



## Project Schedule

<b>May 2008</b>	Working Group kick-off
<b>June-August 2008</b>	Data collection on existing safety and traffic conditions
<b>September 2008</b>	Public Open House and Local Jurisdiction Briefings
<b>September-December 2008</b>	Modeling of future conditions Identification of potential improvement projects
<b>January - February 2009</b>	Memorandum of Agreement on SR 505 corridor design standards
<b>March - April 2009</b>	Development mitigation is modeled and defined
<b>April 2009</b>	Final plan delivered to the County
<b>Ongoing</b>	South Lewis County Subarea Transportation Plan coordinates future priority projects

## South Lewis County Subarea Existing & Future Conditions

Existing and future conditions analyses will be conducted in order to develop a better understanding of both current safety and congestion issues, as well as issues that could arise over time as the area experiences development and population growth. Both reports will address land use designations and environmental conditions, roadway characteristics, accident history, and factors that effect traffic conditions. This information will factor into the identification and prioritization of improvement projects.

## Existing Conditions Findings - Focus on SR 505 Corridor

### Land Use

- Commercial and industrial zoned lands along the corridor will develop over time, changing the land use, access points, and traffic demand along SR 505
- Environmentally-significant areas were identified along the corridor, and will likely require additional study as they are considered for potential future development

### Corridor Safety

- Accident data for the years 2003-2007 were reviewed.
- Over this period there were 2 fatalities, 6 disabling injuries, 13 evident injuries, and 43 property damage accidents.
- The accident data show that several plan area segments showed higher than state average accident rates for 2003 and 2004.
- The number and types of accidents that occurred during daylight hours suggests that building congestion

and/or the placement of access points to the highway from adjacent properties may be a contributing factor to accidents along certain segments of the corridor.

## Traffic Conditions

- Based on local comprehensive planning growth estimates, traffic demand along the SR505 corridor is anticipated to increase over the next 20 years.
- Today's volume of traffic does not exceed the corridor's capacity during peak driving hours; modeling of future conditions based on estimated growth will help determine future traffic volumes and potential capacity issues.

## What happens after the plan is complete?

- A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is planned to be drafted for the corridor and will be presented to project partners for final consideration. A MOU is a legal agreement that defines roles and responsibilities between parties.
- The Memorandum of Understanding and South Lewis County Subarea Transportation Plan will be used by project partners to implement local corridor improvements as funding becomes available.
- Continue coordination between local, regional, and state representatives on planning and implementation efforts.
- Identified improvements will be implemented on a priority basis and/or as appropriate funding becomes available.



## More Information:

### Project Web site:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/lewisco/home/LC/publicworks/Default.aspx?lCID=424>

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