

## **Department of Transportation**

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Subject: Request for Grant of Access

Cascade Highway South No. 160 (OR 213), MP 3.81 L Meyers Road Extension (MP 3.81 L), CHAMPS No. 91785

City of Oregon City

Dear Ms. Webb,

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) has reviewed the City of Oregon City's application for a Grant of Access to Cascade Highway South (OR 213) for a new public approach on the east side of the intersection of Cascade Highway South (OR 213) and Meyers Road (MP 3.81).

ODOT reserves the right to grant access to a state highway for a public approach when all of the conditions of Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 734-051-2020(4) are met. A key condition is whether the Grant of Access will benefit the state highway system. ODOT has determined that the City of Oregon City can demonstrate a benefit to the state highway system by:

- Improving access management of Cascade Highway South (OR 213) adjacent to the Berge/Emmert property (19842 Highway 213, tax lot 3S-2E-9C-700) if:
  - a. access to and from the property is provided on the new Meyers Road extension, and
  - b. the number of reservations of access for the property to Cascade Highway South (OR 213) is reduced from three to two.
- Improving off-system connectivity and potentially reducing demand to the state highway system.
  This is based on information contained in the City of Oregon City's Transportation System Plan
  showing that the proposed connections are public facilities with a functional classification of
  collector or higher and will provide off-system connectivity reducing demand to the state highway
  system according to OAR 734-051-4030(2)(b)(E).
- Upgrading the existing signalized intersection of Cascade Highway South (OR 213) and Meyers Road to improve safety, mobility, accessibility, and operations at the intersection based on information from the proposed Meyers Road Extension project.

Based on the above findings, a Grant of Access can be approved for the connection of Meyers Road to Cascade Highway South (OR 213) at approximately MP 3.81 provided the City of Oregon City agrees to the following conditions:

- The design and construction of the new public road approach of Meyers Road to the east of Cascade Highway South shall be according to applicable engineering standards for a public facility with a functional classification of collector or higher according to OAR 734-051-2020(4)(c)(B)(i).
- 2. Decisions regarding the character or type of traffic control devices to be used at the intersection of Cascade Highway South (OR 213) at Meyers Road are subject to the delegated authorities of the State Traffic-Roadway Engineer according to OAR 734-020-0410.

- 3. The following shall be completed for the Meyers Road extension between Cascade Highway South (OR 213) and High School Avenue before the Grant of Access is recorded:
  - a. Right of way for the Meyers Road extension shall be dedicated to the City of Oregon City.
  - Funding for construction of the Meyers Road extension shall be committed evidenced by the City of Oregon City's adopted capital improvement plan according to OAR 734-051-4030(2)(b)(E)(ii).
- 4. The existing reservation of access for the Berge/Emmert property (19842 Highway 213, tax lot 3S-2E-9C-700) to Cascade Highway South (OR 213) at Engineering Station 272+20, East Side, MP 3.88 (most northerly existing access) shall be purchased.
- 5. An intergovernmental agreement shall be developed between the Department and the City of Oregon City to detail the responsibility for construction, maintenance, operation, mitigation measures, and cost of the public approach according to OAR 734-051-2020(4)(d)(A).

When a Grant of Access is conditionally approved it is necessary for the applicant to purchase the appraised value of the Grant of Access in accordance with OAR 734-051-2020(12). ODOT may waive payment of the appraised value of the Grant of Access when an application for a Grant of Access is for a public approach and ODOT determines the public approach will cause a direct and immediate benefit to the state highway system. If the City of Oregon City wishes to seek a waiver of payment of the fair market value under OAR 734-051-2020(13), submit a written request to

Tory Johnson, Access Management Coordinator Oregon Department of Transportation District 2B Maintenance 9200 SE Lawnfield Road Clackamas, OR 97015

To complete the process and move ahead with the Grant of Access, please contact Tory Johnson at 971-673-6228 to confirm acceptance of the grant conditions. The ODOT district office will work with ODOT's Property Management Unit to convey the Grant of Access. If you have any questions on the process, please contact the ODOT District 2B office at 971-673-6200.

Sincerely,

Steven Cooley, P.E., P.L.S.

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Technical Services Manager/Chief Engineer

cc: Tory Johnson, District 2B Access Management Coordinator Martin Jensvold, Region 1 Access Management Engineer Jacob Peters, District 2B Manager Michael Kimlinger, State Traffic-Roadway Engineer

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