

SWNI Board Motion Form

Motion: SWNI comment on the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)'s draft 2018-21 State Transportation Improvement Project (STIP) project 20438, OR 99W (Barbur Blvd) at SW Capitol Highway, to ask ODOT to further analyze options for redesigning the Barbur/Capitol Highway (West Portland Crossroads) intersection and analyze impacts on pedestrian and bicyclist safety and neighborhood livability, and discuss these options in more depth with the community before deciding on a redesign for the intersection. ODOT must construct safer sidewalks and bike lanes (or pedestrian and bicycle facilities) along SW Capitol, SW Taylors Ferry and SW Barbur along with the motor vehicle travel lane changes to make it safer for everyone and encourage more walking and biking in this town center.

Talking points:

SWNI needs more information about traffic impacts on local collector streets, especially SW Taylors Ferry Road and SW Capitol Highway, and whether the redesign will compromise safety for pedestrians and bicyclists traveling through West Portland Crossroads;

Traffic studies should be done while Portland Community College is in session and not during spring break (March 24-31) nor summer break (June 16-Sept. 24) nor winter break (December 16-January 2).

Analyses should look at both right and left jughandles and also consider additional traffic diverting onto other collectors (i.e. Capitol Highway/Lesser/SW 60th, or Pomona/SW 53rd).