



***I-70 Silverthorne/Dillon Interchange Project
PLT Meeting Minutes***

6/23/2011, 1-3:30 PM
Silverthorne Town Hall

Meeting Participants

PLT Members:

Bill Linfield, Town of Silverthorne
Dan Burroughs, Town Engineer, Town of Dillon
Steve Swanson, Blue River Watershed Group
Thad Noll, Summit County
Tyler Weldon, CDOT Project Manager

Consultant Team Members:

Alan Eckman, AECOM
Dean VanDeWege, Jacobs
Megan Alderton, InterMountain Corporate Affairs
Tom Schilling, InterMountain Corporate Affairs

1. DISCUSSION

Alan Eckman began the meeting and provided a brief overview of the agenda.

Old Business/Housekeeping:

The PLT reviewed the minutes from the 5/19/11 PLT meeting. PLT members will send any edits to Megan Alderton before 6/27/11. Following 6/27, minutes will be considered approved.

Project Update:

Alan provided an overview of the project schedule, explaining that the project is currently in the concept-level analysis phase. Detailed-level analysis will occur following the July 20th public open house. Issue Task Forces may be convened for roundabouts and business access following the public open house as well. A one- to two-day charrette with the PLT will be held sometime between July and September in which detailed analyses will be performed. Once alternatives are refined, a subsequent charrette will be held that will focus on packaging and combining components. The idea is to develop one preferred alternative that will be presented to the public at a November public meeting.



Charrette and Workshop Discussion:

Tyler Weldon expressed his hopes that the team will have a preferred alternative(s) in mind prior to the charrette, which can then be refined by a team of experts (i.e., bike and pedestrian, etc.). He further believes that a technical workshop should be held prior to the charrette. The team agreed that a technical workshop will be held at the August PLT, followed by a September charrette. Alan asked the PLT how involved they believed members should be in detailed-level analyses. Bill Linfield replied that he would like to be included and that he believes it would benefit other PLT members as well because they serve as ambassadors for the project with elected officials and the public.

Scheduling:

Regarding scheduling, Tom Schilling suggested that perhaps August and September PLTs should be combined, and that the technical workshop should be held after Labor Day, in order to allow the design team time to work on alternatives. Tyler suggested that the team should focus first on fatal flaws for efficiency. Dean VanDeWege said he would have the information he will need to get started after July 21st. The team agreed that a technical team/PLT workshop will be held on August 25th. A 2-day charrette will follow on September 14th and 15th. Bill reserved the Town’s meeting room for August 25th and the Silverthorne Pavilion for September 14th and 15th. The PLT will hold a conference call July 21st following the public open house, and will tentatively meet in person at the Town of Silverthorne July 28th should members feel it necessary.

Public Open House:

Tom provided an overview of the public open house – scheduled for July 20th from 5-7 PM at the Silverthorne Pavilion -- and reviewed related materials, including the draft calendar alert, news release, advertisement, postcard notice, website language, comment form, FAQs and glossary, with the PLT. The PLT agreed to provide any comments or revisions to Megan before June 27th.

The team reviewed the draft public open house boards and made the following comments:

- Station 2:
 - Alternatives/Options: Remove “further away from interchange,” change to “changes to the ramps.” Also, change “combined” to “mixed and matched” on options.
 - Alternative 1: Add that increases left-turn capacity.
 - Add Do-Nothing Alternative.
 - Eastbound Options: Change “Adams Street” to “Adams Avenue.” Stephens is misspelled-fix. Change to “high construction cost.”
 - Westbound Options: Change last bullet under disadvantages to “new buttonhook on-ramp at Wildernest.

- Station 3:



- How Alternatives and Options Come Together? : Change to “mixed and matched.

Bill expressed concern over the removal of roundabouts from the alternatives being presented. Alan presented a roundabout simulation showing traffic backups and pedestrian conflicts. After discussion, the PLT agreed that the simulation adequately expresses the reasoning for the elimination of the roundabouts as a standalone alternative. Roundabouts will continue to be considered as an element in the remaining three alternatives.

Elected Officials Briefing – Town of Silverthorne:

A briefing is scheduled with the Town of Silverthorne Town Council on July 13th. The team will prepare copies of the boards and complete models to present at the briefing.

Next Meeting:

The next PLT meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 21, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting will be held via conference call. The PLT will also meet in person July 28th should members decide on July 21st that it is necessary to do so.

ACTION ITEMS

- AECOM will make edits to boards as discussed.
- AECOM will prepare materials for and present to the Town of Silverthorne Town Council.
- IMCA will send the public meeting postcard notice, e-mail blast, calendar alert, and news release, as well as place the advertisement and update the website.
- IMCA will send outlook notices for all upcoming meetings.

Minutes prepared by: M. Alderton, 7/5/11

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