Pedestrian-Bicycle-Emergency Access Bridge Feasibility Study



October 5, 2015







Issue Before Council

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Project Update

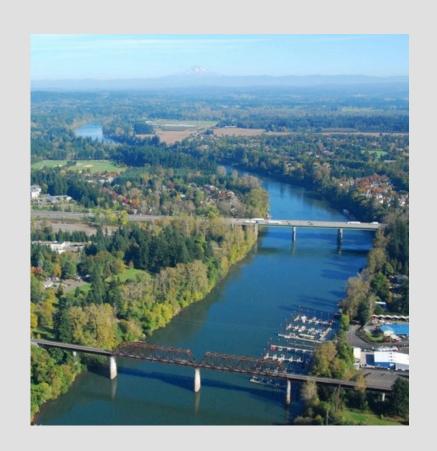
March 2015
Final IGA with ODOT

April 2015
Request for Proposals

June 2015

Consultant Team Selected

Current
Negotiate Contract & Fee









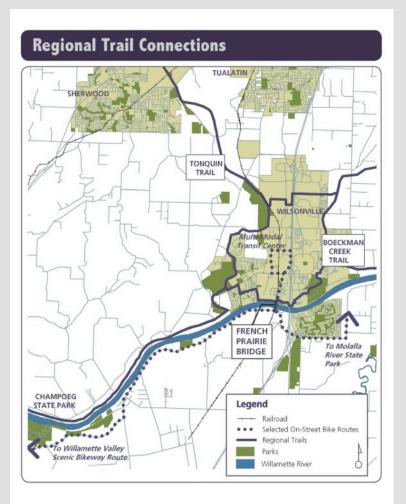
Project Objectives

1. Regional Trail Connections

- Connect Portland to Eugene
- Ice Age Tonquin Trail
- Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway
- Champoeg State Park

2. Emergency Vehicle Access

- Interstate Bridge Impassible
- 3. Disabled & Elderly Access
 - Alternate Willamette River Crossing for Charbonneau & Areas South
 - Emergency & Recreation
 - SMART & WES Connections









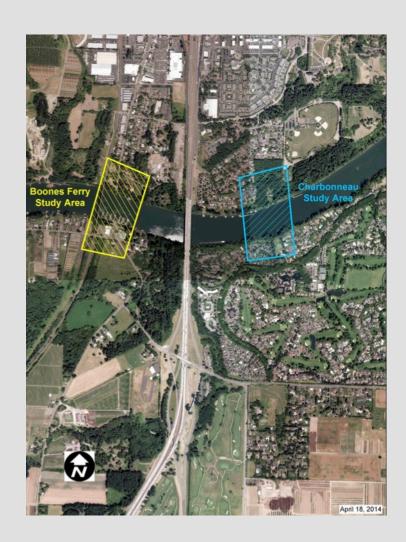
Alternatives Analysis

Study Areas

- Boones Ferry Road
- Charbonneau

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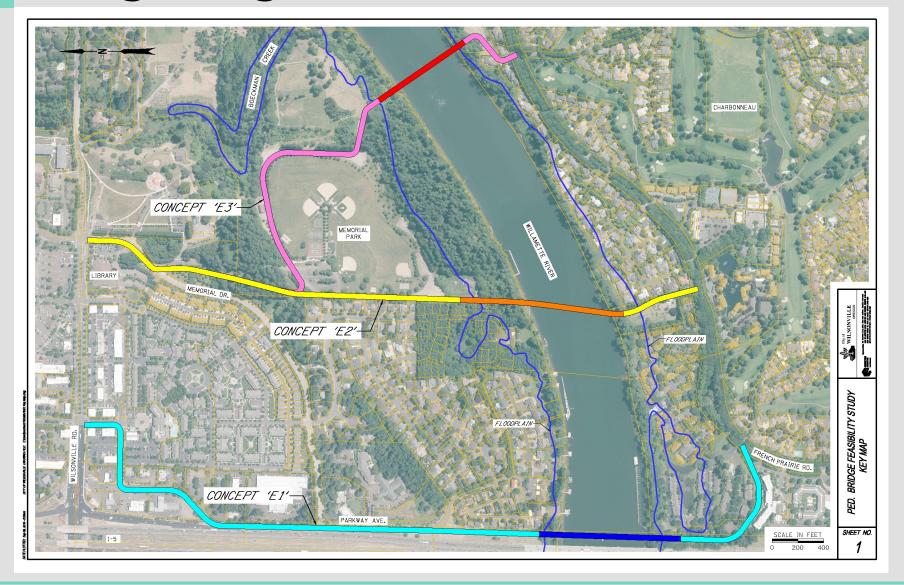
- 1. Regional Trail Connections
- 2. Emergency Vehicle Access
- 3. Disabled & Elderly Access
- 4. Connect Charbonneau to City Amenities
 - Memorial Park
 - Library / City Hall
 - Town Center Businesses







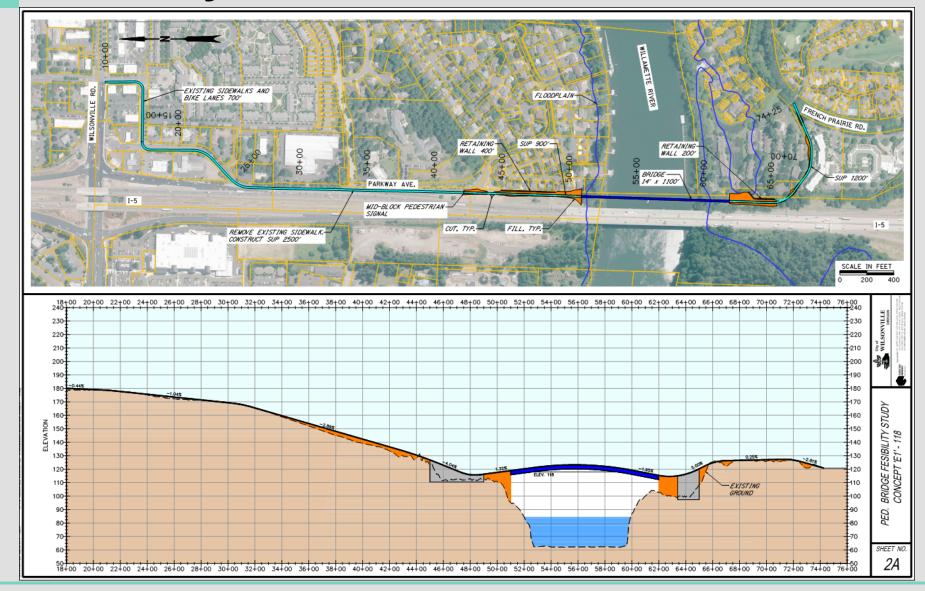
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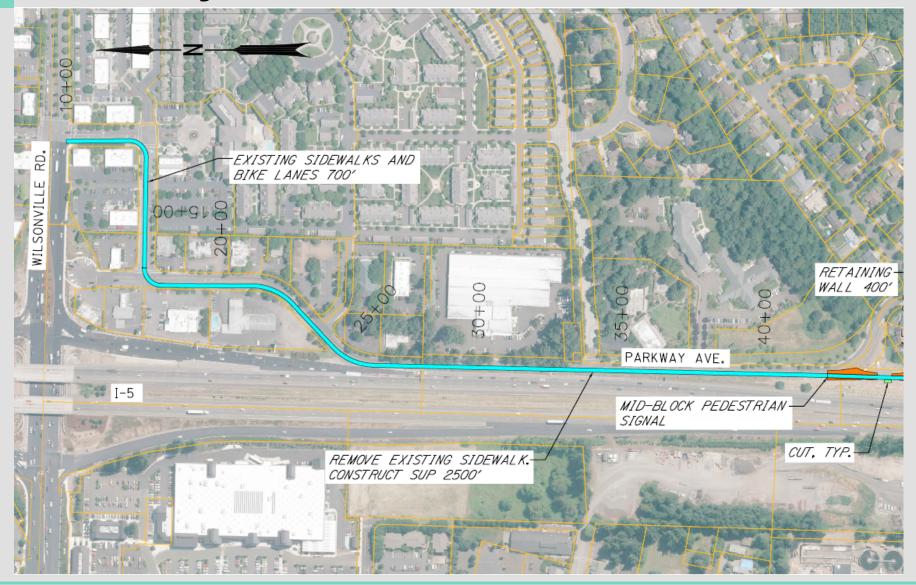
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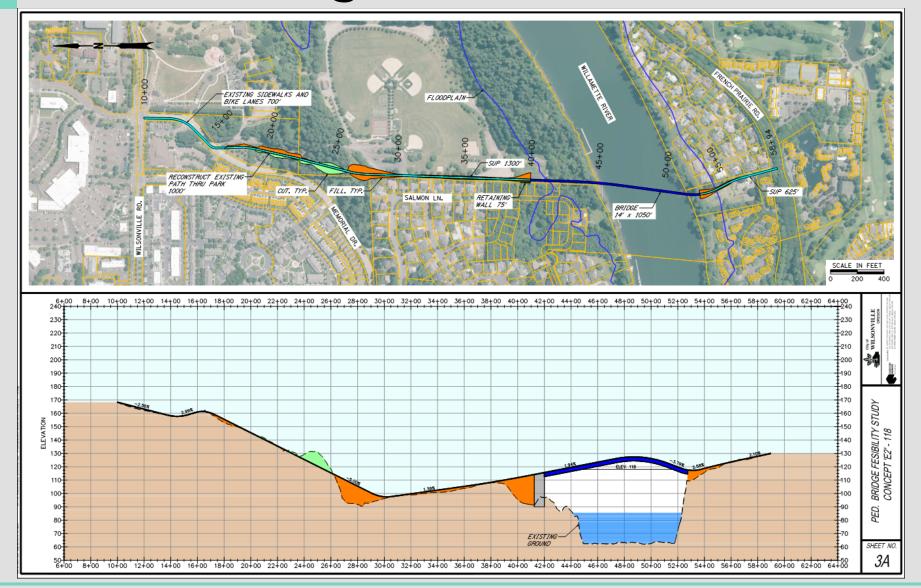
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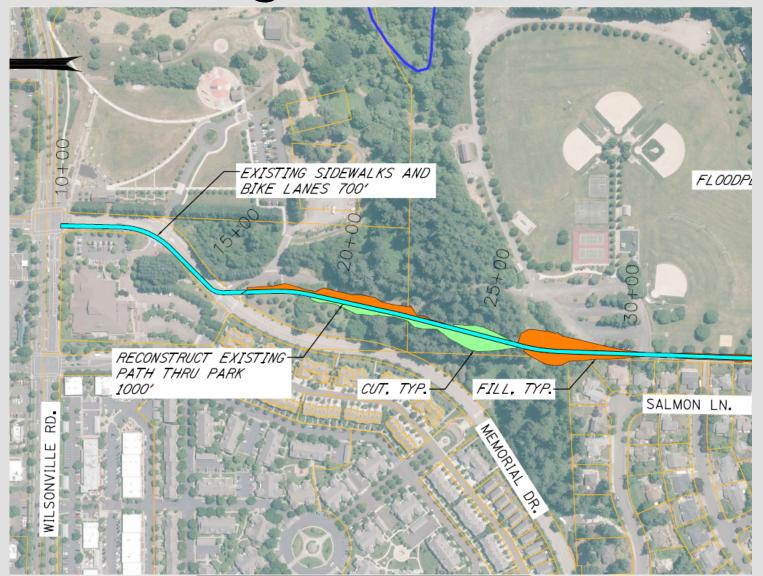
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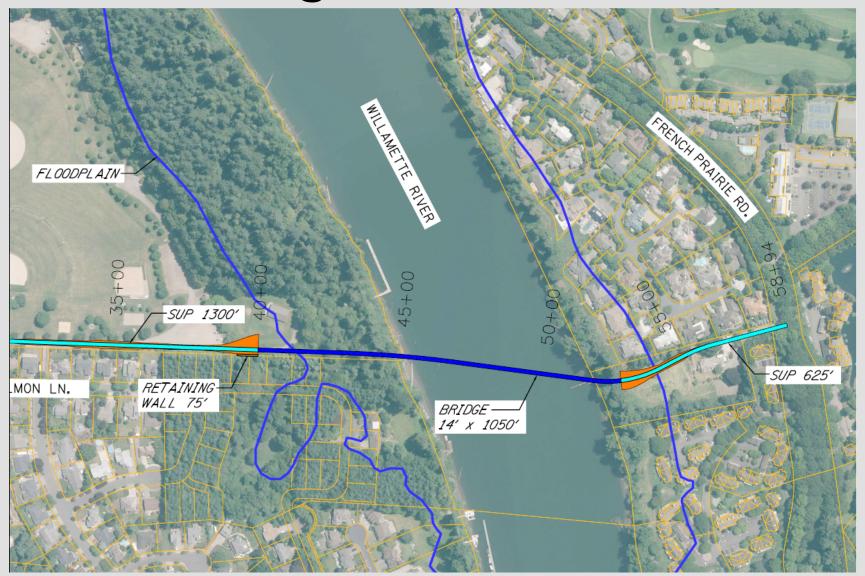
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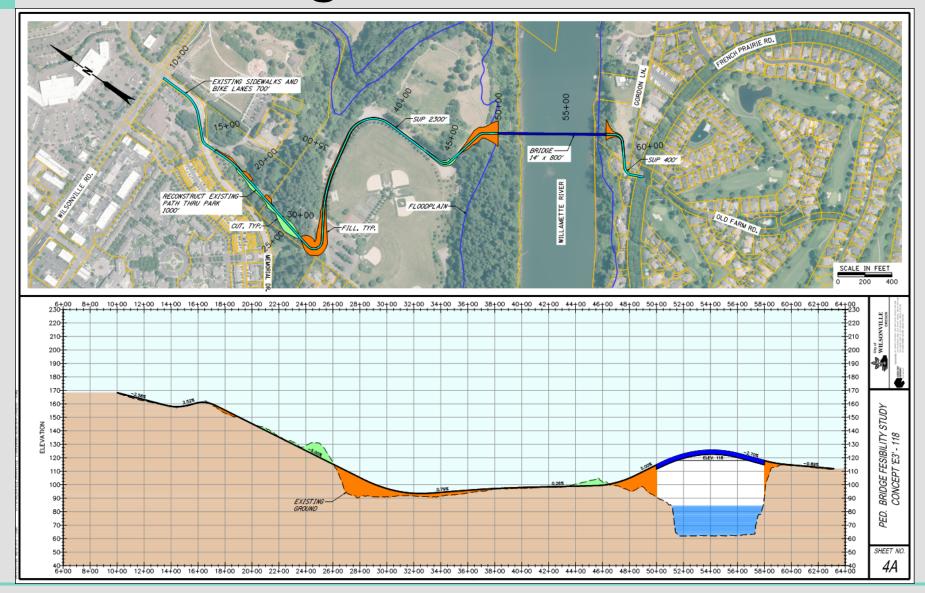
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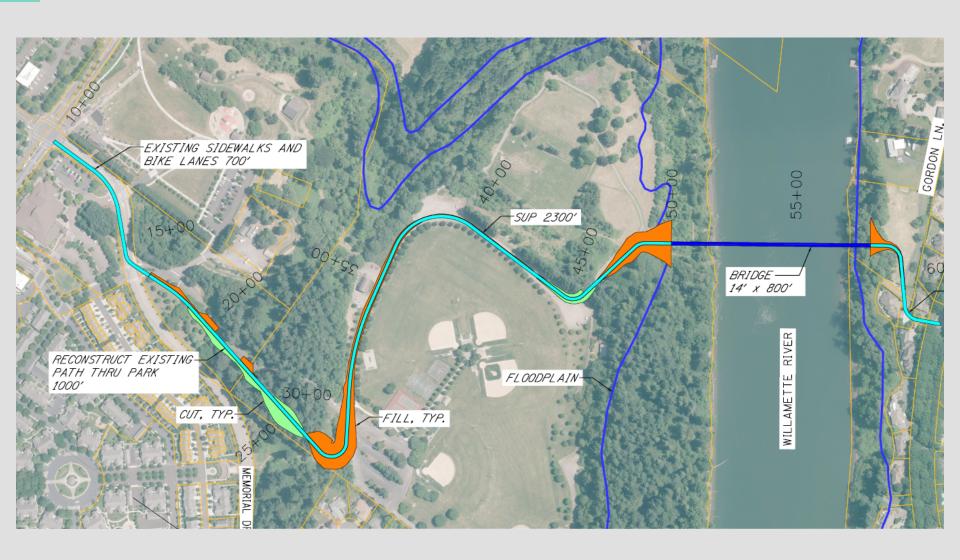
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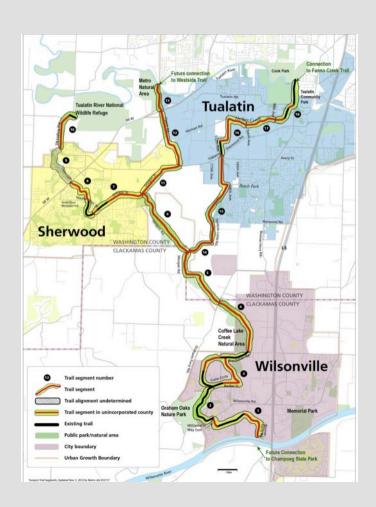




East Side Bridge Alternative

Concerns / Challenges

- Difficult to meet all four project objectives
- Provides more local benefits than regional
- More difficult to secure project partners
- Less likely to secure project funding









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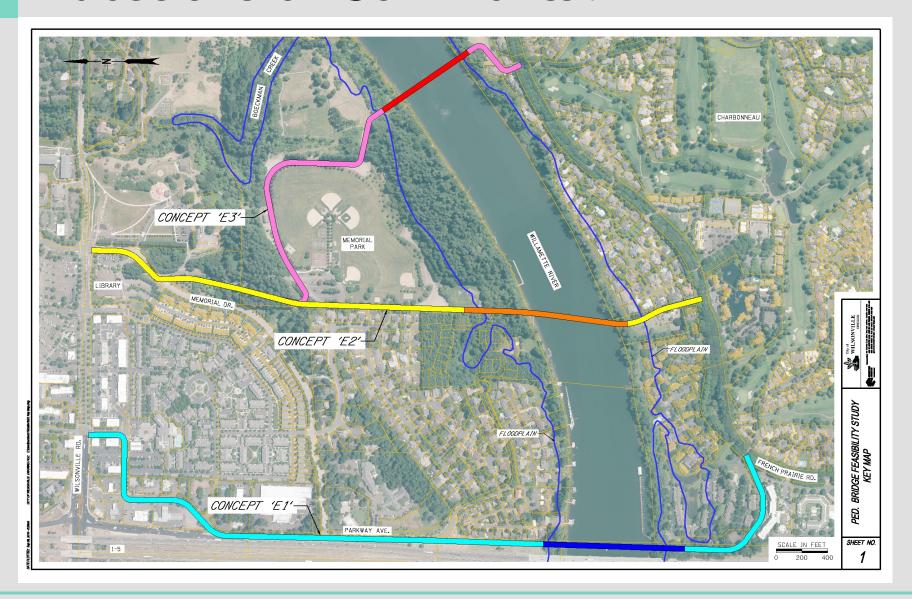
Options for Consideration

- 1. Include Boones Ferry Road Study Area only.
- 2. Add one or more Charbonneau Study Areas and perform alternatives analysis as part of project.





Questions or Comments?







Alignment Comparison

Concept	Opportunities	Challenges
	+ Flattest profile to cross the river	- Most retaining walls & longest bridge (highest cost)
	+ Connection to Wilsonville Rd is	- Being near I-5 and deck below Boones Bridge provides below average user experience
	straight forward	- Connection to existing I-5 undercrossing regional trail is not direct with on-street route through
	+ North connection under I-5 is	neighborhood
	nearby	- Path & walls near a neighborhood & in the I-5 fill slope
	+ Closest to the regional west side	- No direct Charbonneau connection to Memorial Park, farther from Library, City Hall, Town
	trail connection	Center, etc.
		- Lack of supporting pedestrian and bike facilities on French Prairie Road
		- Lack of supporting bike facilities on Parkway Avenue
		- Gaps in pedestrian facilities on Parkway Avenue- Mid-block pedestrian crossing would be
		required
		- Portions of the bridge and path are in ODOT ROW
		- Limited opportunity for adjacent park space or supplemental uses for "place making." Limited
		to strictly a bridge use
		- Connection to French Prairie impacts private parking area
		- Emergency response routed through Charbonneau
E2 Alignment West edge of Memorial Park	+ Direct connection between	- Some functional impacts to Memorial Park
	retail centers	- Adjacent to and above the Renaissance Boat Club homes, privacy concerns
	+ Short connection to French	- Steep path up to Wilsonville Road
	Prairie Road	- Significant impact to forested hillside in Memorial Park for ADA path up to Wilsonville Road
	+ Above average user experience	- Connection to French Prairie Road is near a day care
	with park connection	- Lack of supporting pedestrian and bike facilities on French Prairie Drive
	+ Central Charbonneau	- Connection to existing I-5 undercrossing regional trail is farther away and is not direct with on-
	connection to Memorial Park,	street route through neighborhood
	Library, City Hall, Town Center,	- Most acreage of right-of-way to make south connection
	etc. close by	- Emergency response routed through Charbonneau





Alignment Comparison

Concept	Opportunities	Challenges
	+ Shortest bridge (probably least	- Greatest functional impacts to Memorial Park
	cost)	- Possible grade separation bridge in Memorial Park
	+ Short, flat connection to French	- Steep bridge approach in Memorial Park
	Prairie Road	- Greatest distance from existing I-5 undercrossing regional trail to which connection is not
E3 Alignment	+ Above average user experience	direct through park and with on-street route through neighborhood.
East edge of Memorial	with park connection	- Outside City limits south of the river
Park	+ Avoids direct or adjacent	- Steep path up to Wilsonville Road
	impacts to neighborhoods	- Significant impact to forested hillside in Memorial Park for ADA path up to Wilsonville Road
	+ Direct Charbonneau connection	- Lack of supporting pedestrian and bike facilities on French Prairie Drive
	to Memorial Park, Library, City	- Likely impacts to property with large homes for south connection
	Hall, Town Center etc. close by	- Emergency response routed through Charbonneau



