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### CAPE KIWANDA PARKING LOT RECONSTRUCTION NEARS THE FINISH LINE

*The Cape Kiwanda Lot south of Dorymen's Way is open and free to park!*

**(TILLAMOOK, OR. July, 2024)** It is midway through the busy summer season of 2024. The south side of the Cape Kiwanda Parking Lot and new civic overlook area are bustling with pedestrians and cars. One can find people taking pause on the beautiful new benches to look out over the ocean, or perhaps enjoying lunch at the new picnic tables near the front of the lot. While the portion of the parking lot north of Dorymen's Way remains under construction, **the parking lot south of Dorymen's Way is open for business and parking is free until the full reconstruction is complete!** *Paid parking will then go back into effect.*

The reconstruction is in its final push to create a new experience by Labor Day 2024 that includes opening the north side of the parking lot. Many final touches have been completed, setting the stage for the Kiwanda Corridor brand. This includes new wayfinding signage, such as Day Use Area, ADA, EV Charging, and more, which utilize the approved colors and fonts from the Pacific City|Woods Wayfinding Plan (2020). Bright bathroom door paint also incorporates these new colors. This branding will be continued throughout the additional project elements and sites as subsequent phases of the Kiwanda Corridor Project are built.

**The Cape Kiwanda Parking Lot Reconstruction will be complete by Labor Day** apart from landscape plantings that will be placed during the rainy season. The project team will conduct the final walkthrough shortly after Labor Day to confirm quality and completion of work. After that time, the new restroom, foot wash station, drinking fountain and water bottle fill station, as well as surfboard and bicycle racks will be opened and ready for use – right in time for the popular Longboard Classic!

*Tillamook County and the Cape Kiwanda Project Team are thrilled to be completing the first phase of the Kiwanda Corridor Project.*

#### What remains to be completed at the Cape Kiwanda Parking Lot:

- Enclosed plank storage and refuse area
- Continuation of restroom finishes
- Striping of the lot's north side
- Fire up the site lighting and EV charging stations
- Turn on the pay stations
- Winter plantings

The parking lot reconstruction is the first phase of Tillamook County's Kiwanda Corridor Project (KCP) to be built. It also incorporates infrastructure for future wayfinding connections to the five other project elements of the KCP. For more information on the overall KCP please visit the project website:  
<https://tillamookcoast.com/southcounty/kiwanda-corridor/>

*The Kiwanda Corridor Project 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, our beloved Cape Kiwanda and 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

The project is being funded by county transient lodging taxes, day-use revenues from Pacific City parking lots, and grants from state agencies. For more information, please contact Rachel Hagerty, Tillamook County Chief of Staff, at [rachel.hagerty@tillamookcounty.gov](mailto:rachel.hagerty@tillamookcounty.gov).



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