



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** April 8, 2026

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Document No. 2026-0246, a Notice of Intent to Award a contract for engineering services for the South Century Drive Bridge #16181 Rehabilitation Project

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Move approval of Document No. 2026-0246.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

South Century Drive is an arterial roadway located in south Deschutes County with an average daily traffic volume of approximately 8,351 vehicles per day (2023). The roadway connects the community of Sunriver to US97, and provides principal access to recreational opportunities in the Deschutes National Forest. The South Century Dr Bridge #16181 is located at Milepost 1.356 and carries vehicle traffic on South Century Dr over the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad. The existing bridge structure is a three-span concrete slab bridge constructed in 1976, which has a sufficiency rating of 77.2 (2024) and has no load restrictions. Notable deficiencies of the existing bridge include:

- Premature deterioration of concrete substructure elements (abutments, wing walls, columns, bent caps, etc.)
- Premature deterioration of concrete railing and parapets
- Cracking within the cast-in-place concrete deck
- Spalling within prestressed concrete slabs
- Bridge approach settlement
- Substandard guardrail and appurtenant elements

Deschutes County Road Department is preparing to rehabilitate the existing S Century Dr Bridge to salvage the existing substructure and superstructure elements in order to prolong the service life of the structure. The total project cost, including engineering and construction, is estimated to be \$2,410,000.00. The total estimated project cost is obligated in the Department's 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan.

The scope of the project will include:

- Investigating the cause, severity and extents of portland cement concrete (PCC) deterioration within the existing bridge structural elements. Investigations shall include field sampling and laboratory testing of PCC materials.
- Repair or replace structural elements as necessary.
- Repair concrete deck and install polymer overlay.
- Replace bridge expansion joints.
- Replace existing bridge rail, pedestrian rail and parapets.
- Reconstructing the roadway approaches, including paving and approach guardrail.
- Removal of vegetation and other obstructions within the project vicinity.

Key elements of the project will include:

- Laboratory testing to investigate the underlying cause of deterioration in the existing concrete materials.
- Coordination with BNSF to ensure compliance with BNSF procedures for construction work in the railroad right-of-way.
- Coordination with utility owners.
- Maintaining free-flowing two-way traffic on S Century Dr for most of the duration of the project.

The Department issued a request for proposals (RFP) for engineering and related services for the project on October 31, 2025. Two (2) proposals were received in response to the RFP on or prior to the RFP closing date of December 5, 2025 from the following firms:

- David Evans & Associates, Inc. (offices in Bend and multiple other locations)
- Keller Associates (offices in Bend and multiple other locations)

The Department scored the proposals using a qualifications-based selection process pursuant to ORS 279C.110. Based on this process, David Evans and Associates, Inc. ("Consultant") was selected as the top-ranking proposer on December 19, 2025. A summary of the proposal scoring is attached. Department staff conducted negotiations with the Consultant between January 2, 2026 and March 9, 2026.

The Notice of Intent to Award Contract will assert the County's intent to award contract to the Consultant and will begin a one-week protest period for interested parties to submit written protest of contract award. If no protests are received during that period, the contract will be awarded administratively. The contract not-to-exceed amount will be \$419,953.74.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

A portion of the project engineering cost is budgeted in the Road Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) budget for Fiscal Year 2026. The remaining project cost will be included in the proposed Road CIP budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Cody Smith, County Engineer/Assistant Road Department Director