



# King City Transportation System Plan

## PUBLIC OUTREACH EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ODOT and King City conducted public outreach between September 2020 and June 2021 to share information about the King City Transportation System Plan (TSP) project and invited community members, stakeholders, and other interested parties to share their ideas and feedback about how people currently get around in King City, what can be improved, and solicit feedback on the proposed transportation projects for the TSP

Feedback received through this outreach period helped the City and its consultants address planned growth in King City and the changing transportation needs of residents. Feedback was also used to develop a list of proposed transportation projects in the draft TSP, which will be further refined through the Kingston Terrace Master Plan project.

The **Public Engagement Plan**, developed by the project team at the beginning of the project, considered the demographic makeup of the project study area to inform outreach activities. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the project team adapted to provide several engagement opportunities (virtual, in-person and by mail) to enable community members to safely participate and provide meaningful input.

**Approximately 350 people** were engaged through a variety of outreach opportunities. These opportunities, as well as highlights from the feedback received, are summarized below.

### Opportunities for engagement

- **2 Online open houses** with a total of 317 participants
  - o *Online open house #1 participation:* 169 participants provided comments
  - o *Online open house #2 participation:* 148 participants provided comments
- **1 Mail-in survey** sent to all residents within King City and the expansion area with over 237 mailed back to the project team.
- **1 Feedback map** offered in both the first online open house and the mailed-in survey, received 709 location-specific comments
- **2 In-person tabling events** with approximately 85 attendees
- **1 project website** with project updates
- The public were also given the opportunity to reach out to City staff to ask questions and share their thoughts on the project

King City  
Transportation System Plan  
and Land Use Refinement Plan

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Help us plan for King City's growing transportation needs—for now and the future.

Help us shape our first Transportation System Plan

This is our first formal Transportation System Plan. Until now, most major roads in town have been managed by other jurisdictions, such as ODOT, but that's about to change. Our population more than doubled in the last 20 years, approaching 5,000. It could double again in another 20 years. The City is planning for gradual growth west to Roy Rogers Road, which will add to city-owned roads. Just as we're planning land use, we must plan for how everyone will get around. The TSP will include a whole framework for a safe, well-connected transportation system: policies, standards, network maps, a capital projects list and more. We need your help finding the best ways to serve people walking, biking, using transit, and driving.

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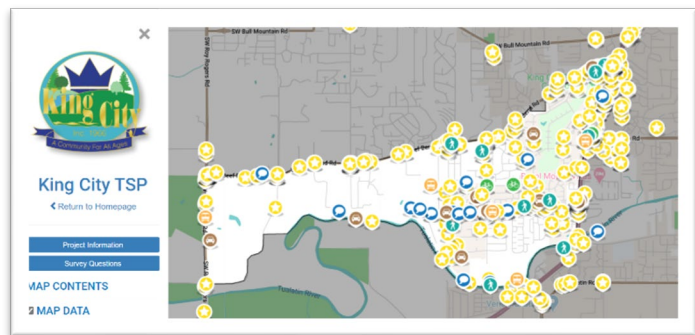


## How engagement opportunities were promoted

- Social media posts on the King City Facebook page, Nextdoor, Twitter, and Instagram
- Updates on the project websites
- Postcards mailed to residents within the project study area advertising each of the online open houses and in-person tabling events
- Emails sent to interested parties, stakeholders, and community organizations
- Press releases for the online open houses

## Public Feedback Key Themes

Overall, participants expressed **overall satisfaction with the transportation network in King City**, saying that they were satisfied with the road network and walking and biking network. **Most participants indicated that they currently use a car to get around**, so many did not comment on the transit network in King City.



Overall, the public was **concerned with the following** when thinking about how they get around King City:

- **Safety of pedestrians and bicyclists.** Many expressed a desire to see more walking and biking trails throughout King City, preferable separated from vehicle traffic.
- **Traffic and potential impacts to neighborhoods** as the population increases.
- **Vehicles travelling unsafe speeds.** Many noted that speeding was already a problem and were worried it would get worse with increased cars on the road.



The topic most commented on were the proposed **East/West Connection Alternatives** intended to create road, walking, and biking connections between current King City neighborhoods and the expansion area west of the current King City boundaries.

The majority of participants were **concerned that an extension of Fischer, Macbeth, or Capulet roads would negatively impact the Edgewater and Rivermeade communities** and **suggested that Beef Bend Rd be widened** to accommodate east/west vehicle traffic.

Community members were also concerned about how an East/West Connection and other transportation improvements (be they road or multi-use paths), may **impact the Tualatin River and the surrounding natural areas within the Columbia Land Trust**. Many also cited current erosion in this area as a concern and were worried about exacerbating it.



## Who we heard from

**Online Open Houses:** The majority of participants identified as white. The second largest racial or ethnic identity selected was Hispanic/Latino. The majority of respondents were 36 years of age or older. The majority of respondents had a household income of \$100,000 or above.

## Who Supported Project Outreach

- The City of King City
- ODOT
- DKS Associates
- JLA Public Involvement

## What's Next?

The City of King City and its consultants will use the feedback gathered through this process to further refine the list of proposed transportation projects in the TSP for inclusion in the Kingston Terrace Master Plan project, which is expected to be adopted by fall 2021.

**What area will the plan consider?**  
This project is for all of King City, including the developing western expansion area. We will consider how people get to our commercial core and undeveloped areas, and plan for "complete streets" everywhere in town.

**We'll look especially closely at the roads people use most,** including SW Beef Bend Road, SW Roy Rogers Road, and Pacific Highway West (99W). We'll assess how to make their key intersections safer, more reliable and less congested.

**Project area map**

**We need your help!**  
**We need your feedback to shape this plan.**

- What it's like for you to get around King City today?
- Which places do you wish you could travel to?
- Are there ways you would like to get around but currently can't?

**We invite all big ideas and input for the future of King City's transportation system.**

To draft a plan for everyone, we need feedback from everyone. We are committed to engaging community members of all incomes and backgrounds, including those who use assistance to get around or who speak other languages.

Even amid COVID-19, the project will offer healthy, yet engaging opportunities for community input. The latest public engagement opportunities can be found at: [www.kingcitytsp.org](http://www.kingcitytsp.org)

**Stay In Touch**  
Visit [www.kingcitytsp.org](http://www.kingcitytsp.org) for the latest updates, schedule and opportunities to weigh in!

**King City Beef Bend South Master Plan Project**  
A separate but related project is just getting started—the King City Beef Bend South Master Plan Project. Instead of working separately, the city and consultants will work closely to build one consistent vision for a healthy, thriving community. More on that project: [www.ci.king-city.or.us](http://www.ci.king-city.or.us)