

## Corridor Sketch Summary

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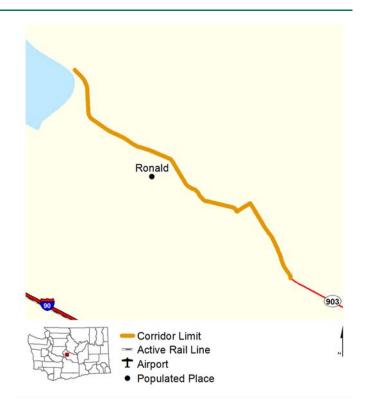
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WSDOT's Corridor Sketch Initiative is a collaborative planning process with agency partners to identify performance gaps and select high-level strategies to address them on the 304 corridors statewide. This Corridor Sketch Summary acts as an executive summary for one corridor. Please review the User Guide for Corridor Sketch Summaries prior to using information on this corridor:

# SR 903: Bullfrog Rd to Forest Boundary

This six-mile long corridor is located in the upper northwest portion of Kittitas County and the Kittitas Valley east of the Cascade Mountains. The corridor runs between Bullfrog Road, in southeast Roslyn and the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest boundary at the south end Cle Elum Lake. The route passes through the city of Roslyn and the community of Ronald. The corridor is primarily suburban and rural in character with the primary land uses being recreational and residential. Several tourist attractions are located near the corridor including Suncadia Resort, a 6,400-acre major destination resort that includes hundreds of residences, vacation homes, condominiums, a lodge, three golf courses and other amenities, All Seasons Vacation Rentals, Cle Elum Lake, several trails, and the Roslyn Museum. The Cle Elum River is located just south of the corridor and parallels the route. The corridor includes diverse landscapes and vistas, lush forested hillsides, views of the Stuart Range and other alpine peaks, and the historic towns of Roslyn and Ronald.



## **Current Function**

State Route 903 is a state highway located entirely in Kittitas County, and links Cle Elum Lake to Roslyn and SR 970, which provides access to Interstate 90. This corridor is a rural collector providing access to recreation and tourist attractions within the region, including the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, the Salmon La Sac area, and Suncadia. The route functions largely as the sole public access road in the area. The route is also the "main street" for the city of Roslyn and the unincorporated community of Ronald. Trip attractors include Cle Elum Lake, the Yakima River, and the Cle Elum River. The corridor provides access to activities including camping, hiking, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, cross-country and back-country skiing, snowshoeing, recreational vehicle trails, horseback riding, golfing, rock climbing, and boating and water sports at Cle Elum Lake. There are no bicycle lanes on the corridor, but bicycles are permitted in the travel lane or shoulder, when there is adequate width. The Coal Mines Trail is a 4.7-mile unpaved trail from Cle Elum to Ronald that parallels the corridor.

## **Future Function**

Based on the projected population, land use, and economic trends, the future function of this corridor is expected to remain the same.

# Highlights and Performance

This corridor is a two-lane, undivided highway with one roundabout near Roslyn. The annual average daily traffic on this corridor is highest at the Bullfrog Road roundabout and lowest in Ronald.

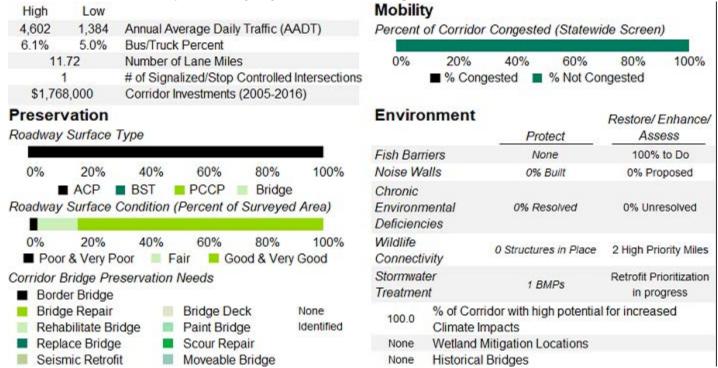
## What's working well?

- The entire corridor performs above WSDOT's congestion threshold.
- Roughly 97% of surveyed pavements on the corridor are in fair or better condition.
- The corridor is rated as low risk for seismic events.

## What needs to change?

- The corridor has a climate impact vulnerability rating as moderate.
- Corridor shoulders are too narrow for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Fish passage barriers are present on the corridor.
- Habitat connectivity issues are present on the corridor.

WSDOT monitors the state system in ongoing efforts to track asset performance. For this corridor, WSDOT finds:



<sup>1) 2015</sup> data unless otherwise noted. 2) For more information see the User Guide for Corridor Sketch Summaries at http://bit.ly/WSDOTcorridorsketch

### What we heard from our partners

WSDOT is interested in collecting feedback from our partners. To provide feedback on this corridor, please contact the office indicated on the last page of this document.

# Strategies

WSDOT identified the following strategies and associated actions to keep the corridor working well and address performance gaps. Regional partners collaborated on high-level mobility strategies. The identified strategies are not meant to be all-inclusive, nor an established list of priorities. Further evaluation is needed before any strategy can be recommended as a solution to address performance. Project funding decisions will take place at the programming phase, and are subject to statewide prioritization. For more strategy information, visit the Corridor Sketch Summary User Guide.

Policy Goals / Strategies	Description and Near-Term Actions
<b>Economic Vitality</b>	
Under Development	WSDOT will continue to work with partners in developing strategies to address economic vitality.
Environment	
Protect and Maintain	Protect and maintain existing assets that provide environmental function (these include WSDOT's mitigation sites, storm water systems, fish passable culverts).
Enhance or Restore	Enhance or restore natural areas and environmental functions associated with the multimodal transportation system.
Fish Barrier Retrofit	WSDOT has prioritized the removal of state-owned culverts that block habitat for salmon and steelhead. See interactive map of uncorrected fish barriers at http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/FishPassage/default.htm.
Mobility	
Assessment	A mobility performance strategy has not been identified by WSDOT.
Preservation	
Maintenance	Based on expenditure history, it is expected that the top three activities will continue to be maintenance on snow and ice control, rest areas, and pavement repair.
Pavement	WSDOT has identified two Pavement actions in the next six years encompassing 77% of the corridor.
Stewardship	
Planning	Under Practical Solutions, the Corridor Sketch Initiative identifies corridor performance, and assesses alternative strategies to improve the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of the transportation system.

### For more information

To find out more information about this corridor or how to get involved, please contact:

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