The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), along with the City of Tillamook and Tillamook County, is working to find ways to improve safety reduce congestion at 1st Street and Main Avenue, 1st Street and Pacific Avenue, 3rd Street and Main Avenue, and 3rd Street and Pacific Avenue in downtown Tillamook. These four intersections are not just busy because they serve businesses and residents in Tillamook, they also are the intersection of two important highways: US 101 and OR 6.

The US 101/OR 6 Alternatives Study will identify ideas to improve these intersections to better serve everyone – local residents and businesses, visitors, and through-travelers – whether they are in a car, on a bus, in a truck, on a bike, or on foot.

The study will begin with ideas identified by community members in a 2006 study. The team will double-check to see if there are new ideas that should be considered. The project team’s goal is to identify the most promising ideas for detailed environmental analysis as efficiently as possible. Environmental analysis will likely be required before any improvement could be constructed in this area.

A Stakeholder Advisory Committee for the study began meeting in January. This committee, which is composed of City and County elected and appointed officials, business owners, and residents, will provide input and recommendations to the project team. Community members will also be invited to participate in two community open houses – one in February and another in spring 2009.

Community members are encouraged to participate in this planning process! You can participate in the following ways:

- Watch the web site (www.tillamooktraffic.org) for the most up-to-date project information.
- Schedule a presentation for your community group. Call 503-736-4160 or email kristin.hull@ch2m.com to schedule a speaker.
- Attend a meeting. Both Stakeholder Advisory Committee meetings and open houses are great ways to stay involved in the project. Meeting information is available at www.tillamooktraffic.org.
The project team will spend about six months to develop and study concepts. At the conclusion of this process, the team will determine if additional planning work needs to be completed, or if enough is known about the project to begin environmental documentation. Narrowing down ideas to a few workable solutions is the next step towards a safer, less congested downtown.

Visit the project web site at www.tillamooktraffic.org

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