



Washington County hosted an open house for the Basalt Creek Parkway Extension Project hosted from 5-7 p.m. Oct. 23, 2019 at the Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue Training Facility, 12400 SW Tonquin Rd, Sherwood OR, 97140. The event was attended by 56 members of the community. Four comment cards were submitted, and one set of comments was emailed following the event.

Comment: Request for signage for the Tonquin Scablands.

Response: As the concept area develops, the trail system will be built out by another agency, and signage will be addressed at that time.

Comment: With the existing traffic on SW Boones Ferry Road, and what the additional traffic impacts will be?

Response: There will be an increase of traffic onto SW Boones Ferry Road. The initial traffic analysis demonstrates the intersections will function adequately. A full traffic analysis is underway.

The public is encouraged to voice the concerns regarding widening SW Boones Ferry Road for potential funding through the County's Major Streets Transportation Improvement Program (MSTIP). More information here: <http://bit.ly/MSTIPFunding>

Comment: Can a more comprehensive study be done of the area?

Response: A traffic analysis was conducted during the Basalt Creek Transportation Refinement Plan (BCTRP). Additional information can be found here: www.basaltcreek.com.

Comment: The height and width of the bridge and the environmental impacts. No in depth environmental work has been done. The County is more concerned with the impact to the Carlon School than the natural area.

Response: The height and width of the bridge is yet to be finalized. There are additional factors that will contribute to the final dimensions.

A noise analysis and archeological investigation were previously conducted in the area. The project is currently conducting all required environmental surveys. Code allows for impacts to natural areas, but impacts are required to be mitigated.

The Carlon School, is a structure and has different code requirements than the natural area. The project is following the requirements of the code.

Comment: **Impacts to current residents along SW Boones Ferry Road and the access from the frontage road.**

Response: All three alignments bisected the frontage road. The proposal is to modify and utilize the existing fire access as the new entrance locations to the frontage road from both north and south.

Comment: **The route seemed to be pre-determined by the County despite the concerns raised by residents.**

Response: The route was determined during the Basalt Creek Transportation Refinement Plan Study. The study included representatives from the local community and public agencies. The alignment was approved by Metro, the cities of Wilsonville and Tualatin, the Oregon Department of Transportation and Washington County.

Comment: **The only transportation projects that have any real, long term value for the region and the state are those that improve conditions for independent motor vehicle activity.**

Response: The County recognizes the importance of all modes of transportation, including bicycles, pedestrians and transit.