

## **Intersection project status**

Last May, Tillamook County opened bids for the Long Prairie Road/U.S. 101 intersection improvement project. The low bid was 37 percent over the project estimated costs. Being short project funds to award a contract, the Board of Commissioners decided to reject all bids. Since then, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and Tillamook County have been searching for funds to make up the shortage and enable this project to go out to bid again. Recently ODOT acquired additional funding.

Presently the project is scheduled for bid opening in early November. Bid advertisement will begin in October.

Construction work is scheduled to occur during 2008. This project to increase traffic capacity at the intersection is funded primarily by Oregon Transportation Investment Act grant funds.