Poplar Way Extension Bridge Project Fact Sheet

Project Description

The Poplar Way Extension Bridge is a key transportation improvement identified within the “Interstate 5 (I-5) to Lynnwood City Center Access Study,” developed by the City in cooperation with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and Snohomish County. The City proposes to construct a new bridge across I-5 between Poplar Way and 33rd Avenue W. (at approximately 196th Street SW). See vicinity map.

Intersection modifications will be made at Alderwood Mall Parkway/Poplar Way, 196th Street SW/Poplar Way, and Alderwood Mall Boulevard/33rd Avenue W. As part of the bridge span, new legs will be added to the 196th Street SW/Poplar Way and Alderwood Mall Boulevard/33rd Avenue W intersections. To accommodate the bridge, the project includes grade adjustments at these intersections: Up to 3 feet at the 196th Street SW/Poplar Way intersection and up to 5.5 feet at the Alderwood Mall Boulevard/33rd Avenue W. intersection. Widening and restriping of portions of Poplar Way, 196th Street SW, Alderwood Mall Boulevard and 33rd Avenue W are also included. Retaining walls will also be needed at these intersections to accommodate the grade changes, as well as at the bridge abutments.

Major elements of the Poplar Way Extension Bridge project will include a new multi-lane bridge structure, approximately 600 feet long with six vehicle lanes, with sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides.

The project will also accommodate the Interurban Trail, which runs along Alderwood Mall Boulevard on the northwest side of I-5. To accommodate the trail, a separate three-sided concrete box structure will cross over the trail, and the trail profile will be lowered.

Project Funding and Status

The project design phase has received approximately $2,900,000 in Federal and State grants for the design of this project. Currently the project is in the second phase of design. The City anticipates completing the design phase in the 2nd quarter of 2015. The right-of-way phase will follow and will be based on available funding.

Questions?

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Robert Victor, Project Manager, City of Lynnwood Public Works, at (425) 670-5216 or e-mail: rvictor@ci.lynnwood.wa.us.