



Welcome to the Open House

The goal of the US 101/OR 6 project is to improve the downtown intersections, both now and in the future

Project schedule

	2011											2012				
Technical Work	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Prepare Environmental Assessment	■															
Comment Period											■	■				
Identify Preferred Alternative													■			
Develop Mitigation Plans														■		
NEPA Decision																●
Decision Making Process																
SAC meetings					●						●	●	●			
PMT meetings	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Elected official briefings	●											●				
Public Hearing												●				
Open House	●											●				

What you can do tonight:

- Learn more about the project and the **Environmental Assessment (EA) process**
- Review and provide input on the **refined alternatives** and let us know what you think of only advancing the design that extends Pacific Avenue north of 1st Street
- Learn how you can **get involved** in the future

Project purpose and needs

The purpose of the Tillamook: US 101/OR 6 Project is to **improve safety and mobility for cars and trucks on US 101 and OR 6 in downtown Tillamook and across the Hoquarten Slough.**

The **need for the proposed action:**

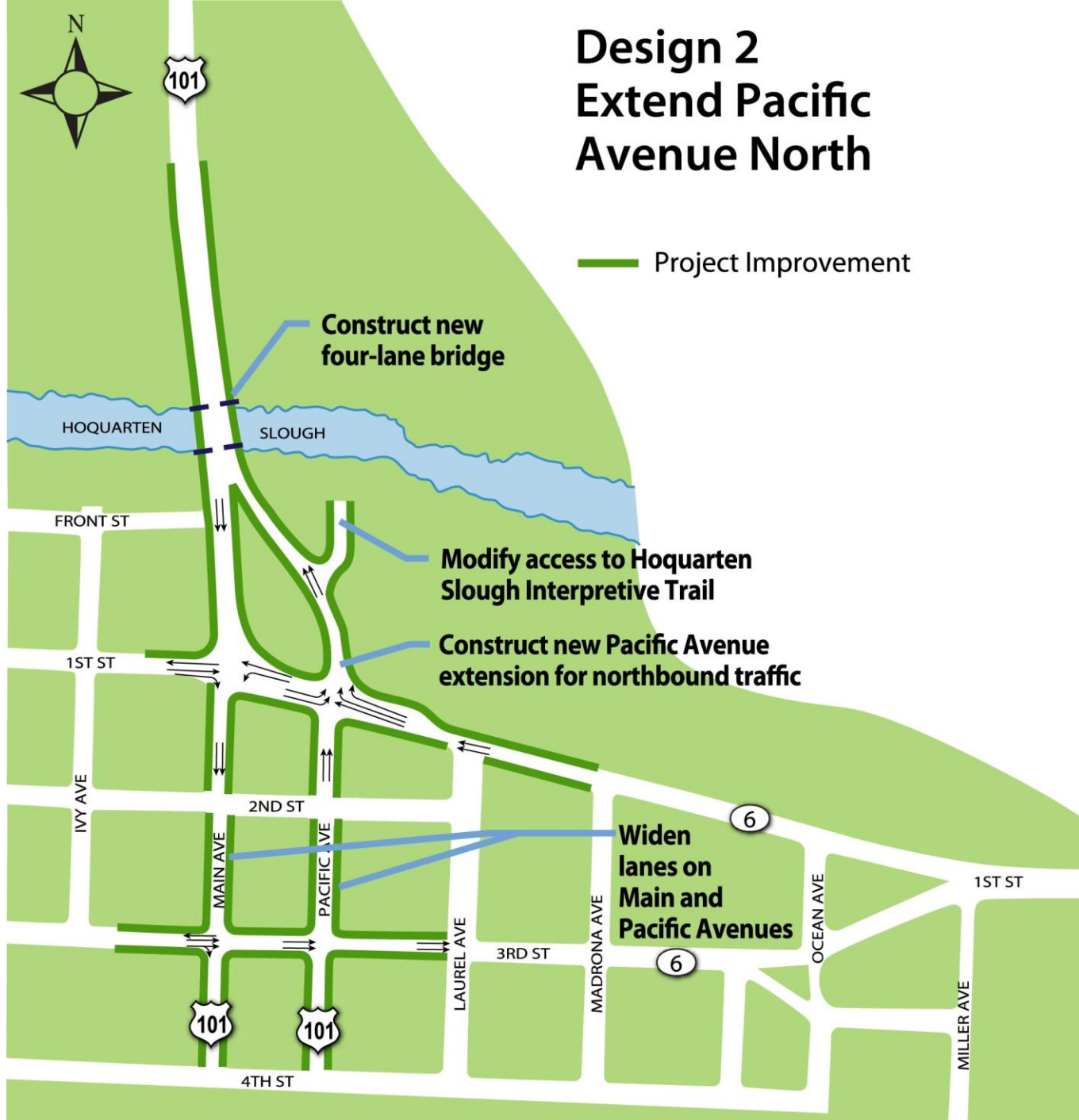
- The existing and future travel demand on US 101 and OR 6 in downtown Tillamook **exceeds available capacity.**
- The existing crash rate on US 101 in downtown Tillamook **exceeds the average crash rate** for similar facilities statewide.
- The travel lanes on US 101 in downtown Tillamook **are too narrow** to accommodate automobiles, trucks, and recreational vehicles while maintaining on-street parking.

Tradeoffs between designs

	Ends Pacific Avenue at 1 st Street (formerly Alternative 1)	Extend Pacific Avenue North (formerly Alternative 2)
Business displacements	Displace the same number of businesses but affect slightly different businesses	
Traffic circulation	Maintains similar traffic circulation pattern for US 101 north traffic	Provides more logical traffic movement for US 101 north traffic
Pedestrian environment	Crosswalks on two sides of the Main/1 st intersection	Crosswalks on all four sides of the Main/1 st intersection
Traffic performance	Improves traffic flow. Provides better flow at the intersection of 1 st and Pacific	Improves traffic flow. Provides better flow at the intersection of 1 st and Main
Park affects	Relocates the parking lot near the existing location; does not expand the size of the park	Relocates the parking lot to an area outside of the current park boundary increasing the overall size of the park
Natural environment affects	Have similar affects on the natural environment. Neither causes a net rise in the 100-year flood elevation	
Cost	Have similar costs	

Design 2 Extend Pacific Avenue North

— Project Improvement



Environmental Assessment (EA) process

Any project receiving federal funding must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements to **include environmental values in project decision making.**

An **Environmental Assessment (EA) will be prepared for the US 101/OR 6 project to comply with NEPA.**
The EA will:

- summarize environmental impacts (direct, indirect, cumulative, and construction impacts)
- recommend mitigation measures

Two build alternatives and a no build alternative will be evaluated in the EA.

Environmental Assessment (EA) process

Topics addressed in the EA will include:

- Air Quality
- Archaeological and Historic Resources
- Environmental Justice
- Fisheries
- Floodplain/Hydraulics
- Geological Resources
- Hazardous Materials
- Land Use
- Noise
- Parks and Recreation
- Right-of-Way
- Socioeconomics
- Transportation
- Utilities
- Vegetation
- Visual Resources
- Water Resources
- Wetlands
- Wildlife

Community members and local agencies can comment on the EA during a 45-day comment period. Comments will be collected through the project web site, by mail or email, or in person at an open house and a public hearing.

Review and comment on the Environmental Assessment when it's available

- **Find out when the EA has been published** and where to get your copy:
 - Monthly email updates from project team
 - Postcard to all Tillamook addresses and those who have signed up for mailing list
 - Ad in *Headlight Herald*
- **Comment** on Environmental Assessment
 - On our web site (www.tillamooktraffic.org)
 - At a public hearing or open house
 - In writing

- PLOT PHOTO MAPS OF ALTERNATIVES