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Making an investment in our lifeline bridge now will help us rebound from a major earthquake and rebuild our community.

### The region needs a central bridge that is earthquake-ready

None of the Willamette River bridges in the center of our region are expected to withstand a major earthquake. That's why Multnomah County is taking the lead on making at least one crossing earthquake ready. The Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge will aid in disaster recovery efforts, reunite families and support regional economic recovery and resiliency as we come out of one of the most difficult economic times in recent history.

#### Multnomah County is funding the early project phases but needs external funds to close the gap for the construction phase.

- Local Funding MultCo is funding 1/3rd of the total \$825 million project cost with its Vehicle Registration Fee.
- Stretching Dollars MultCo was able to fund a feasibility study and the current environmental review phase of the project with its existing Vehicle Fee.
- Economic Stimulus MultCo anticipates that the project's construction phase will create more than 11,000 jobs (direct and indirect jobs in full year equivalents).
- Diverse Job Training and Employment MultCo has a history of supporting a diverse workforce and contractor community on its capital projects. The recent Central Courthouse project contracted 34% of the total contract budget to historically disadvantaged firms. Thirty percent of the work hours were performed by apprentices and 28% of all work was performed by minority males and 10% was performed by women. On the Sellwood Bridge project, 20% of the total construction contract went to disadvantaged firms, while 28% of the work was performed by minorities and 13% by women.

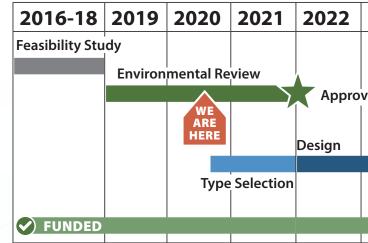
**Recommended Preferred Alternative – Replacement Long Span** 

The Community Task Force is recommending that the existing bridge be replaced with a new movable bridge in the same location and length as the existing bridge with support structure above the roadway surface resulting in fewer columns below. This means there are longer spans, or distances, between columns. It is recommended because it is the most seismically resilient with the lowest cost and fewest impacts to natural resources.

### Time is of the essence!

We are only 3.5 years away from construction of a community supported regional resiliency project. While it works to fund the project, the County plans to develop a Community Benefits Agreement to outline workforce and contracting goals for the project.











#### Summer 2020

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East Multnomah County

Oregon is located in the Cascadia Subduction Zone, experts say there is a **1 in 3 chance** of a magnitude 8+ earthquake occurring within 50 years in our region.



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### **More information**

Help shape the future of the Burnside Bridge and visit **BurnsideBridge.org** for more information.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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## A safe investment



We must start now to make steady progress and ensure decisions are efficient, thoughtful and well planned. Considering both the best available technical information and community input will be critical to making sound decisions.

Funding the construction phase ensures that a project with notable regional economic benefits can continue.



The construction phase will create a projected 11,000 jobs and generate business for hundreds of subcontractors. helping drive economic recovery for some of the populations who have been hit hardest by the COVID-19 pandemic.



After a major earthquake, the Burnside Street Lifeline Route will help reunite families and deliver essential goods and services to support our region's recovery.

# **Extensive community outreach is** ongoing and public support is strong.



Over **100** briefings with elected leaders, agencies, individuals, and organizations

Online open houses in seven languages



Robust Diversity, Equity and Inclusion program to connect with underrepresented communities and bring a wide range of voices to the project



Over 6500 survey participants



**16** Community Task Force meetings





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