

Highway 138 Corridor Solutions Study



Summary of Discussion

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

Kick-Off Meeting
9:00 A.M. to Noon
January 30, 2006

Attendees

Rick Castle, City of Roseburg Public Works
Mike Luttrell, Douglas County Public Works
Ray Lapke, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Traffic Operations Engineer
Chris [Blevins](#), ODOT Roadway/Bridge Design
James Burford, ODOT Roadway/Bridge Design Manager
Tom Hawksworth, Central Oregon and Pacific Railroad (CORP)
Ron Hughes, ODOT Access Management
John Raasch, ODOT Environmental Project Manager
Mike Baker, ODOT Project Manager
Thanh Nguyen, ODOT Transportation Analyst
Brian Davis, Roseburg City Planning
Jennifer Danziger, David Evans and Associates (DEA), Inc. Senior Project Manager
John Wiebke, DEA Project Manager

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Introductions and Project Overview

Following introductions of those present, Mike Baker (ODOT) opened the meeting by providing a brief summary of the December 5th CAC kick-off meeting. Afterward, Jennifer Danziger (DEA) and John Wiebke (DEA) gave a PowerPoint presentation describing the Purpose, Need and Goal statements that evolved from the three December committee meetings and that are outlined in Technical Memo #1. The contents of Technical Memo #2 were summarized, beginning with a review of documents pertinent to the Study such as the City and County TSPs, Oregon Highway Plan, Roseburg Comprehensive Plan and City Ordinance, OR 138E Access Management Plan, Oregon Rail Plan, Downtown Master Plan and Waterfront Concept Plan. Next, a summary of the environmental reconnaissance and existing land uses was presented that included Goal 5 resources, FEMA floodplain information, historic and archaeological resources, air quality, socioeconomic and environmental justice, hazardous materials, wetlands, existing land uses, and Section 4(f) resources was presented. The presentation then shifted to traffic analysis and a discussion of the results of traffic counts and origin-destination license plate surveys, collision data collected, and existing deficiencies in the transportation system.

The presentation concluded with a brief summary of the next task, which will entail analyzing future conditions based on the no-build scenario. The consultant team will conduct the 20 year forecast from 2005 to 2025 and then extrapolate the projections out to 2030.

Project Discussion Items

Committee members addressed the following questions, comments and concerns:

- The TAC were informed of a comment raised by CAC members noting that there was no need statement addressing transit.
- Is there anything known about archaeological locations?
- Summary of freight movements is missing from the O/D data.
- It might have been useful to measure O/D trip between Garden Valley and Diamond Lake Boulevards.
- The collision data recorded at the Diamond Lake/Winchester intersection occurred before the intersection was improved with a protected left turn lane off of Diamond Lake Boulevard.
- The railroad switching yard relocation will be complete by August/September.
- Inter-modal freight facilities will be constructed.
- Winchester has bike lanes from Diamond Lake to Stephens Street.
- Thanh Nguyen questioned the model employment projections for the Diamond Lake corridor given the Mixed Use designations in the vicinity. The overall figures appear low, which will affect the accuracy of the 2030 no-build projections or Task 5.

- The City is considering expanded transit options that may include planned transit service expansion.
- Does the railroad industry and CORP in particular differentiate lane closures or do all railroad crossings have equal status.

Next Steps

The next meeting will be held on February 27, 2007 and will discuss the Task 5 future condition (2030) no build analysis.