



County of Yolo

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DISTRICT 1 Vacant
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DISTRICT 4 Steve Zehner
DISTRICT 5 Hans Strandgaard
AT LARGE Olin Woods

County Staff: Panos Kokkas

Meeting Minutes

Cache Creek Conference Room, Thursday, April 18, 2013, 4:00 – 5:30 PM

Members Present: Bruce Eldridge, Steve Zehner, Hans Strandgaard, Olin Woods
County Staff: Panos Kokkas

Item 1: Public Comment: None-no visitors were present.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes for March 21, 2013 Meeting: The minutes were approved with minor corrections.

Item 3: TAC 2013 work Plan:: Hans presented the re-revised 2013 Work Plan and several more corrections were suggested by the TAC members. The report was approved with corrections. Panos will deliver the Work Plan to satisfy the Minute Order of the BOS once Hans provides the revised document.

Item 4: Attendance at California Delta Trail meeting held April 11, 2013: Both Bruce and Olin attended this meeting and reported the following: there was a discussion of the proposed Delta Trail and the purpose of the meeting was to review and comment on the proposed overall goals for the project. There were not exact route alternatives suggested and a number of the attendees who were farmers felt that details were lacking, such as whether public land would be used or farmland. There were a number of well known people in attendance, such as Ann Rudin the former mayor of Sacramento and Mike Machado, former state senator. Some farmers were concerned about liability for things like their crop dusting if there were a trail were to be built, others were concerned about trespassing, garbage, and adequacy of restroom facilities. Bruce and Olin felt it would be worthwhile for TAC to maintain contact with the commission, but they noted that since Yolo also had Jean Santos from Yolo Parks Department attending, it might not be necessary for TAC to attend. The TAC will evaluate as more is known.

Item 5: Hutchinson and CR 98 Intersection: Hans reminded the committee about the previous discussion of the TAC about the intersection and reported some new

information. He handed out some excerpts from the UC Davis Long Range Plan EIR and the West Village Implementation Plan which discussed pedestrian and bicycle safety for the projects. The CR 98 and Hutchinson intersection was studied by UCD and found to operate satisfactorily through 2015; no substantial increase in severity of impact was anticipated. He also passed out the accident history at the intersection through 2011 as provided by Panos. However, Hans noted the accident history is missing several serious accidents that have occurred in 2012 and 2013. Hans said some discussions with the authors of the traffic study said the intersection is very close to meeting the warrants for a 4-way stop. Panos said all the conditions of the warrants need to be met so that the County can maintain immunity if anything ever happens at the 4-way intersection. He noted that the BOS decided not to remove the 45 MPH signing on this stretch of road despite the 85th percentile speed being 56 MPH, thus traffic speeding tickets on this stretch of road are unenforceable. Hans noted that UCD seems to be very concerned about the intersection and noted two lights had just been installed. Panos said that was at the County's suggestion and the lights were built on UCD property. Hans said it looked like the west most light was on County property. Other solutions to the perceived safety problem were discussed including a roundabout (Panos' preference), a dedicated left turn lane (there is not enough County ROW to do this, said Panos). Panos noted that a roundabout would need less ROW than any other solution. He estimated without ROW a left turn pocket might need \$500-600k while a roundabout might be had for \$750k. He noted the County had no funds to put toward a project like this and the County feels any increase in impact at the intersection that have occurred are due to UCD's construction. He also noted that if Federal funding of any kind is used, a full EIR would be required and that would take time. Olin suggested that the TAC could involve Cliff Contreras from UCD in the TAC discussion to find out what the University is doing on this. Hans will draft a letter to Don Saylor for consider action by the TAC for the next meeting.

Item 6: Public Works Update (Kokkas): Panos provided the recommended 2013/2014 Roads Budget of almost \$29million in expenses and revenues. He asked that it not be distributed outside the group for now since it was draft. He noted that in June it would go to the Board, but the draft has already gone to the COA's office. The TAC shall review the proposed budget and provide comments to Panos by the next meeting. Panos noted CR 98 was still not bid due the delays by Caltrans in providing funding authorization.

Item 7: Next Meeting Agenda Items: Aside from the normal items, Hans asked to continue the CR 98 and Hutchinson discussion. The Budget will also be discussed.

Item 8: Next meeting Date, Time and Location: Next meeting will be held on Thursday May 16, 4:00-5:30PM, Cache Creek Conference Room, Yolo County Planning and Public Works Department, 292 Beamer Street Woodland, CA. There will be no meeting in June as several TAC members said they would be on vacation.