



Portland-Milwaukie Light Rail Project Final Environmental Statement Status Report Steering Committee, December 1, 2009

Plan and profile (15%) drawings complete - end August

- Expanded area of effect
- New displacements reviewed with FTA
- Regular FTA coordination meetings
- Agreed upon review schedule

Biological Assessment (BA)

- National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) approvals often lengthy
- Coordination began over 1 year ago
- Extensive coordination with federal state and local natural resource agencies
- Draft previewed August; final submitted to NOAA 10/15
- 30-day review period has elapsed; meeting set to push forward

Transportation

- Travel forecasting complete
- Traffic results report reviewed by local jurisdictions
- Extensive coordination on impacts and proposed mitigation
- Held public meetings on Johnson Creek Boulevard; Milwaukie meeting in January

Chapters 1 (Purpose and Need), 2 (Alternatives Considered) and agency comments

- Submitted to FTA November
- Approximately 600 other comment responses being drafted and reviewed

Section 4(f) report (Parks and Historic)

- Coordination with designers and jurisdictions on trolley trail and other parks
- Report drafted; submit to FTA December 7
- Need letters from parks owners by mid January

Social, Environmental and Economic (Chapter 3)

- Parks, ecosystems, acquisitions and displacements, water, land use, energy, air quality, geology – initial drafts reviewed by Metro and TriMet
- Noise and vibration, history, archaeology, energy – due from consultants this week
- Finance pending 25% cost estimate

Full draft of FEIS (except finance) to FTA and local jurisdictions for review early January

- Mitigation discussions with TriMet and local jurisdictions on-going through April
- Anticipate publication late May
- Record of Decision target July