

Legislation Text

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Community Development Agency, Long Range Planning Division, recommending the Board consider the following:

1) Receive and file the Green Valley Road Corridor Analysis Study; and

2) Consider the report's findings and recommendations during major update to the Capital Improvement Program and Traffic Impact Mitigation Fee Program. (Est. Time: 45 Min.)

FUNDING: General Fund.

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost

No Fiscal Impact or change to Net County Cost. Funding was included in the Community Development Agency, Long Range Planning Division's Fiscal Year 2013-14 and 2014-15 budgets to finance the study.

Background

The Green Valley Road corridor has been the subject of public inquiries and discussions during open forum at Board hearings and discussions at the El Dorado County Transportation Commission.

At the March 18, 2014 the Board approved and authorized the Chair to sign an Agreement for Services with Kittelson & Associates (Kittelson) to prepare a study analyzing current conditions and providing potential mitigation for the Green Valley Road Corridor from the County line to the Lotus Road intersection. Kittelson was given the notice to proceed on March 24, 2014.

Kittelson worked with County staff to receive existing data that had been compiled for the Green Valley Road corridor. Kittelson collected road segment counts, intersection AM and PM peak hour turning movement counts, field reviewed the entire corridor with the County Community Development Agency Traffic Superintendent, collected sight distance measurements at all the intersections and 36 private driveways, commissioned a noise study for the corridor, and collected origin-destination (O-D) survey data using BlueMAC technology.

Once Kittelson had collected all the data, the analysis began. This included identification of crash types and causes, identification of operational deficiencies, research for potential funding sources, and summarizing all the findings into technical memoranda that were reviewed by County staff. The final documentation provides the results of the analysis in a user friendly format. This includes tables, exhibits, charts and aerial photographs demonstrating the areas of concern on the corridor along with considerations and options for improvements.

A public meeting was held on September 17, 2014 at Pleasant Grove Middle School to present the findings and to invite input on the study. Twenty-one (21) members of the public attended the workshop. Copies of the draft Executive Summary were provided for information. Participants were asked to complete two surveys: a general survey and a location specific survey (Attachment 5L). Comment cards (Attachment 5M) were provided to capture participants' input. All handouts as well as the exhibit boards were posted to the County's Long Range Planning web page the following

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week. The public was encouraged to provide comments and staff allowed extra time for the public to submit comments on the draft study. The comments and responses are included in the Appendices to the report (Attachments 5C through 5J). The final version of the Corridor study incorporates applicable responses for clarification purposes in the text.

The majority of the people attending the meeting expressed their appreciation for the study and their hope that the findings would be used in a productive manner. Staff recommends the report's findings and recommendations be considered during the major update of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and Traffic Impact Mitigation (TIM) fee program.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Board:

1. Receive and file the Green Valley Road Corridor Analysis study; and

2. Consider the report's findings and recommendations during major update to the CIP and TIM fee program.

Contact

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