

The background image is an aerial photograph of a bridge spanning a river. The bridge is a simple steel truss structure. To the left, a two-lane asphalt road runs parallel to the river. The river itself is dark and reflects the surrounding environment. The terrain is heavily forested with a mix of evergreen and deciduous trees. In the distance, a small cluster of houses is visible on a hillside. The sky is filled with heavy, grey clouds.

Stark Street Bridge Replacement Project

*East MultCo Transportation Committee
Project Briefing*

January 12th, 2026

Multnomah County
Department of Community Services
Transportation Division

Stark Street Bridge Replacement Project

Today we would like to talk about...

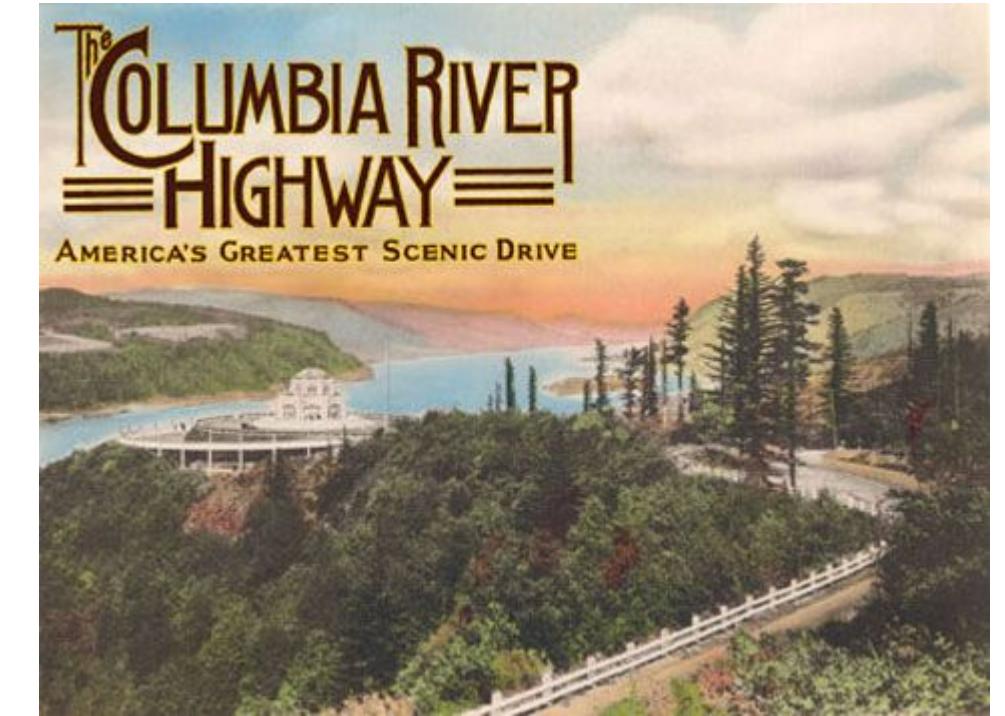
- Background
- Project Purpose
- Current Phase
- Letter of Support Request



Stark Street Bridge Replacement Project

Background // Context & Setting

- Built in 1914 (after wooden predecessor collapsed)
- Provides a vital link across the Sandy River to the Historic Columbia River Highway (HCRH) (est. 1913-1922) and Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area (est. 1986)
- HCRH is a National Historic Landmark, of which the bridge is a contributing resource



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Background // Existing Conditions

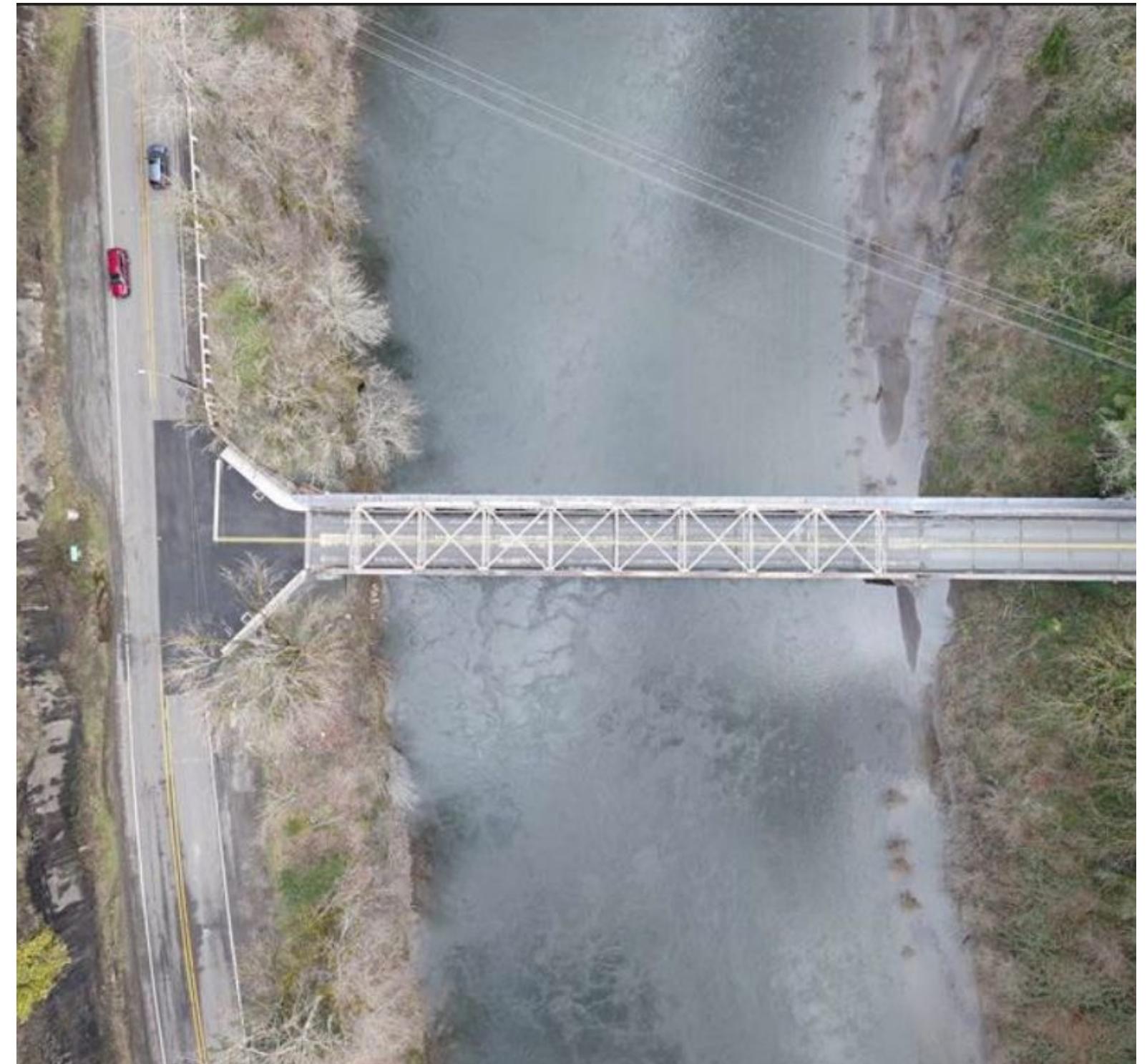
- Sufficiency rating is 25.4 out of 100
- Weight restricted
- Substandard geometry
- Deteriorating wooden sidewalk
- Vulnerable to scour
- Vulnerable to earthquakes



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Background // History of Vehicle Collisions

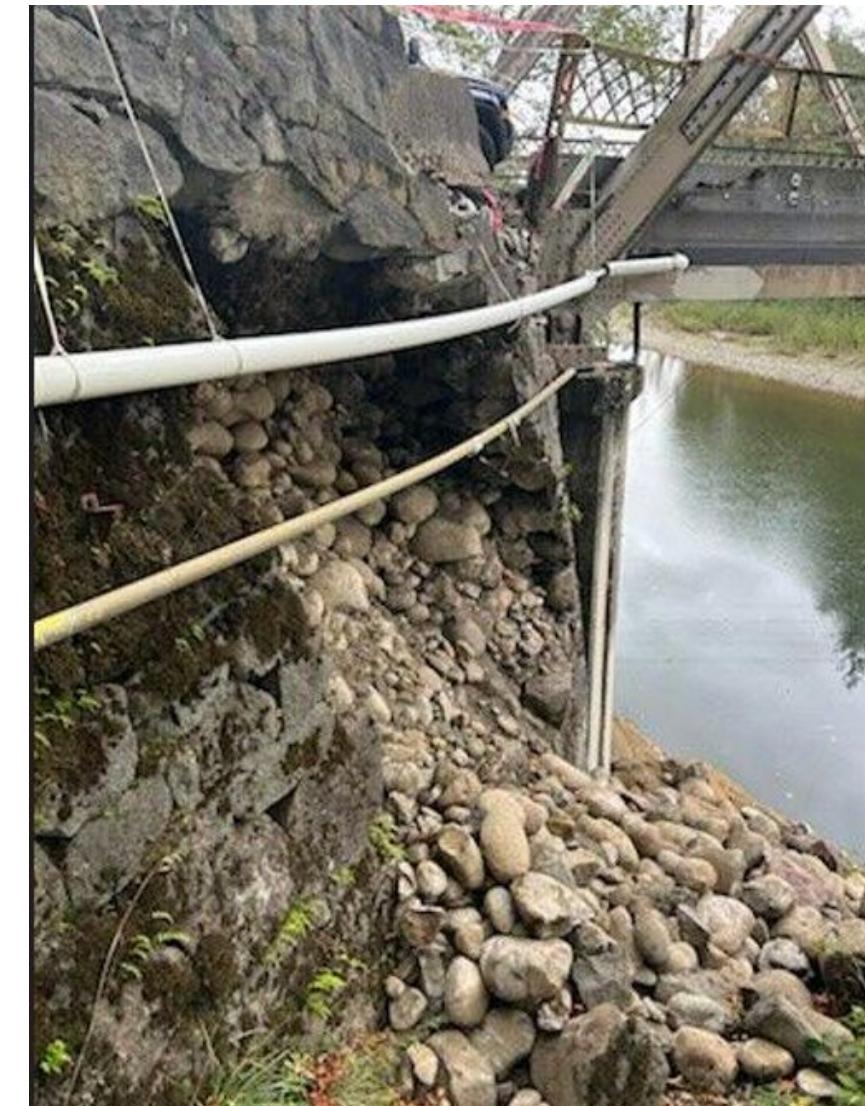
- 36 accidents since 2017
- Narrow 18-ft width
- Insufficient turning radius for long trucks
- Vehicles taking turns at high speeds
- Long trucks restricted as of Dec 2025



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Background // Emergency Repair Project

- Supporting stone wall partially collapsed from repeated vehicle collisions
- Bridge closed Sept 2024 through March 2025



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Workplan // High Level Schedule

- Environmental Review Phase (2025-2027)
- Design Phase (2028-2030)*
- Construction (2031-2033)*



**Contingent on funding*

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Workplan // Community Engagement

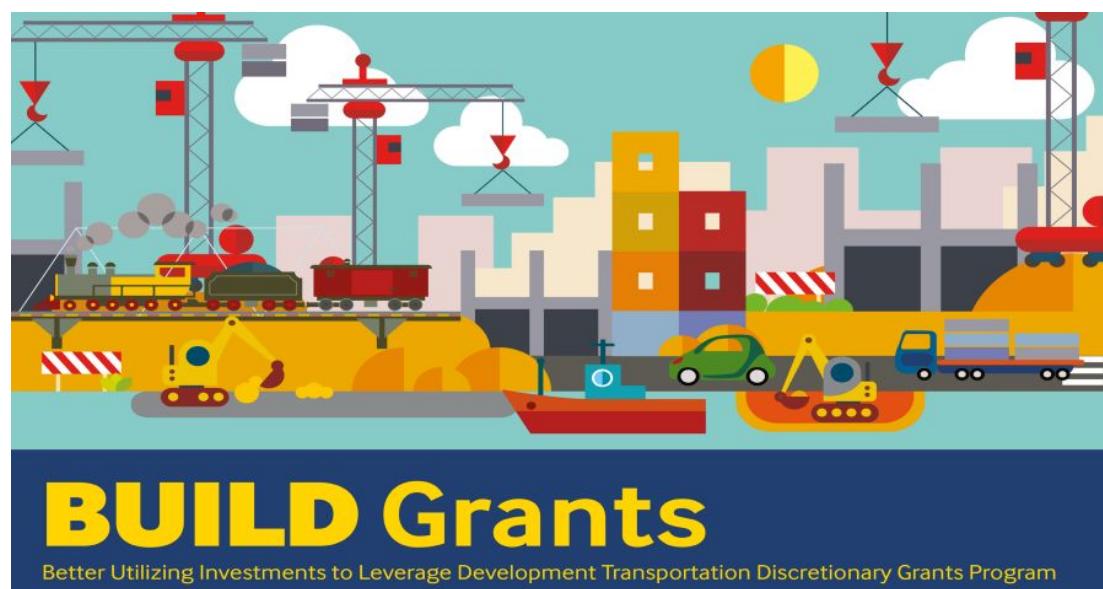
- Bring the community with us throughout the project
- Public input opportunities, schedule TBD
- Build from outreach during emergency repair project:
 - Schools
 - First responders
 - Corbett residents



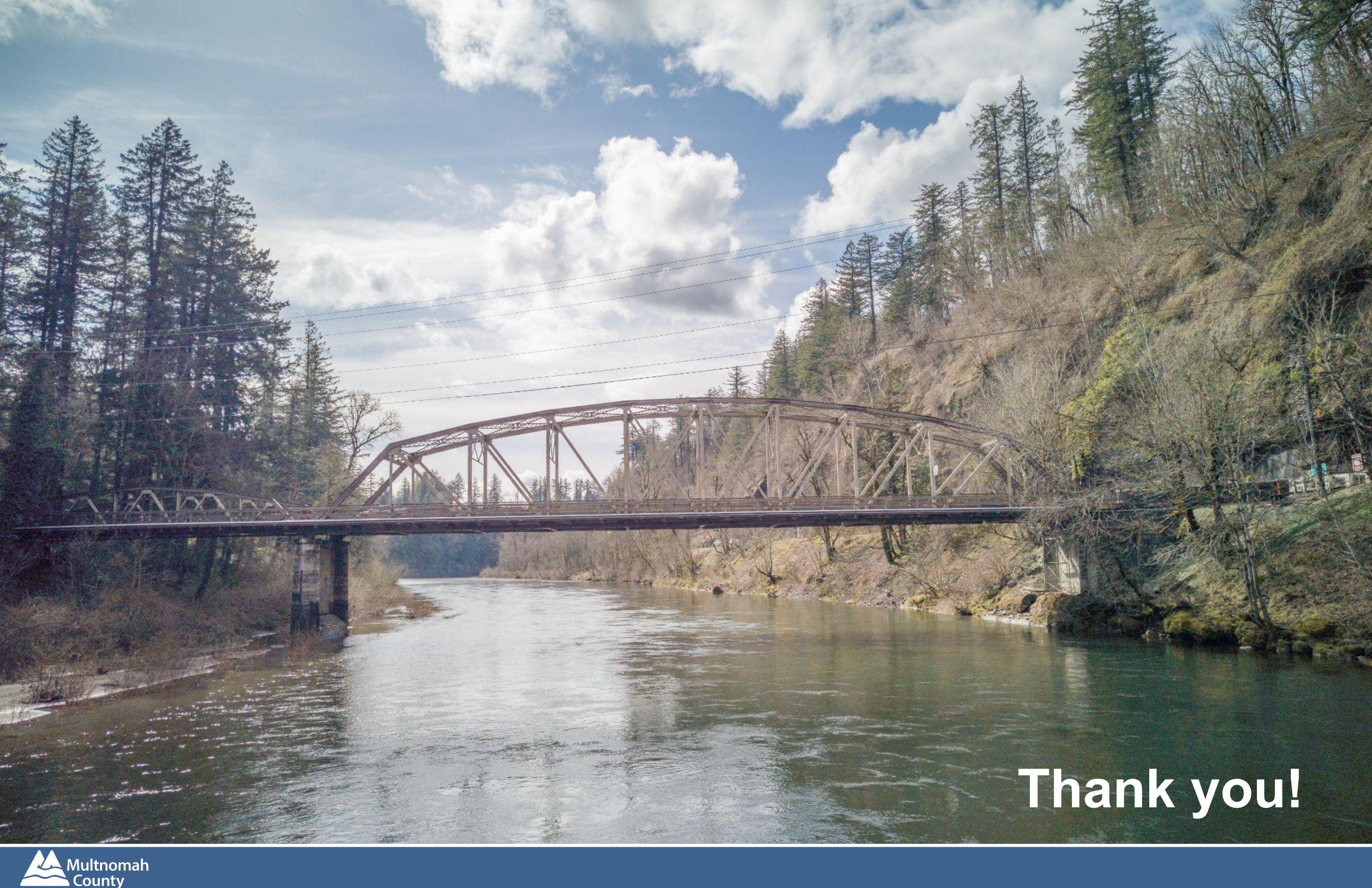
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Letter of Support Request // USDOT BUILD Grant

- The County is applying for \$5 million to go towards the design phase
- We hope to include EMCTC in our list of supporters to replace the Stark Street Bridge
- Deadline: Feb 24th, 2026



FY 2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity	
Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program	
Office of the Secretary	
U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)	
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