

# City of Seaside Transportation System Plan

## Background

The City of Seaside continues its long-range planning process to determine transportation improvements needed to address current and future needs of residents, businesses, and visitors. This work, being done in coordination with the Oregon Department of Transportation, Clatsop County, and the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development, began in 2008 and is expected to continue through spring of 2010.

The project area is located within the Seaside city limits and Urban Growth Boundary.

## Project Update

The team has prepared recommendations for the local roadway, bicycle, pedestrian, and transit networks. It also has prepared roadway classifications and design standards. All of these are available on the project website [www.seasidetsp.org](http://www.seasidetsp.org). The team is preparing these projects for the draft Transportation System Plan (TSP).

Through conversations with the community, it became apparent that a flexible approach to US 101 would be critical. In August 2009 the Oregon Department of Transportation and the City of Seaside agreed to explore *Alternate Mobility Standards*, meaning that highway improvements could be designed to meet a different set of needs instead of summertime peak. This potential compromise is intended to meet both the desire voiced by the community for a smaller highway footprint while meeting the needs of the State to maintain mobility and safety for through travelers.

With *Alternate Mobility Standards*, the team must document the TSP's commitment to a local street network that reduces reliance on the highway for local trips; an investment in alternate modes (transit, walking, bicycling); review of development along the corridor; and consideration of access along the corridor. This work is now underway.

We invite stakeholders to participate in this conversation through one or more of the following:

- Project website ([www.seasideTSP.org](http://www.seasideTSP.org)), updated every Friday
- Joint City Council/Planning Commission Worksession (October 2009)
- Community workshop (December 2009)
- Transportation summit (Winter 2010)

Seaside TSP Project Study Area

