

SR 16 - HOV Improvements - Olympic Drive to Union Avenue Complete July 2007

Overview

Completion of this project provides greater capacity and faster and safer travel on State Route 16.

Ten miles of HOV lanes were constructed as part of this project, Pierce County's first HOV lanes.

How You Benefit



Improves Safety

Additional merge lanes and other features provide improve safety.



Relieves Congestion

The Interstate 5 and SR 16 corridors will experience improved mobility due to additional capacity, improved merge lanes, ramps and ramp metering, and HOV lanes.



Protects Environment

The project meets the latest in environmental standards.

Partnerships & Cooperation

The Puyallup Tribe of Indians has been a significant stakeholder in the development of the Tacoma/Pierce County Core HOV Program. Beginning in 1998, the Puyallup Tribe has been involved in defining projects in Tacoma and Fife, providing direct input to project staff during two presentations in 1999.

When the next design phase began in 2002 — widening I-5 from the Tacoma Dome to Fife — the tribe was invited to participate in a project oversight committee whose focus will be to review staff work and provide input on design alternatives.

Funding

This project is funded through the following sources:

- **2003 Gas Tax ([Nickel Funding](#)) - \$104,451,078**
- **Existing Funds - \$36,603,163**
- **Other Agency Funds - \$58,392**
- **Total Funding Available From All Sources - \$141,112,632**

