



CONNECTING OUR COMMUNITIES

The French Prairie Bridge Project, led by the City of Wilsonville in partnership with Clackamas County, Metro, and Oregon Department of Transportation, is in the process of planning and developing preliminary designs for a proposed bicycle/pedestrian/emergency-access bridge across the Willamette River in Wilsonville. The bridge under consideration would be located at the approximate site of the historic Boones Ferry, located between the I-5 Boone Bridge and the railroad bridge to the west.

Regional and community leaders have been working for the past two years to deliver on a 20-year vision to better connect the region’s trail system. The Wilsonville City Council and Clackamas County Board of Commissioners selected an alignment for the new bridge in early 2018.

The project aims to identify:

- Preferred location
Completed May 2018
- Bridge type
- Construction cost
- Potential funding sources

LOCAL AND REGIONAL BENEFITS

Healthy Communities

- Connects communities south of the Willamette River to Wilsonville employers and transit
- Improves access to parks and natural areas
- Connects the planned Ice Age Tonquin Trail with the 132-mile Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway to Eugene

Emergency Services

- Provides an alternate route for emergency responders when I-5 is impeded
- Creates a seismically resilient crossing over the Willamette River

Vibrant Economy

- Attracts visitors
- Fulfills tourism strategy

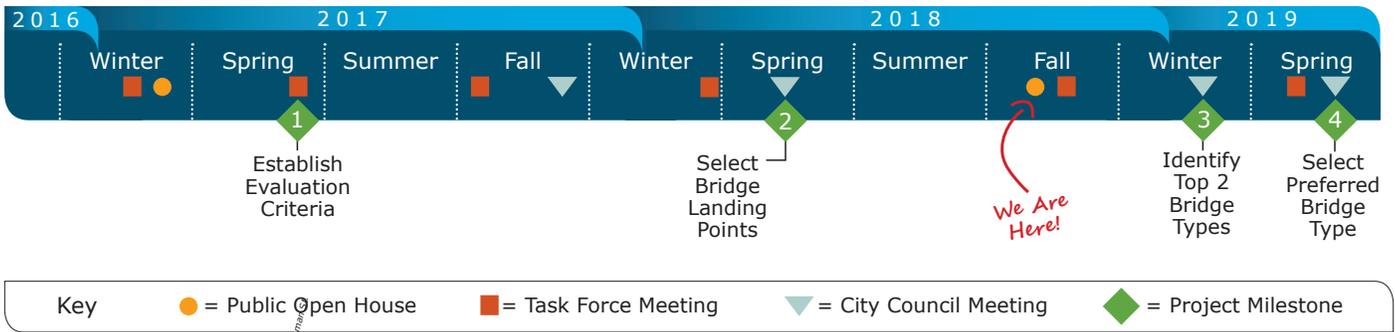


FILLING A TRANSPORTATION GAP

A critical gap exists in the local and regional multi-modal transportation infrastructure, limiting the connections between the Portland metro area and the northern portion of the Willamette Valley.

Currently, the only bridge crossing in a 30-mile stretch of the Willamette River in the south Portland metro area is the I-5 Boone Bridge, which is not earthquake safe. The shoulder of the Boone Bridge serves as the only accessible bridge crossing by foot or bike. This frequently congested bridge carries over 120,000 vehicles every day – nearly a third of which are large trucks – creating a dangerous environment for cyclists, pedestrians, and car commuters alike.

PROJECT STATUS



The project has advanced using the results of public input, technical analysis and decisions by the Wilsonville City Council and Clackamas County Board of Commissioners. In 2018, the project narrowed options for alignment of the new bridge from three to a preferred alignment that would connect from the City's Boones Ferry Park on the north side of the Willamette River to NE Butteville Road opposite the Clackamas County Boones Ferry Boat Launch parking lot on the south side.

The project team is currently assessing five bridge types at the preferred bridge location. The Wilsonville City Council and Clackamas County Board of Commissioners will consider public input and technical analysis to narrow to one preferred bridge type by early 2019.

TALK WITH US!

Public input is welcome at any time. Learn more and provide input:

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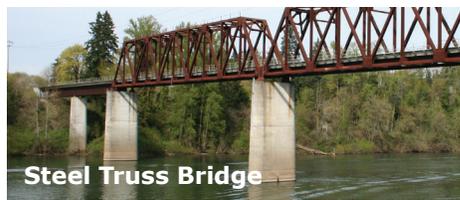
OPEN HOUSE: Visit our open house or view the online open house in October 2018. Check the website for details.

EMAIL: Zach Weigel, weigel@ci.wilsonville.or.us

PRESENTATION: Invite a member of the project team to your organization by emailing Zach Weigel

TASK FORCE: Attend the meeting to provide input. Check the website for the schedule.

CITY COUNCIL: Attend Council meeting to provide input. Check the City's website, www.ci.wilsonville.or.us



Bridge types under consideration



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