

Outer Powell Boulevard Safety Improvements Project

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Construction of the Oregon Department of Transportation's Outer Powell Safety Improvements Project is scheduled to begin in early July. The \$5.5 million project will make strategic safety upgrades and replace worn-out pavement on SE Powell Boulevard from SE 111th Avenue to SE 174th Avenue. ODOT's contractor is expected to finish the project by mid-October 2013.

Many of the construction activities will require temporarily closing a travel lane on Powell Blvd. To avoid major travel delays on this two-lane road, the contractor will conduct most of the work on weeknights while flaggers direct traffic. The contractor may also work overnight on weekends. All travel lanes will be open during the day (6 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays).

When replacing the pavement, the contractor will complete short sections of roadway each night to ensure that new asphalt is in place for motorists by morning. Business and resident access will be maintained throughout construction, with the possible exception of overnight interruptions for full-depth pavement repairs. Access closures would not last longer than a single night in any one location and affected residents and businesses would receive advance notice about the work.

For more information about this project, please call Shelli Romero with ODOT Community Affairs at 503-731-8231.

Noise in the Neighborhood

In late May/June, ODOT will be replacing six underground stormwater devices along the corridor. This work will take place mainly on the eastbound lanes of SE Powell Blvd. at SE 122nd, 136th, 150th, 160th and two near 169th. The replacements at SE 136th and SE 160th will take place over two weekends, one at each location. In July, work will begin on the Outer Powell Safety Improvements Project.

All of this work will result in noise impacts to adjacent residences and businesses as ODOT's contractors engage in adjusting manholes/inlets, installing sensors in the pavement (saw cutting), demolishing concrete (jackhammer), overlaying pavement, and removing material (grinding). There will be approximately 60 nights of work taking place Monday through Saturday from 6 p.m. to 7 a.m. and on two Sundays for 24 hours. Should you have concerns about area noise associated with the project, please call our noise hotline at 503-412-2382.

Safety Improvements

- ◆ Intersection enhancements will include traffic signal upgrades designed to reduce crashes, curb ramps that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, countdown signals for pedestrians, and lighting at SE 136th Ave. and SE 162nd Ave.



- ◆ Crosswalks with rapid flash beacons will be installed at three high-priority locations identified by the community:

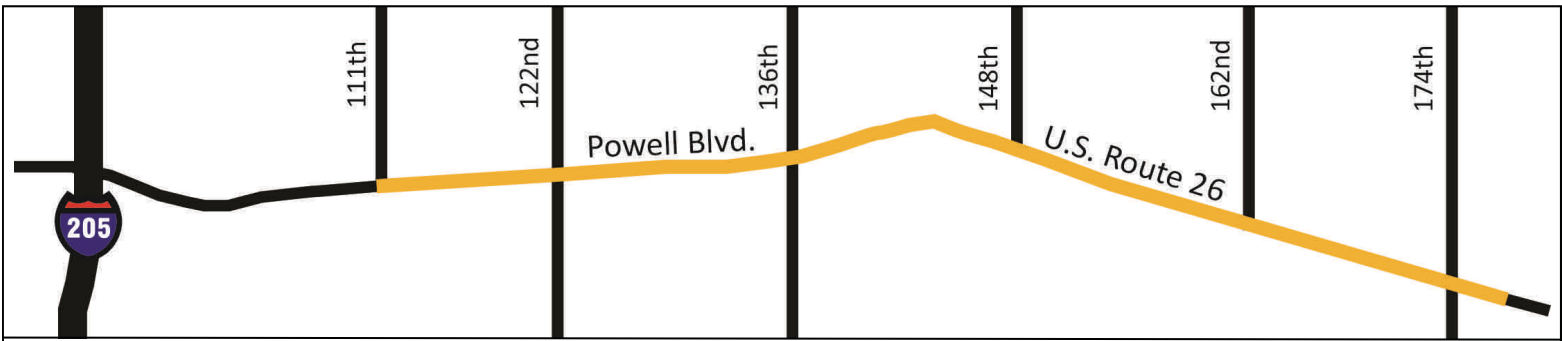
- SE 119th Ave.
- SE 141st Ave.
- SE 156th Ave.



- ◆ The roadway will be widened where needed to create a shoulder that is at least 8 feet wide throughout the corridor. Raised durable striping will be added between the driving and bicycle lanes to produce an audible rumble when vehicles stray across the line.



The Outer Powell Safety Improvements Project is designed to provide immediate upgrades that complement other upcoming projects and long-term objectives. ODOT is committed to continuing to work with Metro, the City, and other stakeholders towards funding future improvements.



Please join us to discuss upcoming construction along Outer Powell Boulevard!

PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, June 5

Drop in anytime between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

**Ron Russell Middle School Library
3955 SE 112th Ave. Portland, OR 97266**

The Portland Bureau of Transportation is hosting an open house for several sidewalk projects in Powellhurst-Gilbert the same night in the Ron Russell Middle School Commons Area. Visit them anytime between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to see plans and maps, learn more about construction, talk to staff and provide feedback.

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