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Clark County High Capacity Transit study open house seeks input from community

Clark County, WA – The Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council is hosting a Sounding Board and public open house for the Clark County High Capacity Transit (HCT) System Study. The open house will be on Tuesday, February 26, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Clark County Public Utilities Building, 1200 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver WA. The open house offers attendees the opportunity to provide input and guidance on which alignments and modes should be carried forward for analysis in a HCT system plan. The open house will feature evaluation information on the corridors and modes, including ridership and relative cost estimates. Members of the public may attend the open house at anytime; staff will be available to answer questions about the corridor options.

The Sounding Board includes representatives from a broad range of community interests and members of the public are also encouraged to attend. At the last Sounding Board meeting in June, members helped develop public priorities for how an HCT system could look in Clark County. Since that meeting the study identified five potential HCT corridors to advance for further study, including: Interstate 5, Interstate 205, State Route 500, State Route 14, and the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad. Each corridor contains one or more alignment possibilities and choices regarding the use of light rail, variations on bus rapid transit, streetcar, or commuter rail. The study is evaluating various HCT transit technologies and travel corridors in Clark County to determine which will best meet the future transit needs of county residents.

Please join us at the Sounding Board Open House:

February 26, 2007, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (*drop in anytime*)
Community Room, Clark County Public Utilities Building
1200 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver, WA

For more information visit the Clark County High Capacity Transit System Study website: <http://rtc.wa.gov/hct>

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