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To: SH 133 ACP Project Team

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Subject: SH 133 Access Control Plan Open House 2 Comments Summary

Atkins presented the recommended Access Control Plan (ACP) to the Town of Carbondale Board of Trustees on October 9th. At the meeting, the following comments were obtained from the Trustees regarding the proposed accesses, along with the proposed follow-up from the project team in parentheses for each action item:

- Include additional proposed future trails near SH 133 included on the ACP recommendations maps (this will be incorporated with the ACP maps)
- Summarize the historic traffic volumes along SH 133 (this follow-up occurred at the 10/23 trustees meeting regarding the SH 133 safety improvements project)
- Close Access #1 to the Red Rock Diner when alternate access is available to remain consistent with other recommended changes along the corridor (based on previous discussions with the property owner, the project team will leave the final recommended configuration as right-in, right-out)
- Provide full movement access for vehicles that access Delores Way. If it cannot be provide at the access itself, include flexibility in the ACP Table to ensure the eastbound to northbound movement is accommodated (the project team is working with CRMA to provide access via a new road south of Delores Way)
- Make 8th Street a right-in right-out as there is alternate access elsewhere (the project team agreed to restrict southbound left turns onto 8th Street if Sopris remains full movement as there will not be adequate spacing for a left-turn lanes at both 8th Street and Hendrick Drive)
- Close Access 71 or restrict movements as the properties have alternate access elsewhere

Atkins held a second Open House for the SH 133 Access Control Plan on October 10, 2012. There were 18 members of the public that attended and signed in on the sign-in sheet. Many provided input to the project team based on discussions regarding the recommendations, but there were no Open House 2 comment forms submitted to the project team. Below is a summary of the comments made by the public on the Recommended ACP Configuration maps for documentation of public comments:

- Put a roundabout at Delores Avenue
- Delores Avenue needs to remain full movement or a connection needs to be provided to another full-movement access nearby (this comment was noted by multiple attendees)
- Connect from Barber Drive (west of SH 133) to Garfield Ave or Euclid Ave when the trailer park redevelops
- Leave Access #32 full movement
- Make 8th Avenue right-in, right-out

In addition to these documented comments, many of the attendees also noted that there are excessive access points to SH 133 and that it would be safer for both vehicles and bicycles/pedestrians with fewer accesses. Many of the attendees were happy to hear of the upcoming safety improvement project on SH 133 because of the proposed dedicated left turn lanes between Cowen Drive and Main Street so that traffic didn't queue behind vehicles waiting to make a left turn. Several other attendees commented that Snowmass Drive experiences congestion issues during the morning peak period during student drop-off, but the project team explained that the location does not yet warrant a signal due to the volume threshold not being met.