

SR-12 Initiation Call

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Overview of Key Issues along the Corridor

- Existing Conditions
- Travel Demand Management Strategies
- Capital Improvements

Key Tasks

- Strategy Session
- Outreach Strategy
- Vision for Future
- How the above key issues will play into the corridor's future

Developing Outreach Process

- A workshop process or series of workshops?
- How to break up process (safety and operations v. MIS)

Tiers of Engagement

- Partners: Solano, San Joaquin, Sacramento counties. Napa will not participate.
- Planning agency partners
- Key stakeholders (not agencies or policy makers)
- General public

SR-12

- Two-lane freeway that gets an exceptional amount of attention
- Legislators very engaged and very knowledgeable
- Direct involvement of Will Kempton
- Very knowledgeable, very engaged public (Hwy 12 Association)

Significant Issues Discussion

SJCOG

- Significant issues with peat soils (elevated viaduct off current alignment?) in Delta area. Hundreds of millions of dollars. Soils more stable once you cross the bridge.
- Very environmentally sensitive area – do not anticipate much development
- High level bridge crossing re-alignment study (SACOG)
- Can we widen the corridor?
- Approaches to Rio Vista: changes to bypass question. Need another way to get across Sacramento River that will likely be four-lane facility. Raises a host of issues related to Rio Vista's growth patterns.
- Sacramento County may want to be involved here. How to involve Board of Sup or key constituents that should be involved?

SACOG

- Just entering into process. Many different groups involved can be a challenge.
- Problem identifying everyone who is involved and the efforts that have been made in the area to date.

District 3

- New high-level bridge crossing: would like to coordinate to determine what changes should be made here, as well as what changes at R60 and SR-12 junction.
- Del Rio Hills EIR document (500 acres west of Rio Vista)
- 160 and SR-12: Build-out and Delta information folks own all four quadrants of land around this junction. Stakeholders who could be elevating traffic.
- Time track of local land use development may push imperatives of corridor.
- Transportation concept report for ultimate visioning – important to have meeting of all agencies in consensus of what the corridor would look like in the future.

District 10

- 2006 corridor study from 99 thru Lodi to Rio Vista Bridge: identified need for four lanes based on volume. Environmental concerns and economic constraints make difficult. Interim operational improvements while building on these concepts.
- To go to four lanes, bridges would need to be widened as well. Rio Vista estimate is over \$500m.

- Bridge re-alignment study will be similarly high figure
- Parallel span bridges?

Other Comments

- Port of Oakland and Sacramento discussion – expect traffic to increase given desire to decrease traffic on I-80
- Not much info on bypass concept

Next Steps

Strategy Session:

- Half day session to accommodate presentations from stakeholders.
- Break into smaller groups based on key questions and issues.
- Date in early May for strategy session
- Diana will draft and propose strategy session agenda
- For partners: Key information-sharing that you can bring to the table?
- Diana will send group list of email addresses

Other Data:

Look to blueprints for broader-picture understanding of regional land use changes?

Key First Step:

Schedule face-to-face meeting

Identify what other agencies and groups should be represented

- Public works and community development from local agency staff.
- MTC

Need key questions crafted by the time we bring in key interest groups

Initial meeting is to determine the list of key questions. This will inform which groups we are reaching out to (whose participation is critical v. who should be informed)

- First tier of engagement (strategy session): Who do we need to identify the questions?
- Second tier of engagement: Who do we need to answer these questions?

What are the key issue areas that we want feedback on? What is the value added in the public?

Fundamental rule: if you are asking a question, want to be clear that we are interested in taking answer and potentially changing outcome.

Identify who key stakeholders are and who we should make sure to reach (those that typically are at the table and those that require more creative outreach?)

Strategy Session:

- Large groups and smaller break-out sessions
- 1st week in May
- Key issues and questions about particular studies, endeavors
- Objective: clear map and plan for outreach process.
- Part of getting there: sharing key issues and knowledge; understanding information we'll get in the process; ensure we are strategic about what we share with communities and where.

Hold May 11: update on bridge study

Role of Corridor Advisory Committees

- Key to public process: they meet, provide feedback and insight ahead of going out to the public.
- Currently, this advisory committee meets relatively infrequently. Not anticipated that they would play a central advisory role in the process.

Additional Considerations

- At what point do you bring in key corridor issues?
- Projects, funding, timeline, and related land use?
- Will have to do with how we craft questions: broad visioning? Or clear-cut questions about operations?
- Where do we draw the line between M.I.S. and safety and operations?
- Bridge study scheduled to be done Sept/Oct. this year but must be tied into everything else being done. Federal earmark?