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KIWANDA CORRIDOR PROJECT UPDATE

Cape Kiwanda Parking Lot to be Operational by July 2024

(TILLAMOOK, OR. January, 2024) The Kiwanda Corridor Project (KCP) closes out 2023 by meeting project milestones on schedule, even with the recent wild weather. The new lot and all its amenities are scheduled to be ready for use by end of June 2024. The project management team and onsite construction crew have worked diligently with the local community and those needing access to Hungry Harbor Drive. Recently, first responders needed beach access during a day when Dorymen's Way (renamed by the Board of Commissioners from Hungry Harbor Drive) was opened up for underground work. The onsite team was able to put down steel plates and get emergency vehicles safely across the construction site in a very short timeframe.

What you might be able to see right now: Vertical construction of the bathroom, including two-toned structural brick, is beginning to take shape. Light pole bases and electrical conduit are going in this week. The first concrete pours for curb and gutter will happen in the coming weeks, which will begin to give a sense of the proposed layout of the parking lot. Utility work is ongoing around the site, including stormwater improvements at the boat ramp and installation of an electrical transformer vault.

The work described above is part of Phase II, the north side of the Cape Kiwanda Parking Lot. The new restroom building and connecting sidewalks are located much closer to the beach, on the west side of the parking lot, allowing for locals and visitors to gain easier access from the beach. Phase III will begin immediately following Phase II and will primarily focus on the south side of the lot.

The entire Cape Kiwanda Parking Lot project includes much-needed demolition of the existing restrooms; repaving / grading of the parking lot and Hungry Harbor Road with upgraded stormwater management systems; construction of pedestrian-only pathways to the beach; civic overlook; upgraded refuse and recycling; EV charging stations; information kiosk; safe routes for drop-offs, pedestrians, bikes and the free PC Shuttle; and the trailhead for the Multi-Use Path. The parking lot reconstruction is the first part of Tillamook County's Kiwanda Corridor Project to be built.

The design team has also incorporated infrastructure for future wayfinding connections to the five other project elements of the KCP. More information on the overall KCP please visit the project website:

<https://tillamookcoast.com/southcounty/kiwanda-corridor/>

The project is being funded by County transient lodging taxes, day-use revenues from Pacific City parking lots, and grants from state agencies.

The KCP connects multiple county properties and supports the development of other public spaces with a thoughtfully programmed design that disperses crowds, creates opportunities for equitable outdoor play and education, and promotes stewardship of Pacific City and its natural resources as a whole.

The six project elements include:

1. Cape Kiwanda Parking Lot
2. Jensen Property
3. Nestucca Valley Community Alliance Park
4. Multi-Use Path
5. Webb Park
6. Shorepine Village Boardwalk

The KCP's values are:

- **Place:** Honor the natural and built heritage of Pacific City
- **People:** Enhance the experience for the diverse range of people in Pacific City
- **Natural Environment:** Prioritize sound ecological decisions and support sustainability
- **Fiscal Responsibility:** Make efficient and responsible financial decisions and maintain affordability
- **Connectivity:** Support and integrate multi-modal connectivity in and around Pacific City while prioritizing accessibility
- **Safety:** Prioritize everyday safety alongside emergency management

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