

**OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN EARL BLUMENAUER
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZATION
HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT REQUEST FORM**

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2009

This form must be filled out in its entirety. It must be accompanied by at least one letter of support from a state, regional, or local governmental official specifically supporting the project request. This letter should discuss the merits of the project; specify the process to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the project; and identify the other sources of Federal, state, or private funding that will be used to complete this project or project phase. This letter must contain an explicit statement of support for the project. In addition, if you are requesting less than 80 percent of the total estimated cost of the specific segment or activity, the letter must identify other specifically designated Federal, state, local, or private funding sources that, combined with this request, equal at least 80 percent of the total estimated cost. Please use **boldface font** to highlight these statements in the letter.

The deadline to submit this form and the support letter is Friday, April 24, 2009. No exceptions. Please submit this form along with any supplementary materials to David Skillman via email at skillman@mail.house.gov. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact David Skillman at (503) 774-4811.

Form instructions: This form contains drop-down menus to answer some questions. To access the drop-down menu, run your cursor over "Select One" or "Select One if Applicable" and click your mouse. A drop-down menu will appear and you can select the appropriate answer. Additionally, written answers should be typed in the gray boxes provided.

1. Project Title:

Kellogg Creek Bridge Replacement

2. Organization (project sponsor) Name and Address: (if state or local entity, please identify specific department requesting funding)

City of Milwaukie / 10722 SE Main Street / Milwaukie, OR 97222

3. Primary contact name, phone number, mobile phone number, fax number and e-mail:

Alex Campbell / (503) 774-8236 / Fax: (503) 774-8236 / c...@milwaukie.or.us

4. Project location address (if different from organization):

McLoughlin Boulevard and Kellogg Creek

5. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?

Project purpose:

- Replace existing bridge, which has sub-standard sidewalks and no bike-lanes, with a bridge with improved multi-modal facilities.
- Remove the existing box culvert, which forms an integral element of the existing bridge foundation. The structure as a whole, including the existing fish ladder, is a severe temporal barrier to fish passage for multiple threatened salmon species.

- Removal of the dam/culvert will eliminate Kellogg Lake itself, which due to temperature, turbidity, and non-native predatory species, is also a barrier to fish passage.

Valuable use of taxpayer funds:

- Provide passage for and rearing/refuge habitat for several threatened/sensitive fish species, including Coho, Spring Chinook, and Steelhead. Access to 9 miles of up-stream habitat would be opened. Project supports recovery of ESA-listed species.
- Improve multi-modal connections between downtown Milwaukie (Town Center) and park/green spaces to east and South.
- Eliminate key pinch-point for regional bike travel.
- Education: The restored Kellogg Creek will be a place to learn how 21st century cities can remake their urban and natural environments to support both environmental and economic agendas. The creek and the downtown will be remade together, offering lessons for practitioners across disciplines.

Economic benefits:

- Downtown Revitalization: Restore a natural area adjacent to a developing, transit-oriented downtown district (Lake Road P2M Light Rail station area).
- Construction jobs: Approx. 125.

6. Are you requesting Federal funds for more than one project in this bill? Yes

If Yes, this project is priority 3 of 3 total requests for your organization.

(For example, priority 1 of 3 requests or priority 3 of 3 requests.)

7. Are you requesting funds from other Members of Congress? No

If Yes, which Members?

8. Please select which type of eligible project under Title 23 (Highways) or Chapter 53 of Title 49 (Public Transit) of the U.S. Code for which you are requesting funding. (Note: The Committee will not accept requests for non-surface transportation projects, such as transportation museums, horse trails, or historic battlefields, as part of the High Priority Projects program.)

Highway Project (Title 23)

Type: Bridge

Located on a Federal-aid highway? Yes

Located on the National Highway System? No

Located on the Interstate System? No

Public Transit Project (Chapter 53 of Title 49)

Indicate Type with an 'X':

Passenger Vehicles

Transit Bus or Van

Transit Rail Car or Locomotive, including Streetcars

Transit Ferry

Transit Facilities

Vehicle Maintenance or Administration Facility

Passenger Facility, including Intermodal Facilities, stations, and terminals

Transit Rights-of-Way

- Property Acquisition Corridor Development
 Rail Track Construction or Maintenance
 Bus-only Lane Construction or Maintenance

Transit Equipment

- Vehicle-related Equipment System-related Equipment

New Start Project (A New Start project is a major *new* fixed guideway capital project seeking more than \$75 million in Federal funds.)

Small Start Project (A Small Start project is a *new* fixed guideway capital project seeking less than \$75 million in Federal funds and with a total estimated net capital cost of less than \$250 million.)

Rail

Intercity Passenger Rail (Not commuter rail. Commuter rail should be requested under public transit)

Is the project located within a corridor previously designated by the Secretary of Transportation pursuant to section 104(d)(2) of Title 23, United States Code, or the Northeast Corridor? Select One

If Yes, which Corridor: Select One

Freight Rail
Select Rail Class

Research

- University Transportation Center
 Other

9. Did the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, State Department of Transportation, or public transit agency confirm that the project is eligible under Title 23 (Highways) or Chapter 53 of Title 49 (Public Transit) of the United States Code? Yes

If Yes, which entity confirmed the project eligibility?

FHWA, FTA, State DOT, or Public Transit Agency:

State DOT

Contact information (Name, Position, Phone):

Thomas Weatherford, Local Agency Liaison,

According to the entity, is the project eligible under Title 23, Title 49, or both:
Title 23

10. Please identify the state, regional, or local governmental entity that is an eligible recipient of the funds. Please include an address. (For example, a State Department of Transportation, public transit agency, Metropolitan Planning Organization, local government, or Federally-recognized tribe.) Note: If a project is a multi-state project, please identify the state, regional, or local governmental entity which will serve as the lead agency for the project.

ODOT Region 1
123 NW Flanders

Portland, OR 97209

11. Please identify and describe the specific segment or activity for which project funding is requested. (The request must finance at least 80 percent of the total estimated cost of the specific segment or activity by either (1) the amount requested; or (2) the amount requested in addition to other specifically designated Federal, state, local, or private funding sources.)

Project Description: (Include the specific terminus points of the project or activity, as appropriate.)

This request would fund construction of replacement bridge span, including demolition of existing structure and construction of new abutments to provide greater channel width.

Project Activities: (May select more than one.)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> construct | <input type="checkbox"/> plan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> design | <input type="checkbox"/> engineer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> conduct | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> environmental review | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> acquire right-of-way | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> conduct alternatives analysis | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> research | <input type="checkbox"/> develop | <input type="checkbox"/> demonstrate | <input type="checkbox"/> deploy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> reconstruct | <input type="checkbox"/> rehabilitate | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> replace | <input type="checkbox"/> retrofit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> install | <input type="checkbox"/> mitigate | <input type="checkbox"/> implement | <input type="checkbox"/> realign |

What is the total estimated cost?

\$8.3 million

What amount is being requested? \$4 million

What percentage of the total estimated cost is the request for Federal funding? 48%

If the percentage is less than 80% identify other specifically designated Federal, state, local, or private funding that when combined with this request equal at least 80 percent.

Source: STP-U (secured: \$1.055 million), NOAA/AR (secured \$.045 million), NOAA Open Rivers, BPA Mitigation, P2M LRT mitigation contribution

Amount of Funding: \$4.3 million

12. If you are requesting funding for a specific segment or activity, please describe the overall project of which this segment/activity is a part.

Project Description: (Please limit your response to 3-4 sentences; up to 500 characters.)

Additional project elements include restoration of immediate upstream habitat/existing lakebed, approximately 14 acres.

Total Project Estimated cost: \$10.8

13. Is the project included in the State's Long-Range Transportation Plan? No

If Yes, please provide the date of approval of the most recent version of the plan and the title of the plan.

Date of approval (MM/YYYY):

Title of the plan:

14. Is the project included in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and/or the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)? Yes

If Yes, please provide the date of approval of the most recent version of the program(s), and the title of the program(s).

Listed in TIP: Yes

Date of approval (MM/YYYY): 1/2008

Title of the Program: OR-99E BRIDGE AT KELLOGG LAKE, KEY 15598

Listed in STIP: Yes

Date of approval (MM/YYYY): 01/2008

Title of the Program: OR-99E BRIDGE AT KELLOGG LAKE, KEY 15598

15. If the project is an intercity passenger rail project is it included in the State Rail Plan?

Not Applicable

If Yes, please provide the date on which the Governor approved the most recent version of the plan and the title of the plan.

Date of approval (MM/YYYY):

Title of the plan:

16. Please describe the current status of the project and the expected schedule for its completion.

Federal-aid Highway projects:

In Planning

Public Transit projects:

Select One if Applicable

Rail projects:

Select One if Applicable

Research:

Select One if Applicable

17. What is the expected date of completion of the project for which you are requesting funding (Between FY2010-FY2020)? 2015

18. Does the project have regional or national significance? (A project of regional and/or national significance is typically a high-cost transportation infrastructure facility that often includes multiple levels of government, agencies, modes of transportation, and transportation goals and planning processes that are not easily addressed or funded within existing surface transportation program categories. These projects have national and/or regional benefits, including improving economic productivity by facilitating international trade, relieving congestion, and improving transportation safety by facilitating passenger and freight movement.)

Does the project have regional or national significance? Yes

If Yes. Please describe the regional or national significance of the project. Please limit your response to 3-4 sentences (up to 500 characters):

Nationally significant project due to the potential to encourage recovery of listed "threatened" salmon species under the Endangered Species Act. See supplementary materials for discussion of fish habitat benefits.

19. Describe the safety, economic development, mobility, and environmental benefits associated with completion of the project.

Safety Benefits: (Please limit your response to 2-3 sentences; (500 characters).)

Existing bridge has no bike lanes and under-sized sidewalks, while carrying approximately 35,000 daily trips. Situation is both unsafe and discourages multi-modal travel in the corridor.

Economic Development Benefits: (Please limit your response to 2-3 sentences; (500 characters).)

Project supports redevelopment in south downtown Milwaukie, generally, but also specifically transit oriented development opportunities in and around the Milwaukie Light Rail Station (P2M LRT, currently in PE). Restored creek area would be a much more attractive recreational and aesthetic amenity to urban, revitalizing downtown area.

Mobility Benefits: (Please limit your response to 2-3 sentences; (500 characters).) Multi-modal mobility is improved both North-South along McLoughlin Blvd. and also East-West between downtown Milwaukie and the Riverfront Park. The McLoughlin Blvd. under-crossing would provide a critical, grade-separated connection to the planned light rail station for the Island Station neighborhood.

Environmental Benefits: (Please limit your response to 2-3 sentences; (500 characters).) The Kellogg-for-Coho Initiative is a small but significant step towards the recovery of multiple Willamette River and Lower Columbia-listed salmon ESUs: Project restores passage to the Mt. Scott/Kellogg Creek watershed by removing a major temporal barrier to passage. Project restores the lower portion of the watershed just behind the existing dam, which will provide critically needed rearing and refuge habitat.

20. Has the project previously received any Federal funding? Yes

Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (P.L. 109-59)

Section: STP-U Regionally Allocated

Project Number:

Amount of Funding: \$1,055,225

Amount of Funding Amount Obligated: \$332,381

Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA 21) (P.L. 105-178)

Section:

Project Number:

Amount of Funding:

Amount of Funding Amount Obligated:

National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 (NHS Act) (P.L. 104-59)

Section:

Project Number:

Amount of Funding:

Amount of Funding Amount Obligated:

Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) (P.L. 102-240)

Section:

Project Number:

Amount of Funding:

Amount of Funding Amount Obligated:

Appropriations act(s)

Public Law Name:

Public Law Number:

Section:

Project Number:

Amount of Funding:

Amount of Funding Amount Obligated:

Other legislation:

Public Law Name:
Public Law Number:
Section:
Project Number:
Amount of Funding:
Amount of Funding Amount Obligated:

21. Has the project received any prior funding from a state, local, or private source? Yes

Source: City of Milwaukie
Amount of Funding: \$38,043
Amount Obligated: \$38,043

22. Please provide the proposed legislative text (in no more than 250 characters) of the project as you would like it to appear in the bill. Please use action verbs to begin the description (for example, "construct," "plan," "design," "engineer," "research," or "rehabilitate"). Please note that project line items carry the force of law, and can only be amended through subsequent public laws. If Congressional intent (as established through answers listed on this form) is different from the legislative text, the entity administering the project is required to adhere to the statutory language.

Construct replacement bridge over Kellogg Creek in Milwaukie, Oregon. Replacement bridge shall provide sufficient span to restore natural hydraulic function for Kellogg Creek, restoring passage for multiple salmon species.

23. Are you enclosing the letter referenced at the top of this form with the required formatting? Yes

24. Notes or anything else we should know about the project request:

Project was submitted for ARRA funding under FFO NOAA-NMFS-HCPO-2009-2001709.

**Please return this form and at least one local or state letter of support
no later than Friday, April 24, 2009 (via email) to:**

2@mail.house.gov

**Washington, D.C. Contact for Rep. Blumenauer: David Skillman, (202) 225-4811
Oregon Contact for Rep. Blumenauer: Sarah Masterson, (503) 231-2300**