

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

COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY REPORT

Friday, July 9, 2004

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LONG PRAIRIE RD/HWY 101 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

On Wednesday, July 7th the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners signed an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the Long Prairie Rd/Hwy 101 Intersection Improvement Project.

As part of the first round of Oregon Transportation Investment Act (OTIA) projects in 2001, Tillamook County applied for and was awarded funding for the project. Project details include adding a westbound right turn lane to Long Prairie Road and a northbound right turn lane to Hwy 101. The road improvements will help in handling traffic coming in and out of the Port of Tillamook Bay industrial site.

After project award, the Oregon Department of Transportation assigned the project to their projects list or State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP). On the STIP, the project was slated for construction potentially in 2006.

Due to its own increasing project workload, ODOT approached the County about picking up the project for implementation. Staffs worked out details in the IGA. This summer the County Road Department will hire a design consultant firm to develop engineering plans for the improvements. The County anticipates putting the project out for bid in spring 2005 for summer 2005 construction.

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(the above information was only a portion of the entire Weekly Report)