

# Washington State Department of Transportation Olympic Region

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# Olympic Region

**Covers the 7-county area including:  
Pierce, Thurston, Kitsap, Jefferson,  
Clallam, Mason and Grays Harbor**

- Olympic Region
  - 6 Regions Statewide
- 800 Employees
  - 4 Maintenance Areas
  - 7 Project offices
  - Tacoma/Pierce County – HOV
- Responsible for:
  - Construction
  - Maintenance
  - Preservation
  - Design
  - Planning
- 2,900 lanes miles
- 600 Bridges
- 320 Traffic signals



# Coming Soon



## **SR 16 WBNV 30-day countdown:**

- 38<sup>th</sup> Street Ramp closes Apr. 18
- NB I-5 to SR 16 shift to temp roadway - May/June

## **I-5 Clover Creek:**

- Bridge deck and approach slabs
- Begins May (weather-dependent)
- Two weekends Fri-Mon I-5 down to 2 lanes; two Friday/Saturday night closures
- Potential for long delays

## **I-5 Lacey Noise Walls**

- Builds two noise barriers next to NB
  - 14<sup>th</sup> Ave Thompson Pl. neighborhood; 3,950 ft long
  - Queets Dr. near Hawk's Prairie Casino; 3,350 ft long
- Begins May 31

## **I-5 ITS and Ramp Meters:**

- Fiber Cable Thorne Lane to Nisqually
- NB ramp meters at Mounts Nisqually, and Marvin roads
- 7 new corridor cameras:
  - Pendleton, DuPont, and Main gates
  - Mounts Road weigh station, Mounts Road on-ramp and Marvin Road on-ramp
- Currently out for bid
- Begins this summer

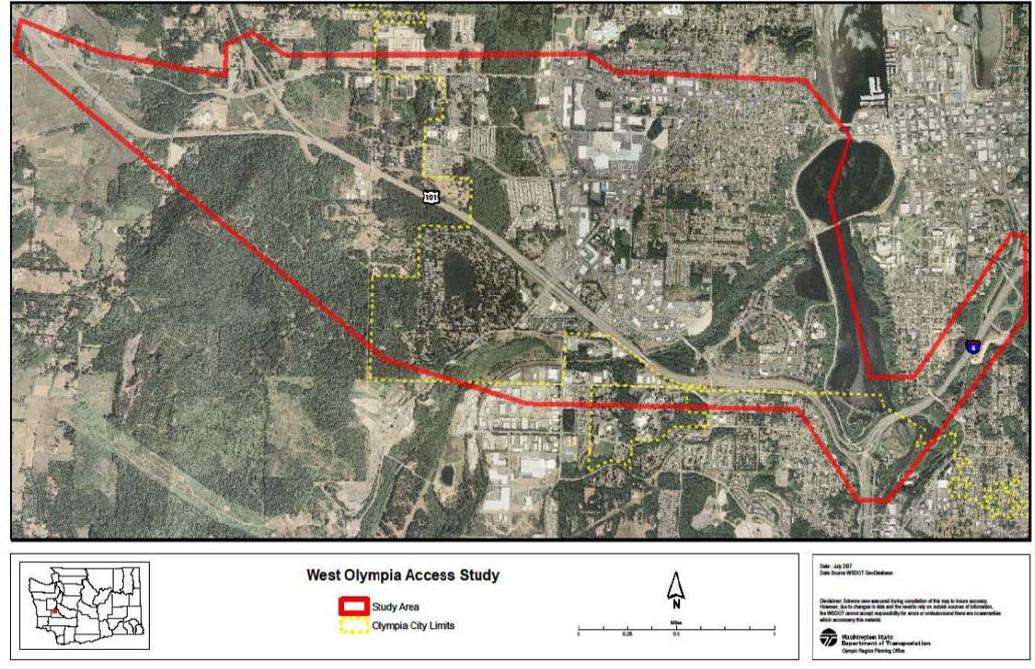
## **I-5 SR 121 to Tumwater Blvd. paving:**

- Paves 6-mile section
- Widens off-ramp at 93<sup>rd</sup> Ave.
- Begins July 5

# Other Work Underway

## West Olympia Access Study

- City of Olympia/WSDOT partnership since 2006
  - Identified ways to preserve future access and mobility in west Olympia
  - Resulted in option to add ramps at Kaiser Rd. and from Black Lake Blvd. to Yauger
  - Next steps: Interchange justification report
  - High priority: Part of WSDOT Highway System Plan and Regional Transportation Plan
- ## Thurston Smart Corridors
- ## JBLM OEA Grants
- South Sound military and community partnerships

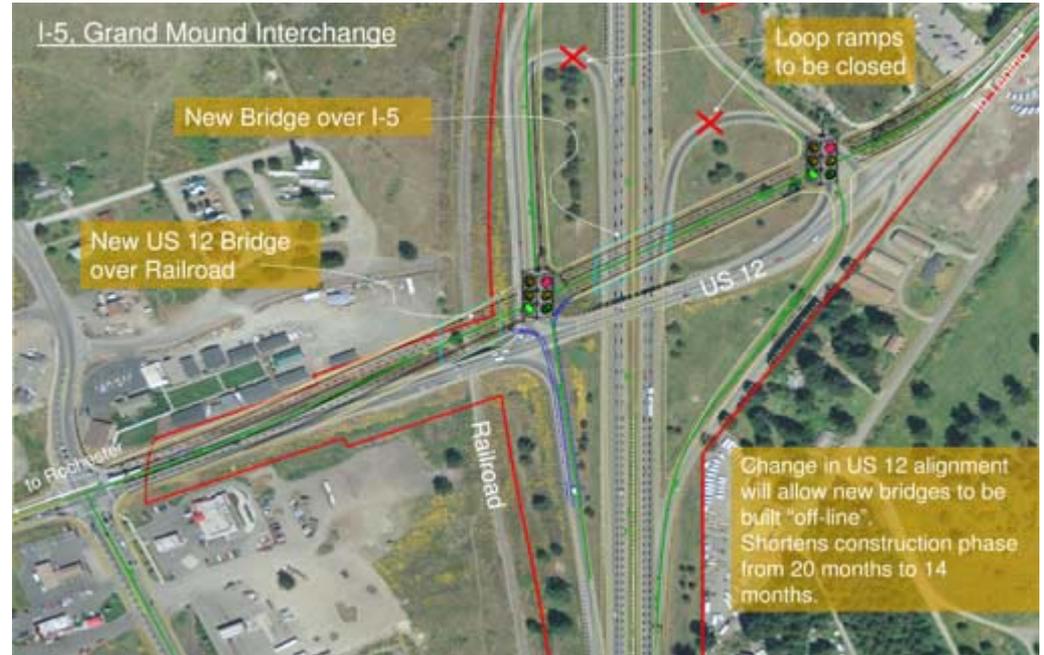


## I-5/US 101 Interchange Study

- Identifies existing and future needs to an efficient and functional transportation facility.
- Study is two phases
  - Phase 1 technical look at I/C
  - Phase 2 preferred strategies
- First meeting was January this year

# Grand Mound Interchange

- Rebuilds I-5/US 12 I/C at Grand Mound.
  - Eliminates loop ramps
  - Installs signals
  - Consolidates exits
- Improves traffic flow; reduces potential for collisions for the 15,000 drivers who use I/C daily.
- Contractor, Tri-State, began January. Scheduled completion summer 2012.
- Along with projects north and south – vastly improves I-5



# I-5 Capitol Bridge Fencing

- Bridge 71 feet tall directly over stretch of I-5 which 138,000 drivers travel in both directions daily.
- Work began early March to replace 5' 7" railing and fencing.
- New fencing is 8' 6"
  - Eliminates large gaps
  - Lessens opportunities for debris to fall from bridge onto the freeway.



# I-5 Trospers Road Interchange Improvements

- Project is developer-funded to accommodate volumes when Wal-Mart opens on Littlerock Rd. this summer.
- Widens off-ramp from southbound I-5 to Trospers Road adding a second dedicated left-turn lane, and a dedicated through-lane.
- Moves on-ramp from Trospers Road to southbound I-5, installs additional street lights and replaces three traffic signals.



# Questions?

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