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WOODBURN – Starting in early April, work on the Woodburn Interchange Project will increase on the east side of I-5 along OR 214, including construction of the sound wall that runs between Country Club Road and Broughton Way.

The contractor working for the Oregon Department of Transportation will be shifting three lanes of traffic a few feet further south to allow for increased construction on the north side of OR 214. Traffic has already been shifted on OR 219 west of I-5. When the north side of OR 214 is finished later this year, traffic will then be shifted to the north side so the contractor can work on the south side.

The minor shifting of traffic will be on-going and done in segments. Motorists should be alert to the increased construction activity. While the staging in and around the I-5 bridge will vary, all four lanes on the bridge will be open during peak daytime hours. Also, all lanes of traffic on OR 214 and OR 219 will remain open during peak daytime hours.

All areas will be signed and striped to warn motorists of the changes, and to aid traffic flow and enhance safety. Motorists should proceed with caution through this area.

Also along OR 214, the contractor will be starting on the project’s longest sound wall located between Country Club Road and Broughton Way. Utilities that have been performing relocation work will be finished in about a week. Then, construction will begin on the sound wall. The work will be finished in approximately 2 to 3 months and should provide a nice barrier that will help minimize noise to the surrounding neighborhood.

Construction on the project began last 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...
widened 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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