# 2011 Historic Milwaukie NDA WSMP Infrastructure Project Proposal

NDA: Historic Milwaukie

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## **Project Location:**

- 1. Washington St between St Johns Catholic Church and Milwaukie High School.
- 2. Harrison St approximately the 2700 block.

### **Project Descriptions:**

- 1. Construct a crosswalk across Washington St. between the parking areas of Johns Catholic Church and Milwaukie High School.
- 2. Construct a crosswalk across Harrison Street near the 2700 block.

### How does project promote non-motorized use of the streetscape?

1. The crosswalk between St Johns and Milwaukie High does not promote non motorized use. In fact it is being proposed because a high number of people drive to and park at the two institutions. They have a shared parking agreement and this causes a lot of people to cross between them. Existing cross walks are half a block in each direction are not used by those sharing the parking lots.

It should be noted that many of the crossings are trips to watch or participate in activities at Milwaukie High's all-weather field. The field is also lighted so these trips continue after sunset in all kinds of weather conditions.

2. The crosswalk on Harrison will hopefully increase students walking to Milwaukie Elementary School. Prior to the fall of 2010 students on the north side of Harrison were provided with bus transportation. Currently most students, including those from a large apartment complex will have to walk out of their way to use a cross walk.

We hope that the addition of the cross walk will result in more students walking, which will result in fewer vehicles around the school and make walking more inviting for students living in other directions from the school.

# Project support.....?

- 1. The crosswalk between St Johns and Milwaukie High has been a priority for the NDA since the time the all weather field was installed. It has been proposed under the old NTMPSP. At that time we were told that a mid block cross walk would not be allowed unless it was raised and lighted is some fashion. Apparently Wallis engineering has a different opinion and has recommended the cross walk.
- 2. The crosswalk on Harrison is supported by results from our survey in 2010. Crossing busy streets and safety were listed as concerns by several people as was slowing down traffic. Our intention to put this project forward has been stated at neighborhood association meetings with no opposition.

## **Education Component:**

No education component is planned or proposed at this time. However, we would recommend that small education/ outreach events be able to have a more flexible time line allowing us to propose them throughout the year.