



Historic Landmarks Commission Briefing

DISCUSSION MEMO

Date: April 1, 2024
To: Historic Landmarks Commission
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Re: Briefing – Interstate Bridge Replacement Project, Section 106 Informational Briefing
April 8, 2024

This memo is regarding the upcoming Briefing on April 8, 2024, regarding Interstate Bridge Replacement Project, Section 106 Informational Briefing. The following supporting documents are available as follows:

- Cover Memo and Presentation by Interstate Bridge Replacement Project Team – *attached*
- [Link to Interstate Bridge Cultural Resources webpage](#)

The Interstate Bridge Replacement Project [IBRP] Cultural Resources Team will review:

- Cultural Resources Portal Access,
- Key Steps in the Section 106 Process,
- Effects to Historic Built Environment Properties in Oregon,
- Mitigation for Historic Built Environment Properties, and
- next steps ahead.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Interstate Bridge Replacement Project is an interstate effort, led by the Oregon and Washington Departments of Transportation, to develop a plan for a new seismically resilient multi-modal bridge across the Columbia River to provide improved mobility for people, goods, and services. A new bridge would replace the existing bridge(s), the northbound of which is a National Register-listed Historic Landmark.

Because the proposal is partly funded with federal dollars, a Section 106 review is required. Section 106 refers to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 which requires federal agencies to consider the effects on historic properties of projects they carry out, assist, fund, permit, license, or approve. This process gives interested parties and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation the opportunity to comment on potential effects to identified historic properties.

STAFF COMMENTS

A Design Advice Request Meeting [DAR] will be submitted soon to address the future Type 4 Demolition Review of the Historic Bridge. This meeting on April 8, 2024 is focused on the Section 106 requirement for review and mitigation of the much larger resource area impacted of the IBRP.