

Meeting Summary

NAVAJO COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, September 10, 2007

Location: Navajo County Public Works Department, Holbrook

Attendees:

See attached sign-in sheet.

WCI: Distribute total TAC List with current attendees in packet with meeting notes.

Introduction/ Background

- Southern Navajo Sub-Area Transportation Plan Overview - WCI developed new Transportation model in TransCAD
- Old Southern Navajo study upon adoption last year evolved into this Navajo County Regional Transportation Study (RTS)
- New study to integrate all on going state planning efforts into RTS
- New County model based on the ADOT statewide model instead of building from the Southern Navajo model to maintain a consistent platform and assumptions.

County:

- Inquired about public transit plans and analysis to be conducted in RTS.
 - Discussion centered on the planned reference to the statewide Transit study findings and recommendations which would influence/ impact our study area
 - RTS will also document local desire for transit connections between Flagstaff/ Winslow/ Holbrook/ Show Low/etc...

Working Paper #1 Comments

- No comments from ADOT District on Working Paper # 1
- No comments from City of Winslow
- No comments from City of Holbrook

County:

- Homero will review work plan and provide comments on or before September 17, 2008

Public Meeting

- Planned public meeting in October, 2008
 - 1 Holbrook, 1 Winslow

County:

- 2nd and 4th Tuesdays are council meetings in Holbrook and Winslow.
- Meetings start at 7:00 p.m.
- WCI could work to reserve council chambers for 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
 - Meeting Suzie Coffman, 928-289-2423
 - Scheduling Shar, Holbrook, 928-524-6225
 - Contacts Millage
- Set meetings for council night if no workshop is scheduled

Current Study Update

- Provided an overview of the current transportation study for the central portion of Navajo county
- Provided a land use review for each of the three primary planning areas:
 - Heber/ Overgaard
 - Holbrook
 - Winslow
- Provided a brief update on the statewide model development process and indicated how this study will utilize the statewide model as the basis for developing an integrated focus are model for Central and Southern Navajo County.
- Mark Woodson recommended that WCI develop an access control guideline for local facilities for council review and adoption. These guidelines could aid in managing access on key arterial facilities. Jim and Dan to send example presentations.
- Discussion followed concern about the turn back of B-40
- Charlene FitzGerald indicated that the State Access Control guidelines map recommendations are now posted on the state website.
- WCI will work with ADOT review example Access Control guidelines from the other SATS for application in our RTS.

Existing Condition topics:

- Traffic counts
- Segment capacity and performance
- Crash data (2003-06)
 - Charlene requested that an appendix be developed with the location of all the fatal crashes in Table format
 - Requested that total bike and pedestrian crashes be defined separately
 - Also develop inset maps for all key graphics. (see signal maps)
- Topographic

- Flood plains
- Wetlands
- Historic preservation

Summary of short-term needs

- Heber/ Overgaard
- Holbrook
- Winslow

ADOT:

- Will share traffic and safety data from work plan # 1 to ADOT traffic engineer in Flagstaff for review (Kent Link)
- Charlene to provide review comments by end of September, 2008

Winslow:

- Eastbound off ramp geometric issues at Transcon traffic interchange

Future Network Options to be tested

Discussions occurred regarding the future network connection options for Holbrook and Winslow. Based on discussions the following review comments were presented:

○ **Holbrook Topics**

- WCI to post new western connection across BNSF to link to the existing network on the south (need to do stakeholder interviews with BNSF and Apache RR?)
- New diagonal link to connect to SR 77 with local connection to the west as a “T” intersection
- Woodson recommended WCI remove the reference to by-pass and use “alternate route” terminology
- Bill Fraley will provide input on new development by end of September, 2008
- Homero will discuss key issues with Dusty and provide input
- WCI Will provide an update on schedule for public meetings and a draft version of slides to all TAC members for review and approval

○ **Winslow Topics**

- **Woodson:** Provided input on new development issues in Winslow and the impact on new flood plain designations which will effect development patterns and potential for the next 10-15 years north of I-40
 - Also, provided input on network edits for WCI graphics and modeling purposes
 - Modify slides to show double headed arrows for alternate routes for future consideration