

Transportation Benefit District (TBD) in Centralia

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TBD History

Why TBD? Streets were needing to be fixed and the Street Department had limited funds to accomplish the needed repairs.

TBD's are designed to fund transportation projects, road maintenance, road construction, and safety improvements. Centralia currently has its own TBD that was passed by council on October 2014. It was passed by voters in November 2015 and started collecting the funds in April 2016.

Centralia's TBD addresses local transportation needs that are not funded by other existing sources.

What needs does it solve?

TBD History

Funded from .2% local sales tax, current tax rate is 8.2%. Increasing to 8.4% for the 911 tax.

Tax in Centralia would not go up.

Why raise funds for Streets? Without TBD the City does not have sufficient funds to make necessary repairs.

This money funds critical repairs, does not make every street “like new” as this would cost millions.

Does this tax apply to residents only? No, everyone pays that shops here....

Can the funds be used elsewhere? No, only in streets.....

Is the tax permanent? No, expires in ten years.

TBD Money Collected

Year	Amount
2016	\$410,962
2017	\$688,293
2018	\$806,462
2019	\$997,649
2020	\$784,066
2021	\$919,018
2022	\$995,249
2023	\$1,138,646
2024	\$1,181,403
Total Sales Tax Collected 2016-2024	\$7,921,748

Collected Funds 2016-2024

Operation and Maintenance (60 %)

\$4,753,049

Transportation Project Matching Funds (40%)

\$3,168,699

Operation and Maintenance (60 %)

2016-2024

TASK	AVERAGE
Blade Patching	14 LM
Chip Sealing	36 LM
Crack Sealing	11 LM
Grind and Pave	4 LM *Wheel paths
Sidewalks	1,693 LF
Potholes	40,754 *2016-2019 6,305 *2020-2024 3,106
Alleys	15 LM
Painting	856 hours annually
Thermoplastic	New 2023
Construction Signs	



March 2020

Dear Owner/Resident:

The City of Centralia Public Works will be completing street improvements in front of your residence and throughout the City during the summer of 2020. The work that will be taking place is a process called blade patching. Essentially, we use hot mix asphalt to smooth out the road and extend the life. The blade patch will not be the finished product as we will come in during the summer of 2021 and complete a chip seal over the top of the road. The pictures below illustrate what a failed road looks like, what it looks like after blade patching, and what it will look like next year after the chip sealing is complete.

Unfortunately, it is difficult to accomplish this whole process in one summer season. As you know, we are limited in our window of suitable weather and are not able to do all the road projects that we need to do. We appreciate your understanding and patience while we continue to improve our city streets.

We are being as fiscally responsible as we can with your Transportation Benefit District funds. If you have any questions about the city streets or in the maintenance that we are providing, please contact me at (360) 330-7512 or kashmore@cityofcentralia.com.

Sincerely,

Kim Ashmore
Public Works Director



Failed Road

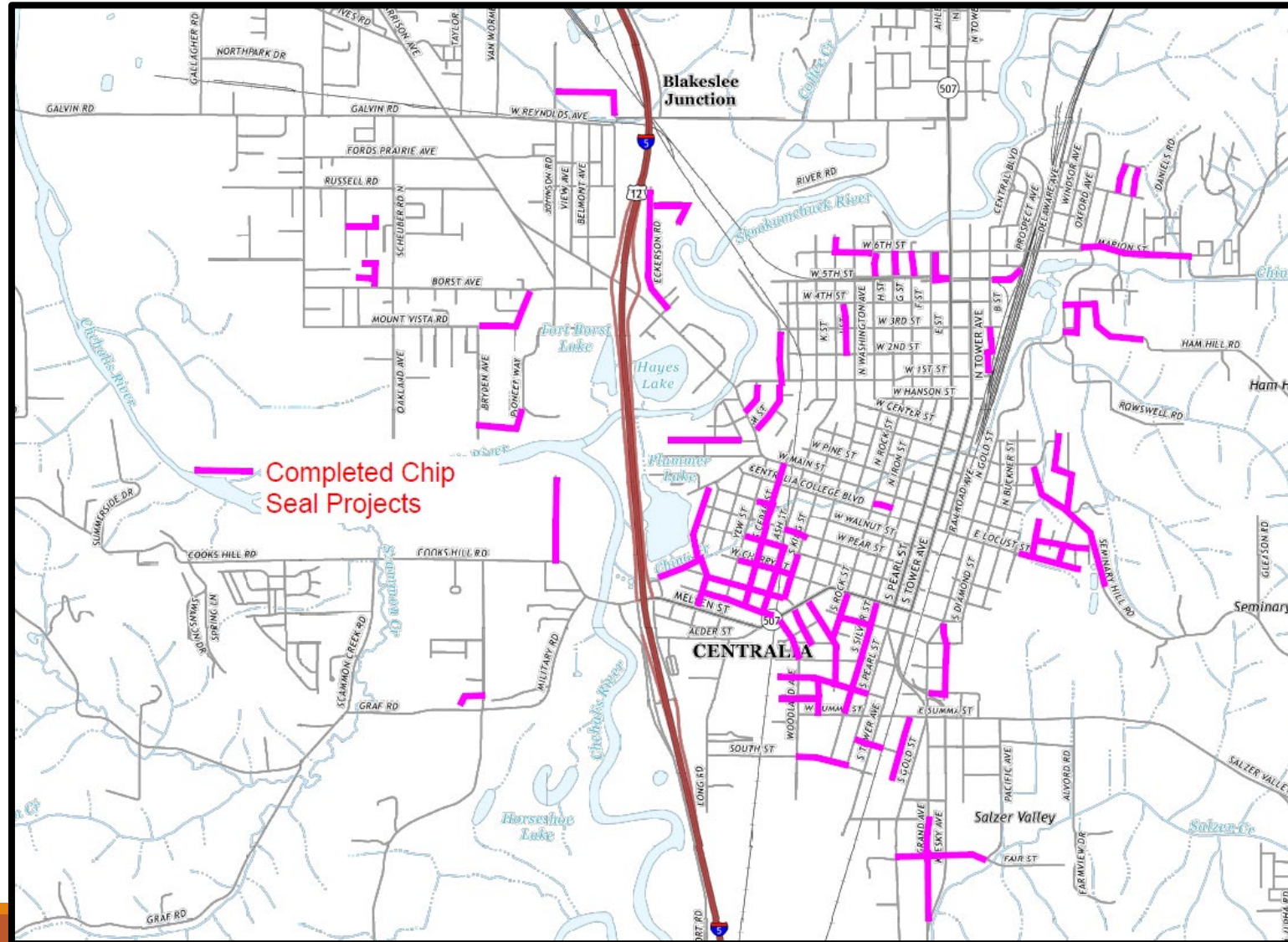


Blade Patch



Chip Seal

Completed Chip Seal Projects







Transportation Project Matching Funds (40 %)

TBD money is used to leverage funds into Centralia by providing matching funds for grants.

TYPES of GRANT FUNDING:

- ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act)
- Federal Highway Administration Local Road Safety
- Federal Highway Administration Planning and Construction
- Lewis County Economic Alliance (.09 Funding)
- WCIA Sidewalk Safety Grant
- WSDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety
- WSDOT Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS)
- WSDOT Traffic Safety
- WSDOT Transportation Improvement Board (TIB)

TBD Grant Match Project Examples

Project	Total Construction Cost	Grant Funding	TBD Matching Funds
S. Gold Street Reconstruction	\$1,591,825	\$1,353,050	\$238,775
Harrison Avenue – High Street to Main Street	\$1,332,072	\$1,105,620	\$226,452
Galvin Road Asphalt Paving	\$1,080,216	\$891,263	\$188,953
Harrison Avenue – Johnson To Galvin Road	\$1,469,469	\$1,256,904.34	\$212,564.66

TBD Construction Projects 2016 through 2022

2016

- 1) S. Washington Avenue
- 2) S. Scheuber Road - Cooks Hill Road to Graf Road
- 3) N. Ash Street – Parkway Street to First Street

2017

- 1) *N Gold Street, Maple Street to Marion Street
- 2) Washington Avenue – Pear St. to Plum St
- 3) Plum Street – Rock Street to Oak Street
- 4) Belmont Avenue – Harrison Avenue to Borst Avenue
- 5) Sprague Street – Byrd Street to Maple Street
- 6) ADA Ramps

2018

- 1) *Borst Avenue - Johnson Road to Eshom Road
- 2) ADA Ramps
- 3) Asphalt Patching

2019

- 1) ADA Ramps
- 2) Asphalt Patching

2020

- 1) *N. Gold Street – Maple Street to Marion Street
- 2) ADA Ramps

2021

- 1) Harrison Avenue Signal Upgrades
- 2) Floral Street – S. Gold St to Grand Avenue
- 3) Fords Prairie Avenue – Near Harrison Ave
- 4) *School Zone Safety (RRFB Installation)

2022

- 1) Reynolds Avenue – Taylor Street to Van Wormer
- 2) *Harrison Avenue – Johnson Road to Galvin Road
- 3) Woodland Avenue – Jefferson St to Summa St

TBD Construction Projects 2023 through 2024

2023

- 1) *Sidewalk Grinding
- 2) Harrison Avenue ADA Ramps
- 3) *Galvin Road – Harrison Avenue to Chehalis River bridge
- 4) *Harrison High to Main
- 5) Asphalt Patching
- 6) Fords Prairie – Eshom Road to W. End

2024

- 1) *S Gold St - Main St to Summa St
- 2) *Alder Street – S. Yew St to Mellen St
- 3) *Systemic Horizontal Curve Safety
- 4) S. Yew Street Improvements – Alder St to Main St
- 5) Pioneer Way – Johnson Rd to Borst Park
- 6) Lum Road/Industrial Avenue Intersection
- 7) ADA Ramps
- 8) Linda Lane – Johnson Road to W. End


TBD Current and Future Projects

2025

1. *Westside Connector Stage 1 - N Scheuber Road - Galvin Rd to Mt. Vista
2. *Washington Elementary and Oakview Elementary Student Safety
3. *First Street Asphalt Paving – Harrison Avenue to N Pearl Street

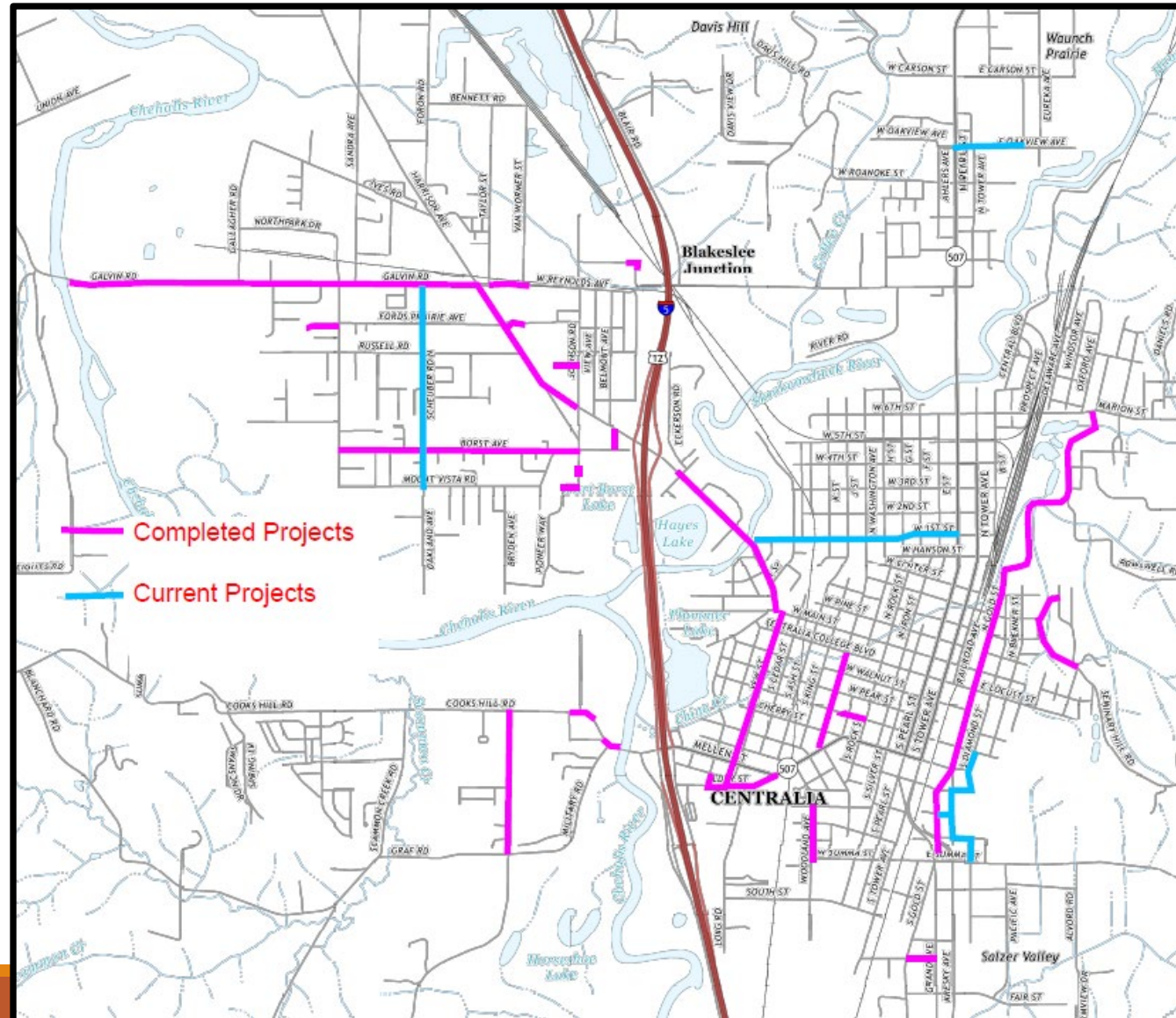
Future Projects (Pending TBD Extension)

1. Reynolds Avenue/Harrison Avenue Corridor
2. Kresky Avenue and Summa Street Signal
3. Main Street – Yew Street to Tower Avenue
4. Harrison Avenue – I-5 to Johnson Road

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Many More Planned
Projects On the
Transportation
Improvement Plan

Completed and Current Transportation Projects



Completed TBD Projects





Why Should Centralia Renew the TBD

Do we need another ten years of TBD?

- Without TBD all of the planned transportation projects will be halted.
- Will not have any match funds to obtain grants. We have leveraged \$6,861,000 with TBD matching funds of \$1,306,000.
- Streets will deteriorate; funds are needed to continue this work:
 - Maintenance
 - Patching
 - Resurfacing/Reconstruction
 - ADA Ramps
 - Sidewalks
 - Street Lights
 - Street Signs

Sales Tax in Neighboring Cities

Centralia	8.2%	(8.4% April 1st)
Chehalis	8.2%	* TBD
Tumwater	9.7%	* TBD
Olympia	9.8%	* TBD
Longview	8.1%	* TBD
Aberdeen	9.08%	* TBD

*Over 100 other City's in Washington State have a TBD according to MRSC

TBD Recap

- Passing the TBD does not raise taxes.
- TBD pays for critical transportation projects and maintenance that Centralia needs.
- We would lose the ability to fund future projects.
- We would lose the momentum of the last ten years.
- Our Centralia streets would slowly degrade without funding.

Next Steps ?

- Bring resolution back to council in May
- To Auditors office by August 5th
- Ballot measure to voters in November 2025

Questions ?

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