

Corridor Sketch Summary

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WSDOT's Corridor Sketch Initiative is a collaborative planning process with agency partners to identify performance gaps and select high-level strategies to address them on the 304 corridors statewide. This Corridor Sketch Summary acts as an executive summary for one corridor. Please review the User Guide for Corridor Sketch Summaries prior to using information on this corridor:

SR 105: US 101 Jct (Raymond) to US 101 Jct (South Aberdeen)

This 53-mile long corridor is a coastal route located along the west coast of Washington. The corridor travels between the US Route 101 junction in the city of Raymond and the US 101 junction in south Aberdeen, creating a "C" formation with US 101. The corridor includes two short spurs, the Boone Spur in Aberdeen and the Westport Spur in Westport. In addition to passing through Raymond, Aberdeen, and Westport, the corridor also travels through the communities of Markham, Grayland, Cohassett Beach, and Dexter by the Sea. The corridor is generally rural in character. Land use along the corridor consists of undeveloped land, forest, and industrial. Within the communities, the corridor travels through commercial and residential land uses. The corridor also includes wetlands used for cranberry bogs by Ocean Spray. The corridor encounters multiple bodies of water such as the Pacific Ocean, the North, Willapa, and Chehalis rivers, Willipa Bay and South Bay in Grays Harbor. Two airports, Westport and Willapa Harbor, are located off the corridor. Terrain on the corridor is level throughout.



Current Function

State Route 105 is a state highway that travels along the West Coast between Raymond and Aberdeen. This corridor is a vital economic and community link for area residents and a tourist gateway to the natural and scenic resources of the region. The corridor is named the Cranberry Coast Scenic Byway. The route serves as a "main street" for the cities of Raymond, Westport, and Aberdeen. The route is the only reasonable access to the Shoalwater Indian Reservation including the Shoalwater Bay Casino, four state parks, and Westport, which is a fishing and tourist community. In addition to the freestanding rural communities, the corridor also provides access to employment and services, the Pacific Ocean, and recreation centers. The route experiences seasonal fluctuation in travel demand with peaks in the summer for recreation and during low tide for clamming. Grays Harbor Transit and Pacific Transit provide fixed route service along the corridor. Three park and ride lots are located near the corridor in Raymond, Cohassett Beach, and Aberdeen. Pedestrian use and bicycling are permitted on the corridor and sidewalks are present in Raymond, Westport, and Aberdeen.

Future Function

Based on the projected population, land use, and economic trends, the future function of this corridor is expected to remain the same.

Highlights and Performance

This corridor is a two-lane, undivided highway with few turn lanes and transitions to a three-lane highway, one lane of which is a center turn lane before transitioning again to a four-lane undivided highway. The annual average daily traffic on this corridor is highest in Aberdeen and lowest just west of Raymond.

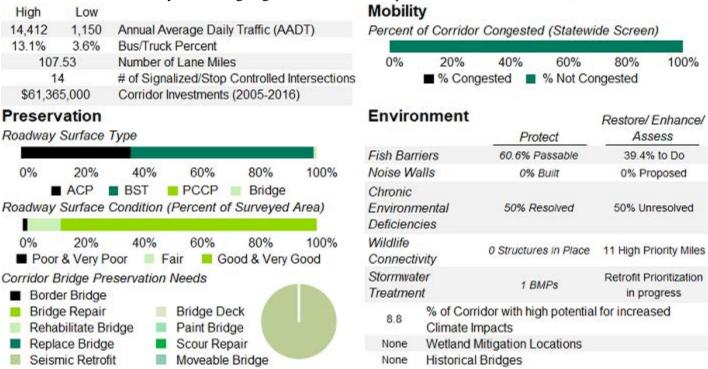
What's working well?

- The entire corridor performs above WSDOT's congestion threshold.
- Access to Grays Harbor College is working well.

What needs to change?

- The corridor has two bridge preservation needs for seismic retrofits.
- Coastline at Washaway Beach is rapidly eroding, requiring shifting the highway inland.
- Flooding occurs in Grayland during high tide.

WSDOT monitors the state system in ongoing efforts to track asset performance. For this corridor, WSDOT finds:



1) 2015 data unless otherwise noted. 2) For more information see the User Guide for Corridor Sketch Summaries at http://bit.ly/WSDOTcorridorsketch

What we heard from our partners

WSDOT collected feedback from agency partners. Key themes included:

- Interest in extending Grays Harbor Transit's current route from Grayland to Raymond.
- Drainage or slide issues can occasionally be a problem in Pacific County near North River and there are major concerns with the Pacific Ocean and Willapa Bay eroding into the roadway prism in the Washaway Beach/North Cove area.
- Concern due to inadequate drainage at several locations along the corridor in Pacific County between MP 3 and MP 25. There is also flooding in Grays Harbor through the community of Grayland between Cranberry Road and the SR 105 Spur with medium vulnerability for climate change (MP 25 to MP 30).
- Interest expressed for wider shoulders along the corridor, specifically for bicycles.
- Consider proposals to enhance recreational and tourism activity as identified in A Highway between the Bays Management Plan.

Strategies

WSDOT identified the following strategies and associated actions to keep the corridor working well and address performance gaps. Regional partners collaborated on high-level mobility strategies. The identified strategies are not meant to be all-inclusive, nor an established list of priorities. Further evaluation is needed before any strategy can be recommended as a solution to address performance. Project funding decisions will take place at the programming phase, and are subject to statewide prioritization. For more strategy information, visit the Corridor Sketch Summary User Guide.

| Policy Goals / Strategies | Description and Near-Term Actions |
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| Economic Vitality Under Development | WSDOT will continue to work with partners in developing strategies to address economic vitality. |
| Environment | |
| Protect and Maintain | Protect and maintain existing assets that provide environmental function (these include WSDOT's mitigation sites, storm water systems, fish passable culverts). |
| Enhance or Restore | Enhance or restore natural areas and environmental functions associated with the multimodal transportation system. WSDOT has three planned Chronic Environemental Deficiency actions on this corridor. |
| Fish Barrier Retrofit | WSDOT has prioritized the removal of state-owned culverts that block habitat for salmon and steelhead. See interactive map of uncorrected fish barriers at http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/FishPassage/default.htm. |
| Mobility | |
| Assessment | A mobility performance strategy has not been identified by WSDOT. |
| Preservation | |
| Maintenance | Based on expenditure history, it is expected that the top three activities will continue to be maintenance on snow and ice control, pavement repair, and vegetation control. |
| Pavement | WSDOT has identified six Pavement actions in the next six years encompassing 87% of the corridor. |
| Other Facilities | WSDOT has identified one Other Facilities action in the next six years at a single location on this corridor. |
| Safety | |
| Investment | WSDOT has identified one Safety Investment action in the next six years encompassing 2% of the corridor. |
| Stewardship | |
| Planning | Under Practical Solutions, the Corridor Sketch Initiative identifies corridor performance, and assesses alternative strategies to improve the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of the transportation system. |

For more information

To find out more information about this corridor or how to get involved, please contact:

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