

## NOTICE OF INTENT

This Notice is required for all applicants. FAX to: (503) 986-3290 or mail to:  
 ODOT Transportation Enhancement Program, 355 Capitol St NE, Rm 326 Salem OR 97301-3871  
**Due: March 23, 2006**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** (1) Enter project information in the boxes below. (2) Attach a letter or narrative (1 page max.) explaining the need for the project, type and extent of proposed work, property ownership status, funds requested and matching funds available, and the role of any co-applicants or partners. (3) Attach a vicinity map and site map or other appropriate graphics—1 or 2 pages.

<b>APPLICANT</b>	
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<b>CO-APPLICANT</b> (if any)	
Name	Contact
Address	Title
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<b>PROJECT</b> <b>South A Pedestrian Enhancement.</b> Install planted curb extensions and pedestrian level decorative lighting along South A Street, a state facility, to improve pedestrian comfort and safety.	
<b>COST SUMMARY</b>	<b>RIGHT-OF-WAY NEEDS</b>
TE Funds Requested: <b>\$556,326</b>	Property to be purchased?
Matching funds <b>\$63,674</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> don't know yet
Other Non-TE costs <b>-0-</b>	Easements or donated property?
Total Project Cost <b>\$620,000</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> don't know yet
<b>COORDINATION ISSUES</b> (mark all that apply)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project located in MPO jurisdiction (metropolitan area with population >50,000)	<input type="checkbox"/> Project on railroad property
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project within state highway right-of-way	<input type="checkbox"/> Project at or near a railroad crossing
<input type="checkbox"/> Use of land owned by another agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Contribution from other than applicant
	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance by other than applicant

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**ODOT Reply Area**

- APPROVED TO PROCEED with an application for FY 2009-2011 funding.
- Application requires advance coordination or endorsements. See 'Part 2 Checklist' attached.
- Please call the TE Program Manager at (503) 986-3528 to discuss this proposal before applying.

**Statement of Need:** South A St. (Hwy 126 Bus) is the east bound element of a couplet that skirts the south edge of Springfield's historic Downtown business district. The three-lane facility has a posted speed of 35 mph, but the street design encourages higher speeds. There is no on-street parking or parkway strip to provide separation for pedestrians from passing traffic. The width and character of the street is a barrier that discourages pedestrian travel on South A and hurts businesses on the south side of the street.

In 2005 Lane Transit District opened its new Springfield Station on the south side of South A at 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Transit users must cross South A to access the station from the Downtown area. Two new developments are in site plan review on the north side of South A; a 5-story mixed-use development for low income persons at 5<sup>th</sup> St. and a public school for the performing arts at 6<sup>th</sup>. These new uses will bring additional transit users to the Downtown area that must cross South A and traverse its length in the Downtown area.

**Proposed Work:** In 2005, an 8-foot wide planted curb extension was installed in front of the transit station that reduced South A St. from three lanes to two lanes. The extension shortened the crossing distance for pedestrians and improved the roadside aesthetics. The curb extension makes crossing South A from the Downtown core area more comfortable for transit riders and others seeking to patronize businesses on the south side of the street. As significant as the improvement has been for pedestrians, the lane reduction has not reduced the level of service on South A through the Downtown area.

The City of Springfield proposes to continue the planted curb extension on South A from the transit station to include two additional blocks, from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Decorative pedestrian level lighting is also proposed for the curb extension and for a short distance north along intersecting streets between 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Continuing the existing curb extension east to 7<sup>th</sup> street would extend the traffic calming effect through the heart of the Downtown business district, improving the pedestrian environment on South A, and reducing a barrier to economic growth south of South A. The project will also benefit the anticipated 250 performing arts students and 75 residents of the mixed-use apartment complex who will make daily use of South A in the area covered by this project.



**Property Ownership:** The proposed curb extension and planting are within ODOT right-of-way. The project was reviewed with Dean Fuller, Assistant District 5 Manager, and other ODOT District staff prior to this submission. They are supportive of continuing the curb extension to 7<sup>th</sup>. The reduction of South A to two lanes near the transit station has not affected the level of service through the Downtown. Continuing the curb extension to 7<sup>th</sup> is not expected to reduce service levels.

**Funds Requested and Matching Funds:** The City requests \$556,326 in TE Funds and will commit \$63,674 in cash match for the project.

**Co-applicants and Partners:** The City of Springfield is the sole applicant at this time. Lane Transit District has expressed interest in partnering on the project, but no details have been worked out at this writing.

*Photo-simulation of the proposed curb  
extension on South A Street*