

# UNION GAP, WASHINGTON



## REGIONAL BELTWAY CONNECTOR SOUTH UNION GAP INTERCHANGE



PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE | Feb. 6, 2018 | 4-6 PM | Union Gap Activity Building, 1000 Ahtanum Road

### ABOUT THE SOUTH UNION GAP INTERCHANGE

Currently, the South Union Gap Interchange provides access to Union Gap from northbound US 97 and I-82 westbound. Traffic leaving Union Gap only has access to southbound US 97 and eastbound I-82. By constructing two additional ramps to complete the interchange, there will be access to and from Union Gap from I-82 and US 97 from all directions which will allow traffic in south Union Gap to access I-82 without having to travel north through town and access I-82 at Valley Mall Blvd.

When complete, the South Union Gap Interchange will provide full access in all directions on I-82 and US 97. This will reduce the amount of traffic at the I-82 Valley Mall Blvd. Interchange and promote economic growth and development for the cities of Union Gap and Yakima.

The City of Union Gap and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) are hosting a combined public open house style meeting, **Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2018** to provide information and receive comment on the City's Regional Beltway Connector Project and WSDOT's South Union Gap Interchange Project. Because of the projects' proximity and relationship to improving access and freight mobility, these two separate projects will be presented in a joint open house.

The meeting will be held at the **Union Gap Activity Building, 1000 Ahtanum Road, from 4-6 p.m.** No formal presentations are scheduled. Project staff will be available to answer questions and receive comments. The Union Gap Activity Building is ADA compliant. If you have specific needs and requests, please contact Bryant Kuechle at 800-252-8929.

### ABOUT THE REGIONAL BELTWAY CONNECTOR

The proposed Regional Beltway will provide an alternative north-south, limited access connection on the west side of Union Gap through currently undeveloped commercial and industrial property. The new road will connect Main Street, near the I-82 and US 97 Interchange (South Union Gap Interchange), northwesterly to Ahtanum Road.

The primary purpose of the beltway is to efficiently move traffic and freight between the South Union Gap Interchange and the business and industrial areas off of Ahtanum Road, thereby improving travel to and from the western areas of Union Gap and the Upper Yakima Valley. Currently, vehicles use the heavily traveled Main Street and Valley Mall Boulevard arterials, passing directly through the city's active commercial districts and school zones.

The City has hired J-U-B ENGINEERS, Inc. of Kennewick to provide engineering service. The Langdon Group, a division of J-U-B, is managing the public engagement efforts.

***Funding overview and aerial graphic of proposed route on reverse.***

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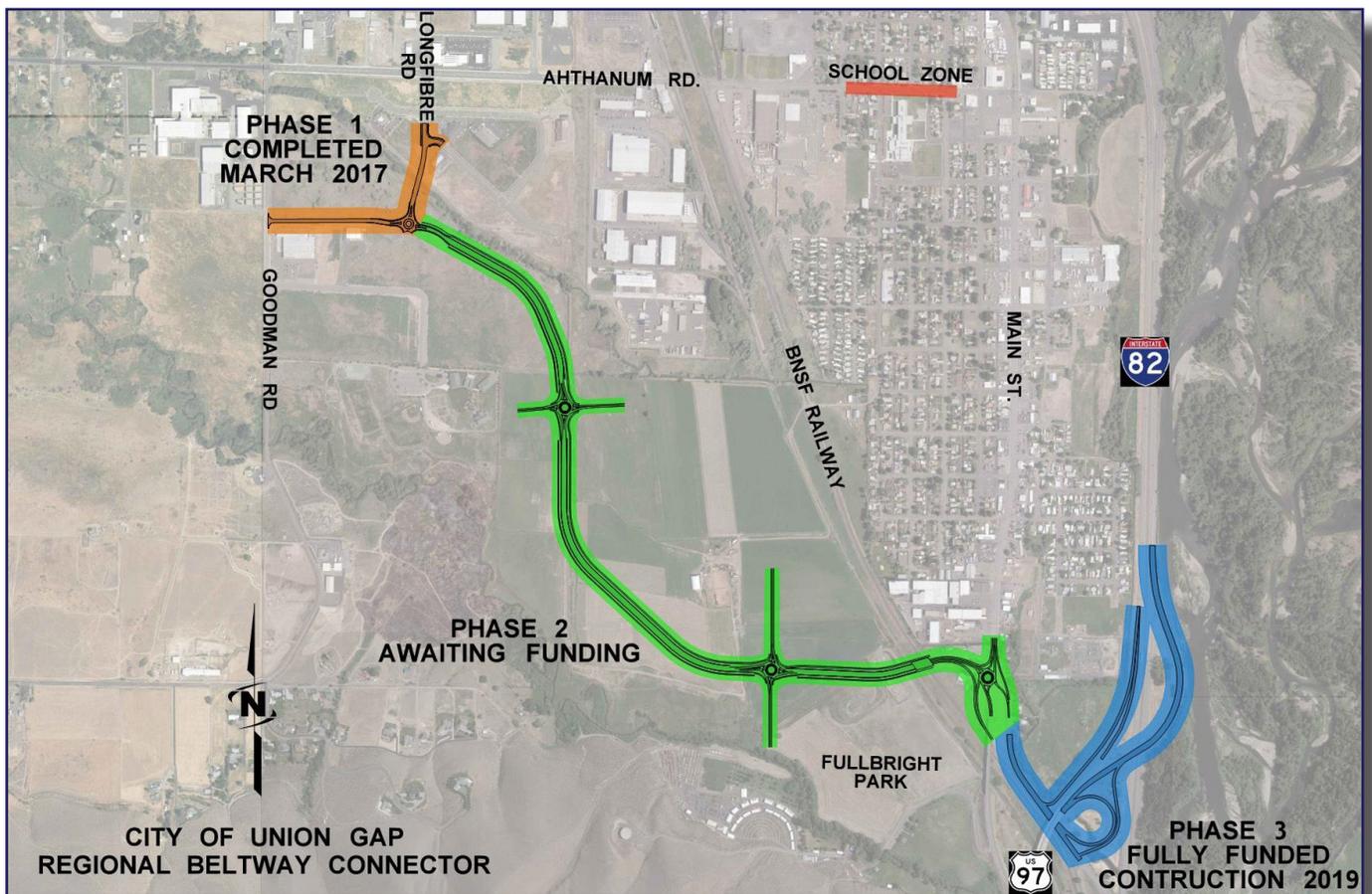
## PHASES & FUNDING

The Regional Beltway Project is comprised of three phase:

**Phase 1** was recently completed. This \$3.65 million phase provides a connection to Goodman Road and the extension of Long Fiber Road with a new bridge over Ahtanum Creek. Phase 1 provides a roundabout that will connect to Phase 2.

**Phase 2** – Preliminary design and environment (NEPA) process is underway. This \$17.95 million portion will connect US 97/Main Street to Phase 1 providing the critical link to Ahtanum Road. The City is currently seeking funding for the final design, environmental permitting, right-of-way, and construction.

**Phase 3** – The South Union Gap Interchange project will provide two additional ramps to complete the interchange. There will be access to and from Union Gap from I-82 and US 97 from all directions and reduce traffic at the Valley Mall Boulevard Interchange. This phase is fully funded with construction scheduled to begin in 2019.



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## QUESTIONS?

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