



John Day Local Street Network Plan

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The City of John Day, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), and Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) are currently sponsoring a study of John Day's local street, bicycle, and pedestrian network. This study, known as the John Day Local Street Network Plan, is intended to help the City identify a logical extension of future local streets and identify opportunities for improving the overall bicycle and pedestrian network. A consultant team led by Kittelson & Associates, Inc. has been hired to lead the study effort.

Why is the City Pursuing this Study?

The City of John Day prepared and adopted a Transportation System Plan (TSP) back in 1996. While the plan identified future transportation needs, emerging trends in transportation and new growth opportunities have led the City to conclude that a specific update to the TSP is needed. In particular, the study will identify a logical system of local streets to serve potential future residential, commercial, and industrial development. This may include the extension of existing local streets or the development of a new set of streets to create a logical and efficient travel network. Along with the local street component, the study will assess needs and opportunities for improving bicycle and pedestrian connectivity in the community. A large focus of this effort will build upon the efforts started through the communities Safe Routes to School Plan.

How Can You Get Involved?

Public input is important in developing a plan that reflects the community's goals and values. During the course of this project, members of the community will be encouraged to participate in the development of this plan. Additional follow up newsletters will provide project updates and announcements for future public meetings and feedback opportunities.

Latest Project Updates & Next Steps

The project team has been working over the last several months to document and summarize the existing and future transportation environment in John Day. From this effort, a preliminary list of local street, bicycle, and pedestrian opportunities/constraints was developed and shared with the public at the November 19, 2008 Public Open House. The meeting was well attended and the project team received a lot of great feedback and ideas for improving John Day's transportation environment. In addition, the project team met with students at Humbolt Elementary to discuss potential bicycle and pedestrian improvements. (See photos from these meetings on the following page).

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Students in Mr. Young's 5th grade class show off some of their ideas for improving bicycle and pedestrian travel



Students in Mrs. Ferreira's 4th grade class show off some of their ideas for improving bicycle and pedestrian travel



Residents discuss local street connectivity and bicycle/pedestrian travel at the November Public Open House



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