

# Transportation Alternatives Program 2019 Application

## Instructions

Complete application in the space provided. Applicants are limited to application form and 5 pages of attachments. Submit completed application and attachments electronically to [dale.robins@rtc.wa.gov](mailto:dale.robins@rtc.wa.gov). You will receive an e-mail confirmation within one business day of submittal. If you do not receive confirmation or have questions about the application contact Dale Robins at 564-397-5212.

## General Information

Project Title: Ball Field Road Sidewalk Project

Project Location and Limits: Ballfield Rd from SR142 to River Rd in the Town of Klickitat. See attached Vicinity Map

Project Length (miles): 0.10 Miles

Agency: Klickitat County Public Works

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Certified Acceptance Agency: Klickitat County Public Works

## Project Screening Criteria

*Check all that apply.*

- Project is consistent with the RTP
- Project contains at least one eligible Transportation Alternatives Category
- Project is directly related to the surface transportation system (except trails)
- Project does not supplement the construction of an existing project
- Project is open to public access

## Cost Summary

Project Phase	Start Date	TAP Funds	Other Funds	Total Cost
Design	01/15/2020		\$25,000	\$25,000
Right of Way				\$0
Construction	04/01/2021	\$120,000	\$57,000	\$177,000
Totals	n/a	\$120,000	\$82,000	\$202,000
<b>Overall Match Ratio:</b>				40.59%

## Project Type

Check all that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bike/Pedestrian facilities              | <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation management practices   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safe routes for non-drivers             | <input type="checkbox"/> Archaeological activities         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abandoned railroad corridors for trails            | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental mitigation activity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turnouts, overlooks, and viewing areas             | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational Trails Program       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Control of outdoor advertising                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Safe Routes to School Program     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic preservation of transportation facilities |  |

## Project Information

### 1. Project Description:

Klickitat County secured a 2017 TAP grant to provide a multi-use trail in the Town of Klickitat from the north side of town to the south side of town. This connection is scheduled for construction in the spring of 2020. Once the trail is completed it will provide a connection from the school to the community center.

The Ball Field Road Sidewalk Project will connect to the multi-use trail referenced above. This will provide a pedestrian facility from the Community Center, Ball Fields, and playground to a primitive boat launch on the Klickitat River.

The Ball Field Road Sidewalk Project will construct 520 of 6 foot grade separated sidewalks with ADA accommodations, and curb extensions, remove bollards with a cable running through them. The bollards are currently used to prevent vehicles from parking too close to the ballfield. lighting upgrade, ADA accommodations, curb extensions, and new benches.

In addition lighting will be added, a stormwater system will be constructed, and new benches will be installed. The benches will be available for pedestrians to take a break while listening and watching the river flow majestically by. If a ballgame is taking place, a person using the sidewalk can take a break and watch a portion of the game.

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2. Describe how the project will improve the public travel experience, and travel options, including the benefit to the community:

The Klickitat River boat launch area receives numerous users some placing boats in the river, some people coming to the river to swim, or fish off the bank, and some people just going to view the river. By constructing a sidewalk from the Community Center to the river, people visiting the Community Center can get to the river safely without having to use vehicle mode of travel. By connecting this proposed project to the 2017 TAP funded project, a pedestrian connection will be complete from the school to the river. This connection will also allow trail hikers a connection to the river without having to share the facility with vehicles.

The new connection will provide new grade separated sidewalks which will allow pedestrians to walk along the ballfields without having to walk between parked cars and climb over the cable to get to the ballfield. At this time the only separation between the ballfields and the parked cars is a small paved path that is on grade with the road and only extends approximately 100 ft. Cars park face in to the ballfields and back into the road when leaving. The only thing keeping someone from driving into the ballfield is a row of bollards with a cable running through them to connect them.

In addition to having grade separated sidewalk for pedestrians to walk to the river, a pedestrian will be able to sit on one of the two proposed benches to either watch a portion of the ballgame or watch and listen to the river flow by.

3. Describe how the project provides a connection between modes, or improves transportation choices, or connects to land use services such as job locations, a civic center, library, grocery market, playground, retail center, medical office, school, and other. (Include modes and list of specific land uses connect within 1/2 mile of project):

The project will increase the connection established by the 2017 TAP project by providing a non-motorized connection from the north side of town to the River. It will also provide a non-motorized connection for river users to a transit stop, the grocery market, restaurants, school, and the Community Center.

## Project Information

4. Describe how the project relates to an adopted plan such as the GMA plan, modal plan, neighborhood plan or other planning process. (Include name of Plan and attach a copy of page from plan that including project by name):

Klickitat County is working with the School District to revitalize the town of Klickitat by improving the infrastructure and providing recreation opportunities for the residents of the town and tourists.

The first phase in the revitalization of the town was to remodel the community center. The next phase was to work the school district and town council to implement a neighborhood plan to provide a non-motorized link which connects north side of town to the recreation opportunities and commercial core on the south side of town. Thanks to the 2017 TAP this will become a reality in the spring of 2020. A big part of the recreational opportunity for the community is associated with the Klickitat River. If successful, this grant will help make the non-motorized river connection become a reality.

The County will be drafting a recreation plan this summer. This project will be the top priority because it provides river access for a large number of residents and tourist.

5. Describe to what extent the project will improve mobility for disadvantage populations, including elderly, disabled minority, and low income populations:

The project improves mobility for all ages and abilities by adding a wide, safe, ADA-accessible, non-motorized, connection to the waterfront. Since the non-motorized corridor does not currently exist, people with disabilities must use Ball Field Road or find another mode of transportation to reach the river.

While the project will provide a safe route for pedestrians from the school, Community Center and the trail to access the river, it will provide a route for 65% of the Town's low income population to enjoy the river.

6. List affordable house complex and number of housing units that are within 1/2 mile of project:

The Town of Klickitat has approximately 20 single family HUD Homes. The majority of those homes are Martell homes.

## Project Information

7. Identify the safety issues addressed by project (collision data, lack of adequate safe crossing or access, lack of separated facility, high speed or volume, other):

Within the project area, Ball Field Road does not have a continuous pedestrian route to the river. This lack of a grade separated facility forces pedestrians into vehicle travel lanes and causes pedestrians to navigate the on street parking during a ball game. Without a dedicated pedestrian facility to separate the vehicles from the non-motorized modes of travel, pedestrians are forced to compete with vehicles at multiple points along the route to the river. In addition, a number of the vehicles are pulling boat trailers; thus, reducing the current area where pedestrians can travel.

Pedestrians were observed walking down the center of the street. This causes drivers to either swerve into oncoming traffic or stop to avoid pedestrians. This will increase the probability of pedestrian and motor vehicle accidents, head on and rear end collisions.

8. Describe how the project addresses the safety issues identified:

Constructing a grade separated sidewalk will remove pedestrian traffic from vehicle travel lanes. The probability for future vehicle/pedestrian and vehicle/vehicle collisions will be reduced.

By providing an accessible, safe ADA connection to the river will encourage non-motorized uses resulting in reduced vehicle use and parking needs.

9. Readiness:

- Design at 70% or higher
- Right of way acquisition complete or not needed
- Environmental permits approved

Please explain:

The County has a considerable amount of R/W in the project area. With that said, no right-of-way will be needed. The project will fit within the current R/W. Conceptual design and preliminary cost estimates have been completed. If the grant is awarded, the County will start on the shoreline permit. Since the project does not have a major ground disturbance element the shoreline permit process will be straight forward.

## Project Information

10. Describe how the local community and other agencies have been involved in the planning process for the project.

List any opposition to the project and how it was overcome:

Klickitat School District and the residents of the Town of Klickitat are very supportive of the project. The school District is the only form of local government that represents the Town of Klickitat. When the project was proposed to the School Board, the project was voted on by the Board. The project received 100% approval. The School and the County have established a long and cooperative working relationship that was used to apply for and receive 2017 TAP funds.

At present there has been no opposition to the project.

11. Describe how the project improves public health and increase physical activity:

The Project improves public health and increased physical activity by giving people from the north side of town a safe location to walk from their homes or the school to the river. This project also provides a walking route for the residents that live near the river to the Klickitat Trail.

The project will connect to the Community Center which houses the food bank. It will allow low income users of the Community Center a safe walking route to a scenic natural area not currently accessible by a dedicated pedestrian corridor.

By providing a pedestrian connection to the river, people attending meetings, classes or other functions will be able to take a short peaceful walk to the river during a break.

12. Describe how the project includes design elements that contribute to quality of life:

The project design includes benches and additional lighting. The connection from the Community Center to the river will be designed for people of all abilities and will encourage physical activity and health by walking. The connection will also be ADA accessible, with a maximum grade of 5% to provide access to social venues and encourage community engagement for all ages, genders, ethnicities, and all social status.

## Project Information

13. List all funding partners contributing to the project:

Funding Source	Amount
Klickitat County	\$82,000

## Other Information

You may use this space to provide any additional project information considered worth noting:

This project is the critical link to providing non-motorized access to a future planned river launch and park. Once the 2017 TAP project has been completed and if the 2019 project gets funded. The Community Center, Ballfields, and proposed River Front Park will have non-motorized users.

### Accompanying Attachments

- Attachment: Ball Field Road Sidewalk Project Vicinity Map
- Attachment: Ball Field Road Sidewalk Project Project Proposal Conceptual Plan
- Attachment: Project Area Existing Photo
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Ball Field Road  
Sidewalks  
Project Proposal



New ADA Ramp

New 6 Foot Wide  
Sidewalk and Curb

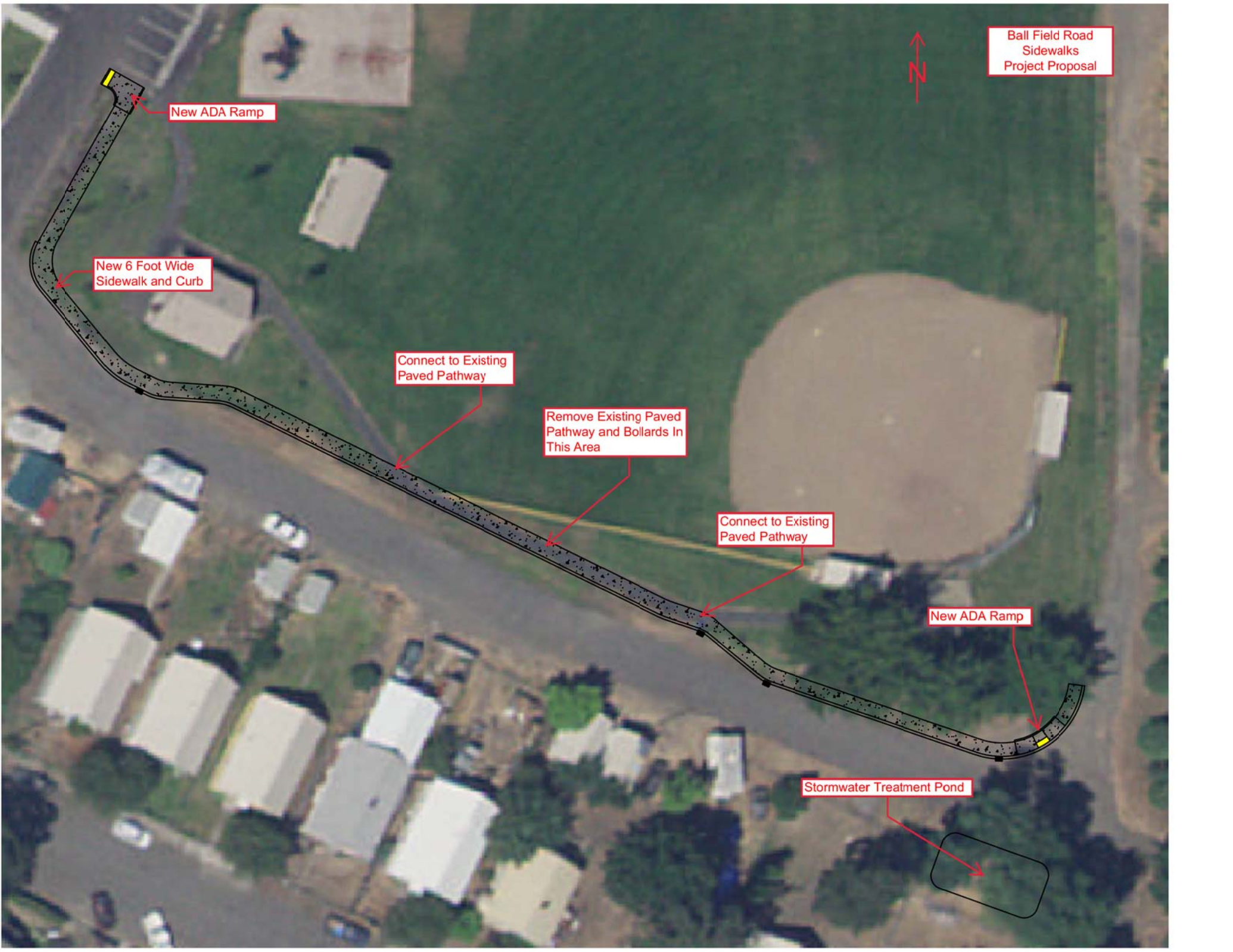
Connect to Existing  
Paved Pathway

Remove Existing Paved  
Pathway and Bollards In  
This Area

Connect to Existing  
Paved Pathway

New ADA Ramp

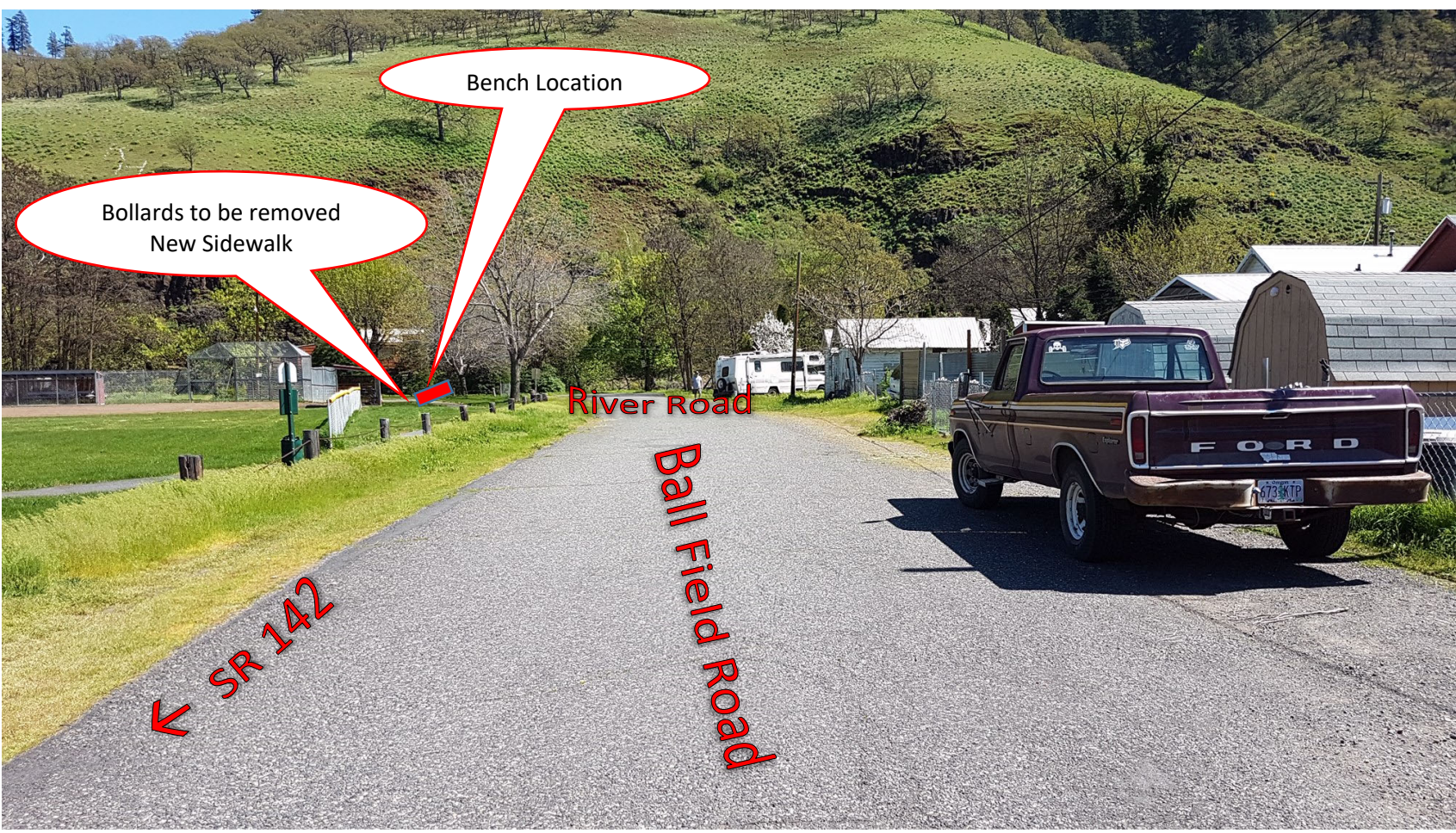
Stormwater Treatment Pond







SE End of Project  
Ball Field Road  
River Road



Bench Location

Bollards to be removed  
New Sidewalk

River Road

Ball Field Road

← SR 142