pathways Program

Examples of Potential Community Benefits

► Workforce Support, Outreach, and Training:

- Provide transit services to connect trainees with training sites and eventually the IBR worksite
- Provide childcare vouchers and/or create childcare center near project site for trainees and employees during construction
- Provide internship opportunities on the project with all program partners
 - *Including internship programs for enrolled students*
- Provide workforce training opportunities for middle and high school students
- Stable Working Conditions - stagger construction packages so DBEs, BIPOC workers, etc. can have long term work on project

Examples of Potential Community Benefits

▶ Workforce Provisions for potential PLA/CWA:

– Priority & hiring

- *Develop criteria that helps target populations such as veterans, BIPOC, women, individuals experiencing lower-income, formerly incarcerated, and individuals experiencing disabilities*
- *Local hiring – define what local means for IBR (e.g. 50-mile radius)*

– Anti-harassment/Respectful Jobsites program

– Prevailing wage, health care, retirement

– Apprenticeship goals focused on graduation vs. apprenticeship hours only



Breakout Session in Progress

We will return in 30 minutes.

Large Group Report

What's Next?

CBAG Workplan

- ▶ March 2024
 - Category: Mobility and accessibility
- ▶ April 2024
 - Category: Community benefits
- ▶ May 2024
 - Category: Avoid further harm
- ▶ June 2024
 - Category: Physical design
- ▶ July 2024
 - Category: Mobility and accessibility
- ▶ August 2024
 - Category: Community benefits

Next Program Meetings

- ▶ Executive Steering Group (ESG)
 - March 5, 2024, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- ▶ Community Advisory Group (CAG)
 - March 14, 2024 – 4:00-6:00 PM
- ▶ Equity Advisory Group (EAG)
 - March 18, 2024 – 5:30-7:30 PM
- ▶ Community Benefits Advisory Group (CBAG)
 - March 28, 2024 – 9:30 AM-11:30 AM



Wrap up

Final Thoughts



Thank you!



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