



# Clackamas Connections Project

Investing in a balanced transportation network

## Transportation System Development Charge Update Process *Fact Sheet - Winter 2016*

Clackamas County and the City of Happy Valley have begun a project to update Transportation System Development Charges (TSDCs). This is Phase 2 of a larger process called the Clackamas Connections Project. TSDCs are one-time fees assessed when a developer applies for a permit to create a new development or redevelop an existing property. These fees are used to pay for needed improvements to the transportation system caused by the additional traffic estimated to be created by the new development.

This project will update TSDC rates for two areas:

- Unincorporated areas of Clackamas County (called the Countywide TSDC district)
- Happy Valley plus its surrounding area (called the Joint Happy Valley/Clackamas County TSDC District)

### Why update TSDCs now?

In recent years, both Clackamas County and the City of Happy Valley updated their Transportation System Plans (TSPs). These Plans include project lists to improve travel by driving, walking, biking, and taking transit. The TSDC Update process will consider ways to estimate and collect TSDC fees to help fund these projects. Currently, TSDC funds can only be used to fund vehicle projects. Updating the TSDC methodology will help support the TSP goal of promoting and funding projects that benefit a wide range of travel modes.

### Components of the project

This update process will

- Consider how to best assess development in a way that would allow for projects to be funded by TSDC funds.
- Update the project list.
- Update TSDC rates.
- Find ways to streamline administration of the TSDC program to simplify the process for applicants.

### Public Involvement Process

Stakeholder involvement is critical to the success of the TSDC update process. Clackamas County has convened a technical and stakeholder Working Group to provide input to help shape the TSDC process. The Working Group is comprised of staff from Clackamas County and Happy Valley, developers, and commercial interests. The project team will also meet with the Clackamas County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and Happy Valley City Council throughout the process.

## TSDC Update and Public Process

December 2015

Fall 2016

### 1 Recommend alternative ways to assess TSDCs

- ★ Working Group meetings
- ★ BCC and Happy Valley City Council Briefings

### 2 Develop project list

- ★ Working Group meetings
- ★ BCC and Happy Valley City Council Briefings

### 3 Update rate calculations

- ★ Working Group meetings
- ★ BCC and Happy Valley City Council Briefings

### 60 Day Public Review

BCC and Happy Valley City Council Adopt Ordinance



More information

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