

Safe access on Boons Ferry to the shopping center

Dear TSP Planning and Sustainability Commission:

This piece of sidewalk would have a huge return for the investment: **The installation of approximately 425 ft. of pedestrian and bicycle facilities along the west side of SW Boones Ferry Road, between SW Orchard Hill Road and the City boundary, to provide safe and convenient access to the nearest shopping and commercial area. The proposed pedestrian and bicycle improvements would connect to existing sidewalks on the Lake Oswego side of the City/County line.**

Adding 425' of sidewalks and a bicycle lane—the width of just four residential lots—would provide safe access for Southwest residents to the nearest commercial hub and shopping center, which sits directly on the Portland and Lake Oswego city boundary. This bustling neighborhood center is anchored with a New Seasons market, and includes a DMV, restaurants, outlet stores, offices, a variety of retail shops, and parking space for transit users. Installing sidewalks and a bike lane along this busy section of SW Boones Ferry Road—a north/south commuter route with a 40mph speed limit—would provide safe access to all area residents, including: senior citizens (who often use personal shopping carts), kids on bicycles, people pushing strollers, wheelchair users, and school-age children.

I see pedestrians day and night trying to walk on this unsafe stretch of Boons Ferry. I would use it if it existed.

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