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TO HEAR
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YOU!**

The Interstate Bridge Replacement Program is studying its environmental impact.

The IBR Program is a joint effort between Oregon and Washington to replace the aging Interstate Bridge across the Columbia River and related multimodal investments within the five-mile corridor. The goal is to ensure a modern, multimodal corridor that strengthens earthquake resiliency, improves safety and keeps people and our economy moving.

What is the Draft SEIS?



The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS), set to be published this fall, is a federal requirement of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) that studies Program investments.

The analysis will identify potential **impacts and benefits** of the proposed investments on transportation, the community and the environment, both during construction and in the future. **Public input will help shape the solution that advances to the Final SEIS.**

What is being evaluated?

The IBR Program is studying investments proposed by the Modified Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) and a No-Build Alternative to understand their impacts and benefits. The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline to understand future conditions if none of the IBR investments are implemented.

The Draft SEIS will provide details on topics such as travel times, air quality, cultural resources, property impacts, economics, equity and climate.



How do I read the document and submit comments?

You can either review the document online or view a hard copy at the IBR office. The release of the Draft SEIS launches a **60-day public comment period beginning Sept. 20 through Nov. 18.*** During this window, there will be many opportunities to ask questions and provide feedback.

We want to hear your comments! Constructive comments will help the team refine design options and update technical analysis to be included in the Final SEIS. Comments should be specific to information presented in the Draft SEIS. When sharing an opinion, provide information from the analysis that informed that opinion.



Submit a Comment

Email: DraftSEIS@interstatebridge.org
Call: 866-IBR-SEIS (866-427-7347)



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Section 106 Review and Comment

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and NEPA are separate laws that federal agencies must comply with, and both establish processes to evaluate impacts to cultural resources and the environment resulting from project design, construction and operation.

Historic properties within the identified area of potential effect were researched and identified through extensive field surveys. Any adverse effects to historic properties or cultural resources will be avoided or minimized and mitigated where necessary. The Oregon State Historic Preservation Office, Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, federal agencies, federally recognized tribes, consulting parties and the public were consulted throughout this process.

A 32-day public comment period on Section 106 will run concurrently with the Draft SEIS public comment period, beginning Oct. 18 through Nov. 18. Community members are encouraged to review and comment on the identified historic properties and the assessment of effects. Properties are evaluated for their significance and consideration under Section 106. This evaluation is documented in a Determination of Eligibility (DOE) form. For properties that are subject to Section 106 consideration, a Finding of Effect (FOE) form was prepared to evaluate effects from IBR Program investments.

We are seeking input on the DOE and FOE documents this fall to help guide the outcome of the Section 106 process.

A separate opportunity to provide input on mitigation to resolve adverse affects to historic properties will be provided to the public during another 30-day review period in early 2025.



Learn more about Section 106.
Submit a comment online or by emailing
culturalresources@interstatebridge.org.

Next Steps

Public comments will help the IBR Program refine design options, develop mitigation commitments, and advance design. Responses to comments, identification of the preferred alternative, the anticipated program footprint and mitigations will all be published in the Final SEIS, which is expected in mid to late 2025, followed by federal approval to move to construction. Construction could begin as early as late 2025.



Learn more about the Draft SEIS.

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