



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community engagement has been central to the I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project from the beginning. The original design concept grew out of a series of planning studies adopted by the City of Portland, ODOT and multiple other agencies, all with guidance from a 30-member Stakeholder Advisory Committee.

In-depth community engagement took place during the environmental planning process in 2017, including nearly 100 community events, door-to-door business canvassing, informational materials and more.

Public input from community briefings, design workshops, online open houses and advisory committee meetings informed the current design of the project, which includes the Proposed Hybrid 3 Cover Concept for the highway.

The project team is currently working on a Supplemental Environmental Assessment due to design changes from the Proposed Hybrid 3 Cover Concept. A 30-day public comment period will take place in fall 2022 and will include an online open house. A decision on the project is expected from the Federal Highway Administration in early 2023.



*Project staff attends the Juneteenth Oregon 50th Anniversary celebration*



*Group takes a walking tour of the project area*

## ONGOING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS

We're meeting with community members in person and online to share news and updates about the project and collect input to inform decisions. Here are some of the many ways we're connecting with the public:

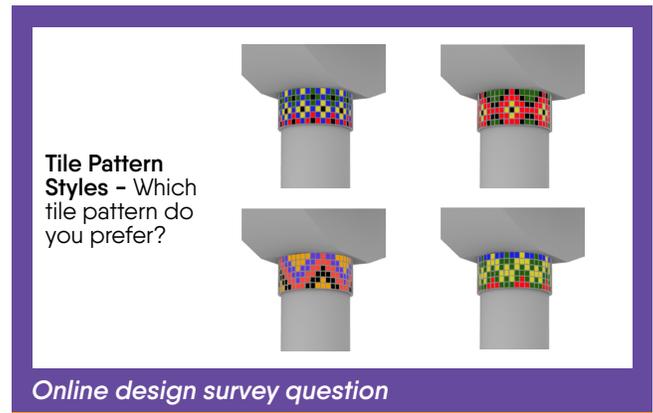
- Regular meetings with the Historic Albina Advisory Board and Community Oversight Advisory Committee (all meetings are open to public comment).
- Engagement with youth and students of color.
- Participation and sponsorships at community events.
- Incentivized engagement with community-based organizations (CBOs).
- Open houses, design surveys, public workshops and forums.
- Direct outreach to the faith community, local businesses, community leaders and elected officials.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT

**Take an online survey.** Throughout 2022 and into 2023, the project team is releasing a series of short online design surveys to seek community feedback on highway infrastructure design. We want to ensure that highly visible areas along I-5 (such as walls, bridges and highway columns) reflect the historic Albina community. We encourage your participation in these ongoing surveys.

**Partner with us.** In May 2022, we collaborated with Word is Bond PDX and Camp ELSO to hold a Youth Design Forum that engaged students of color in the decision-making process. Approximately 50 youth came up with ideas for the project, including creating a virtual reality tour of Albina, installing renewable energy sources on the highway cover and hosting more design forums in the future. If your organization is interested in partnering on a project-related activity like the Youth Design Forum, please reach out.

**Invite us to your next meeting.** If you're a member of a CBO, non-profit or business that would like to hear more about the I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project, we'd like to hear from you. We have speakers and a slide deck ready to join your group's upcoming meeting to present the latest project information and answer your questions. Contact us and let's talk!



## STAY INFORMED!



Community collaboration is an essential part of this project. We invite and encourage you to get involved. Stay in the loop by viewing our previous newsletters and e-alerts or scan the QR code to sign up for our mailing list.

We want to hear from you as we continue to design the project in cooperation with the community. Submit a comment using the online form on our Contact Us page, email us at [i5RoseQuarter@odot.oregon.gov](mailto:i5RoseQuarter@odot.oregon.gov) or call us at 503-470-3127 with questions.

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