

# Project Purpose and Need



## Project Purpose

Provide a long-term sustainable solution at Last Chance Grade that will:

- Provide a more **reliable connection**
- Reduce **maintenance costs**
- Protect the **economy, natural resources, and cultural resources**



## Project Need

A long-term sustainable solution will address:

- Economic ramifications of a long-term failure and closure
- Risk of delay/detour to the traveling public
- Increasing maintenance and emergency project costs
- Increases in the frequency and severity of large storm events caused by climate change

When Last Chance Grade is closed, there is a 449 mile, 8-hour detour between Crescent City and Klamath.

