



February 4, 2026

ODOT # 13496

ODOT Formal Response

Project Name: NARA Treatment Facility	Applicant: The Native American Rehabilitation Association of the Northwest
Jurisdiction: Multnomah County	
Site Address: 17645 NW St. Helens Rd.	State Highway: NW St Helens Rd (US 30)

The site of this proposed land use action is adjacent to NW St Helens Rd (US 30). ODOT has permitting authority for this facility and an interest in ensuring that this proposed land use is compatible with its safe and efficient operation.

These comments, standards, and requirements are current as of the date of this letter. If the project scope and/or timeline is modified, the applicant should contact the ODOT Region 1 Development Review program (ODOT_R1_DevRev@odot.oregon.gov). Updated comments may be necessary.

LAND USE PROPOSAL

ODOT received a request to review a proposed redevelopment of a residential treatment facility following their Pre-Application conference with the County (PA-2025-0007). The applicant proposes to demolish the existing, approximately 18,00 square foot school building and construct a new approximately 40,000 square foot building with associated site improvements. The proposal includes an increase in the number of occupants from 62 (current) to a maximum of 70 residents.

COMMENTS/FINDINGS

Traffic Impacts

If Multnomah County determines that Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) is required, the applicant should contact the ODOT Traffic Contact identified below and the local jurisdiction to scope the TIA and confirm travel modeling assumptions. The analysis must be conducted and stamped by an Oregon-registered Professional Engineer (P.E.).

Work in State Highway Right of Way

The applicant is advised that ODOT permitting is required for work within the US 30 and OR 127 right of way. From the submitted materials, it appears that no work within the State highway right of way is proposed. However, if the applicant and/or the county determine that work within State property is needed, permitting with ODOT will be required.

Vehicular Access to the State Highway

ODOT has reviewed the submitted documents, and no additional items are needed for the proposed use of the existing access to the highway.

ODOT Technical Review Requirements

All alterations within the State highway right of way are subject to ODOT standards. Alterations along the State highway but outside of the ODOT right of way may also be subject to ODOT review pending its potential impact on the safe operation of the State highway.

The following ODOT manuals may apply:

- ODOT Traffic Manual
- ODOT Highway Design Manual
- ODOT Hydraulics Design Manual

The ODOT Traffic Manual (TM) identifies items that require ODOT Region Traffic Engineer (RTE) approval. Items requiring RTE approval must be prepared by an Oregon-registered Professional Engineer (P.E.) and will be reviewed by the ODOT Region 1 Technical Center. See the TM for information on authorities and required approvals. Some approvals require a unique request form (Traffic Approval).

Deviations from ODOT Standards

Proposed alterations that deviate from ODOT standards will require a Design Exception/Deviation prepared by an Oregon-registered Professional Engineer (P.E.) for review by the ODOT Region 1 Technical Center. ODOT can only determine if design elements will require a Design Exception/Deviation or RTE approval once detailed plans have been reviewed.

Note: A Design Exception/Deviation or RTE approval items may take **6 months or longer to process**. The preparation of a Design Exception or RTE approval does not guarantee its ultimate approval.

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Permits and Agreements to Work in State Highway Right of Way

- An ODOT Miscellaneous Permit must be obtained for all work in the State highway right of way. If applicable, contact the District Contact indicated below to determine permit requirements and to obtain application information.

Note: All ODOT permits and approvals must reach 100% plans before the District Contact signs off on a local jurisdiction building permit or other necessary requirement before construction.

Signs in the State Highway Right of Way

- Outdoor Advertising signs require a permit through the ODOT Outdoor Advertising Sign Program (ORS 377.725). To determine permitting requirements, contact the Outdoor Advertising Sign Program (outdooradvertising@odot.oregon.gov).

Note: Private signs are not permitted in the State highway right of way (ORS 377.715). Only ODOT approved signs, including traffic control devices, are allowed on the State highway right of way.

Contact the ODOT Development Review Planner identified below for further coordination or questions regarding ODOT comments and requirements during the land use process.

Please send a copy of the Land Use Notice to: ODOT_R1_DevRev@odot.oregon.gov

Development Review Planner: Melissa Gonzalez	Melissa.gonzalez-gabriel2@odot.oregon.gov
Traffic Contact: John Russell, P.E.	John.Russell@odot.oregon.gov
District Contact: District 2B	d2bup@odot.oregon.gov