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Open houses scheduled to discuss OR 58: Salt Creek Tunnel project

SPRINGFIELD—The public is encouraged to attend open houses scheduled next week to discuss a construction project in 2012 & 2013 that will create travel restrictions near the Salt Creek Tunnel on OR 58.

The open houses will be staffed by ODOT employees who will discuss the project and answer questions. There will be no formal presentation and the public is welcome to drop-in at any time during the open houses.

What: Crescent Lake Open House

When: Monday, August 29 from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Where: Central Cascades Fire and EMS

20400 Crescent Lake Hwy.

Crescent Lake, OR

What: Oakridge Open House

When: Wednesday, August 31 from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Where: Greenwaters Park Community Room

48362 OR 58

Oakridge, OR

Built in 1939, the tunnel needs serious repair and the adjacent west half viaduct and the three east viaducts are failing and need to be replaced.

The OR 58: Salt Creek Tunnel and Half-Viaduct project will:

- Replace the half viaduct west of the tunnel
- Replace the three half viaducts east of the tunnel
- Repair the tunnel liner
- Lower the tunnel floor
- Construct variable message signs east and west of the tunnel.

During 2012, construction will result in six 4-day closures of OR 58 as well as night closures and lane restrictions.

“Know Before You Go”

To learn more about the project, visit:

http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION2/OR58_salt_creek_tunnel.shtml

For the latest information on road and rest area conditions, visit www.tripcheck.com

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