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**WHAT IS THE PLAN?**

Since 1926, the Burnside Bridge has served us well. To take us across the river for another 100 years, it needs an upgrade. Over the next several years, Multnomah County will evaluate options for creating a resilient Burnside crossing that will withstand a major earthquake.

The first step is to narrow a long list of over 100 options through a screening process to arrive at a short list of recommended options to be evaluated in more detail in a later phase.

**PROJECT WEBSITE**

Visit the project website to:
- Sign up for updates.
- Request a presentation for your community or business group.
- Learn about upcoming meetings, events and other ways to provide input.

**FOLLOW THE PROJECT ON TWITTER:**

@MultCoBridges, #ReadyBurnside

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:**

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**HOW ARE THE OPTIONS BEING NARROWED?**

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Each remaining option is being further evaluated for its performance in six key categories:

- **SEISMIC RESILIENCY**
  - Support reliable and rapid emergency response after an earthquake.

- **NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION**
  - Support access and safety for bicyclists, pedestrians and people with disabilities.

- **TRANSPORTATION CONNECTIVITY**
  - Support street system integration and function for all modes.

- **EQUITY**
  - Minimize adverse impacts to communities of concern and promote transportation equity.

- **BUILT ENVIRONMENT**
  - Promote land use compatibility and minimize impacts to parks and historic resources.

- **FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**
  - Ensure public funds are invested wisely.

**FALL 2018**

The options that pass through these three screening steps will be published in a final report.

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**REMAINING OPTIONS**

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  - Maintain existing bridge as-is.
  - These options are not seismically resilient or cannot support emergency response.

- Seismic Retrofit
  - Upgrade the existing bridge.
  - A full seismic retrofit of the bridge is not feasible due to significant impacts to I-5 during construction.

- Replacement
  - Build a new crossing such as a high fixed bridge, low movable bridge, twin bridges or a tunnel.

- Enhance Another Bridge
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**SCREENING STEPS**

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