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Public Meeting comments.

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Hi All - Based on my notes, listed below here are questions posed from the audience during the question and answer session (following Jim Bemelen's presentation) to CDOT at last night's I-70 Twin Tunnels project Public Scoping Meeting in Idaho Springs. Some of these definitely require modification or editing, as I did not hear all of the questions entirely clearly, or may not have gotten the intent of the question down correctly.

Note I did not include CDOT's response, but am just listing the general questions as I generally heard and remember them. There are likely some questions I missed, but this is a first stab. Feel free to add to or clarify questions in this list, if needed. Also attached are a few photos I took at the meeting.

1). How has CDOT assessed impacts from the likely shift in congestion of EB-i-70 traffic (at Twin Tunnels) during peak travel times, to the areas toward Denver, such as near Chief Hosa and Lookout Mountain areas? We have concern that this project (I-70 Twin Tunnels and Frontage Road Project) will just push the “bottleneck” to other locations where level of service and safety will significantly decline.

2). Since fatalities have recently occurred on WB-I70 in the project area, how is safety being addressed for WB-I-70?

3).How will the project affect transit options (IGS, bus)? Has a cost benefit analyses been conducted?

4). What is speed limit at tunnels in Glenwood Canyon, and how can this information benefit this project?

5). What was result of “speed harmonization” tests conducted by CDOT?

6). Is there a plan to make the left lane US-6 exit (at base of Floyd Hill) from EB-I-70 safer?

7). Will the paved cycling access be available through project area during construction?

8). Will the bike path be restored to existing or improved condition after the project?

9). How will emergency vehicle access (in response to accidents/incidents east of Twin Tunnels) be handled during construction of the project? Our concern is emergency vehicles will be stuck in backed up traffic on I-70 and on the detour, which will compromise response times.

10). What is planned for detour following project construction?

11). In light of the over 700 accidents, 4 fatalities, and significant bodily harm in some cases, what is CDOTs plan for improving safety of the traveling public?

12). Since Colorado’s population is expected to double in the next 10 years, will this project really solve anything?

13). How can we be assured CDOT’s commitment to protecting aquatic resources is followed through? We’ve seen that action has been slow to schedule and conduct SWEEP committee meetings, for example. How will the SWEEP process be integrated with the Frontage Road Project? It was pointed out that conducting an EA is not an automatic guarantee that a FONZI will be issued.

14). How will CDOT address impacts to local residents, in particular those who use the Hidden Valley Interchange or use CR314 for vehicular trips?

Thanks.

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