

SALMON CREEK INTERCHANGE PROJECT

- At \$133 million, the Salmon Creek Interchange Project is one of the biggest public works projects in Clark County history.
- Clark County had a 13.1 percent unemployment rate in August, the highest among Washington's 39 counties.
- The Washington State Department of Transportation estimates the overall interchange project will support approximately 600 jobs, including direct construction jobs, indirect jobs with suppliers and additional jobs at stores, restaurants and small businesses.
- The private sector has the potential to create thousands of additional jobs in an area that already employs an estimated 4,500 people.
- Since 1995, the Salmon Creek area has added the 351-acre Washington State University Vancouver campus, the 220-bed Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center and several business parks and large retail stores.
- Despite this growth, the area still has only one major east-west arterial, Northeast 134th Street, which has frequent congestion and slow travel speeds.
- Improving and extending Northeast 139th Street over both Interstate 5 and Interstate 205 will create a second east-west arterial, taking pressure off Northeast 134th Street and making traffic flow more freely.
- The Salmon Creek Interchange Project, once built, will allow traffic to exit I-5 northbound at both Northeast 134th Street and Northeast 139th Street and enter I-5 southbound at the same spots, dramatically improving freeway access for small businesses, major retailers, employment centers, schools and neighborhoods.
- The project will reduce congestion, improve safety and make life easier for thousands of county residents.
- And it will help create or support good-paying jobs, both temporary construction jobs and permanent jobs in education, health care and other important sectors of our local economy.

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The \$133 million project will improve safety, reduce congestion and promote economic expansion in the Salmon Creek area.

Clark County, in partnership with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), will build the project at the junction of Interstate 5 and Interstate 205 north of Vancouver.

The project will improve safety and traffic flow, on local streets and on the interstate freeway system, in an area that has experienced major growth in the past 20 years.

The project will have three different contracts:

- In late July, Clark County awarded a \$1.2 million contract for grading, utilities and other work for a new Park & Ride.
- In early 2011, Clark County expects to award a contract for local road improvements on the east and west sides of the two freeways.
- Later in 2011, WSDOT expects to award a contract to rebuild the Northeast 134th Street interchange on I-5, extend Northeast 139th Street east toward Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center and make freeway ramp improvements.

The Northeast 139th Street extension is expected to open in October 2013, with the entire project completed in June 2014.

CURRENT STATUS

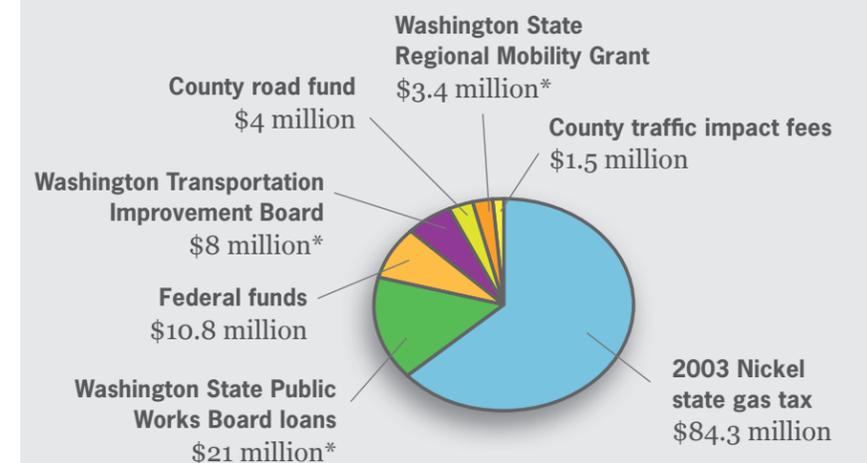
A contractor is busy grading the site and installing underground utilities for a new Park & Ride south of Northeast 139th Street at 10th Avenue.

Most of the Park & Ride will have pervious pavement, an environmentally friendly construction technique that allows rain to permeate through the surface.

The earliest C-Tran buses could begin using the site is the summer or fall of 2011.



PROJECTED FUNDING ~ Total \$133 million



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A joint project by the Clark County Public Works Department and the Washington State Department of Transportation



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