



Woodside Boulevard Improvements

PROJECT UPDATE

April 2011

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

The Woodside project schedule has recently changed. Construction will be phased over three years:

- **2011:** construct traffic signal at the intersection of Woodside Boulevard and SH-75
- **2012:** construction will include a roundabout at the intersection of Woodside and Fox Acres, Woodside roadway resurfacing and corridor improvements between Fox Acres and Countryside (including sidewalks, bike lanes, curb/gutter, landscape zone)
- **2013:** improvements between Countryside and SH-75 (including sidewalks, bike lanes, rolled curb/gutter, landscape zone)

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Woodside Boulevard Proposed Landscaping

5:30 p.m. | City Hall, 115 S. Main St.

May 9: City Council Public Hearing

SAVE THE DATE

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Hailey, ID 83333



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Working with Woodside Residents: WHAT TO EXPECT

The City and project team will work with Woodside Boulevard residents and property owners as details are finalized.

The City's priority is to work directly with those who live on Woodside, addressing site-specific items, such as driveway tie-ins or locations where landscaping has been identified for preservation.

If you live on Woodside Boulevard, expect to be contacted by the City or a member of the Project Team.

The team had originally planned a longer time frame for this step; however, the current situation has caused Hailey to significantly alter its planned approach in order to lock in funding for the entire corridor.

FUNDING PRESERVED FOR WOODSIDE IMPROVEMENTS AMID FEDERAL SPENDING DEBATE PROJECT SCHEDULE CHANGES

In an unexpected turn of events, the recent federal spending debate has had a direct impact on the local Woodside Boulevard improvement project, putting the project funding at risk.

In an effort to preserve the funding, Hailey City Council met April 7 to finalize the City's work to meet new, recent Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements to secure the project's \$3.5 million Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER II) grant funds.

The TIGER II grant money was successfully secured for Hailey on April 8, assuring the opportunity for the Woodside Boulevard improvements to move forward.

Two key points to know about the process leading up to the April 8 obligation of grant funds:

- New FHWA requirements meant the City had to submit engineering plans for those portions of the project for which the city hoped to receive funding.
- To ensure that all of the TIGER II funds were obligated, the City worked closely with its consultants to submit plans for the entire project.

Completing the necessary steps to secure the entire \$3.5 million grant changes the project approach and schedule in three ways:

1. **The project team has until July 6 to finalize detailed engineering plans in preparation for advertising the entire project for contractor bids.** The entire project includes a roundabout, traffic signal, roadway improvements, bike lane, sidewalk, rolled curb/gutter and a landscape zone.
2. **The project will be constructed over three years.** This is modified from a two-year schedule.
3. **The project will be released for contractor bid as a single package.** Originally, four bid packages were anticipated. To meet new FHWA funding requirements, a single bid package will be released within the required 90-day time frame after funds were obligated. Interested firms can contact Tom Hellen, Hailey Public Works Director.

MAY 9 PUBLIC HEARING: LANDSCAPE ZONE OPTIONS

The City Council will hold a May 9 Public Hearing to receive input on proposed planting options for the landscape zone along Woodside Boulevard.

Landscaping is planned between the sidewalk and road on the majority of the corridor; there are some exceptions to this configuration in south Woodside.

City Council Public Hearing
Monday, May 9, 5:30 p.m.
Hailey City Hall, 115 Main St.

Preview displays of landscape renderings at the Hailey Public Library May 2-8

Proposed alternatives are:

1. Water-wise turf grass and regularly-spaced trees
2. Water-wise grass with pockets of trees, shrubs, and perennials
3. Water-wise grass

Landscaping will benefit Woodside in several ways:

- Drivers instinctively slow down when landscaping is part of the streetscape
- The landscaping zone will provide a safety buffer between pedestrians and traffic
- A unified landscaping plan can increase the livability and appeal of the subdivision
- The landscape strip would allow for snow storage in the winter

These landscaping proposals were identified with several considerations:

- Public input
- What plants thrive in the Hailey climate
- What plants can hold up to road dirt and salt, and snowpack (including snow cleared from plows)
- What plants are low-maintenance and require minimal water

Installation, irrigation and maintenance options:

- City provides piping and phased plantings; irrigates and maintains
- City provides irrigation and low-maintenance, low-water landscape palette to owners, allowing owners to choose from a list of approved plant options and plant on their own
- Another option may include gravel



Alternative 1: Water-wise turf grass and regularly-spaced trees



Alternative 2: Water-wise grass with pockets of trees, shrubs, and perennials



Alternative 3: Water-wise grass

COMMUNITY INPUT HAS SHAPED WOODSIDE'S FUTURE

From comments received at open houses, via emails and conversations, and at a City Council public hearing, public input has influenced how improvements will be incorporated into Woodside Boulevard.

- **Pocket parking** – Small areas of on-street parking would accommodate 2-3 cars; this would likely be used more on the south section of Woodside Boulevard
- **Meandering sidewalk/preserve mature trees** – In an effort to preserve existing landscaping features when possible, the sidewalk could meander around these features (as well as around the pockets of on-street parking)
- **Narrower design** – overall, the width of the roadway design has been narrowed and will not necessarily use the City's entire 80-foot right-of-way through the entire 2.5-mile corridor
- **Pedestrian safety and slow traffic** – pedestrian refuges will be used on Woodside, at its intersection with Laurelwood Drive; a pedestrian refuge is a small raised island between traffic lanes where pedestrians can safely wait until traffic clears, and then safely cross the street; in addition to a pedestrian safety improvement, drivers instinctively slow down when they perceive the travel lane narrows
- **Sidewalk snow removal** – Council members and Mayor Davis made a public commitment that residents would not be required to remove snow from sidewalks; the city will include this task with other snow removal activities
- **Lighting** – additional lighting will be added at bus shelters, based on suggestions gathered at public meetings, small-group presentations and individual conversations



January 26 and 27 public open houses generated tremendous public interest and input

WHAT WOODSIDE WILL LOOK LIKE

The project will include:

- traffic signal at SH-75 & Woodside
- roundabout at the intersection of Fox Acres & Woodside
- roadway resurfacing/rehabilitation
- 11-foot vehicle travel lane
- 6-foot sidewalks on both sides of the road
- 5-foot bike lanes on both sides of the road
- rolled curb/gutter
- landscaping zone on both sides of the road (the City will continue to evaluate alternatives for specific landscaping elements)
- relocation and consolidation of bus shelters
- bus pull-outs
- pocket parking

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