



# SR 240 - Beloit Rd to Kingsgate Way Widen Roadway



## Why is WSDOT improving this highway?

In the past six years, eight people have lost their lives and two have incurred disabling injuries in serious collisions on this two-lane section of SR 240. The narrow roadway and four-foot wide shoulders provide little recovery room in the event of an unsafe passing attempt by an impatient traveler. Passenger vehicles share the two-lane road with large trucks hauling nearly two million tons of freight each year, between the Columbia River basin and the Tri-Cities. This route is also heavily used by commuters to the Hanford site.

## Project Description

This project will improve safety along 18 miles of SR 240 from Beloit Road (west Hanford gate) to Kingsgate Way, near Richland. The new roadway will have 12 foot lanes with 8 foot shoulders and rumble strips.

## Project Benefits

- Reduced collisions
- Improved traffic efficiency

## Estimated Project Cost

Total: \$12.6\* million

Note: This estimate includes engineering, right of way, and construction costs.

\*As approved in the 2009 Transportation Budget.

## Project Timeline

Started Construction:  
Scheduled Completion:

Spring 2009  
Late Fall 2009



Contractor crew widening the shoulder of SR 240

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