### Aurora Corridor

#### Improvement Project

## N 165th Street to N 205th Street

# Environmental Assessment Legal Ad

# Notice of Aurora Corridor Improvement Project (N 165<sup>th</sup> Street to N 205<sup>th</sup> Street) Environmental Document Scoping Meeting

The City of Shoreline and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) are proposing improvements to Aurora Avenue N between N 165<sup>th</sup> Street and N 205<sup>th</sup> Street. These agencies plan to prepare a NEPA and SEPA environmental document for the project; and they are holding public scoping meetings to solicit public input and comments regarding social, economic, and environmental issues to be addressed in the document.

## **Public Scoping Meetings**

The City of Shoreline and WSDOT invite citizens to attend either of the environmental scoping meetings to be held:

November 30, 2006 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Meridian Park Elementary School cafeteria 17007 Meridian Ave N Shoreline, WA 98133

or

December 6, 2006 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Shorewood High School cafeteria 17300 Fremont Ave N Shoreline, WA 98133

Description of the Aurora Corridor Improvement Project (N 165<sup>th</sup> Street to N 205<sup>th</sup> Street)

The project limits along Aurora Avenue (State Route 99) begin at N 165<sup>th</sup> Street and extend to N 205<sup>th</sup> Street. The project scope of work includes adding business access and transit (BAT) lanes, curbs, gutters, landscaping/street furnishings, sidewalks on both sides, and access management with left turn and U-turn provisions. The project also includes street improvements to Midvale Avenue N between N 175<sup>th</sup> Street and N 185<sup>th</sup> Street) installing traffic signals at N 182<sup>nd</sup> Street and at N 195<sup>th</sup> Street, interconnecting traffic signals which also include pedestrian crossings, improving transit stops with new shelters and new street lighting, placing overhead utility lines underground and improving existing storm water drainage system including water quality. Improvements at major intersections to improve east-west traffic will also be included in the project.

The Aurora Corridor Improvement Project (N 165<sup>th</sup> Street to N 205<sup>th</sup> Street) will improve the safety and mobility of pedestrians, transit users, people with disabilities, and drivers.

#### **Purpose of the Scoping Meeting**

These open houses are an opportunity for the community to provide input into what is studied in the environmental document for the Aurora Corridor Improvement Project (N 165<sup>th</sup> Street to N 205<sup>th</sup> Street). The Aurora Team members will review the likely environmental effects associated with these proposed road improvements.

Exhibits, maps, documents and other pertinent information will be on display. Aurora Team members will be available to answer questions regarding the Aurora Corridor Improvement Project (N 165<sup>th</sup> Street to N 205<sup>th</sup> Street), environmental effects, mitigation, and schedule. Oral comments can be submitted to a recorder at the open houses. Written comments may be submitted during the open houses; or mailed or emailed to the City by January 2, 2007. Project description and an email comment form are also provided at www.cityofshoreline.com

All written comments received by January 2, 2007 will be included in the formal scoping record and will be considered by the Aurora Project team. Background information may be reviewed prior to the meeting by visiting:

www.cityofshoreline.com

If significant environmental impacts are discovered during environmental analysis, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) may be prepared for the Aurora Corridor Improvement Project (N 165<sup>th</sup> Street to N 205<sup>th</sup> Street). If this happens, no additional scoping meetings will be held; however, the Notice of Intent published in the Federal and SEPA Registers, would announce a deadline for submitting written comments on the scope of the alternatives.

#### For additional information, please contact:

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The meeting site is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring reasonable accommodation may request written materials in alternative formats, sign language interpreters, physical accessibility accommodations, and other reasonable accommodations by calling Kris Overleese (listed above). Persons who are hard-of-hearing or deaf may access the City of Shoreline through the Telecommunications Relay Service (TTY) at 206-546-0457.

## Title VI Notice to Public

Shoreline assures full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 and related statutes by prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, national origin, and sex in the provision of benefits and services. For information on the Department's Title VI program, please contact the Title VI Coordinator Marci Wright at 206-546-2412.

It is the purpose of this notice and of the scoping meetings to provide for the exchange of information regarding the effect of the proposal on the community. This purpose is in accordance with and is pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (RCW 43.21c), State Environmental Policy Act Rules (WAC 197-11), and the Transportation Commission and Department Environmental Policy Act Rules (WAC 468-12).

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