

EQRB Section 106 Consulting Parties Advisory Group Work Plan

INTRODUCTION

In 2023, Multnomah County, the Oregon Department of Transportation, the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation entered into a Programmatic Agreement (PA) implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act¹ for the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge (EQRB) Project (Agreement No. 73000-00016653; FHWA Federal-Aid No. CO51(111), ODOT Key No. 22592, SHPO Case No. 18-1479).

This work plan describes the anticipated meeting schedule and discussion topics for the EQRB Project Section 106 Consulting Parties Advisory Group (Advisory Group). It was developed to implement stipulations within the PA.

The meeting schedules are based on currently anticipated project progress and information needs and are subject to change. The proposed schedule does not reflect anticipated construction or completion of mitigation actions.

The EQRB Section 106 Consulting Parties Advisory Group Charter and Protocols, a separate document, describes the purpose, membership, operations, and other aspects of how the Advisory Group will function.

MITIGATION ITEMS

The Section 106 PA² includes the following mitigation items to resolve the adverse effect to the Burnside Bridge. The items are broken into groups related to general project phases as shown in Table 1.³

¹ Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (54 United States Code [USC] § 306108) and its implementing regulations (36 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] part 800) require federal agencies to consider the effects of their undertakings on historic properties (districts, sites, structures, objects or archaeological sites that are determined eligible or potentially eligible for listing under the National Register of Historic Places) before the expenditure of any federal funds or before the issuance of any federal permit, license, or approval.

² ACHP/FHWA/SHPO/ODOT/Multnomah County Agreement No. 733000-00016653.
<https://www.multco.us/file/135228/download>.

³ The PA includes 12 mitigation items specific to resolving the adverse effect to the Burnside Bridge in Stipulation II, Item 2, and while most of the items include a time frame for completion, some do not. Where no time frame was included, the mitigation items were organized into project phases based on anticipated activities required to complete those items. Note that two of the mitigation items listed in Table 1 are from Section V, Item 6 of the PA.

Table 1. Mitigation Items

Mitigation Item	PA Section
Design-Related Mitigation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish the Advisory Group and draft the Charter 	Section V.6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comment on design developments as they relate to the National Historic Landmark District 	Section V.6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salvage and reuse 	Section II.2.xii
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpretive displays 	Section II.2.v
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three-dimensional scanning 	Section II.2.vii
Pre-Demolition Mitigation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Video documentation 	Section II.2.iv
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation (Historic American Engineering Record [HAER]) 	Section II.2.ii
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Archival records 	Section II.2.i
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publication (history of river and crossings) 	Section II.2.iii
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three-dimensional model 	Section II.2.vi
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public event 	Section II.2.xi
During and After Construction Mitigation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wikipedia entry 	Section II.2.viii
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oregon Encyclopedia entry 	Section II.2.ix
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Book update (pamphlet in the format of <i>The Big and Awesome Bridges of Portland and Vancouver</i>) 	Section II.2.x

MEETING SCHEDULE

The proposed meeting schedule in Table 2 is built on several factors: the required due dates for mitigation in the PA, the schedule for the engineering design of the bridge, forecast work packages, and land use permitting requirements including the required City of Portland Historic Resource Review. The intent is to use the first 10 meetings to focus on mitigation items that either inform project design and/or those that need to begin or be completed prior to bridge demolition. The meeting dates may change.

Table 2. Advisory Group Meetings

Meeting Topic	#	Discussion Topics	Timing
Convening the Advisory Group	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advisory Group Charter – purpose, roles, scope, etc. Overall project updates Review Section 106 PA and mitigation obligations Anticipated meeting schedule 	May 2024
Design-Related Mitigation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salvage and reuse Comment on design developments as they relate to the National Historic Landmark District Interpretive displays Three-dimensional scanning 	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize Advisory Group Charter Review, discussion, and questions 	June 2024
	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responses, discussion, preliminary recommendations Discuss potential for placement of preserved items 	July 2024
	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion, draft recommendations Discuss potential for placement of preserved items 	September 2024
	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion, final recommendations Finalize decision of preserved items 	October or November 2024
ADVISORY GROUP BREAK			
Pre-Demolition Mitigation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Video documentation Three-dimensional model Documentation (HAER) and archival records Publication (history of river and crossings) Public event 	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up on items from 2024, if needed Review, discussion, and questions 	April 2025
	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responses, discussion, preliminary recommendations 	June 2025
	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion, draft recommendations Begin public event planning 	September 2025
	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion, final recommendations on video documentation, HAER documentation Discussion, draft recommendations on publication 	November 2025
	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue public event planning (to continue in next phase of work) Final recommendations on publication 	February 2026

Meeting Topic	#	Discussion Topics	Timing
ADVISORY GROUP BREAK			
Ongoing Mitigation Items	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review purpose, roles, scope, etc. Provide overall project updates and status of ongoing mitigation items Review anticipated meeting schedule 	March 2027
	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss status of ongoing mitigation items Identify Advisory Group feedback needs Discuss issues and recommendation ideas as applicable Introduce upcoming new topics 	May 2027
During and After Construction Mitigation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Mitigation Items Book Update (Pamphlet in the format of <i>The Big and Awesome Bridges of Portland and Vancouver</i>) 	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss status and feedback for ongoing mitigation items Review new items, discussion, and questions 	July 2027
	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss status and feedback for ongoing mitigation items Responses, discussion, preliminary recommendations 	September 2027
	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss status and feedback for ongoing mitigation items Discussion, final recommendations Introduce upcoming items 	October 2027
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Mitigation Items Wikipedia Entry Oregon Encyclopedia Entry 	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss status and feedback for ongoing mitigation items New item review, discussion, and questions 	December 2027
	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responses, discussion, preliminary recommendations 	February 2028
	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion, final recommendations 	April 2028

Because implementation of some mitigation items will continue through and potentially beyond construction, it is anticipated that the Project Team will keep the Advisory Group informed on the progress of each mitigation item and will request feedback when appropriate during Advisory Group meetings or via email communications with Advisory Group members after planned meetings end.