Meeting Minutes

OR 66 Green Springs Highway Interchange Area Management Plan (IAMP)

Project Team Meeting #1 October 24, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

ODOT District 11
Conference Room 5B
2557 Altamont Drive
Klamath Falls, Oregon 97603

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Attendees: ODOT: Martin Matejsek, Ana Jovanavic,

Mike Stinson, Peter Schuytema,

David Warrick

ODOT (by phone): Joel McCarroll, David Boyd City of Klamath Falls: Mark Willrett, Erik Nobel

Klamath County:

City Planning Commission:

County Planning Commission:

Tyler Tucker

Tim Thompson

Kittelson & Associates: Marc Butorac, Hermanus Steyn

Matt Kittelson

Angelo Planning Group (by phone): Darci Rudzinski

Could not Attend: City of Klamath Falls: Joe Slaughter

Klamath County: Stan Strickland

Agenda:

- 1. Meeting purpose & introductions
 - a. Introduce project team members
 - b. Review roles and responsibilities
 - c. Decision making
 - PT will be consulted for all decisions. However, a smaller group will be identified to make final decisions on project direction with the greater PT serving in an advisory role. Tentative agencies' representatives are:
 - ODOT: Mike Stinson and Butch Hansen

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- o County: Bill Adams
- o City: Mark Willrett
- The priorities of the project will establish the evaluation criteria to guide the project through the decision making.

2. IAMP 101

- a. Overview of process
 - Five key components of an IAMP:
 - o Interchange form
 - Local circulation and access
 - Access management plan
 - o Land use management
 - o Intergovernmental agreements (IGA) between agencies

3. Project Purpose

- a. What is the vision?
- b. What is the problem statement?
- c. What do sponsors want out of the project?
- d. In your words, what is the problem statement?
- e. Project objectives
 - Project Purpose:
 - o Interchange is a bottleneck for development in southern Klamath Falls
 - Area had a significant amount of development planned that has since been delayed
 - Previous planning documents for the area have deferred future interchange plans to this IAMP
 - Street connectivity would be a key to this project, as well as conceptual internal circulation plans for undeveloped properties.
 - Safety Concerns:
 - Signal installed at the OR 66/OR 140 intersection has increased available gaps in the vicinity of the interchange.

- The southbound off-ramp is a safety concern due to steep grade and sight distance deficiencies. There is a perception that there are still near-misses.
- o The OR 140/Green Springs intersection is listed on ODOT's Top 5% SPIS list.

• Project Priorities:

- o Interchange form should allow land use development
- Define access locations for developed and undeveloped parcels
- o Public transportation integration with interchange
- Bike/pedestrians options should be provided
- Define cost sharing/funding plan
- Identify fundable interim improvements phased implementation
- Safe, functional design
- Should be respectful of existing development
- Should enhance local connectivity options
- o Public outreach/social equity
- Other items to consider throughout process
 - o Coordination with Motor Carrier regarding the "Hole in the Air"
 - Access management rules may change
 - Current ODOT policy preclude roundabouts on state facilities
 - Interaction between updated TSP forward look and the Westside
 Refinement Plan associated system development charges

4. Project Study Area

- General observations
 - Castle Ridge Development access location should be considered.
 - Area land use interactions with Main Street interchange should be considered.
 - Access to Country Club in relation to interchange ramps is an issue. ODOT is in the process of buying access rights to the west of US 97 to the south of the interchange.
 - Consideration for expanding study area to the north to include Riverside/Green Springs intersection to the west of US 97.
 - Agate Street and access to the commercial property (Terry McDonald) in the southwest quadrant of the interchange are important.
- Study boundary should take into account:

- o Urban Growth Boundary (UGB)
- Westside Refine Plan Area
- o Major developments (e.g., Klamath Crossroad [Terry McDonald])
- o Land use applications that have been approved but since expired
- Key freight destinations
- o Access to Country Club south of interchange

5. Project Team (PT) Membership

- All agencies representatives and private property owners will be part of one meeting. There will be no separate technical group.
 - Private parties should be considered for membership based on an open application process to be developed.
- A representative from the local senator will be invited to the PT meetings

6. Project Websites

- a. Internal Website
- b. Public Website
 - City and County logos should be added to site
 - The internal/private website will be the main location to save all project related deliverables.

7. Project Schedule

- a. Schedule overview
- b. Upcoming meetings
- c. Near-term deliverables
 - PT will meet at ODOT offices
 - Public meeting location is to be determined
 - Project and meeting notifications will be mailed to residents and property owners near the interchange. Other media outreach opportunities are press release, website, TV station, etc.
 - Visioning Workshop is scheduled for Monday, December 19th at 6:30 PM.
 - PT Meeting #2 is scheduled for Monday, January 9th at 1:00 PM.

- Draft Technical Memorandums #1 and #2 will be distributed prior to PT Meeting
 #2 and discussed during the meeting.
- 8. Concluding Comments/Next Steps
 - a. Visionary Workshop session in early December
 - b. Next PT Meeting early January
 - i. Review Technical Memorandum #1 Adopted Plans Review
 - ii. Review Technical Memorandum #2 IAMP Study Area

ACTION ITEMS:

- KAI will prepare a map for the study area and distribute for review and comments from the PT.
- County will develop a list of residents and property owners near the interchange.
- KAI will prepare draft invitation for property owners to participate on PT.
- KAI & APG will commence with the preparation of TM #1 and #2.
- City will provide new aerials for the study area that was recently flown (early 2011).
- City & County will add project website link to their respective public websites.
- ODOT will forwarded project "Scope of Work" to PT Members
- Tim Thompson will provide contact for potential TV broadcasting.