Northbound temporary I-5 ramps open as part of Woodburn interchange project

WOODBURN – The contractor working for the Oregon Department of Transportation will be shifting northbound I-5 traffic at the Woodburn Interchange (Exit 271) to new temporary on and off ramps that connect to OR 214/OR 219. This traffic pattern switch will take place in mid-January. The temporary ramps will be used until the permanent ramps are constructed as part of the Woodburn Interchange and Transit Facility Project.

Pedestrian improvements have been made along the south side of OR 214/219, including additional street lights at the intersection of OR 219 and Woodland Avenue. Pedestrian access across OR 214/219 is located at crosswalks at Woodland Avenue and Evergreen Road.

While motorists should not experience delays, it may take a day or two to get use to the new configuration. Signs will be posted warning motorists of the changes. Motorists should proceed with caution through this area.

Construction on the project began this summer. Most of the funding for the project comes from the Jobs and Transportation Act (JTA), a funding plan adopted by the 2009 Oregon Legislature to improve and upgrade the state's transportation system.

Major project elements include: OR 214/219 improvements to a half mile east and west of the interchange; a reconstructed interchange that includes higher capacity on and off ramps, and wider bridge over I-5; new multi-modal transit/park and ride facility with electric vehicle charging stations; and “gateway” design package that will be unique to Woodburn and promote economic development.

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