

View: looking south up the hill on 257<sup>th</sup> Avenue at the intersection of Historic Columbia River Highway

2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge Concept Plan  
Update  
EMCTC TAC Meeting  
Wednesday, September 9, 2026

# Why this project?

- Vision: A bike-ped bridge spanning 257<sup>th</sup> Avenue to connect 2nd and Halsey Streets was conceptualized in Troutdale's Town Center Plan (2022). It's also included as a project in the city's Pedestrian Master Plan in the TSP.
- Growth & Access: More housing has been built since the adoption of the Town Center Plan, including York Terrace (an 85-unit Home Forward project) on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street abutting 257<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and over 250 units (apartments & townhomes) along Halsey Street within the last 7 years). An elevated bridge would improve walking and rolling connections
- Unsafe Intersection: Conditions on SW 257th Ave at Historic Columbia River Highway are challenging and uncomfortable for people walking, biking, or rolling. Crossing the street feels unsafe for many due to high downhill traffic speeds and high traffic volumes, including freight vehicles.



# Project overview

- Develop vision and concepts for a pedestrian bridge crossing SW 257<sup>th</sup>
- Will include cost estimates and understanding of potential issues and impacts.
- Public will review bridge concepts to weigh in on community preferences.



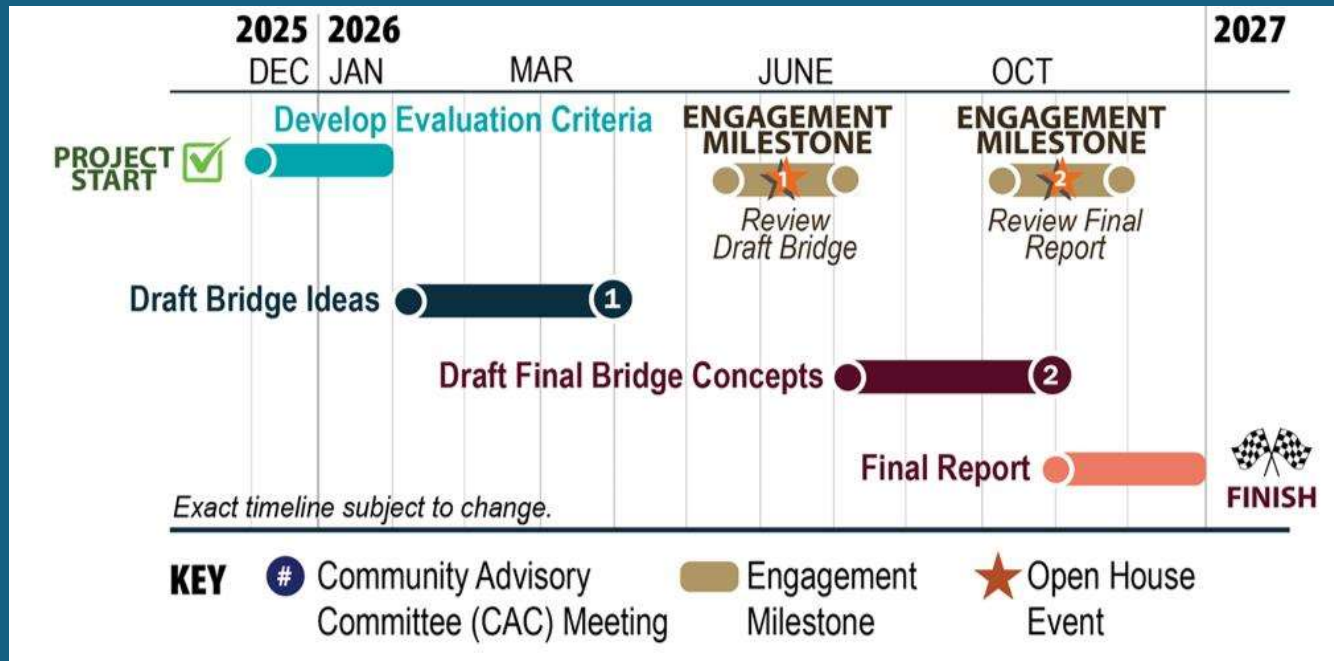


# Project outcomes

- A preferred bridge location with associated pathways to Halsey and 2nd Streets.
- A preferred bridge design and associated community amenities.
- Estimate of engineering design and construction costs.



# Project schedule



# Public involvement

- Community Advisory Committee – guiding the planning process
- Project webpage
- Stakeholder Interviews (Home Forward, Troutdale Food Cart Station, business owners, etc.)
- Flyers – English, Russian, Spanish, Vietnamese
- Virtual Online Open House – Currently LIVE, closing on 9/14, with a survey for feedback
- Social Media Posts
- Updates to city committees and agency groups such as EMCTC



# Project criteria

| PERFORMANCE AREA                        | CRITERIA                                                                                               |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Project Outcomes</b>                 |                                                                                                        |
| <i>Connections</i>                      | Provides convenient connections to existing, planned facilities and for people using mobility devices. |
| <i>Community Support</i>                | Has community support                                                                                  |
| <i>Aesthetics</i>                       | Simple forms and balanced proportions                                                                  |
| <b>Project Feasibility</b>              |                                                                                                        |
| <i>Zoning, Land Use, and Permitting</i> | Minimizes potential permitting risks.                                                                  |
| <i>Natural and Cultural Resources</i>   | Minimizes, avoids, or mitigates impacts to natural, archaeological, cultural, and historic resources.  |
| <i>Right-of-Way Needs</i>               | Minimizes ROW needs and temporary or permanent private property impacts.                               |
| <i>Planning-Level Costs</i>             | Relative cost of each alternative.                                                                     |



# BRIDGE STYLES



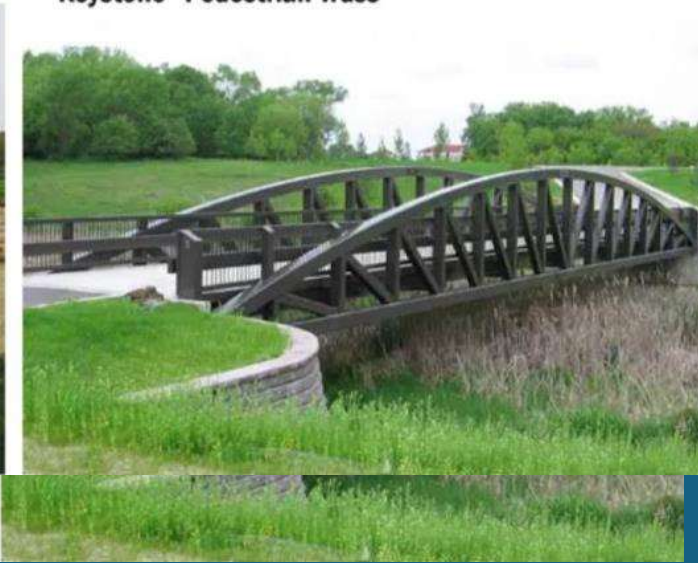
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## 2nd Street Bridge

The 2nd Street Bridge project will develop options for a new crossing over SW 257th Avenue for people walking, rolling, and biking.

As downtown Troutdale and the area west of SW 257th Avenue have grown, our community is considering a direct walking, rolling, and biking route that provides a safer and more comfortable way to reach destinations on both sides of SW 257th Avenue. This project will result in a bridge concept that the City can design and build in the future.

### What will this project do?

- Improve connections for people walking, using a mobility device, and biking between downtown Troutdale and destinations west of SW 257th Avenue.
- Understand what's most important to community members, City leaders and partners (Multnomah County, Oregon DOT)– including cost, aesthetics, and connections – and use these preferences to help determine the preferred bridge concept.
- Prepare the City to apply for funding to design and construct the bridge.
- Bridge concepts may require use of private property. The City will work with property owners to find acceptable solutions.

### What's Coming Up Next?

#### Friday, August 7: First Friday Street Fair

The project team will be at the **First Friday Street Fair** on Friday, August 7 from 5 pm to 9 pm. Stop by to talk with the project team, review different bridge concepts, and share your thoughts!

#### August 8 - August 14: Online Survey

There will also be an **online open house** where you can review more detailed information about the project and fill out an online survey to shape the bridge's final design.



### Connect with Us!



<https://bit.ly/44tRZKA>

Accommodations will be provided to people with disabilities and materials can be provided in alternative formats. Please contact [projects@odotoregon.gov](mailto:projects@odotoregon.gov), 541-257-7669 or statewide relay 7-1-1 at least 48 hours in advance.  
This project is funded in part by funds from the Oregon Community Paths program

# Questions?

[www.troutdaleoregon.gov/commdev/page/2nd-street-pedestrian-bridge-project](http://www.troutdaleoregon.gov/commdev/page/2nd-street-pedestrian-bridge-project)

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