

June 16, 2023

Tracy Coleman
Public Works Director
City of Woodland
P.O. Box 9
Woodland, WA 98674

*Noise Variance Approved for
Woodland, WA 6-19-23*



RE: SWR Region-wide Pavement Preservation 2023-2025
Temporary Noise Exemption Request

Dear Ms. Coleman,

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) would like to request a temporary nighttime noise exemption from the City of Woodland for a pavement maintenance project located on Interstate 5 (I-5). The region-wide pavement preservation project will be completed between 2023 and 2025 with locations throughout southwest Washington, including portions of work located within the city limits of Woodland. Table 1 lists the locations within city limits where night work is expected to occur for safety reasons and to reduce traffic impacts.

Table 1:

State Route	Direction	Milepost	Township, Range, Section
5	Both	20.07 – 26.47	T5-0N R1-0E: DLC41 T5-0N R1-0W: S12, DLC47, DLC 46, DLC48

We are requesting temporary relief from the requirements of Washington Administrative Code 173-60-040 through approval of a noise exemption as allowed under WAC 173-60-080. Such approval would permit WSDOT to construct road improvements within the City of Woodland between the hours of 8:00 pm to 6:00 am during July and August of 2023.

Project Description

Pavement repair activities will be completed by WSDOT Maintenance paving crews. The project will extend the service life of the existing pavement that is damaged due to rutting, cracking, and normal wear through pavement repair, including grind and inlay with Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) and wheelpath asphalt patching. Road maintenance work will include pavement grinding, pavement repair, striping, and traffic control. All work will be limited to the roadway prism and existing impervious surface areas. There will be minimal impacts to vegetation and no soil disturbance as a result of project activities. Region-wide project construction is scheduled to begin July 2023 and is anticipated to be completed by June of 2025.

Anticipated Construction Equipment for Night Work

Types of equipment may include: pickups, dump trucks, paver, milling machines, rollers, sweepers, air compressors, generators, and back hoes. Stripers will place new pavement markings following project completion.

Proposed Nighttime Noise Mitigation

WSDOT is committed to reducing the inconvenience felt by those living near this project and will make reasonable efforts to minimize sound levels caused by nighttime work. To that end, WSDOT Maintenance crews will adhere to the following noise reduction measures:

1. All vehicles shall be equipped with ambient sensitive backup warning devices. WSDOT Maintenance crews may use back-up observers in lieu of back-up warning devices for all equipment except dump trucks in compliance with WAC Chapter 296- 155-160 and 296-155-615. WSDOT shall use back-up observers and back-up warning devices for dump trucks in compliance with WAC Chapter 296- 155-610.
2. To avoid excessive tailgate banging, all trucks will be secured as practicable.
3. A copy of the noise variance or exemption shall be kept on the project site with the WSDOT Maintenance crews
4. A WSDOT complaint number will be provided as well as a list of designated contact persons for the purpose of forwarding complaints.

The WSDOT Maintenance contact for the project is:

James Vavold, SW Region Maintenance Operations Support
11018 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA 98682
(360) 905-2169, E-mail VavoldJ@wsdot.wa.gov

If your department receives a noise complaint, please help us resolve it by notifying the above WSDOT Maintenance contact within 24 hours of the complaint.

Should you have any questions or need more information, please feel free to contact Aidan McCreedy at 360-905-2000 or by e-mail at MccreaA@wsdot.wa.gov, or by mail at 11018 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA 98668-1709.

Sincerely,



Angie Haffie

WSDOT SW Region Environmental Manager

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Enclosures: Vicinity Map

cc: James Vavold, SW Region Maintenance & Operations