Portland High Crash Corridor Program
East Burnside (E 14th – E 32nd) Safety Project

The City of Portland High Crash Corridor (HCC) program addresses transportation safety concerns on roadways with exceptional concentrations of crash activity. W/E Burnside (SW Barnes Rd to E 67th Ave) is one of three high crash corridors identified for safety evaluation and improvements in 2013.

Focus on E Burnside, 14TH – 32ND
A group of Kerns and Buckman neighbors, as well as Burnside East Business Association representatives, asked HCC staff to work with them to develop a safety plan specific to E Burnside, 14th Ave – 32nd Ave. Due to safety needs and strong community partnership, the HCC program responded by establishing an East Burnside Working Group to identify specific safety concerns and solutions.

Safety Needs
The crash data over the past ten years (2002-2011) on E Burnside, from E 14th Ave to E 32nd Ave, show the following:

- 2x more pedestrian crashes than the citywide average,
- 50% more intersection crashes than the citywide percentage, and
- 2x higher reckless driving-related crashes than the citywide average,
- 50% more inattentive driving-related crashes than the citywide percentage.

Three-E Approach
The HCC program employs a "three E" safety strategy: identify and build **engineering** enhancements, **enforce** traffic laws, and **educate** roadway users on safety laws and best practices.

Engineering Projects Under Consideration
The following engineering enhancement projects will be considered to enhance safety on E Burnside.

- Speed reader board on E Burnside westbound around 30th/31st.
- Moving bus stops far-side at some marked crosswalks.
- Traffic signal changes at 20th, 28th and 32nd, such as pedestrian push buttons and leading pedestrian intervals.
- Posted speed reduction to 30 MPH.
- Consideration of alternative travel lane options.
  NOTE: Due to updated modeling projections, feedback will be requested on a few different travel lane configurations.
- Curb extensions.
- Pedestrian median islands at select unsignalized intersections.

Upcoming Public Meeting
We invite you to an upcoming public meeting to learn more about these potential safety improvements on E Burnside and provide your feedback. Please join us!

East Burnside Safety Project Public Meeting
Sept. 30 (Monday), 2013
6:30 – 8:00pm
Albertina Kerr Center (424 NE 22nd Avenue, 97232)

Contact Information
For more information about the upcoming open house or general information about the City of Portland High Crash Corridor program, contact Clay Veka at Clay.Veka@portlandoregon.gov or 503-823-4998.