The Board of Commissioners office released the following road related information:

COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY REPORT October 11, 2002

SANDLAKE-GALLOWAY ROAD PROJECT RIGHTS-OF-WAY PROCESS A SUCCESS

Working with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Tillamook County has completed the road right of way acquisition process for the Sandlake-Galloway Road project.

During the Summer of 2000, Tillamook County obtained a \$1,250,000 loan from the Oregon Transportation Infrastructure Fund (OTIF) for anticipated right-of-way costs for the project. This loan amount was based on typical projects of this size and included an estimated amount for costs for possible condemnation acquisitions.

Tillamook County Road Department reports that the ODOT Region 2 Right-of-Way completed the approximately 97 rights-of-way acquisitions without condemnation proceedings. As a result of the successful acquisition process, the willingness of property owners to participate in the process and the professional work of ODOT, about 60% of the \$1,250,000 was spent. Tillamook County is currently renegotiating the repayment schedule on the OTIF loan for using the loan balance to reduce remaining annual loan payments that are made from the Road Department budget.

The Sandlake-Galloway Road project is currently under construction and has an anticipated completion date of Fall 2004. The construction work is funded and being managed by the Federal Highway Administration.

The project web page has been updated...

http://www.co.tillamook.or.us/gov/pw/sg-project/

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