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Members of the Joint Committee:

I've driven Hall Blvd, esp. south of 99W to Durham Road, hundreds of time during my 33 year as a Tigard resident and as a past 16-year member of the TTSD School Board. In a word, it's a disaster (or multiple disasters) waiting to happen, if it, in fact, remains and stays out of the City of Tigard control, ....meaning that without this transfer of authority little will ever be done, prospectively, to improve this highly traveled road. I highlight the areas ....especially from the Bonventure Adult care facility north to 99W. There are stretches along Hall that are 'reasonable', from Bonita south to Durham Road, .....but north-ward....it's a mess! e.g., .the intersection at Hall / Scoffins and Hunsdecker is a perfect auto/pedestrian storm, and nightmare; then the railroad tracks just south of that awkward intersection, and going further south just north of and at Burnham, and the lack of adequate sidewalks all along that stretch, until you get to and past Bonita is ghastly for pedestrians, and vehicular (including bicycle) traffic.

Your job, ladies and gentlemen, like mine was as TTSD Board Member, is first and foremost the safety of your constituents...all of them. If the State, county or whomever prefer to ignore this area and the constant public safety threat that it now embodies, you all can do the right and smart thing and transfer jurisdiction / improvements, etc. of Hall Blvd to the City of Tigard. They'll make the improvements and in so doing save lives, and quite frankly get you all off the hook!. This is a 'win/win' scenario, and an easy vote for you.

The clock is ticking !  
Dr. Barry Albertson