

# Update: the Oregon Coast Bike Route Plan & the Oregon Coast Trail

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# OCBR Plan Outcomes

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- Identify investments for more comfortable, safe, and accessible cycling
  - Facilities
  - Operations
  - Programs
  - Policies
  - Street designs





# OCBR Plan Evaluation Process

- Evaluated existing conditions based on:
  - **Width** of the existing bike lane or shoulder
  - **Safety**: crash history, crash risks
  - Short **gaps or barriers**.
  - Overlap with the **Oregon Coast Trail**
- Identified **32 critical needs**, including:
  - Rural shoulders less than 4', urban bike lanes less than 6', tunnels, bridges



# OCBR Plan

## Potential Solutions

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- **Infrastructure improvements, such as:**
  - Signage
  - Widen shoulders / bike lanes
  - Create a parallel route alternative
- **Programs, such as:**
  - Shuttles at critical locations
  - Educational campaigns to encourage safe use of the road

# OCBR Plan

## Potential Critical Need Solutions

### Upcoming Outreach


- Sounding Board – February 12 (targeted group of stakeholders)
- Online Open House – March
  - Review proposed solutions and give us feedback!



Background

### Oregon Coast Bike Route Proposed Solutions Map

The Oregon Department of Transportation is identifying possible improvements to the Oregon Coast Bike Route, a popular bike route that runs the length of the Oregon coast.



#### Potential solutions

This site describes possible solutions to the highest priority problem areas or "critical needs" that were identified along the Coast Bike Route. These locations tend to have narrow or non-existent space for bicycles, a high crash history, or other crash risks.

The project team reviewed existing plans (like Transportation System Plans) already in place in US 101 communities to inform development of these draft solutions. In some cases, the draft solutions may not align exactly with projects in these existing plans. The OCBR project is taking a fresh look at critical needs for cyclists along the route, resulting in some new and different ideas on potential solutions.

These ideas are a starting point for further discussion

Some of the proposed solutions include "lane reconfigurations" on US 101 that could

Map Contents

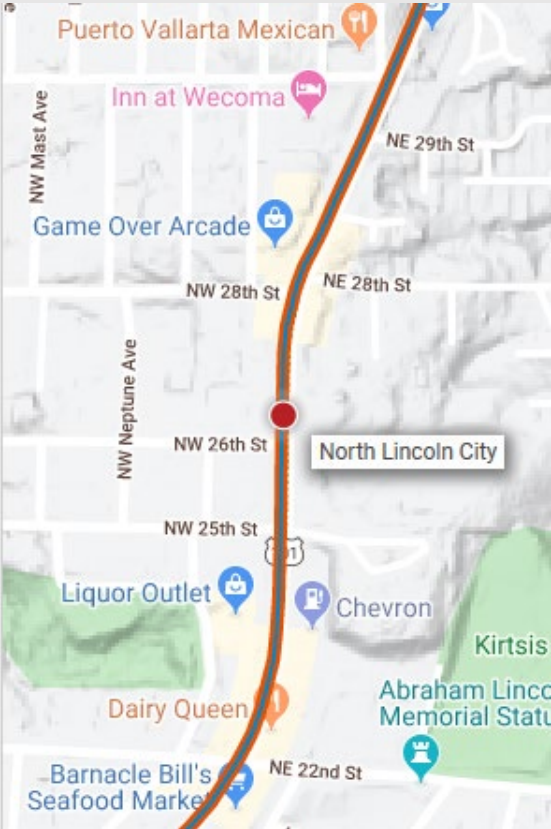
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Next Steps

Alignment

- Oregon Coast Bike Route

Critical Needs

- Young's Bay Bridge/Astoria
- Gearhart
- Seaside
- Arch Cape Tunnel
- North of Manzanita
- Wheeler
- Garibaldi
- Tillamook
- U.S. 131
- North Lincoln City

A map showing the Oregon Coast Bike Route alignment (a thick orange line) along the coast. A red dot on the map indicates a critical need location in North Lincoln City. The map includes street names like NW Mast Ave, NW Neptune Ave, and NE 29th St, and various landmarks like Game Over Arcade, Dairy Queen, and Barnacle Bill's Seafood Market.





# OCT Gaps Along ODOT Facilities

- ~400 miles = total OCT route
- ~60 miles of OCT on/along 101
- ~15% of total OCT route on/along 101
  - Mutual goal- work to find route away from highway if possible. If not possible, work to find more comfortable solution.
  - ~ 6 locations where OCT gaps overlap with OCBR critical needs



# Questions?

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