



WASCO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
APRIL 21, 2010

PRESENT: Sherry Holliday, County Commissioner
Bill Lennox, County Commissioner
Kathy McBride, Executive Assistant

ABSENT: Dan Ericksen, Chair of Commission

At 9:06 a.m. Commissioner Holliday called the meeting to order.

OPEN TO DEPARTMENTS

Fred Davis, Facilities Manager, presented to the Board a handout on the La Clinica Reroofing Project, (Attached as Exhibit A). Davis updated the Board on the reroofing project. A meeting will be held next Tuesday to negotiate details of the contract.

Davis informed the Board of the problem with the Courthouse Cooling Tower. The coils are leaking in seven different locations due to freeze damage. They don't understand why the system did not drain completely. The cooling tower was replaced back in 1999. They could repair six of the leaks, but one area they cannot get to. Davis stated that they have started to get a price quote on that section of the unit. He has not heard back from the vendor yet.

Davis noted that they have had to curtail the cooling in the building. The water in the system is at 103 degrees. He is estimating that it could be two weeks for the delivery and several days for the assembly, which will require a crane. They will try to figure out why it did not drain.

Some discussion occurred.

Stone noted that the repair of the Cooling Tower will take an emergency declaration by the Board of Commissioners in order to get the unit repaired and back in operation.

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Christa Rude, Commission on Children and Families Manager, stated that the Board has a number of Agreements in their packet for their approval. She has another one that just got approved yesterday with HAVEN, DHS and the Commission on Children and Families.

Tara Crowson was introduced at this time. Crowson is assisting Kathy McBride, Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners, on a scanning project. The funding for the position is being provided by the Mid Columbia Council of Governments under their Work Experience Program.

**APPROVAL of the Regular Session Consent Calendar of April 21, 2010,
(Attached as Exhibit B).**

{{{Commissioner Lennox moved to approve the Regular Session Consent Calendar of April 21, 2010 as presented; and that the Funding Agreement between HAVEN and Wasco County is also approved. Commissioner Holliday seconded the motion; it was then passed unanimously.}}}

Sheriff Rick Eiesland informed the Board of a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Wasco County and The Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation. The MOU would allow Sheriff Eiesland to deputize Warm Spring Tribal Police to assist the Sheriff's Office, when asked, in handling off reservation traffic accidents in South County. This would also allow the Sheriff's Office to assist the Tribes on the reservation. The Tribes attorney is drafting up the proposed MOU. Sheriff Eiesland will provide members of the Board a copy of the proposed MOU for their review and input.

Some discussion occurred.

The Board recessed at 9:43 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 9:49 a.m.

The Board considered the request from the City of The Dalles to waive the tipping fee for the Community Clean Up Day.

{{{Commissioner Lennox moved to approve the request from the City of The Dalles in the waiver of the tipping fee at the Wasco County Landfill for the Community Clean Up Day on May 1, 2010. Commissioner Holliday seconded the motion; it was then passed unanimously.}}}

*****It was the consensus of the Board of Commissioners to send a letter to the City of The Dalles requesting that the City's drainage fee for the Courthouse Cooling Tower be waived for Wasco County***.**

CONSIDERATION of items listed on the Discussion List of April 21, 2010, (Attached as Exhibit C).

Item #4

{{{Commissioner Lennox moved to add Eric Nisley, District Attorney/County Counsel, under the County's Cellular Telephone Policy at the rate of \$50 per month. Commissioner Holliday seconded the motion; it was then passed unanimously.}}}

#1 – The Board requested that staff remove this item from the list.

#2 – The Board is waiting to hear back from Chairman Ericksen as to his conversation with the City of The Dalles in regards to their requirements on the request from Jade LeRoux.

#3 – Some discussion occurred regarding establishing regular meetings with County Departments during the Board of Commissioners meetings.

PRESENTATION on Walkability Study conducted in The Dalles; presented by Jeanette Montour, Associate Planner, and Allyson Smith, Public Health Nurse.

Allyson Smith, Public Health Nurse, and Jeanette Montour, Wasco County Associate Planner, presented the Walkability Study conducted in The Dalles.

Smith informed the Board that she took health impact training in September, along with a City Planner. The objective of the training was to inject the human health perspective in planning decisions. The County received a small grant that helped them do the study. They decided to study the Chenowith area and the walkability of that area.

A PowerPoint presentation was shown at this time, (Attached as Exhibit D).

Montour noted during the presentation that they recruited 20 volunteers to do the assessment; five factors were assessed.

Some discussion occurred upon the conclusion on the presentation.

It was noted that the presentation is being presented to the City of The Dalles and School District #21.

CONSIDERATION of the P.L. 106-393 Title III Application from the Wasco County Sheriff's Office for the Search and Rescue Forest Mission Expense Reimbursement Project.

The Board considered the approval of Title III Application from the Wasco County Sheriff's Office for their Search and Rescue Forest Mission Expense Reimbursement Project in the amount of \$1,320.52.

Kathy McBride, Executive Assistant, stated that the required notice was published and no public comments were received on the proposed Grant Application.

{{{Commissioner Lennox moved to approve the Title III application from the Wasco County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Forest Mission Expense Reimbursement Project in the amount of \$1,320.52. Commissioner Holliday seconded the motion; it was then passed unanimously.}}}

PUBLIC HEARING to consider amending the Wasco County Uniform Fee Schedule Ordinance.

Commissioner Holliday called to order the Public Hearing.

McBride noted that the Notice of Public Hearing was advertised and posted on the County's website.

There was no one present wishing to testify.

{{{Commissioner Lennox moved to continue the Public Hearing to consider amending the Wasco County Uniform Fee Schedule Ordinance until May 5, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Holliday seconded the motion; it was then passed unanimously.}}}

The Public hearing recessed at 10:36 a.m.

Other Business:

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A brief discussion occurred regarding the email received from the Association of Oregon Counties on the Animal Shelter Survey.

Stone noted that he forwarded the email to Brad Heinige, Wasco County Animal Control Officer, for his response.

Stone stated that Shannon Lindell, Wasco County Public Works Office Manager, will no longer be doing the bookkeeping for the fair. She will only be doing Public Works duties.

Some discussion occurred.

Stone updated the Board on the Wasco County Fairgrounds Well Project. The project is almost complete.

Stone also noted that he moved Hope Vance, Payroll/Human Resources Generalist, up to the Finance Office earlier this week. That transition allows for payroll training to begin.

Stone and the Board briefly discussed utilizing Room 206 for Stone's office. This would allow Stone to be adjacent to the Finance Office on the second floor of the Courthouse, which would result in relocating the meeting room/jury room to another location.

Stone stated in order for it to work we would need to frame in the hallway and change the interior walls.

**APPROVAL of the Amended Special Transportation Fund Formula
Program Application; *presented by Dan Schwanz, STF Coordinator.***

Dan Schwanz, Mid Columbia Council of Governments/Link Program Manager, requested the Board's approval of the amended Special Transportation Fund Formula Program Application for Wasco County. Schwanz noted that the application is normally done on a biennial basis. The State of Oregon is adding an additional \$5,218 in funding for this fiscal year. The application is due on May 15, 2010.

Some discussion occurred.

{{{Commissioner Lennox moved to approve the Amended Special Transportation Fund Formula Program Application for Wasco County. Commissioner Holliday seconded the motion; it was then passed unanimously.}}}

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Schwanz noted that they received a STO Grant which allows them to add a part time driver. They are also anticipating receiving a JTO Grant, which is a capital grant. They have four new funded vehicles in service. They have two more vehicles to dispose of.

John Arens, Mid Columbia Council of Governments Executive Director, spoke with the Board regarding funding for the Six Rivers Community Mediation Services Program. Arens noted that Hood River County has pulled their support for the Program, which amounted to approximately \$13,000. They do not know where they will be at next year.

Some discussion occurred regarding the Six Rivers Community Mediation Services Program, as well as Veterans Services. Arens noted that they provided two scenarios to provide Veterans Services to the Counties of Wasco and Hood River; a full time Veterans Services Officer and a full time Veterans Services Officer with a half time Assistant.

The Board recessed at 11:23 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL of awarding a Contract to the Wamic Rural Fire Protection District to provide Ambulance Service Area coverage in Wasco County, Oregon.

The Board considered awarding a contract to the Wamic Rural Fire Protection District to provide Ambulance Service Area coverage in Wasco County.

Chris Beeler was present representing the Wamic Rural Fire Protection District.

Commissioner Holliday stated that Wamic Rural Fire Protection District has responded to incidents, but they did not transport. They have been a huge help to the Southern Wasco County Ambulance Service. Pine Hollow is the second largest community in Wasco County.

Commissioner Holliday stated that she appreciates them setting up and becoming a transporting agency. She asked that Beeler let the Board know that the County appreciates what they have accomplished over the last year.

Some discussion occurred.

Steve Conover, Chief Deputy Sheriff, stated that he has a map of the new boundaries. He is working with the GIS Department to develop an address listing, which will then be taken to Dispatch.

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McBride noted that due to the urgency to authorize the Wamic Rural Fire Protection District to assist in providing ambulance services in South Wasco County the ASA 8 Area is being established prior to the County amending the Ambulance Service Area Plan.

Commissioner Holliday noted that we took the ASA 7 area and amended a portion of the service area to make it into ASA 8.

{{{Commissioner Lennox moved to approve the Ambulance Service Area Application from the Wamic Rural Fire Protection District; said approval is contingent upon the County receiving their proposed budget. Commissioner Holliday seconded the motion; it was then passed unanimously.}}}

The Board signed:

- Safe Kids USA Local Coalition Agreement between Safe Kids Worldwide, Safe Kids Oregon State, and Safe Kids Columbia Gorge.
- Resolution #10-011 in the matter of accepting and appropriating unanticipated State Homeland Security Grant Funds in the amount of \$1,565.00 during Fiscal Year 2009-2010.
- Resolution #10-012 in the matter of accepting and appropriating unanticipated State Homeland Security Grant Funds in the amount of \$27,800.00 during Fiscal Year 2009-2010.
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- Intergovernmental Services Agreement Contract #2402 between the Oregon Department of Revenue and Wasco County.
- Memorandum of Agreement between South Wasco County School District and Wasco County, Oregon.
- Funding Agreement between Wasco County and HAVEN.

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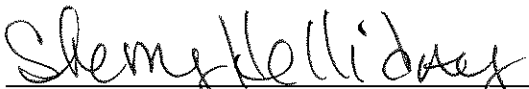
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The Board adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

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Sherry Holliday, County Commissioner



Bill Lennox, County Commissioner

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Exhibit A

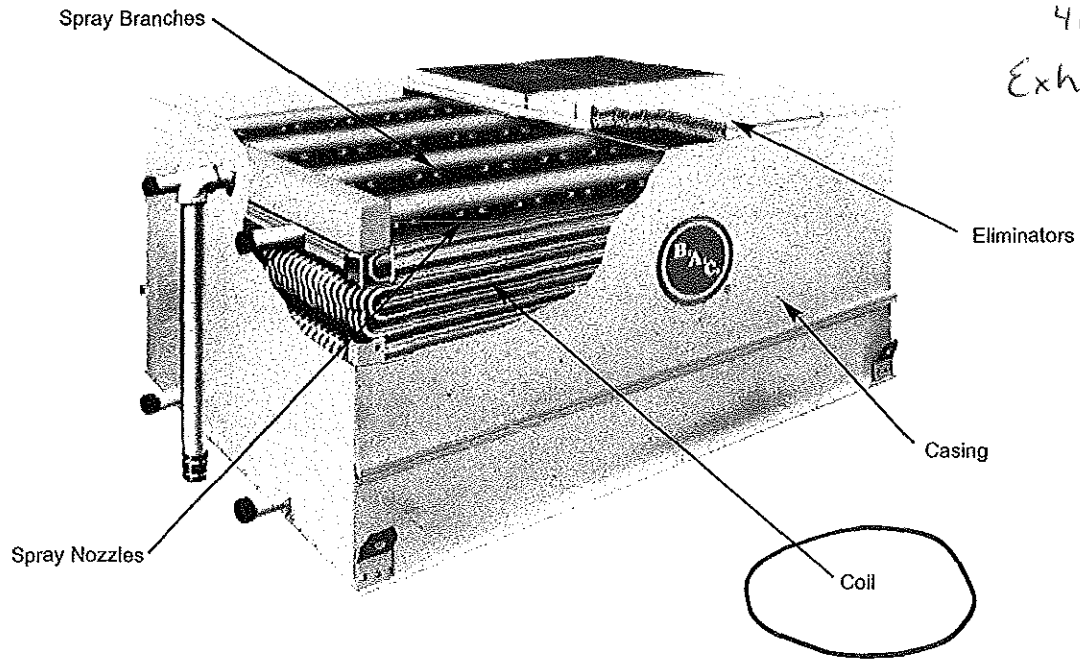


Figure 2a - Heat Transfer Coil Section for
VF1 Closed Circuit Cooling Tower and VC1
Evaporative Condenser

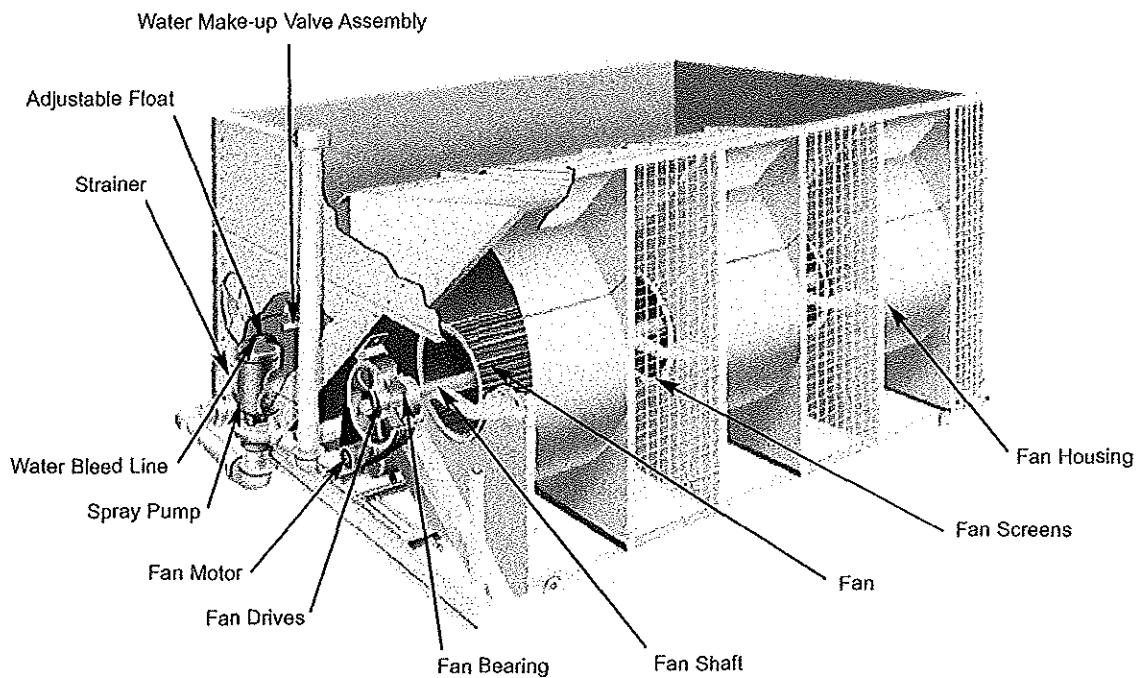


Figure 2b - Basin Section for
VF1 Closed Circuit Cooling Tower and
VC1 Evaporative Condenser

(5) Equipment maintenance – purchases under this exemption allow the contracting agency to obtain materials or services necessary for the maintenance, repair or conversion of existing equipment. The parts or service are often unknown and the cost cannot be determined without extensive dismantling or testing. Time is also a factor for utilization of the equipment.

Additionally, work performed under this exemption is often in support of maintenance agreements or warranties that are obtained as part of a purchase process for new equipment. This maintenance is required in order to maintain warranty coverage. Warranty work is unique to the manufacturer of the equipment. Use of a competitive selection would invalidate the warranty and cost the county more for maintenance work in the future. This exemption would encourage competitors to deliver good quality products and to stand behind their products for the benefit of the public.

(6) Price regulated items – the contracting agency has no authority to alter prices established by federal or state law. Using a competitive selection process would not provide useful information since each would be the same price. The contracting agency would incur unnecessary expenses with little or no benefit. Since federal and state contracts are subject to similar public contracting requirements, any price set would have presumably arisen from a competitive selection process.

(7) Copyrighted materials – by definition, there is no alternate vendor and no competition. The contracting agency shall ensure that all purchases are in accordance with federal and state laws protecting copyrighted or trademarked items.

(8) Data processing – the materials included within this exemption are specialty items that must be compatible with existing county equipment. Due to the technical complexity of the materials, there are only a limited number of vendors. In addition, the need to rely on the most dependable vendor is critical, thus, the purchase of these materials does not lend itself to the competitive process.

(9) Allocated petroleum products – prices for these items are highly volatile. The suppliers' long term customers are provided regular and consistent service, even in times of very high demand. The same argument is true for the haulers. New customers have trouble acquiring these products at reasonable prices, because many companies serve only their preferred accounts during these times of high demand. In the past, when these products were not available as scheduled, the County had crews waiting on the job, at tremendous public expense. The oiling season, when the County utilizes these products, is a short time duration. Every day that is lost, for whatever reason, is a day that cannot be regained. The County has been using the current supplier and current hauler long enough to receive preferred customer service.

The County will continue to monitor product prices and delivery rates, primarily using the State of Oregon bid prices and other Counties price quotes for comparison.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

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DISCUSSION LIST

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Update from Commissioner Holliday regarding the meeting with Mike Hernandez, U.S. Forest Service, regarding Sportsman Park OHV.
2. Decision on the request from Jay LeRoux for an easement or purchase of property for use as a right-of-way to his home located off of East Fifth Street.
3. Discussion on establishing regular meetings with County Departments.
4. Decision on placing Eric Nisley, District Attorney, on the Cellular Telephone Policy to receive the Cellular Telephone Allowance.

ON HOLD:

1. Discussion on office space for County reorganization.
2. Discussion on Amending Document Approval Policy.
3. Discussion on the establishment of an Ordinance that would allow the enforcement of the burn ban.
4. Motion to rescind the Agreement between Wasco County, Oregon, and the North Wasco County School District #21, approved on March 4, 2009.
5. Consideration of the request from Dan Hendrix, Shaniko Volunteer Fire Chief, regarding donation of surplus vehicle.
6. Discussion on Model Executive Session News Media Attendance Policy.
7. Discussion on Draft Continuity of Operations Planning Policy.

THE CHENOWITH AREA WALKABILITY STUDY

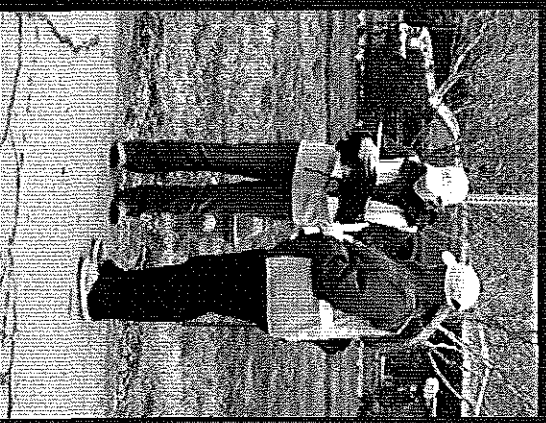
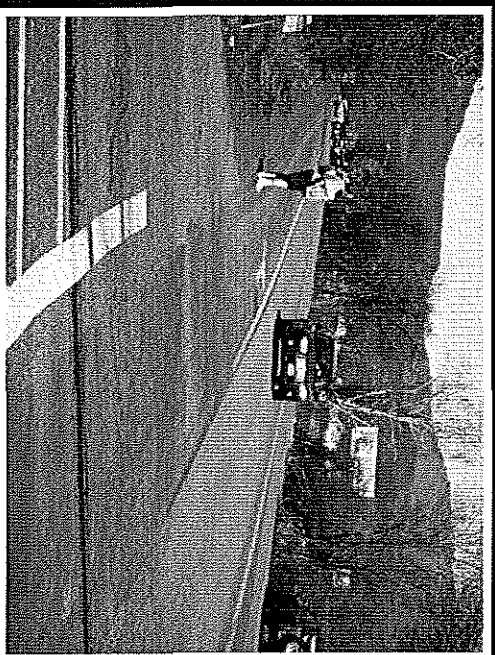
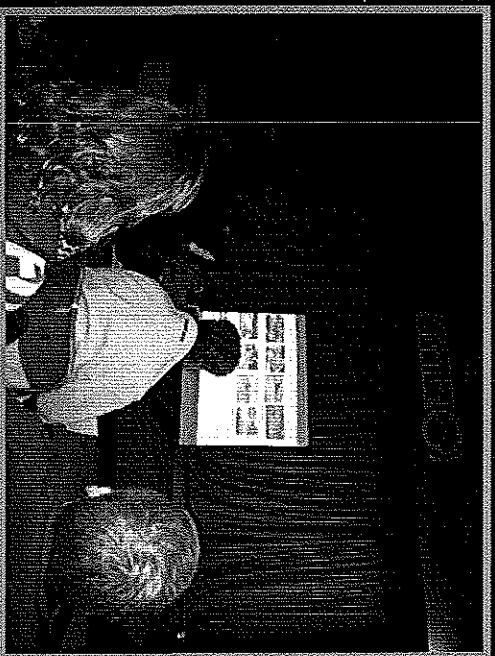


Exhibit D



Presented By: Allyson Smith, North Central Public Health District and
Jeanette Montour, Wasco County Planning and Development

Presentation Outline

- ▣ What is Walkability?
- ▣ Why now, why The Dalles?
- ▣ Walkability Assessment, PEQI
- ▣ Survey Results
- ▣ Next Steps

Qualities of a Walkable Community:

- ❑ Pedestrians are given priority.
- ❑ Motor vehicle operating speeds are carefully controlled to ensure compatibility with adjacent land uses and the routine presence of pedestrians.
- ❑ Drivers of motor vehicles operate them in a prudent, responsible fashion, knowing that they will be held accountable for injury caused by their lack of due care.
- ❑ The air and water quality is good.

*-Bicycle Federation of America Campaign to Make
America Walkable '98*

Walkability Assessment

A walkability assessment has three goals:

- 1 Identify policies and guidelines for facilities that will make walking safer, easier, and more attractive
- 2 Encourage a discussion of design standards within a particular locale for physical improvements related to the pedestrian realm
- 3 Provide a framework to create a transportation network that is neither dependent on nor dominated by the automobile

Walkability Assessment

- Walkability assessments identify problems that need to be addressed and highlight specific areas where outdoor activities, such as walking, biking, skating or running, would best occur.

- A community walkability assessment should be considered instrumental in guiding discussions about the development of pedestrian-friendly changes.

- Performing a walkability assessment is an excellent first step for municipalities interested in addressing both pedestrian access and larger issues of community sustainability related to good pedestrian facilities.

- City planning officials can use a walkability assessment to create pedestrian-friendly communities that allow people to reach destinations safely and conveniently by foot.

Why Now, Why The Dalles?

**Have you heard about the
obesity epidemic?**

Obesity is a **BIG** issue:

- As a state and nation, people are getting bigger
- In Oregon, obesity rate has almost doubled (from 1989-2004)
 - from about 12% to 21%

Oregon Healthy Teens Data from 2005-2006:

11% of 11th graders in Oregon are overweight¹

13% of 11th graders in Wasco County are overweight.¹

13% of 11th graders in Oregon are at risk for overweight²

17% of 11th graders in Wasco County are “at risk for overweight.”²

(Note, in children, figures are not always expressed in terms of “Obesity” but rather, in terms of “overweight”, or “at risk of overweight”.

1. (Body mass index \geq to 95th percentile for age.)
2. (Body mass index between 85th & 95th percentile for age.)

Why are rates of obesity rising?

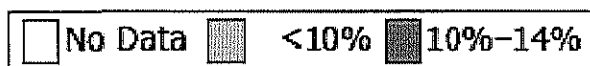
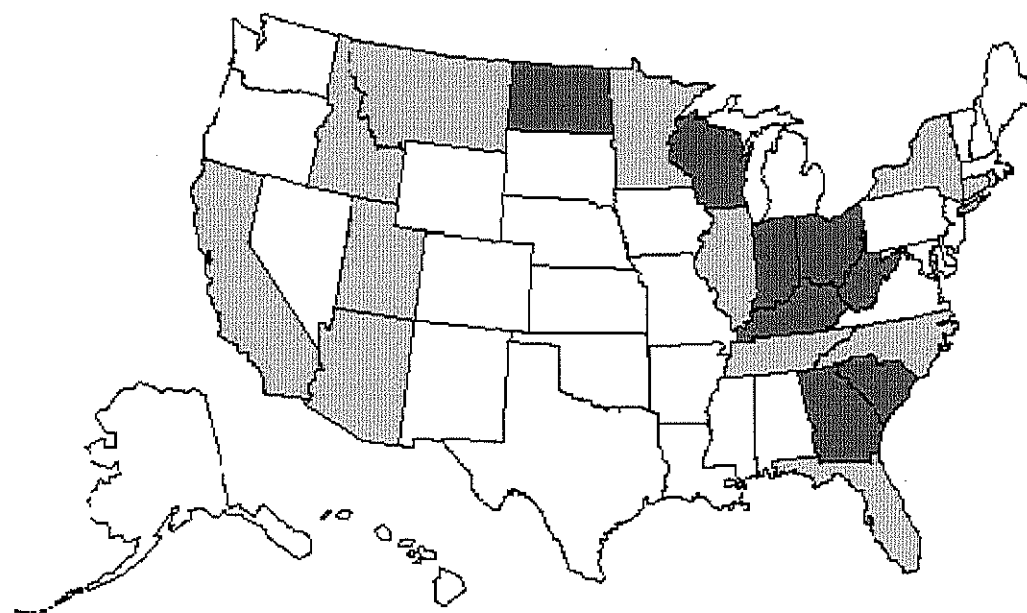
Many factors are responsible, some factors seen in Oregon include:

- ❑ Almost half of teens do not meet CDC guidelines for physical activity
- ❑ Less than 25% meet the recommended 5 servings of fruits and vegetables daily
- ❑ Less than half of teens have breakfast every day.
- ❑ Up to half of teens do not participate in daily PE classes
- ❑ Consider “screen time” as well: time spent in front of computers or televisions.

Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BRFSS, 1985

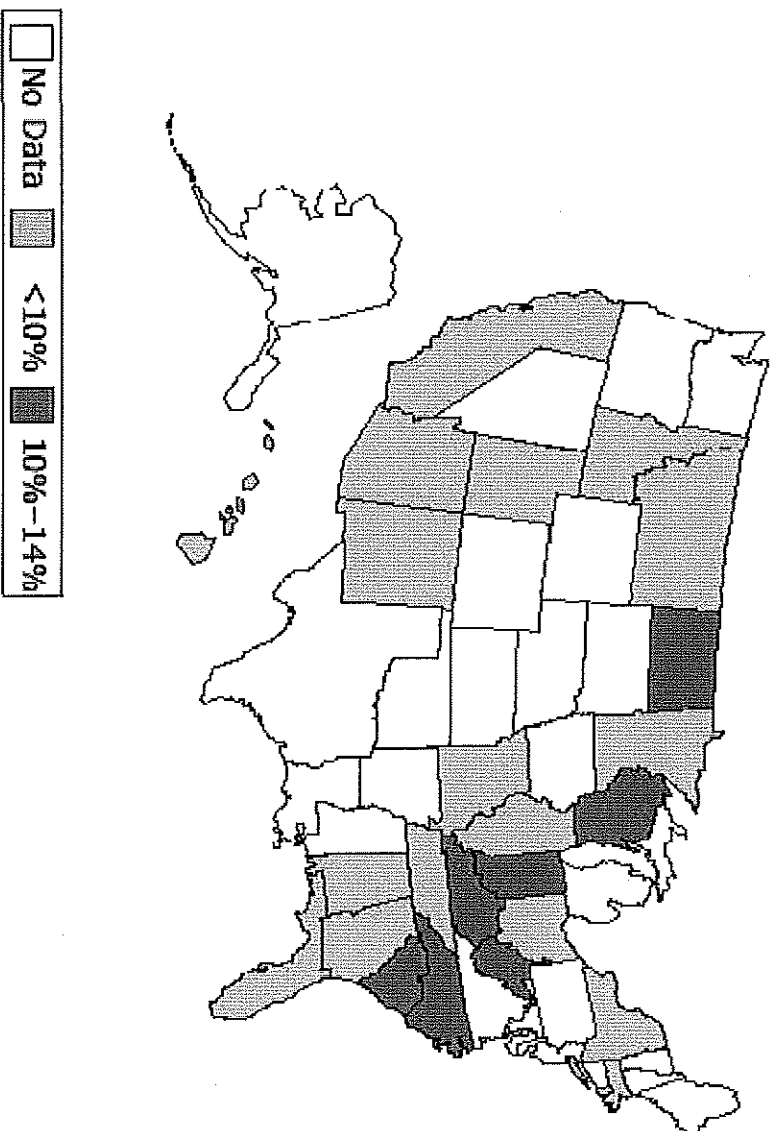
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BRFSS, 1986

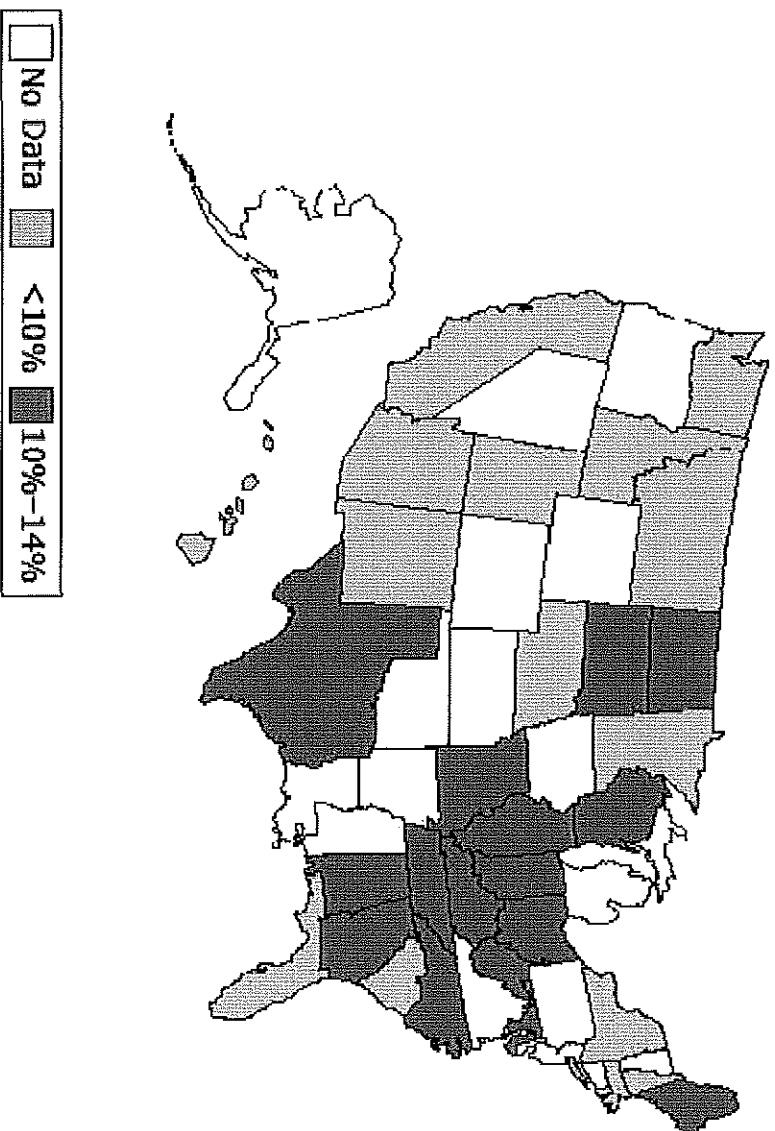
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

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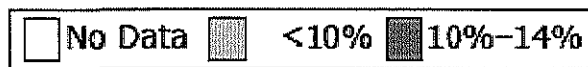
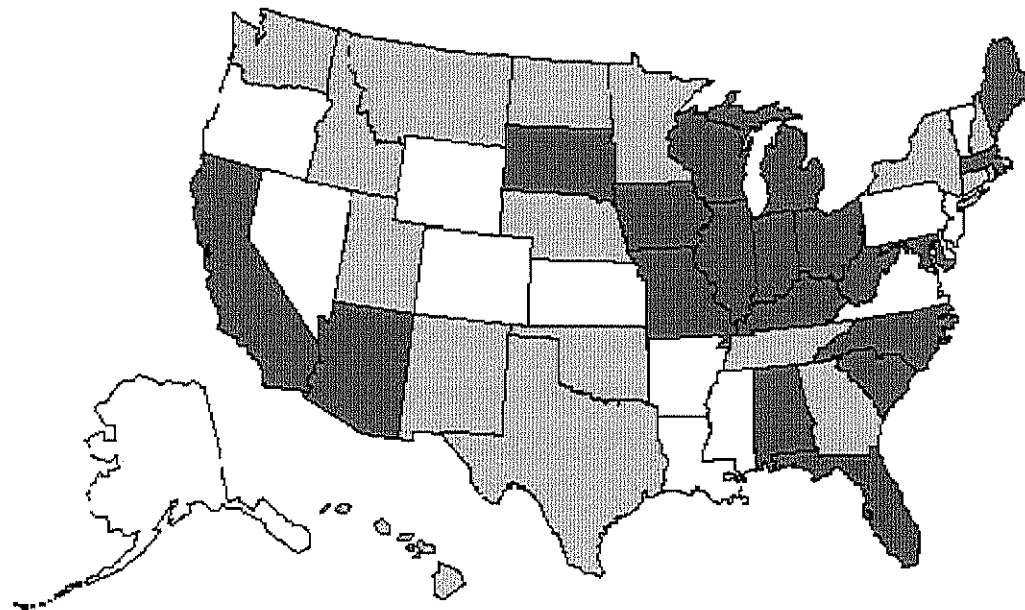
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

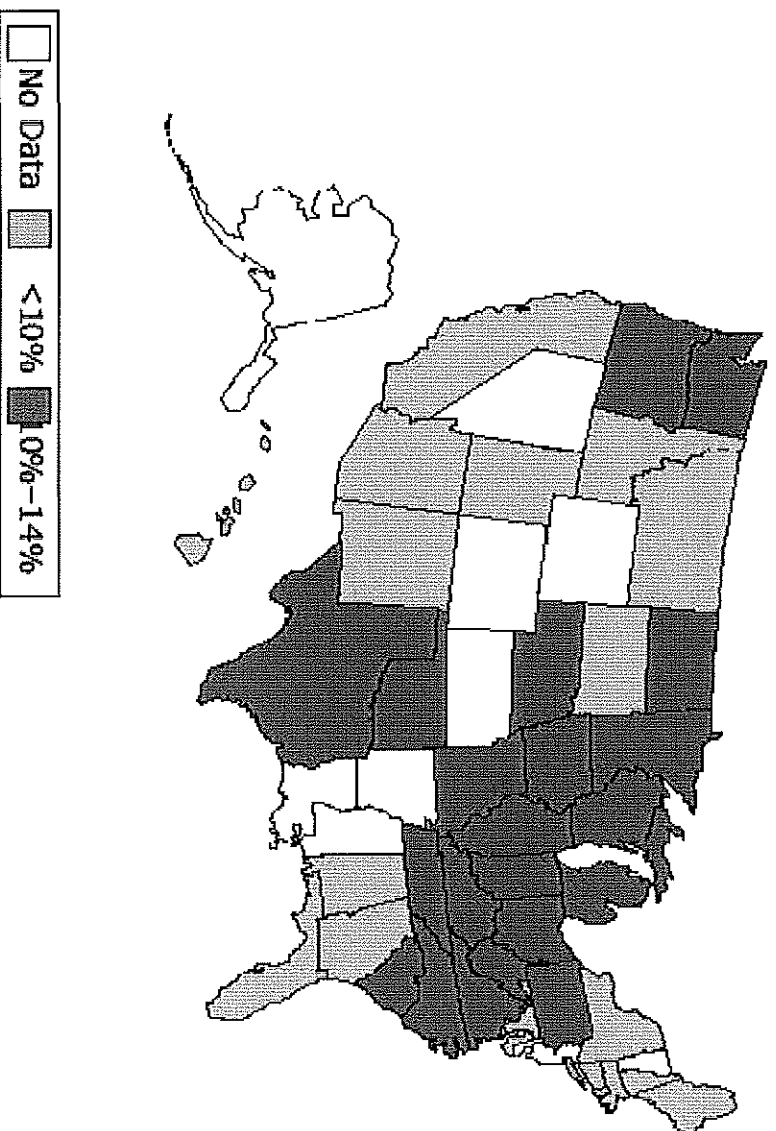
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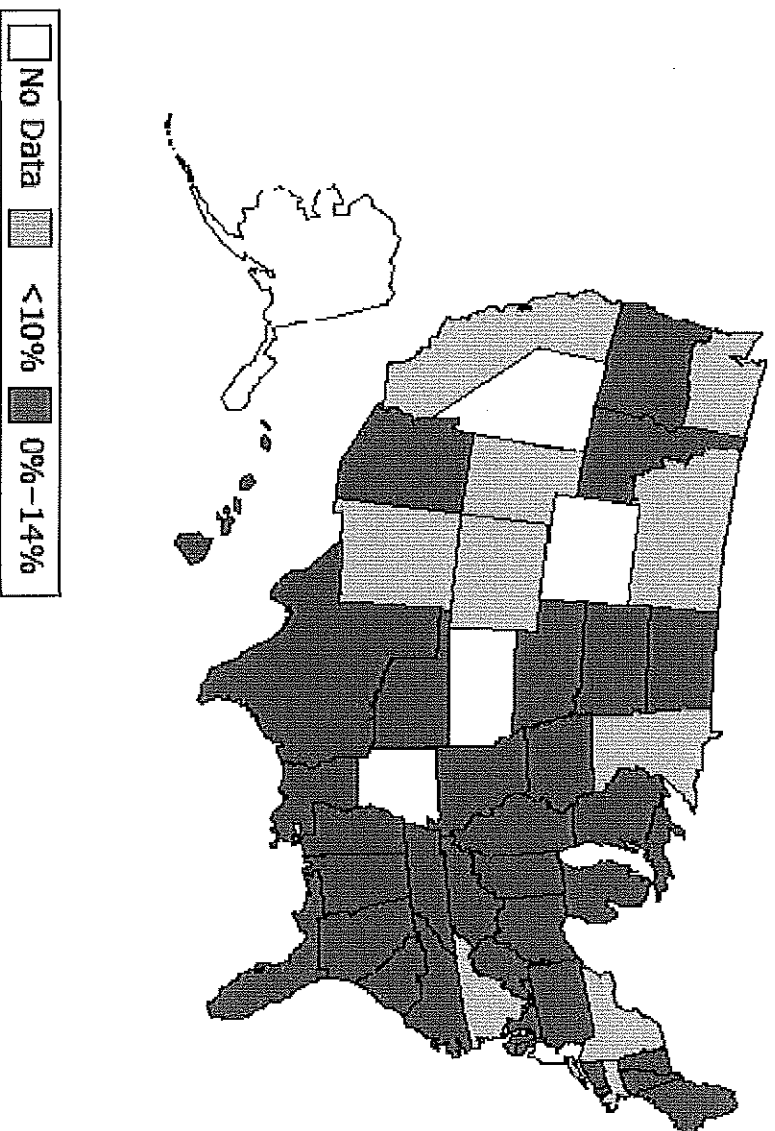
Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BRFSS, 1989
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

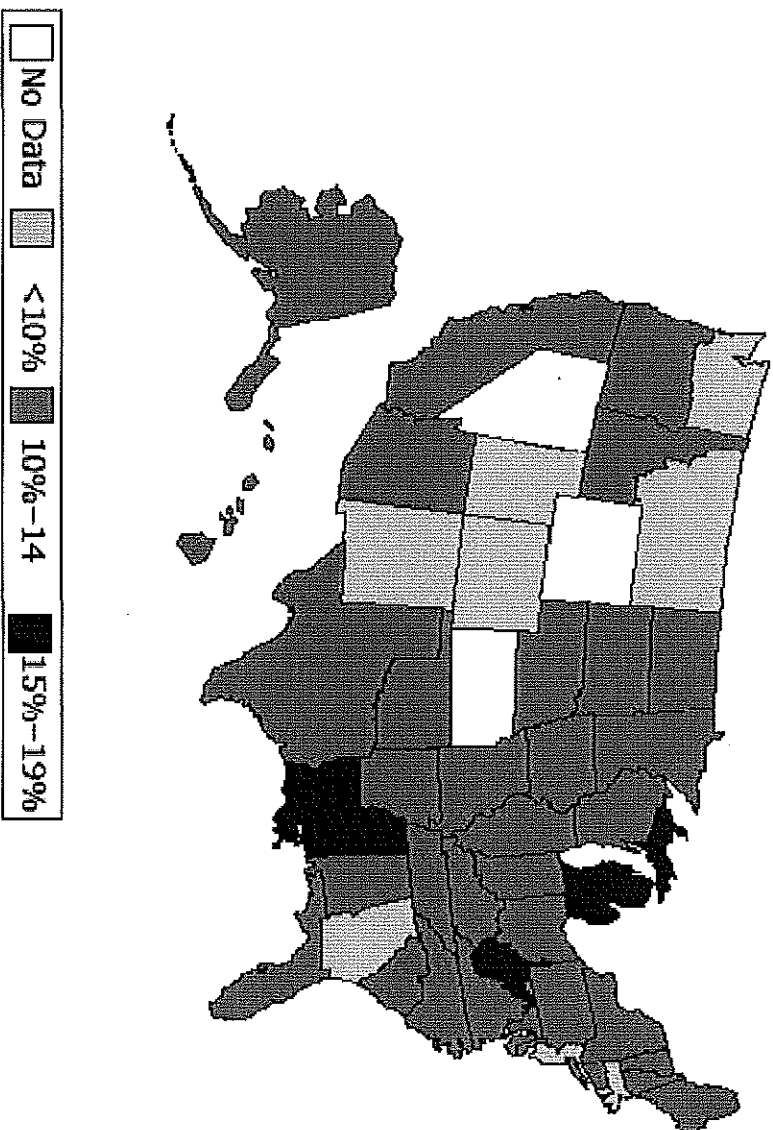
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BREFF, 1991

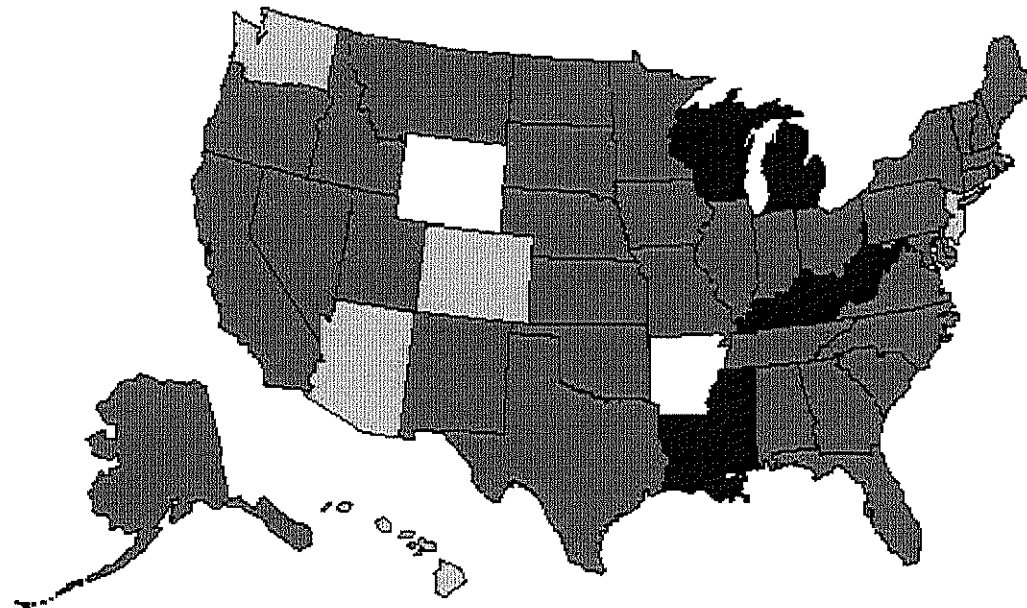
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

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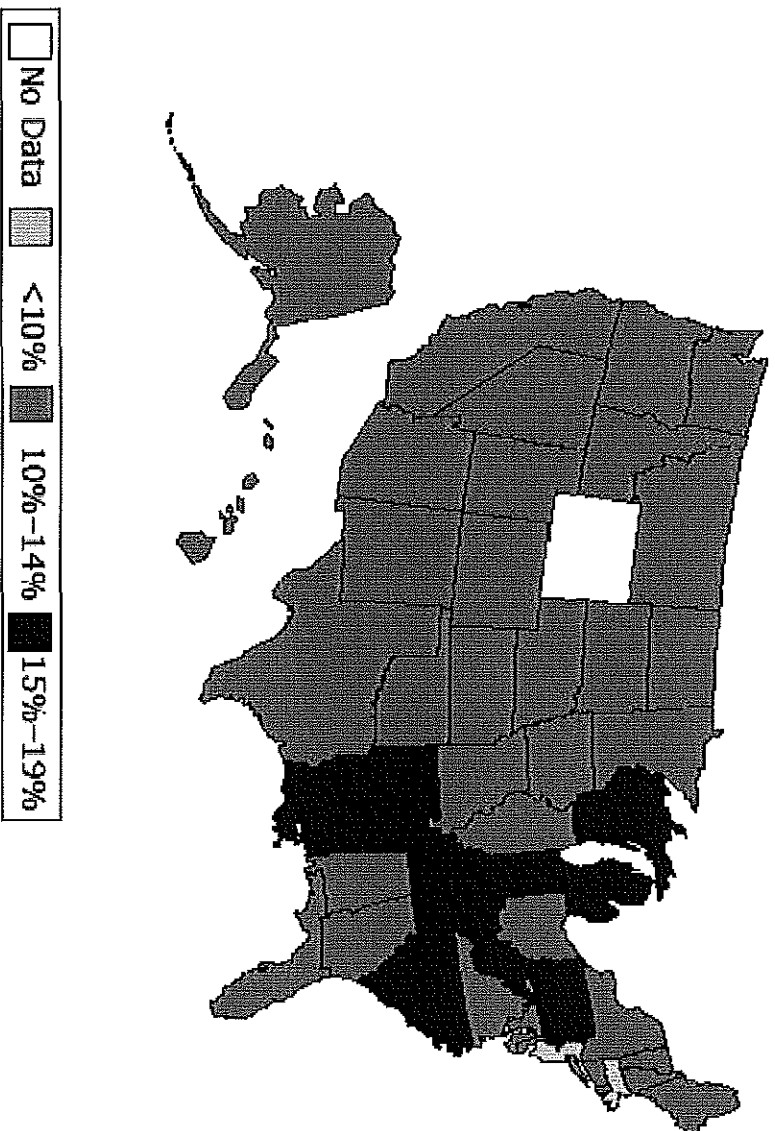
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

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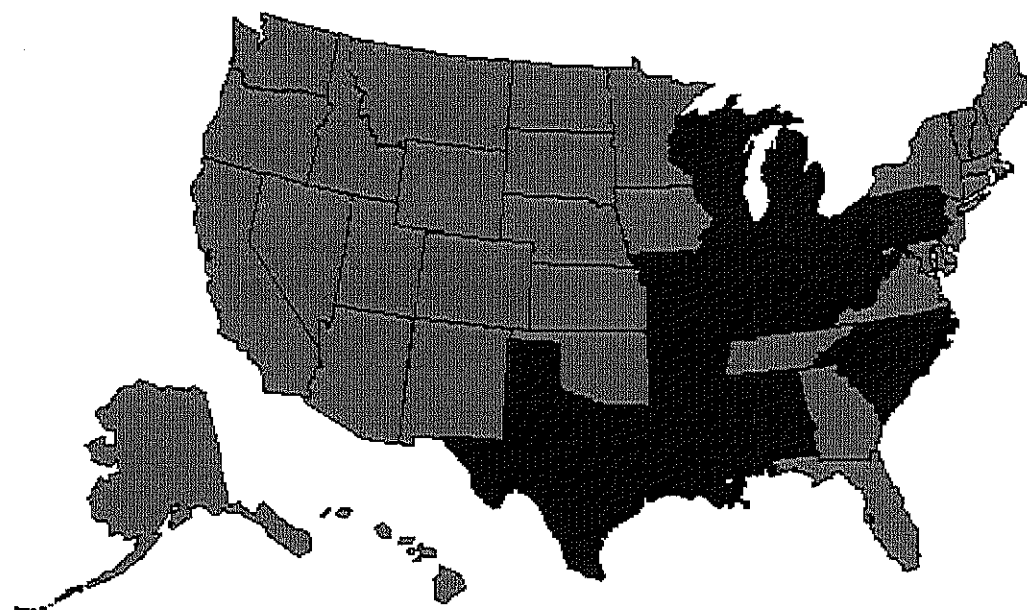
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

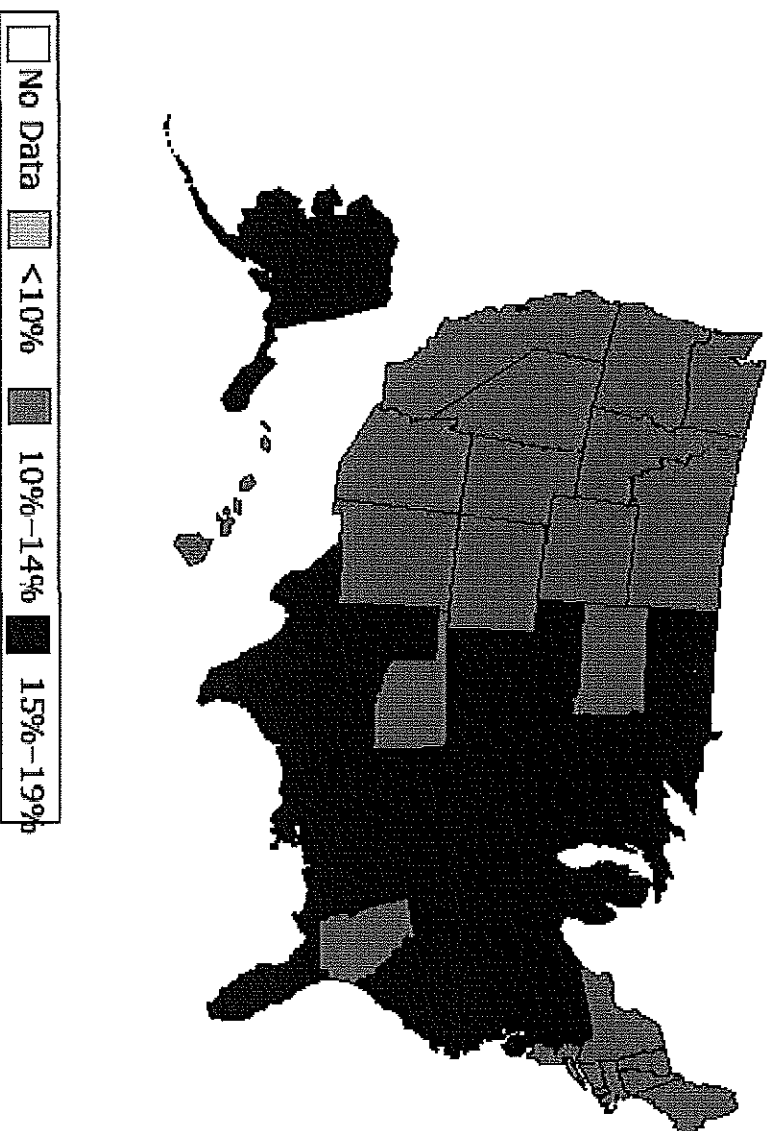
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

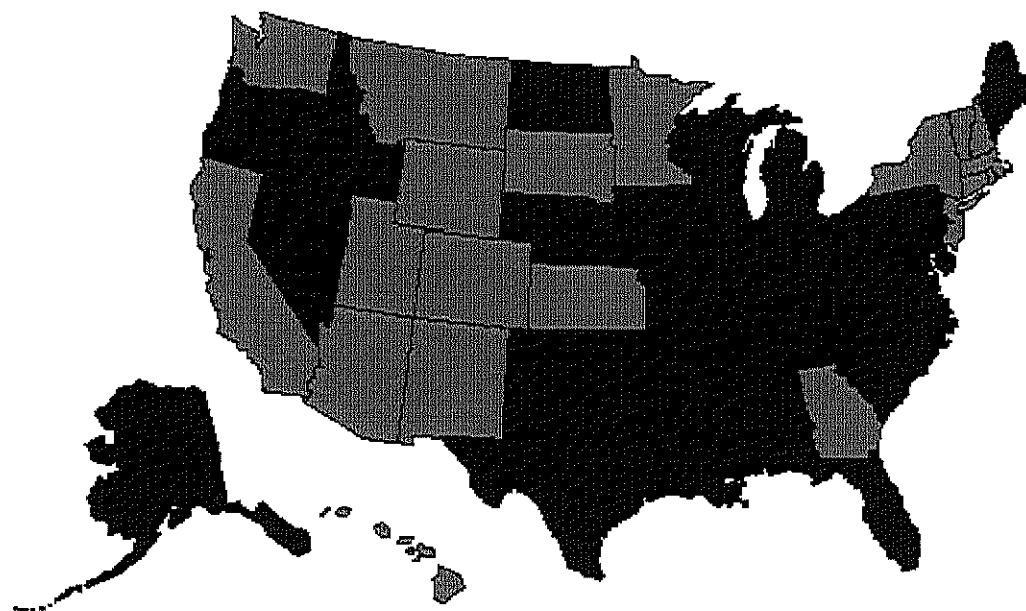
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BRFSS, 1996

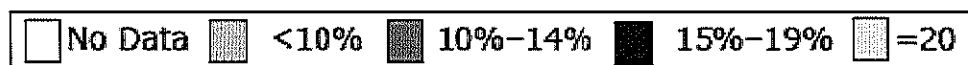
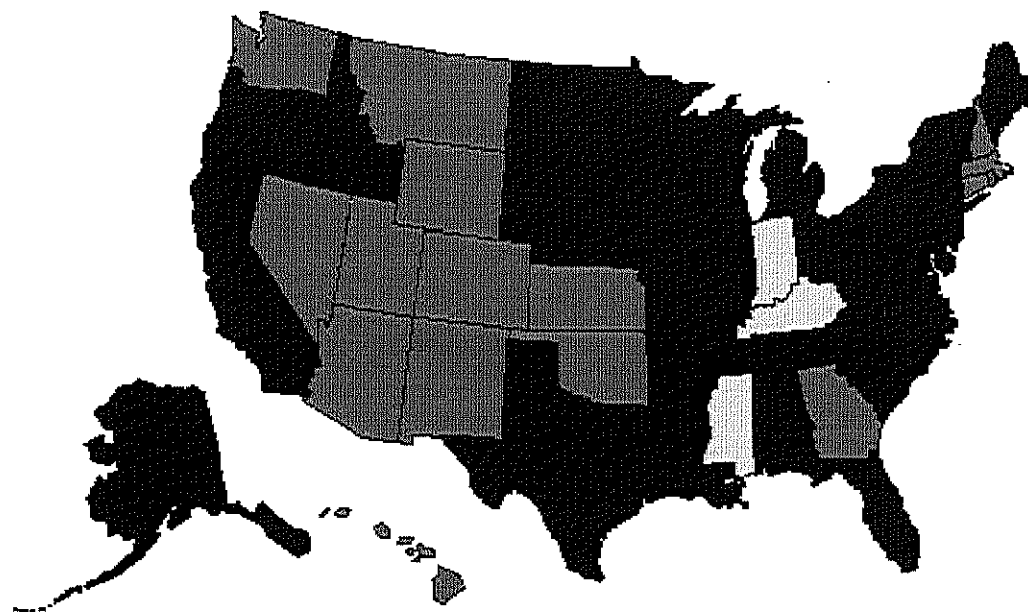
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BRESS, 1997

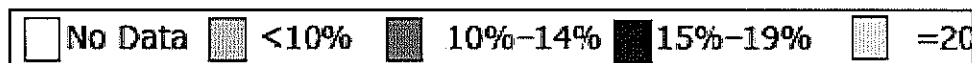
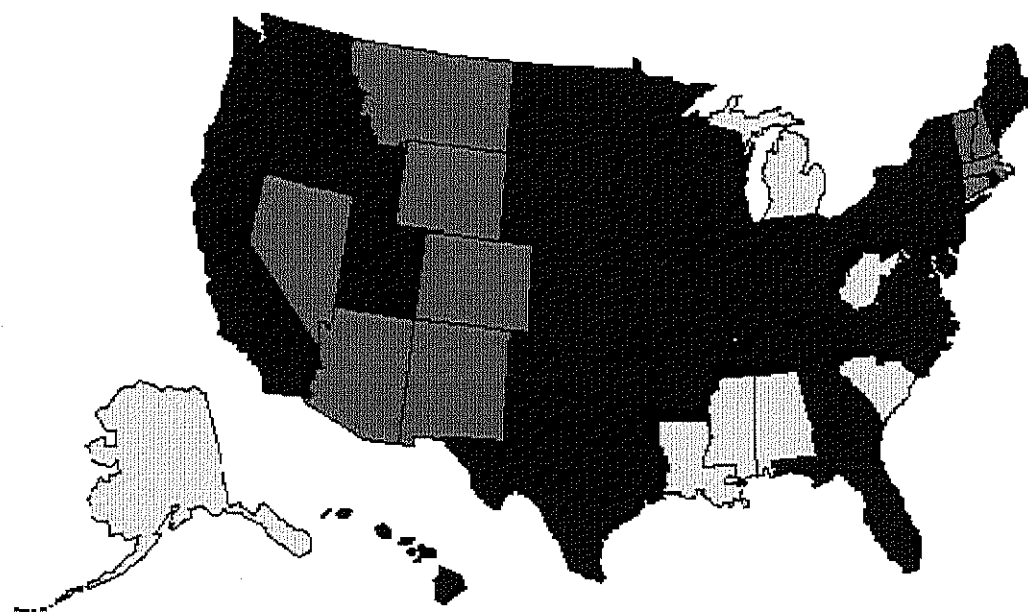
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

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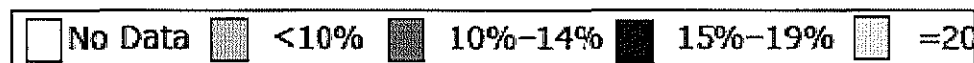
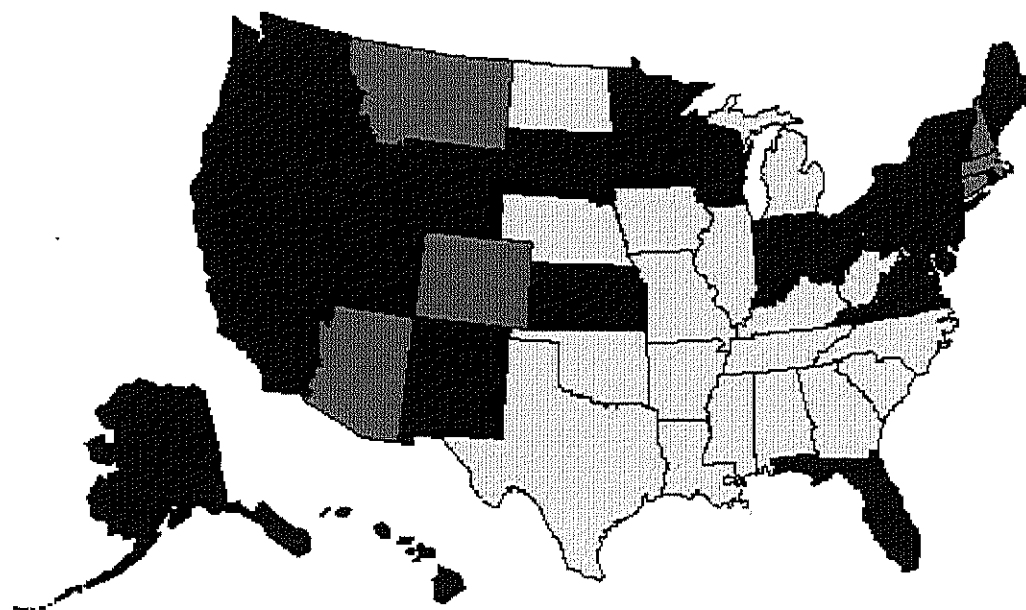
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

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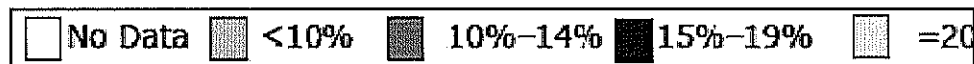
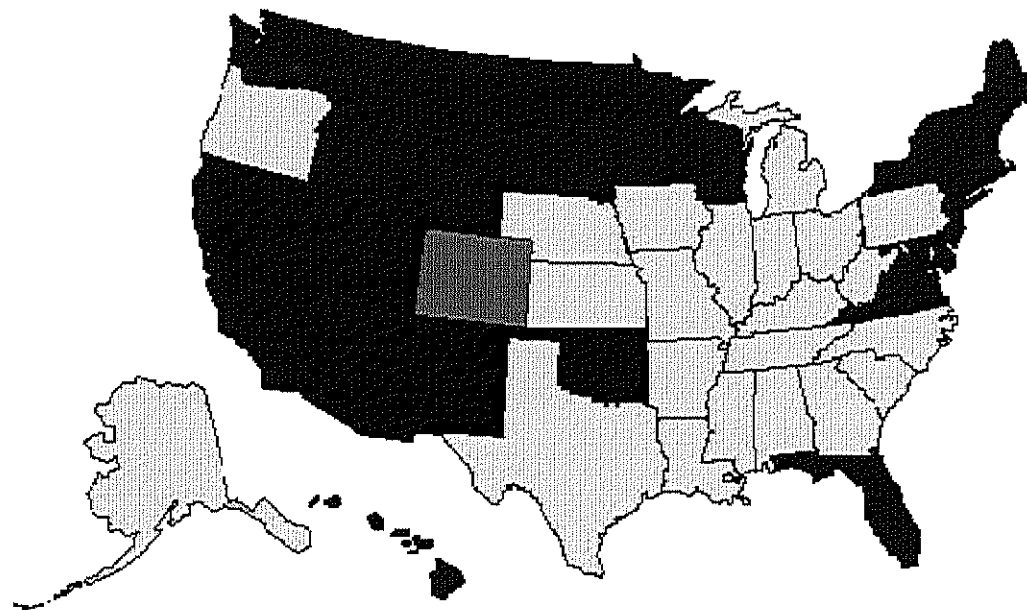
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BRFSS, 2000

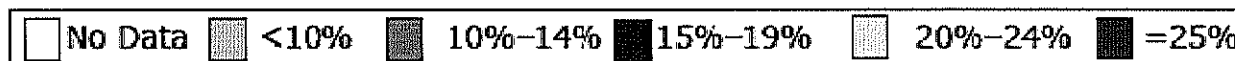
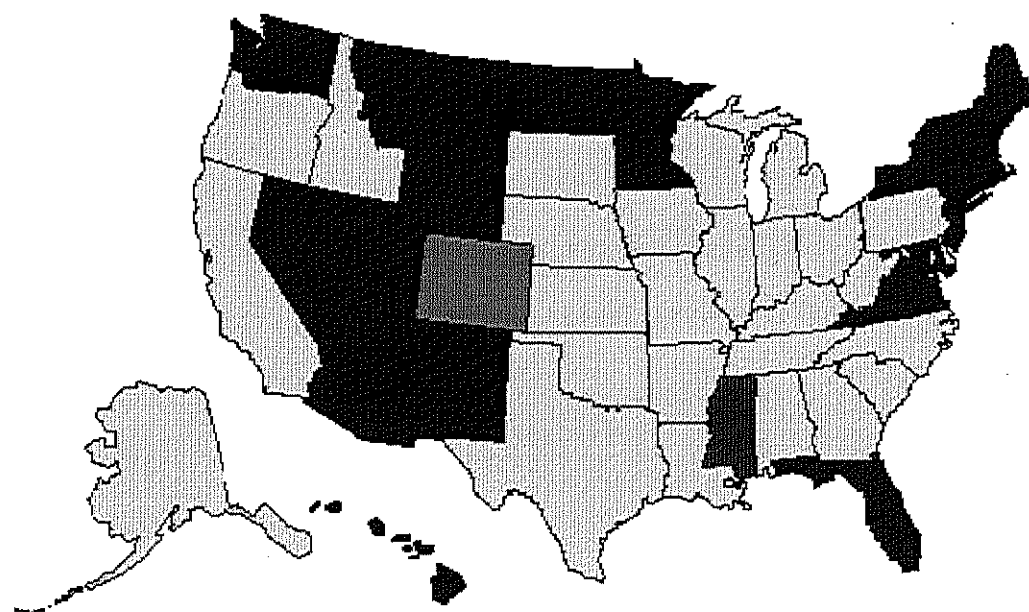
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Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BRFSS, 2001

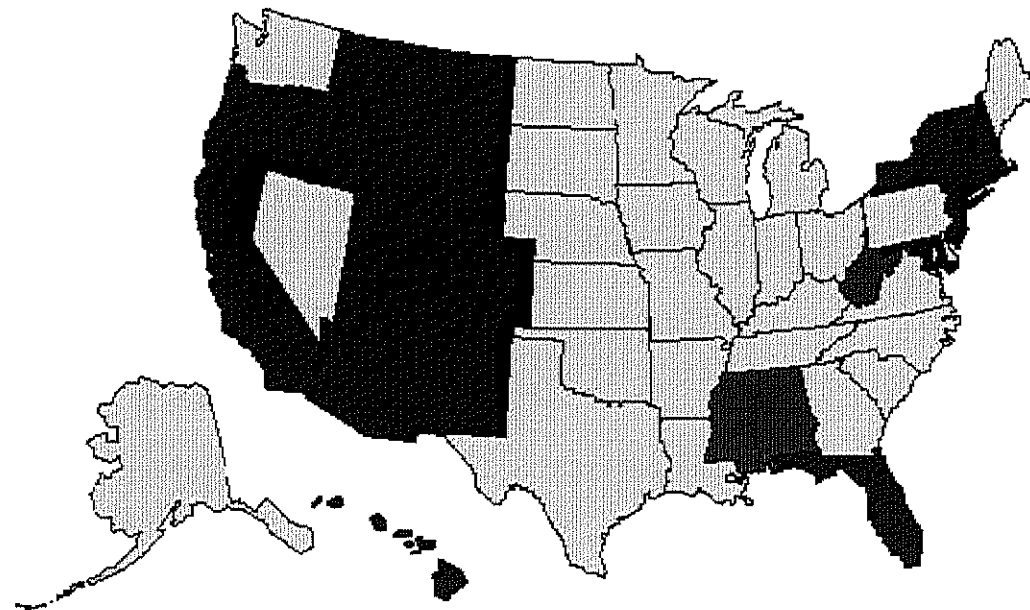
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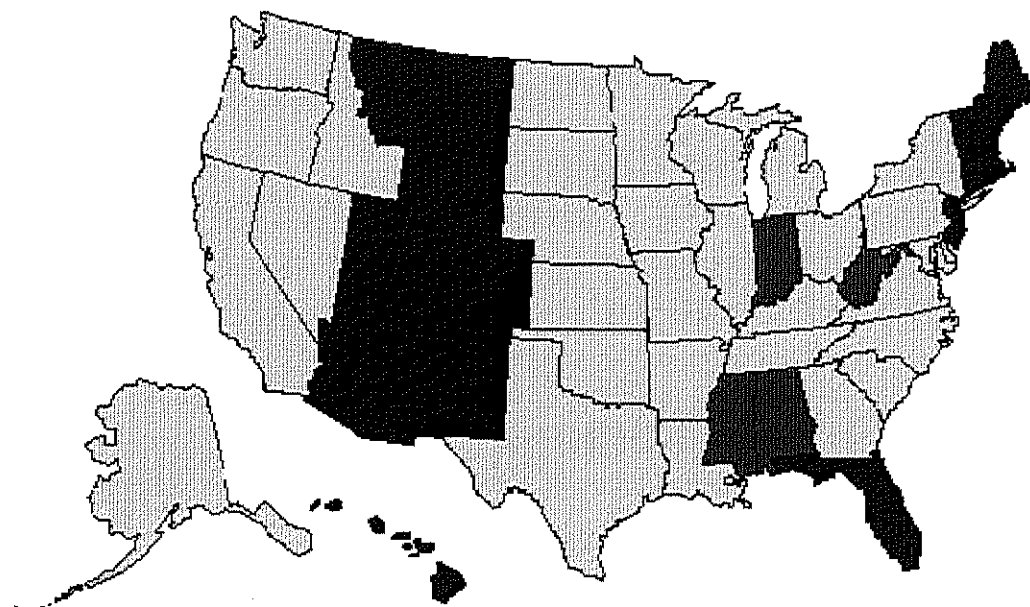
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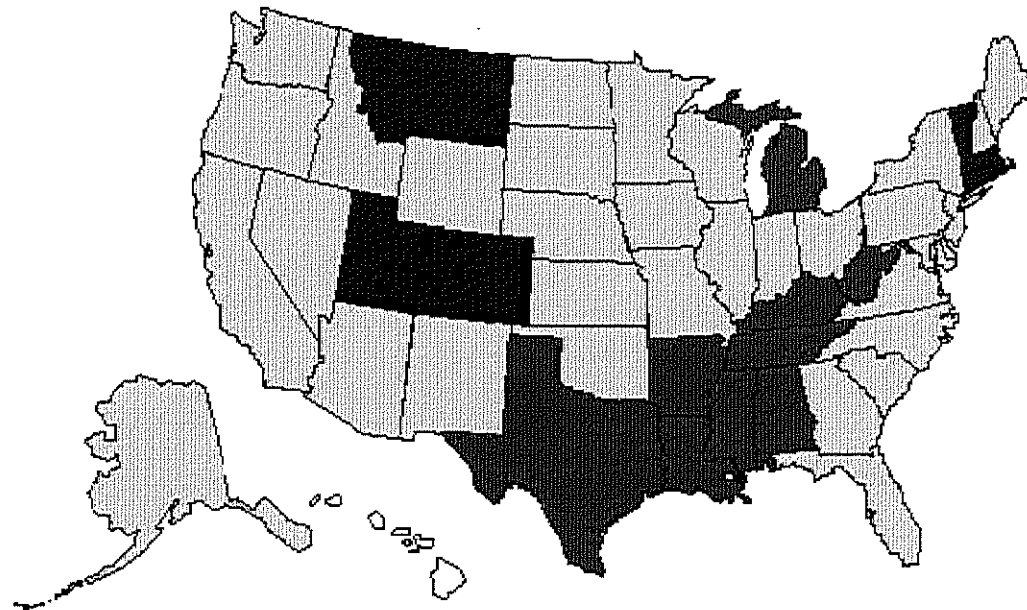
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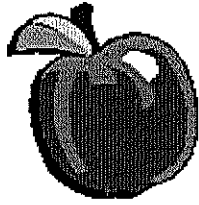


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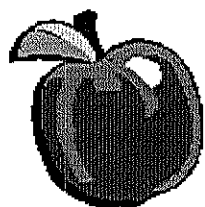




What about our children?

- US Kids 6-11 years old – Obesity rates have doubled
- US Teens 12-19 --Obesity rates have tripled
- In Oregon, 1 out of 5 teens have BMI's over 25

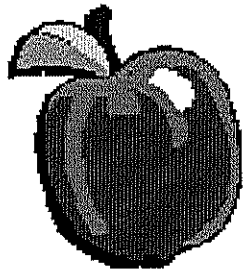




Overweight children and adolescents are more likely to remain overweight or become obese adults and develop chronic diseases such as heart disease, stroke, and diabetes

And there are serious health complications (and costs) from obesity





Being overweight matters

Research suggests that...

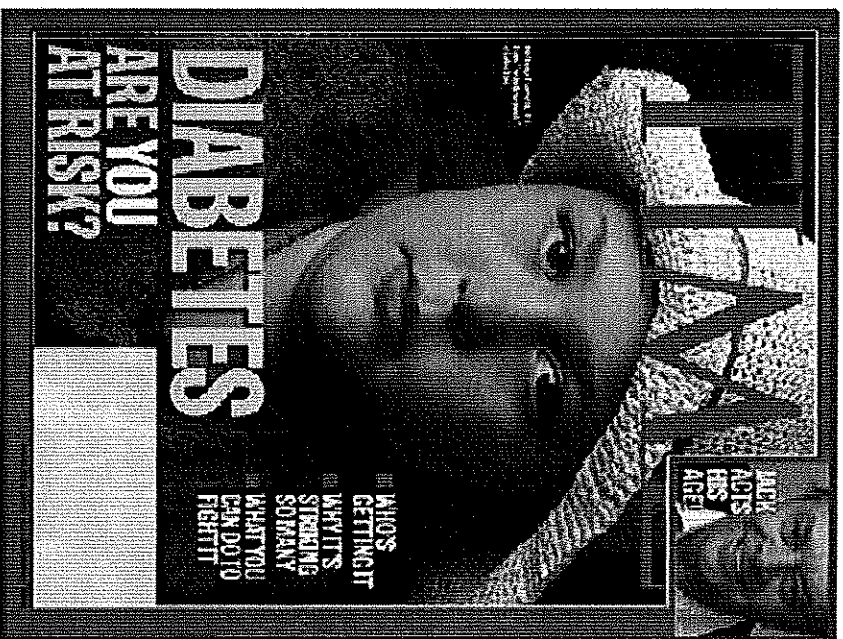
- Overweight teenage females, compared to girls of healthy weight, may:
 - Complete fewer years of school
 - Have lower incomes as adults
 - Have higher rates of poverty

Research also suggests:

- Overweight children and teens often:
 - Have negative self images
 - Are bullied more
 - Experience sadness and loneliness
 - Experience learning or behavior problems
 - Get involved in high risk behavior (drugs and sex)

» *Pediatrics*, 2000, 2001





Diabetes

*“One in three
children born in
the US in 2000
will become
diabetic ...”*

CDC ~ 06/15/03

Walkability Assessment, PEQI

- ▣ Our study was based on a walkability study created by the San Francisco Dept. of Public Health.
- ▣ The study, called the Pedestrian Environmental Quality Index (PEQI), consists of 21 street segment and 9 intersection factors associated with pedestrian environmental quality and safety, grouped into five domains:
 - ▣ Intersection Safety,
 - ▣ Traffic,
 - ▣ Street Design,
 - ▣ Land Use, and
 - ▣ Perceived Safety

How the Assessment Works:

- Various indicators for safety, security and aesthetics are recorded to objectively rate intersections and street segments. This is accomplished via volunteers.

Intersection Safety	Traffic	Street Design	Perceived Safety	Land Use
Cross walks Ladder crosswalks Countdown signal Signal at intersection Crossing speed Crosswalk scramble No turn on red Traffic calming features Additional signs for pedestrians	Number of vehicle lanes Two-way traffic Vehicle speed Traffic volume Traffic calming features	Width of sidewalk Sidewalk impediments Large sidewalk obstructions Presence of curb Driveway cuts Trees Planters/gardens Public seating Presence of a buffer	Illegal graffiti Litter Lighting Construction sites Abandoned buildings	Public art/historic sites Restaurant and retail use

PEQI Survey Form

Neighborhood:		Surveyed By:		Survey Date:	
Project:		Date Entered into Database:			
INTERSECTIONS					
Intersection CNN #:		Primary Street:			
		Secondary Street:			
	1. Crosswalk	2. Ladder Crosswalk	3. Pedestrian Signal	7. No Turn on Red Sign(s)	
			WITH count-down	NO count-down	
4 Directions					0
3 Directions					3
2 Directions					4
1 Direction					1
None					2
4. Traffic Signal at Intersection:		Yes			
		No			
		If Yes - Crossing Time: (seconds)			
8. Intersection Traffic Calming Features (TCFs):*		0 TCFs			
		1-2 TCFs			
		3-4 TCFs			
		5 or more TCFs			
Check all that apply:*					
* See PEQI manual for illustrations/definitions.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Curb extensions or bulbouts		<input type="checkbox"/> Pavement Treatments, Lights			
<input type="checkbox"/> Speed Tables		<input type="checkbox"/> Bike Lane at intersection			

Urban Environmental Quality Index (PEQI) Survey
 from Department of Public Health, Program on Health, Equity and Sustainability, www.sph.usf.edu
 (rev. August 2008)

Neighborhood: _____ Surveyed By: _____ Survey Date: _____
 Project: _____ Date Entered into Database: _____

INTERSECTIONS

Intersection CNN #: _____ Primary Street: _____
 Secondary Street: _____

1. Crosswalk	2. Ladder Crosswalk	3. Pedestrian Signal	7. No Turn on Red Sign(s)
		WITH count-down	NO count-down
			0
			3
			4
			1
			2

8. Intersection Traffic Calming Features (TCFs):*

0 TCFs _____
 1-2 TCFs _____
 3-4 TCFs _____
 5 or more TCFs _____

Check all that apply:*

* See PEQI manual for illustrations/definitions.

☐ Curb extensions or bulbouts ☐ Pavement Treatments, Lights

☐ Speed Tables ☐ Bike Lane at intersection

9. Additional Signs for Pedestrians: Yes _____ No _____

10. Number of Lanes: _____
 (not including turning only lanes)

11. Two Way Traffic: Yes _____ No _____

12. Vehicle Speed - Is there a posted speed limit? Yes _____ No _____
 Speed Limit: _____

13. Street Traffic Calming Features: Check all that apply: _____


☐ Chicanes ☐ Street Median ☐ Speed Tables

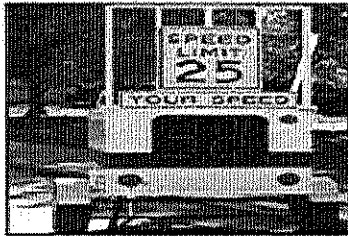
☐ Speed Humps ☐ Humpback Bump ☐ Roadway and Enforcement

A page out of the PEQI manual:

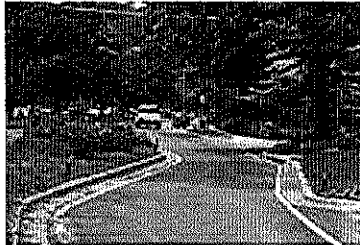
Street Traffic Calming Features (TCF's)

- Do NOT count the same TCF's from part I about the intersection
- Look for each one on the form
- Write X in all boxes that apply
- Write X in either yes or no, as appropriate

	13. Street Traffic	Yes	Note: See PEQI manual for illustrations and definitions.
	Calming Features:	No	
	Check all that apply:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Chicanes	<input type="checkbox"/> Street Medians	<input type="checkbox"/> Speed Tables	
<input type="checkbox"/> Speed Humps	<input type="checkbox"/> Rumble Strips	<input type="checkbox"/> Speed Limit Enforcements	



Speed Enforcements



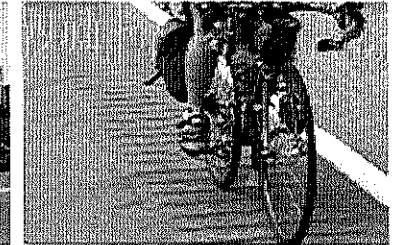
Chicane



Speed Hump



Street Median



Rumble Strips

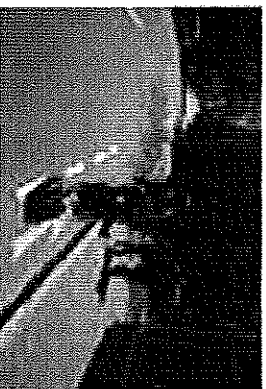
A page out of the BEQI manual:

BEQI: Street Design

Marked Areas for Bicycle Traffic



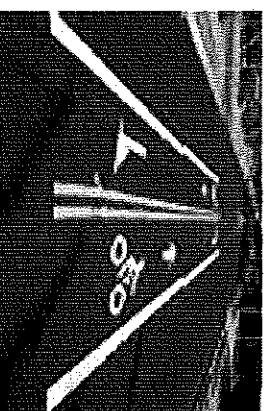
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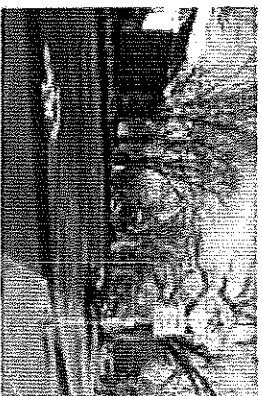
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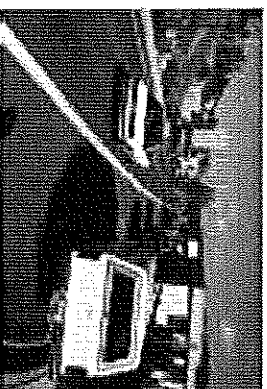
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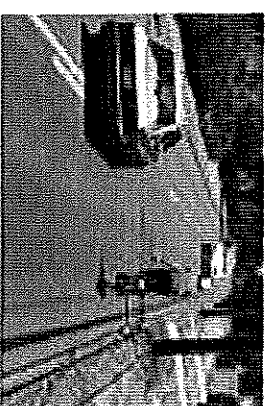
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We started recruiting volunteers early in the process

Recruitment of Volunteers:

Bike and Walk Study:

- Saturday, February 13th from 9-3pm
- 20 volunteers
- Detailed description of study
- Divided volunteers in teams of 2
- Assigned teams specific street segments and intersections
- Collect data, enter into Access database, bring into GIS to map results

The Dalles Walks

Walkability is one critical aspect
of a **HEALTHY, vibrant and
sustainable** community.

The North Central Public Health District along with the City of The Dalles, and Wasco County municipalities are organizing a walkability study for the Chenoweth neighborhood of the City of The Dalles.

Please consider joining us on February 13th when we walk the streets to measure the walkability of the Chenoweth neighborhood. The commitment is small, just one afternoon.

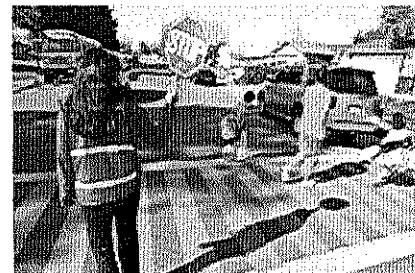
Date: February 13th, 2010

Time: 9-3 pm

Place: Chenoweth Elementary School
The Dalles, OR

Please help make The Dalles your place.
Contact Allyson Smith at (541) 506-2625
or Jeanette Montour at (541) 506-2565
to volunteer for this event.

* Lunch will be provided.



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North Central Public Health District



Walkability Assessment Day, Feb. 13th 2010



How the information is Used

- Data collected by volunteers is entered into an Access database & then brought into ArcGIS to be mapped
- Areas in need of improvement as well as potential safe routes can be easily seen through mapping
- Information informs policy makers and public: allowing prioritization of projects, and securing project funding

WALKABILITY SURVEY RESULTS

Results of 2010 Chenoweth neighborhood walkability study showing pedestrian conditions for streets and intersections.

Numbers in blue are numbers of vehicle crossings at the adjacent intersection. Zero figures indicate that data has not been collected for these areas.

Conclusions/Recommendations:






* Intersections need improvements

* In the interim, create an improved pathway between 7th and Chenoweth Loop to extend walkability between areas not currently improved.

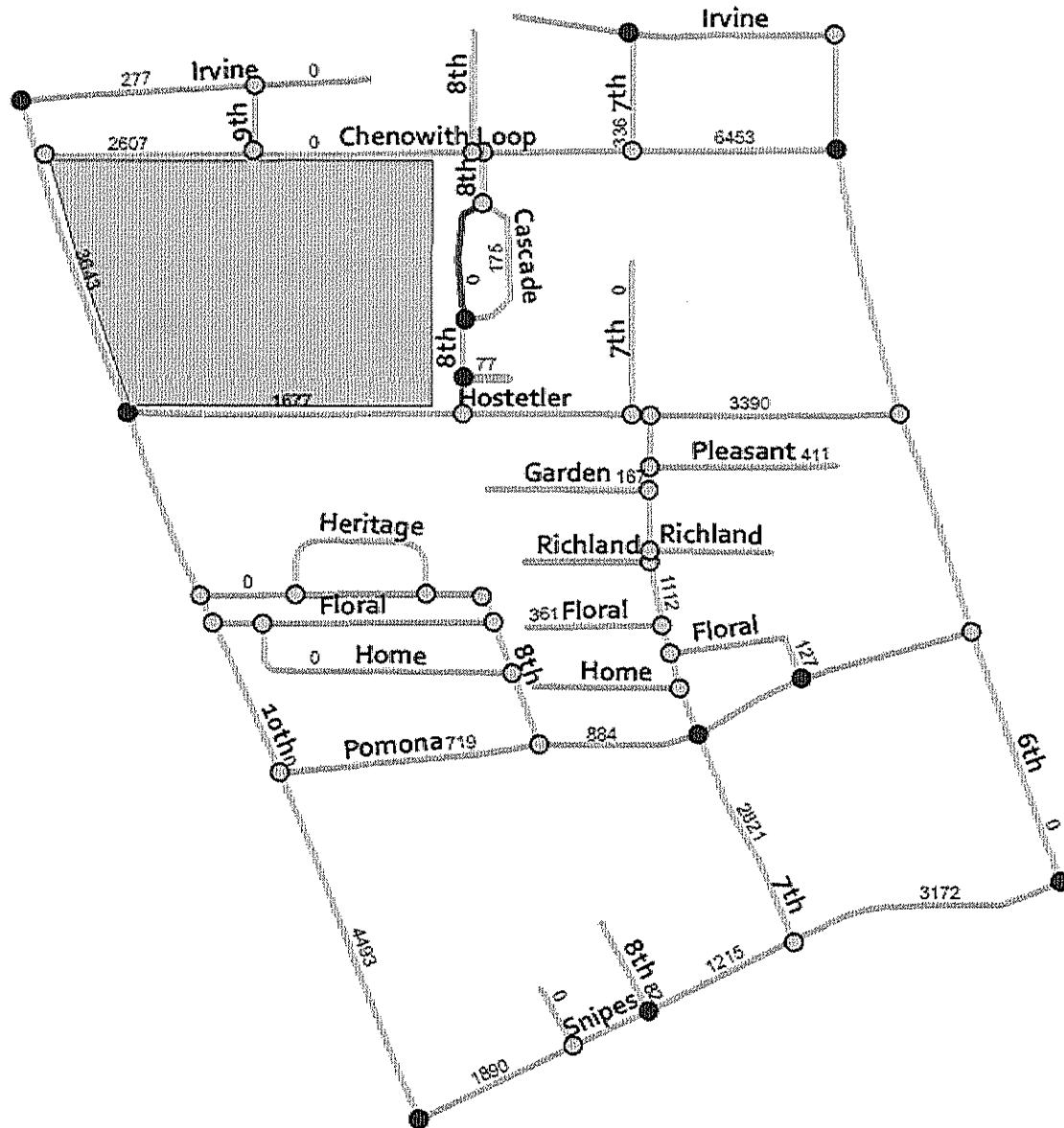
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 Chenoweth Elementary School Grounds

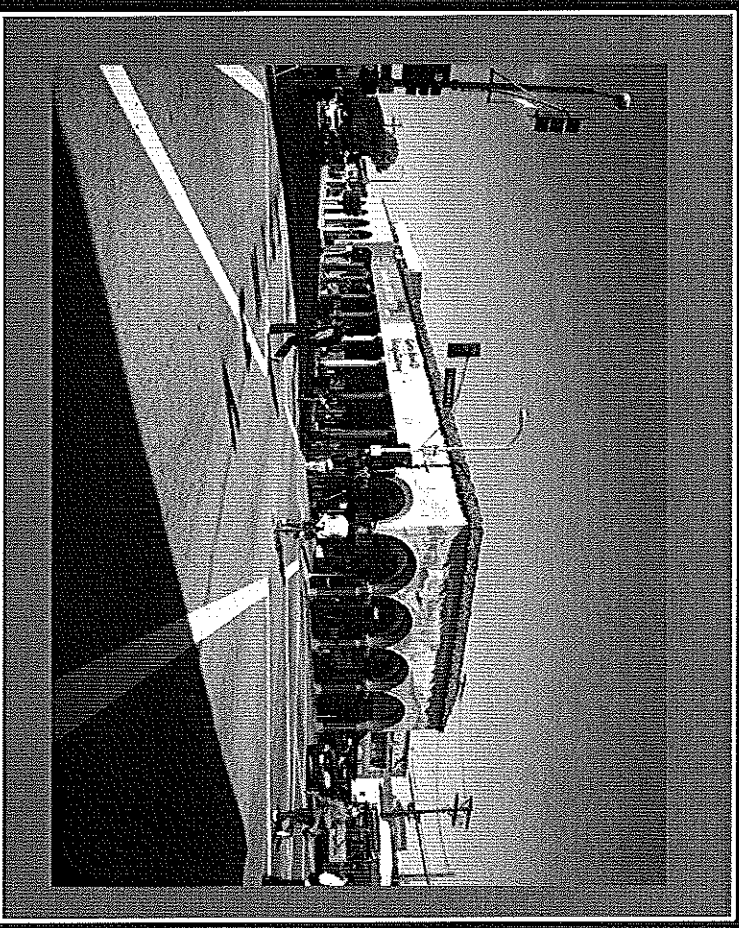
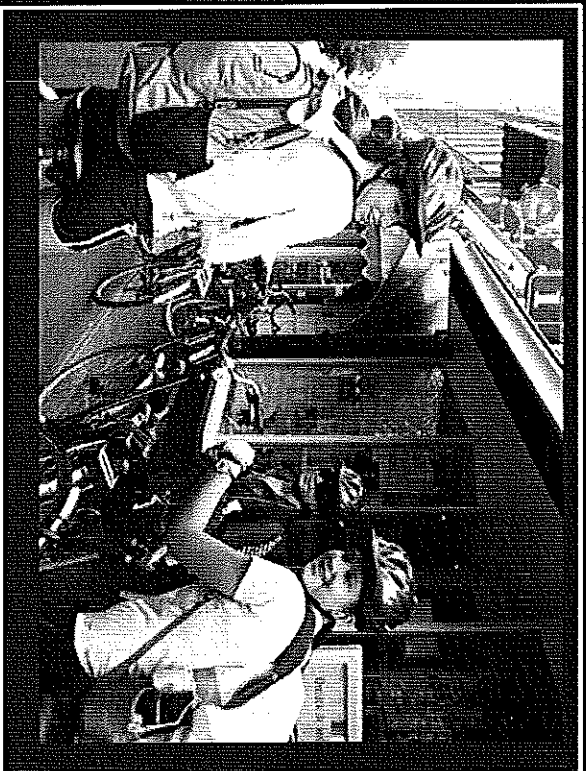
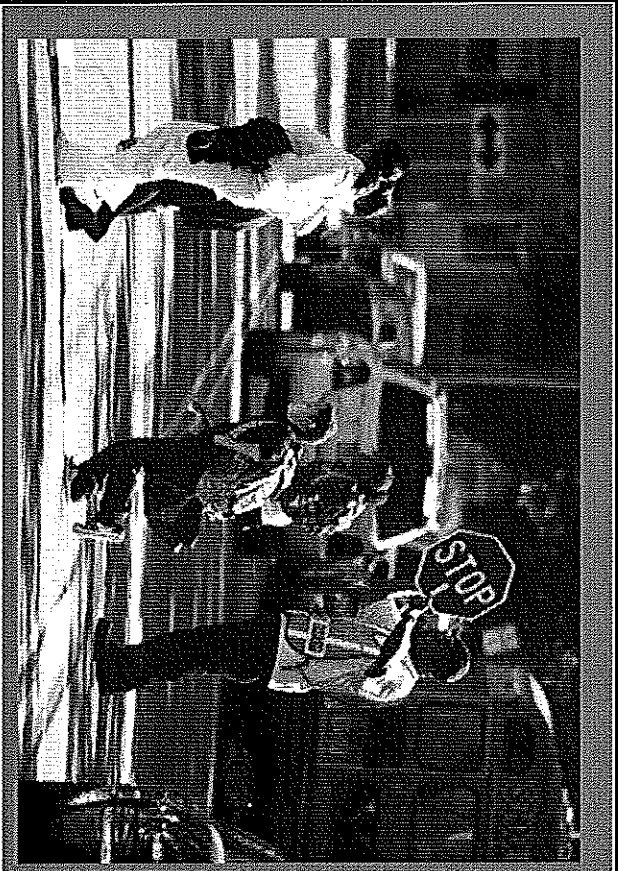
PEQI Intersections and Street Scores

-  poor quality, pedestrian conditions absent
-  low quality, minimal pedestrian conditions
-  average quality, pedestrian quality
-  high quality, some important pedestrian conditions present
-  highest quality, many important pedestrian conditions present

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Potential Partnerships



State and Federal Safe Routes to School

Community stakeholders, in a multidisciplinary team of partners committed to working together in developing a community vision can greatly improve their local routes to school.

The steps to take include:

- Compiling Information,
- Setting Priorities,
- Identification of Resources,
- Securing Funding, and
- Formulating a Plan.

The PEQI can be instrumental in the important task of performing an inventory and identifying safety needs or hazards around schools.

The Safe Routes to Schools committee must compile information and seek out resources. Alternatives must be proposed to correct those needs or hazards.

The list of alternatives must then be prioritized and the best alternatives adopted to propose short-term and long-term safety solutions in the form of projects.

Applications should be submitted to secure funding for projects identified within the plan.

Safe Routes to Schools Locally

Community stakeholders interested in Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) in The Dalles include:

• North Clatsop Public Health District

• North Wasco County School District

• Mt. Columbia Medical Center

• The Dalles Cycling Assn., who attended a Safe Routes to Schools training this past year, and those who have an interest or want to coordinate to get involved.

• Statement Julie Yip, the Safe Routes to School Coordinator at (503) 956-4465, Fax: (503) 956-4334, Email: Julie.A.Yip@odot.state.or.us, Oregon Division, Oregon Dept. of Transportation, 235 Union St., Salem, OR 97301-1254

<http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TS/saferoutes.shtm#Program> News Information

Currently, there are grant funds available to support SRTS activities. See the <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TS/saferoutes.shtm#Program> for more information.

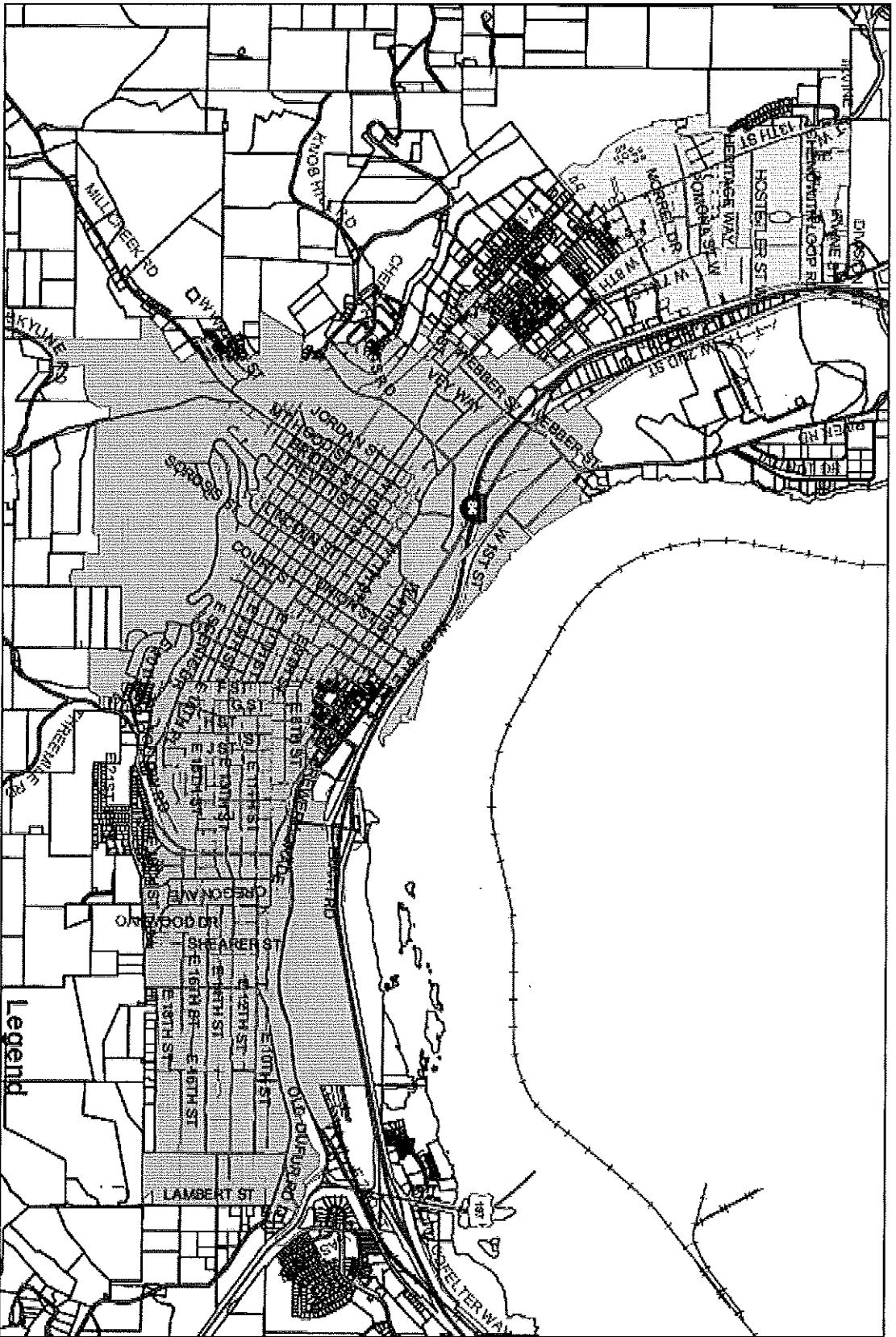
Community Transportation Act

Representative Earl Blumenauer(OR) just introduced the Active Community Transportation Act, H.R.4722, on March 2nd 2010. This groundbreaking bill creates a competitive grant program with \$2 Billion to help communities build bicycling and walking networks. For the first time, communities would be able to compete for multi-year funding to build active transportation systems, just as they do for transit and road infrastructure.

“Too often we take for granted the value of being able to bike and walk to work,” said Blumenauer. “It’s unfortunate that many communities don’t have the infrastructure in place to make active and healthy forms of transportation more accessible. The ACT transportation grants will make it easier for people to get out of their vehicles and onto sidewalks or bikes, boosting both heart rates and community vitality.”

<http://www.peoplepoweredmovement.org/site/index.php/tags/tag/active-transportation>




The Dalles Walkability Studies



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Legend

-  Phase_1-Chenoweth Elementary
-  Phase_2-Colonel Wright Elementary
-  Phase_3-Dry Hollow Elementary

Looking forward to sustaining this project:

The potential exists to keep this process going throughout our town. Sustainability of this project will be a priority.

We will need support from leadership within our community.

Will you support us?