

TRAFFIC SAFETY

MODERNIZING THE CORRIDOR TO REDUCE CRASHES AND SUPPORT VISION ZERO SAFETY GOALS

Safety is a central goal of the I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project. The current section of I-5 through the Rose Quarter was built decades ago and includes short merge lanes, limited shoulders, and outdated design features that contribute to congestion and increase the risk of crashes.

Today, this part of the I-5 corridor experiences some of the highest crash rates on urban highways in Oregon. Heavy traffic volumes and limited space for vehicles to merge safely create challenging conditions for drivers and freight carriers traveling through the area.

The project will modernize this section of I-5 by extending merge areas, adding shoulders and improving overall traffic flow. These changes are designed to reduce crashes, improve driver visibility and provide more space for vehicles to move safely through the corridor.

Together, these improvements will help reduce serious crashes and support our community's goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries.

Local street improvements will make streets safer by offering greater visibility, protection and access to people walking, biking and rolling through the Rose Quarter area. Upgrades to sidewalks will include curb ramps that comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and additional street lighting. New protected bike lanes will add enough space for cyclists to move along N Williams Street, one of the city's busiest bikeways.



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SAFETY CONDITIONS IN THE ROSE QUARTER I-5 CORRIDOR

- Crash rates in the project area are 3.5 times higher than similar urban interstate segments in Oregon.
- Several locations in the corridor rank in the top 10% statewide for crash rates, frequency and severity on urban interstates.
- Congestion and short merge distances contribute to frequent stop-and-go traffic conditions.
- Limited shoulder space makes it difficult for emergency responders to move through traffic, delaying response times.

DESIGNING FOR SAFER TRAVEL



Modernized Freeway Design

Longer merge areas, wider shoulders and improved roadway design reduce crash risk and provide room for emergency responders.



Reduced Conflict Points

Street designs informed by Vision Zero principles help reduce conflicts between vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists.



Safer Conditions for All Road Users

A "Safe Systems" approach considers the needs of people walking, biking, rolling, taking transit and driving.



Supporting Vision Zero Goals

The project helps advance the City of Portland's goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries on city streets.

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