

Subject: Stakeholder Meetings	
Client: Arizona Department of Transportation	
Project: Bullhead City Transportation Plan	Project No: 104966
Meeting Date: May 7 and 8, 2009	Meeting Location: Bullhead City Hall

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), in partnership with Bullhead City, is preparing a Transportation Plan for Bullhead City. The Transportation Plan will address the needs of the Bullhead City community and identify priorities, potential improvements, and policies to improve the transportation system. The plan will provide guidelines to integrate different modes of transportation into an efficient system and outline a 2015, 2020, and 2030 year Transportation Improvement Program for Bullhead City.

As part of this effort a series of stakeholder meetings were held at City Hall on May 7th and 8th, 2009. HDR, the consultant contracted by ADOT and the City to prepare the Plan, coordinated these meetings.

In all, fifty-six letters were sent out to stakeholders representing some thirty-three different entities. Stakeholders included City elected officials and staff from both Bullhead City and Laughlin, and Mohave County; public safety and transportation representatives from the City, Mohave County and local school districts and the Community College; business people from Bullhead City and Laughlin Chambers of Commerce, the real estate community and members of the Bullhead Regional Economic Development Authority; resource managers from BLM, State Land and Arizona Game and Fish; local Indian communities and gaming interests; and the local utilities.

Meetings were arranged as focus groups with the following groupings: City staff, City elected officials, education, landowner, municipal, Native American, public safety, recreation, resource, and utilities. A total of twenty-six individuals participated in the discussions. The notes on the following pages represent the topics discussed and information presented.

The following is a list of entities contacted for stakeholder interviews:

- Arizona Department of Public Safety
- Arizona Game & Fish
- Arizona State Lands Department
- AVI Resort & Casino
- Bullhead 4-Wheelers Inc.
- Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce
- Bullhead Area Transit System
- Bullhead City
- Bullhead City Elementary School District
- Bullhead City Fire Department
- Bullhead City Police Department
- Bullhead Regional Economic Development Authority
- Bullhead/Mohave Valley Board of Realtors
- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Bureau of Land Management
- Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado Regional Office
- Chamber of Commerce
- Colorado River Indian Tribes
- Colorado River Union High School District
- Fort Mojave Indian Tribe
- Laughlin, Town Board
- Mohave Community College
- Mohave County
- Mohave County Floodplain District
- Mohave County Public Schools
- Mohave County Transportation Commission
- Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- Mohave Valley Elementary School District
- Mohave Valley Fire Department
- NPG Cable
- Southwest Gas
- Town of Laughlin
- US Army Corps of Engineers

Subject: Stakeholder Meeting – Business Group 815	
Client: Arizona Department of Transportation	
Project: Bullhead City Transportation Plan	Project No: 104966
Meeting Date: May 7, 2009	Meeting Location: Bullhead City Hall
Notes by: Michael LaBianca	

Attendees: See attached

Topics Discussed:

- SR95
 - Realignment
 - Refer to SR95 Website for additional information
 - Bypass route is not a concern to business owners
 - Laughlin Ranch Road (just north of Pass Canyon) – needs to push through to 95 – open up for land development.
 - Historically a 2-lane road (SR95)
 - Traffic @ Joy Lane significant.
 - SR95 is really a local road as far as operation.
 - Bullhead Parkway access map shows the existing access points (one is Laughlin Ranch)
 - Airport exit handle weight of a C-5 aircraft, one of the longest runways in the state.
 - Bridge location needs good access
 - Can bridge access become Alt. Route 95?
 - Riverview Drive access connecting to SR 95, could carry on 5 lanes to Bullhead Parkway.
 - Vanderslice is important route to be developed
 - Mohave Valley – only access to 95
 - Brackman is a key alignment
 - Laughlin
 - 24k Homes projected in the current master plan (doesn't include Colorado River Conservation lands)
 - Don't see large retail attracted (not enough population base) focusing on planning light industrial
 - Commercial
 - Airport area is key
 - Also seeing along Bullhead Parkway - need additional east-west connections to address
 - Limiting access (as has been shown at Lipan Blvd and SR95) – is key to safety
 - Thunderstruck access to Hancock should be eliminated - signals too closely spaced
 - Can address through a relocated H.S. access point
 - Look at signal timing Hancock Road south of SR95
 - Direct access to I-40 would be key for more industrial development.
 - Business could locate here if access existing.
 - Courtwright Road another option (where Vanderslice will end, 14 miles from Parkway) turn for “golden shores”. Brackman another options.
 - Issue with improvements to Needles Parkway, San Bernardino concerned with California providing access to Nevada gaming.
- Laughlin Chamber recommended Right-of-Way thru tribal lands, tribes have been receptive (request copy from Janet Medina, Laughlin Chamber of Commerce)
- Fort Mohave Indians have jointed the Economic Development Authority

- Chamber Development Map (request copy from Mike Conner)
- EDA interested in a "Main Street Program" for original Bullhead, looking to get acknowledged (Airport to Chamber of Commerce)
- ROW limits in this area with turn back, Arizona turns back to City – What about "business route"
- Recognition made of the work of Mike Kondelis, ADOT, for the City

Action/Notes:

- Items preceded by arrow require follow-up

Meeting Notes

Sign-In

Bullhead City Transportation Study

Business Focus Group

MEETING LOCATION: Bullhead City Hall, Room 240

MEETING DATE & TIME: May 7, 2009 at 8:00 AM

	NAME	COMPANY/ AFFILIATION	ADDRESS	PHONE	E-MAIL
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4.	Janet Medina	Laughlin Nevada Chamber of Commerce	1585 S. Casino Dr. Laughlin, NV 89029	(702) 298-2141	jmedina@laughlinchamber.com
5.	Ashford Todd	Bullhead City FIRE Dept - CHAIR	B/C 86442 1441 E Monte Vista	928 542 6193	83AshTodd@gmail.com
6.	Barbara Pape	BATS Commissioner		928-758-2639	bpape.63137@aol.com
7.	Dennis DeSauts	BHCPS	1255 MARABUCL	928-763-9200	bhctrffic@frontiernet.net
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Subject: Stakeholder Meeting – City Staff	
Client: Arizona Department of Transportation	
Project: Bullhead City Transportation Plan	Project No: 104966
Meeting Date: May 7, 2009	Meeting Location: Bullhead City Hall, Room 200
Notes by: Michael LaBianca	

Attendees: See attached

Topics Discussed:

- Looking for balance in land use to provide necessary mix of uses and densities to support transit
- Seeing new development mostly to east of Parkway
- Transit
 - Green Line is a new deviated fixed route, connects with the Red Line at boat ramp
 - Serves numerous apartment complexes and assisted living facilities and up to Katherine’s Landing
 - 5 year Rural Transportation Plan (recently adopted) – request from Sandy Smith
 - Concern of transit bus stop pull outs
- General Plan (2012) City preparing to update
- Additional e/w routes, n/s route needed throughout City
- Since 2002 Plan, Mohave and Oatman
- Laughlin Ranch Road could connect to proposed SR95
- Section 12 Strategic Plan
 - Shows new align “River Center” as new road
- Tie-in for Laughlin Ranch Blvd. has changed
- San Bernardino
- Alt SR95 – 40 – 60
- Commercial vehicle traffic contingent on new bridge opening at Hoover Dam
- SR 95
 - average speed 35 / speed limit is 45
 - SR95 – BH parkway connection to alleviate traffic on SR 95
 - parallel routes internally
 - SR95 / 7th Street – pedestrian fatalities
 - move to 5th / SR95 for pedestrian safety.
- Not a lot of bicycle traffic, see a number of scooters (especially since fuel prices escalated), pedestrian traffic along SR95 & Hancock Road (2 schools on, 1 just off) – safety concern.
- Trail Master Plan
 - Look to construct in segments, City Hall and schools have been priority
 - General plan shows sections of trail (urban vs. rural)
 - Bicycles along thru SR 95 multipurpose trail would be really nice
 - Schools have been a priority
 - Sidewalks improvements critical to schools
 - SRTS, transportation director, Janice Wilhelm, HS (928) 788-1332 / 768-1665
- Recently annexed 160 acres (saw tooth area in S Bullhead) – make change on map
- Crash Data
 - Signals Thunderstruck/Hancock (high rate)

- Marina to Silver Creek - majority due to inattention, rear cards and access to businesses
- Look at raised medians to limit.
 - Discussion medians at some locations along SR95.
- Study identified business that were impacted by medians found few are (except time sensitive)
- 22 signals in City
- SR 68
 - Landon Road SR 68 – Signal configuration at Landon an issue
 - signal may interfere with runaway truck ramp – coordination (ramp is below Landon)
 - Grade separation one option
 - state reduced speed limit (1st time in state) - at milepost 15 trucks doing 50
 - Landon on hold due to economic circumstances
- Fire Department
 - Laughlin Ranch Road extension for SR95 –additional station in future
 - River Center Road up through Section 12.
 - General Plan amendment shows the alignment – will address response time
 - Fire Department – 5 stations
 - Katherine Heights (Station 3)
 - Laughlin Ranch is far point for response time
- Transit seeing more and more ADA
- Bridge location(s)
 - Riverview
 - Could accommodate 5 lanes on Oatman (ROW exits)
 - Rainbow
 - Parkway location
 - Clearwater Shores, residential subdivision
 - State land parcel on SR95
- Just added bike rack on busses
- Trails don't come in Highway
- Wal-Mart to Nature Center
 - Trails that have been completed are a real improvement
 - Laughlin moving with trails along river from Davis Dam to south, looking to connect with Bullhead City

Action/Notes:

- Items preceded by arrow require follow-up
- Charlene FitzGerald to send invite to all stakeholders for next outreach events

Meeting Notes

Sign-In

Bullhead City Transportation Study

City Focus Group

MEETING LOCATION: Bullhead City Hall, Room 240

MEETING DATE & TIME: May 7, 2009 at 9:00 AM

	NAME	COMPANY/ AFFILIATION	ADDRESS	PHONE	E-MAIL
1.	TIM ERNSTER	CITY OF BULLHEAD CITY	2355 TRANE RD. BHC A2 86442	928-743-1122	TIM@BULLHEADCITY.COM
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3.	Keith Survillas	BATS		733 931 0001	ksurvillas@gmail.com
4.	SANDY SMITH	BATS	"	928 763 9400 ^{x374}	SSSMITH@BULLHEADCITY.COM
5.	Karla Brady	BHC	"	928 763-9400 x207	kbrady@bullheadcity.com
6.	Dave Heath	BHC	2047 Commercial Way BHC, AZ 86442	928 763-0158	dheath@bullheadcity.com
7.	Nancy Sinagoga	Colorado River Union High School District	P.O. BOX 21479 Bullhead City, AZ 86442	928 7681665	nsinagoga@cr.uhsd.org
8.	Janice D. Paul	BHC	2355 Trane Road BHC, AZ 86442	928 763-0123	jpaul@bullheadcity
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Subject: Stakeholder Meeting – Education	
Client:	
Project: Bullhead City Transportation Plan	Project No: 104966
Meeting Date: May 7, 2009	Meeting Location: Bullhead City Hall
Notes by: Michael LaBianca	

Attendees: See attached

Topics Discussed:

- A new school is scheduled for about 5 years / subject to growth
 - For High School, year after
- Growth is occurring south of Bullhead Parkway (develop occurring in North Oatman area) – elementary needed here
 - All schools feed into Diamondback Elementary School (E/S) –
- Completion of North Oatman helped with bussing
- Target area of Community College for east-west connection
- 2 E/S ~ 700 each and 3 additional E/S – combined enroll ~ 700
- New Junior High school up by Laughlin Ranch BHP area
- East – west is difficult
- Like to see Miracle Mile improved, pavement bad
 - Miracle Mile would provide congestion relief to SR 95, extending it would help more.
- Hancock / Silver Creek recently improved
- General road conditions are poor
- Riviera Neighborhood
 - Streets are narrow, difficult for busses and dangerous for children
 - Riviera Neighborhood is ½ school population
 - Challenging through this area
 - Riverview and Lakeside roads are narrow
 - High numbered registered sex offenders causes concern.
 - Walk only if desire, provide bussing to all children
 - Lack of sidewalks in river bend area
 - Special Needs Routes (door to door pick-ups) difficult in bend area.
- Katherine Heights
 - Going to be a problem
- Hancock / Lakeside
 - 3 schools transportation dept. and district office
- Bullhead City Junior High School
 - 650 enrollment
 - Load/unload within ½ hour of each other (JR H and HS)
- Canyon Elementary
 - 700 enrollment
 - No crosswalk at Junior High
 - Last year child was hit
 - Could use a crosswalk at this location (Hancock) – there is school zone on Lakeside

- Concern with bus stops – nice to have in designated areas – may be shared with public transit
 - There are shared routes/stops between schools
- Issue with vehicles parked on side of street
- Bullhead City Elementary School District uses 84 passenger busses
- Curbs and sidewalks don't exist -- parking is random
- Pedestrian Congestion
 - How to address traffic
 - Combined dismissal times challenging
 - Hancock is loaded with vacant land available
 - Provide route for off street trail would be helpful
 - No protected crosswalks in vicinity
 - Sequence of lights along SR-95
 - Blind spots along Highway – difficult pulling in and out
 - Hancock students trying to cross between lights
 - SR95/Hancock busiest at arrival/departure times
- Black Mountain would be useful east-west connector
- Mohave Drive realign to Adobe would be good

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Meeting Notes

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Bullhead City Transportation Study

Education Focus Group

MEETING LOCATION: Bullhead City Hall, Room 240

MEETING DATE & TIME: May 7, 2009 at 10:00 AM

	NAME	COMPANY/ AFFILIATION	ADDRESS	PHONE	E-MAIL
1.	William Allsbrook	BCESD#15	1004 Hancock	928-758-3941	wallsbrook@bullheadschoops.com
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Subject: Stakeholder Meeting – Municipal	
Client: Arizona Department of Transportation	
Project: Bullhead City Transportation Plan	Project No: 104966
Meeting Date: May 7, 2009	Meeting Location: Bullhead City Hall
Notes by: Michael LaBianca	

Attendees: See attached

Topics Discussed:

- Vanderslice still key interface with city
 - Where it ties into BHP is not hammered down – need to get official confirmation
 - Where it intersections BHP Vanderslice hooks to 1000’ radius and ties into planned DeSoto Way (in Mohave County ends @ Sterling)
 - Start as 2 lanes with ROW for 4 lanes
 - Access every section, ½ mile – no driveways
 - Set alignment, passed through Board of Development
 - Vanderslice portions are development driven
 - Vanderslice seen as alternative to BHP
 - Planned for 4-lane ultimate build-out
- Industrial Development
 - Rail would be helpful, unlikely unless supported by industry
 - Need access to I-40
 - Vanderslice at Courtwright – trucking (transfer) facility built
- Checkerboard land ownership pattern
 - Every other mile is Indian land, relationship has become more cooperative
- Mohave Mesa, Mohave Valley – growing constantly
- Private land owner has donated 50/60 acres for community park in unincorporated Mohave Count
- Needles cement bridge pedestrian removed back on to sides to 4-lane building access to I-40.
- Would like to see BHC bus system extended to Lower Valley
 - Fort Mohave north of Boundary Cone Road
 - Lower Valley south of Boundary Cone Road
- Bus allowed to stop on 95 now
- SR 95 at Boundary Cone Road 55 mph - no turn lanes (refer to improvements @ E Lipan Blvd)
- State government raiding HURF funds – less for counties
- Wiring an intersection for signals not expensive (~ \$16K)
- Loop BHC / Lake Havasu / Kingman – Tri-City bus route
- Mohave County Transportation
 - Transportation Commission - 3 members from each Board of Supervisors district (BHC – Mohave to Willow – District 2)
 - 2,000 miles of road (750 paved), Run 25 blades on unpaved streets
 - Receive \$1 m year to pave ~ equates to about 3 miles, \$550K ERP funds
- SR95 show all on map
- New City at intersection with I-40 and realigned SR 95 (proposed)

Action/Notes:

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Meeting Notes

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Bullhead City Transportation Study

Municipal Focus Group

MEETING LOCATION: Bullhead City Hall, Room 240

MEETING DATE & TIME: May 7, 2009 at 11:00 AM

	NAME	COMPANY/ AFFILIATION	ADDRESS	PHONE	E-MAIL
1.	Jim Roberts	COUNTY	2251 E Palmdale	330 2089	
2.	M. Ray Luekey	County	2941 La Paloma Dr	928 754-1941	
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Subject: Stakeholder Meeting – City Elected Officials	
Client: Arizona Department of Transportation	
Project: Bullhead City Transportation Plan	Project No: 104966
Meeting Date: May 7, 2009	Meeting Location: Bullhead City Hall, Room 200
Notes by: Michael LaBianca	

Attendees: Mayor Jack Hakim
 Councilwoman Leslie Blaydes
 Rob LaFontaine, Analyst/Government Affairs, Office of the City Manager
 See attached (sign-in not completed)

Topics Discussed:

- Trent / Titus \$20M appropriations for 2nd bridge
- Governors Task Force – convened meeting at Davis Dan
- Look at 'Alt 95' for state facility and state funding
- In February 2009 new ADOT director met with BHC
- Bullhead City is looking for Economic Development Authority (EDA) Director
- Original Bullhead "plan" for SR 95 is for "Main Street"
- Section 12, review the City's plan for this section
- Strip development commercial project being proposed for original BH at SR 95
- EDA – BHC contributes 60 percent, 10 percent less each year
 - Estimated contribution is \$129K this year
- Sam's Club – none in Kingman
 - ½ of business for store is from outside of City
- Tri-City Council
 - Really grown, Speaks with one voice for the region
- Airport
 - Looking to expand passenger service
 - Pursuing a commercial airline - 5 flights week regular, any of the following locations for connections at either Dallas, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Las Vegas
 - Kingman, Prescott, Phoenix, Great Lakes
 - February 2008 Grant – Mohave County Airport Authority – \$500K fed, \$500K municipalities
 - Airport has done a lot – airport committee active, raising matching funds
 - Once expansion see more traffic
 - Runway is 7,500 feet long, 3rd longest in State
- SR95 Economic Recovery Plan – repave Marina to McCormick (anticipated Fall 2009)
- Laughlin Bridge / SR95 – Hancock/95 year ago really bad, has been patched – much improved
- Section 20
 - State Lane interest (Jamie L. Hogue, Deputy State Land Commissioner, Arizona State Land)
 - Mixed use proposal, west portion residential, east commercial
 - Affordable housing (as identified in Housing Study)
- May 2008 Section 31 (across from Home Depot)
 - Brentwood LLC – condo development being proposed
 - Met with ADEQ others re: Sustainability
- Residents' desire beach area, see Section 12.
- "AlCaNa" – lot of traffic – 45,000
- Laughlin promoting trail from Fisherman's Access Park along Riverwalk down to Casino
- No impact fees or Property Tax
- Need to develop a strategic plan for Bullhead City

- Traffic
 - Have counts dropped?
→ HDR to look closer at #'s
 - What is the impact of enhanced transit service
 - Impact of Bullhead Parkway
- Redflex red light cameras in contract
→ Need to reply to article in Mohave Daily News on LOS

Action/Notes:

- Items preceded by arrow require follow-up

Meeting Notes

Sign-In

Bullhead City Transportation Study

City Elected Focus Group

MEETING LOCATION: Bullhead City Hall, Room 240

MEETING DATE & TIME: May 7, 2009 at 2:00 PM

	NAME	COMPANY/ AFFILIATION	ADDRESS	PHONE	E-MAIL
1.					
2.	Mayor Hakim	BHC	didn't sign in, arrived ~12:45		
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4.	Councilwoman Bld Blandes	BHC	didn't sign in, arrived ~1:15		
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Subject: Stakeholder Meeting – Utilities	
Client:	
Project: Bullhead City Transportation Plan	Project No: 104966
Meeting Date: May 7, 2009	Meeting Location:
Notes by:	

Attendees: See attached

Topics Discussed:

- Pipelines ideally look to piggy back with roads
- Within Bullhead City, n/s Routes are critical
- The power plant in Laughlin considering converting to natural gas
 - Currently on what's called a "permanent outage"
- Within the City there are two natural gas lines
 - El Paso
 - SW Gas Transmission (Serves Las Vegas)
- Identify drainages, real impediment within the City for development

Action/Notes:

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Meeting Notes

Sign-In

Bullhead City Transportation Study

Utilities Focus Group

MEETING LOCATION: Bullhead City Hall, Room 240

MEETING DATE & TIME: May 7, 2009 at 3:00 PM

	NAME	COMPANY/ AFFILIATION	ADDRESS	PHONE	E-MAIL
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Subject: Stakeholder Meeting – Resource Group	
Client:	
Project: Bullhead City Transportation Plan	Project No: 104966
Meeting Date: May 8, 2009	Meeting Location: Bullhead City Hall
Notes by: Michael LaBianca	

Attendees: See attached

Topics Discussed:

- Ownership map does not show latest bridge information (maps were provided for land ownership information only)
- BLM Lands in Laughlin planned for through the Las Vegas BLM district
- We have limited resources, is growth sustainable in this region
 - Sensitive lands especially to the east
- Roads to the east (Realign of SR 95) can be defined as edge of growth, look at design examples in Europe
 - Permeable to wildlife and recreation users
- Improvements necessary in BHC for transportation
 - Vanderslice is a good example
- Recreation and Public Purpose (RPP) lease
- Avi Bridge prepared to be expanded to 4-lanes
- Resource Management Plans
- Look at 93 as example for wildlife crossings
 - East of I-40 (Nothing AZ) Desert Tortoise, example of what went wrong
- Wash access is legal (refer to management plans)
 - RMP breaks it down – sometimes includes roads, sometimes includes trails, sometimes includes washes
- Fort Mohave issues with regard to burial grounds
- Game and Fish online resource tool for identifying endangered and threatened wildlife species
 - Look for sensitive species
- BLM Las Vegas and Needles office also have jurisdiction
- Landon alignment crosses State Land in Section 28

Action/Notes:

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Meeting Notes

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Bullhead City Transportation Study

Resource Focus Group

MEETING LOCATION: Bullhead City Hall, Room 240

MEETING DATE & TIME: May 8, 2009 at 9:00 AM

	NAME	COMPANY/ AFFILIATION	ADDRESS	PHONE	E-MAIL
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3.	Janice Strad	AZGFD	5225 N. Stratton Hill Rd Kingman AZ 86409	928-692-7700	jstrad@azgfd.gov
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