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## Willamette Blvd Semi-Viaduct | PROJECT INFORMATION

Start: May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

End: August 2016

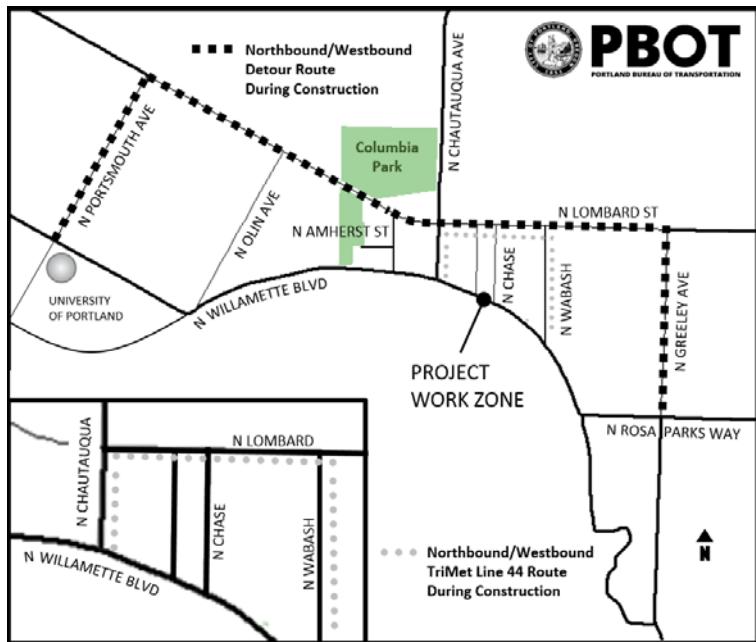
Purpose: To replace the aging bridge structure between N Chase Ave and N Washburne Ave.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The goal of the Project is to replace the aging overhanging bridge structure that carries traffic along N Willamette Blvd between N Chase Ave and N Washburne Ave. The existing structure will be replaced by a retaining wall supported on deep foundations, designed for resilience to earthquakes and landslides. Concurrent with the retaining wall work, we will also make pedestrian and safety improvements to the existing retaining walls in the Project vicinity. Additionally, the Portland Water Bureau will be on site to replace a section of its 100 year-old water line in the area and relocate it further away from the steep slope.



### TEMPORARY TRAFFIC IMPACTS



Unfortunately, a partial road closure will be required to complete the retaining wall work. The westbound/northbound lane carrying N Willamette Blvd toward the University of Portland will be closed to all motorized vehicle traffic all hours and all days during the project duration. A detour along N Lombard St will be in effect for re-routed traffic.

Southbound/eastbound traffic on N Willamette Blvd will be maintained and will remain open during the Project. Local access to residents near the project will be provided at all times. Pedestrian and northbound/westbound bicycle traffic will be allowed to use the sidewalks on the north side of N Willamette Blvd during the course of construction. The southbound/eastbound bicycle lane will remain open, even during the partial road closure.

# PROJECT DETAILS

The concrete semi-viaduct between N Washburne Ave and N Chase Ave will be replaced with a retaining wall. The crash rail to the east will be raised and strengthened, while the westernmost retaining wall will be strengthened.



## FAQ

During which hours will the construction crew be working?

**7 AM – 5:30 PM, Monday through Thursday (periodically on Fridays as required)**

How long will the project take?

**Approximately 3 months, starting May 23<sup>rd</sup> and ending in August 2016.**

I have an event scheduled in Columbia Park. Will the construction noise be a problem?

**The project site is far away enough that it should not be an issue.**

Why is this project taking place?

**The current structure is weight restricted, in poor condition, and located in an area prone to landslides.**

I need to drive to the University of Portland for an event. How will I get there?

**Take the detour from N Greeley Ave to N Lombard St., to N Portsmouth Ave.**

Is the construction site taking up *all* of N Willamette Blvd?

**No, the project site is located between N Chase Ave and N Washburne Ave.**

Are there any other traffic restrictions?

**Yes, N Washburne, N Chase, N Seward, and N Wabash Ave will be left turn only onto N Willamette Blvd.**

How will TriMet be impacted?

**TriMet Line 44 stops from N Chautauqua Blvd to N Wabash Ave along N Willamette Blvd will be closed.**