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22381 ITF #2 SWEEP Minutes

Project Name: EB I-70 Auxiliary Lane Frisco to Silverthorne

Project No. NHPP 0702-383

ITF Location: Online

ITF SWEEP Date & Time: Tuesday February 23, 2021 @ 8:00 am - 10:00 am

Google Video Conference: link attached to invitation

1. Introductions

CDOT: Scott Harris, Grant Anderson, Becky Pierce, Jen Klaetsch, Paula Durkin, Jane Hann, Cinnamon Levi-Flinn

CPWB: Elissa Slezak

CDPHE: Scott Garncarz

Town of Silverthorne: Tom Daugherty

USFS: Anna Bengtson, Melvin Woody

US Fish & Wildlife: Kristin Salamack

FHWA: Jeff Bellen, Stephanie Gibson

Consultants: C. Lang, C. Albano, R. Kullas, Eily Miller, C. Meade

2. EB Aux Lane Project Overview

a. Review 30% plan

b. Budget \$24M program cost SB 267 funds. Construction funds?

c. Schedule - Advertise 2021 for construction summer 2022

1. 90% submittal this Summer. PLT in summer. Need for another ITF? - Not needed.

2. CDOT will discuss project with new Summit County representatives

3. Project Leadership Team (PLT) Approach

a. Follow I-70 Mountain Corridor Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS)

b. Four Issue Task Force (ITF) teams

a. SWEEP

b. ALIVE

c. Bridge, Walls, Old Dillon Reservoir

d. Scenic Overlook

4. Stream and Wetland Ecological Enhancement Program (SWEEP)

a. SWEEP MOU

a. https://www.codot.gov/projects/i-70-old-mountaincorridor/final-peis/final-peis-documents/20_App_D_SWEEP_MOU_Signed_01_2011_Rev50.pdf

b. MOU established in January 2011

c. Primary Purpose to effectively and efficiently comply with applicable laws, and where applicable improve stream conditions.



- b. Drainage - This project is not within a Sediment Control Action Plan (SCAP)r
- c. Water Quality
 - a. SWMP Plans
 - b. Relocate Sediment Basin Vaults at Blue
 - 1. Who cleans out these vaults that catch sediment from the bridge drains? Responsibility is likely CDOT (AI: CDOT to confirm)
 - c. Installation of Sand Maintenance Facilities at US 6
 - 1. Bridge rail snow fence on inside. Not funded for outside bridge rail replacement, existing open rail will remain. Tom Daugherty mentioned that snow is thrown over the existing bridge rails and does lead to icing and build up on the sidewalks. The town is in support of anything that can be done to minimize sand/snow on the sidewalks from I-70.
- d. Wetlands & Waters of the US
 - a. Anticipated Nationwide 404 Permit (Preconstruction Notice)
 - 1. Scott Garncarz mentioned that on other project 401 certifications along the Blue River the public has commented more than normal on permits on the Blue River
 - a. Becky Pierce Question: General concerns or as part of individual permit?
 - i. In response to public notice to permits. Biggest concern is to Fen wetlands. Three current certs are being commented on.
 - 2. Discussion if a functional assessment of wetlands around Blue River should be performed?
 - i. Pinyon mentioned the Quality is ok, but they have not done a FACWet assessment yet.
 - ii. Post meeting CDOT requested the design team to perform a FACWet assessment of the wetlands along the Blue River
 - 3. Mitigation - Temporary vs permanent mitigation.
 - a. Mitigate on site, if the area can be cleaned up with the elimination of parking.
 - b. Summit County Open Space - Previous partnership with Open Space group. Mitigated on Open space property...Consider option for mitigation.
 - c. Team will develop a plan for mitigation and reestablishment on site for wetlands and SB 40 requirements.
 - b. Anticipated SB 40 Permit
- e. Aquatic Species
 - a. CPW Aquatic Biologist no aquatic concerns - except collect sand run-off
 - 1. Fishing access on west side of Blue River near Adams was discussed. Is this formal or has it just developed over time. There are signs in the parking area under the WB bridge. Addition informal parking and access has developed over the years on both sides of the EB bridge.
 - a. Was there a GOCO grant for the parking? Who maintains the parking?
 - b. AI: Town to determine if grant funds were used to establish formal parking
 - 2. Mitigation: Discussion on reseeding and reestablishment to eliminate some of the parking and access that has developed over time. Discussion included restricting all parking or some of the parking. Additional detail included:
 - a. Develop a plan to formalize parking access and determine who maintains. This is likely outside of the project activities.
 - b. Town of Silverthorne is supportive of closing some or all parking access and reestablishing the parking areas. Use berms or boulders was discussed. And the use of large boulders was preferred so that natural runoff was not channelized.
 - c. AI: Develop an exhibit showing which non-formal parking spaces will be revegetated and reestablished with boulders to eliminate parking (to share with Trout Unlimited)
 - i. AI: Town to discuss parking and access with Dan Omatsa with Trout Unlimited
- f. Riparian
 - a. SB 40 permit - Will note any spawning restrictions



g. Mitigation

Other Questions:

1. Question on Geospatial resource data?
 - a. The project environmental resource data is in a geospatial (GIS and/or KMZ form).
AI: Design Team will share with SWEEP team.
2. Has Summit Water Quality Committee, part of Northwest COG, been involved with his Project? The project has not been discussed with the committee. Previously this groups primary concern has been on sediment into the Blue River from Straight Creek. CDOT will reach out to Summit Water Quality. Melvin provided contact = Caroline Byus byus@pinyon-env.com

