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SUBJECT: Russell Avenue Update

Russell Avenue design phase is currently at 60%, with preliminary review approval from WSDOT.

Archaeology review is underway, and starting to receive feedback. The Historic Preservation Office of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde has requested the Russell Ave. project include an Inadvertent Discovery Plan. They also wish to be contacted if archaeological or cultural resources are discovered.

Paving design is mostly complete, waiting on traffic count tabulations to finalize design.

Right of Way acquisition is waiting on final design survey information to verify how many parcels will be affected. Negotiations are underway with power and communications to get their utilities undergrounded this year.

As the project continues to progress, Wallis Engineering agrees that postponing the construction phase until the summer of 2020, and bidding in the fall/winter of 2019 will provide for lower construction bids. The timing of construction will also allow for the city to apply for a Transportation Improvement Board Small City Match Grant, which pays for the 13.5% match. Waiting until 2020 for construction additionally allows for an earlier start, hopefully minimizing the impact to the tourist season.