

SR 500 (Everett Street) Lacamas Lake Bridge Replacement

Total Project Cost: \$2.0 million (Prelim Engineering/Permitting Only)

Capital Budget Request: \$1.0 million

Other Funding: City Match as Needed



Background - The City of Camas is requesting \$1.0 million to assist with completion of design and permitting of the SR 500 (Everett Street) Lacamas Lake Bridge Replacement Project. The City of Camas, in coordination with WSDOT, has completed an evaluation of an approximate one-mile stretch of SR-500 (Everett Street) from NE Lake Road to the northerly City limits to determine necessary multi-modal improvements to serve existing and future users. The SR-500 (Everett Street) Corridor is the primary access route between high-traffic locations including Heritage and Lacamas Parks, Camas High School, and 800 acres of projected commercial and residential development north of Lacamas Lake known as the North Shore Subarea. Replacement of the Lacamas Lake Bridge is anticipated to be the second phase of a multi-phased effort to improve the Corridor. The planning-level total project cost for the Bridge Replacement is estimated to be \$26 million. Together with the 35th to 43rd Corridor Improvements to the north, the total of the two projects is estimated to be approximately \$44 million.

Project Purpose and Goals:

- **Complete permitting and design of a replacement for the SR 500 (Everett Street) Lacamas Lake Bridge.** Evaluate alternatives and their impacts; select a preferred alternative considering public input, cost and environmental impacts.
- **There is a known deficiency with the existing SR 500 bridge over the Lacamas Lake canal** connecting Lacamas Lake to Round Lake. This bridge, constructed in 1930, is **one of only five State Highway bridges in Clark County listed on WSDOT’s “Bridges in Poor Condition” list.** The bridge is functionally obsolete, entirely located within the floodway, has no shoulders or bike paths, and has an attached pedestrian path made of wood that has been closed for safety and inaccessibility in the past.
- **Regional Significance – Improving the corridor is vital to relieving traffic congestion for the corridor’s 15,000+ daily users.** This critical project furthers the multimodal improvements achieved by the recently completed NE Lake Road-SR500 (NE Everett Street) Roundabout Project that was funded through TIB and P WTF support.
- Replacement of the Bridge is a vital component of the SR 500 Corridor improvements that **will support existing school, recreational and businesses opportunities as well as vast economic development opportunities in the Camas North Shore area.**
- The project area is constrained on all sides by City and County park properties, private properties, and environmental areas requiring complex permitting and **will involve the City, County, WSDOT, Recreation Conservation Office, and utility providers to be successful.**



Existing SR500 (Everett Street) Lacamas Lake Bridge