

## **Background on the TriMet #39 Bus Route Issue:**

Neighborhood representatives and Lewis & Clark College staff have worked with TriMet to develop and propose a modified TriMet #39 route. The proposed route is believed to be an improvement in the usefulness and performance of service to the community. Plans are to start the new route by June 4, 2006. The summer months will help stimulate the use of #39 before the fall commuting season.

Community-wide feedback was solicited at a public hearing held March 2, 2006. Support for the proposed route was nearly unanimous. One person said that he was sorry to see the Palatine Hill Back Road segment cut, but that he understood the tradeoffs and the new route would be much more useful. Many testified that the route needs to run later into the evening because of the college evening class schedules. Likewise, neighbors often need a way home from town after 7:30 pm. The College and neighborhood representatives are currently working on efforts to extend the hours of service into the evening during the test period.

## **The new proposed route includes the following:**

- Stops added along SW Terwilliger to compliment the existing #39 stops going away from the college.
- Two-way service on Terwilliger to Riverdale High School.
- In Hillsdale, the route changes to outgoing when it passes Sunset.
- Service hours will remain the same.
- A schedule has been completed with similar hours of service – see <http://www.lclark.edu/dept/parking/objects/TriMetscheduleproposed.pdf>

## **For the Collins View, South Burlingame, and College communities, the new route will provide new services as follows:**

- A North-South link between Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy and Barbur
- Access to Hillsdale
- Access for Collins View students to Wilson High School
- Connection to #45 to Multnomah Village
- Connection to #44 to Portland Community College
- Connection to #54, #55, #56 -- points west
- Connection to the above inbound buses to downtown

## **The following services will continue:**

- Connection to #1 to Vermont Hills, Greely, University of Portland.
- Connection to #12 to Tigard and Downtown, Sandy Blvd.
- Connection to #43 to Johns Landing.
- Connection to #38 to Tualatin.
- Connection to Fred Meyer and SAFEWAY.