Wenatchee is 1 of only 8 Metro Areas nationwide with no 4-lane connection to the Interstate System.
EAST GATEWAY
SR 28 TO/FROM I-90 AND THE COLUMBIA BASIN

50% of region’s import/export freight.

Strong connection to the Columbia Basin and Moses Lake, Ellensburg, Yakima, Tri-Cities, and Spokane.

Strong connection to Wenatchee and East Wenatchee industrial areas, including Baker Flats, Pangborn, and Olds Station.

Very little connection to Puget Sound and Western Washington, as well as Okanogan County and Canada.

Significant “local freight” also uses SR 28 corridor to connect to the Quincy area.
WEST GATEWAY
US 97 OVER BLEWETT PASS

40% of region’s import/export freight.

Strong connection to I-90 westbound and Puget Sound.

Strong connection to the North Wenatchee Avenue commercial corridor.

Strong connection to the Baker Flats industrial area.
Connectivity
distributes rather than concentrates traffic

Security
3rd point of access/egress for emergencies

Urban Growth
connects infill development nodes

Safety
eliminates two at-grade BNSF rail crossings and allows SR 285 improvements to emphasis safety

Multimodal
enables rapid bus commuter transit and removes barriers for walking and bicycle connections between neighborhoods, jobs, services & recreation amenities
SR 285 Bridge carries over 55,000 vehicle trips per day
Thank You!
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