

WTP Construction Update Meeting 005

Robinwood Neighborhood

November 5, 2013, 7:30 a.m.

Burgerville, 18350 Willamette Drive, West Linn



- I. Welcome & introductions (3 minutes)
- II. Today's topics of interest (Brainstorm – 2 minutes)
- III. 3-week look ahead (Slayden) (10 minutes)
 - a. Highlight new activities and those with potential for neighbor impacts
 - b. Questions
- IV. Updates on previous action items (staff) (5 minutes)
(Refer to attached table)
- V. Topics of interest discussion (from II, above) (35 minutes)
 - a. Discuss new issues or concerns
- VI. Wrap-up and next meeting: (5 minutes)
REMINDER - Next Meeting **November 19 at 5:30 p.m.**

Thank you, Burgerville, for use of the meeting space. Coffee and cookies provided by Burgerville.



Action items list:

Item #	Date raised	Issue category	Question or concern	Response or comment	Additional follow-up action	Status
4.3	10/15/2013	Trucks/traffic	Could the trucks take a break right at the start of school and work around the bus schedule?	<i>This could significantly impact the duration of the construction schedule.</i>	<i>The Partnership will discuss this idea and report back. Response: Three school buses use this stop and run from 7:45 to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. Stopping during these times would cause a substantial delay to the project.</i>	Open
4.1	10/15/2013	Noise	Concern about noise from horns on the excavator signaling to dump trucks when loading materials. Is there an alternative to using the horn i.e., using a light?	<i>This is a common method of communication and safety used on construction sites for the excavator operator to communicate with the truck drivers when loading materials.</i>	<i>The Partnership will investigate this.</i>	Open
3.1	10/1/2013	Trucks / Safety	Reports of trucks not yielding to cars, making wide turns into Mapleton and out of Kenthorpe and driving down the middle of Mapleton over the yellow line, taking up half of the road.	<i>Slayden has spoken with the truck drivers to reinforce safety and exercise caution on the roads. Commercial vehicles, including delivery vehicles, buses, mini vans and trucks, often swing wide to the make the corner and do take up extra space on the narrow roads. The Partnership has contacted the West Linn Police Department to discuss violations and road rules. An officer has been invited to come along to the next meeting on 10/15.</i>	<i>Slayden will continue to speak with truck drivers to reinforce safety and exercise caution. Please continue to report poor behavior to the hotline. Further discussion on safety and truck traffic at the 10/15 meeting: Request to place flaggers at the main intersections of Old River/Kenthorpe, Old River/Cedaroak and Hwy 43/Mapleton, so local traffic is aware of trucks approaching. Response: The Partnership will discuss this option and report back at the 11/5 meeting. The Partnership has discussed ways to improve site distance and "lane management" at intersections with West Linn Public Works staff. Solutions to be implemented include a combination of tree trimming and traffic 'diverters'.</i>	Open

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2.1	9/19/2013	Trucks/ Traffic	Reports from other neighbors that there have been delays and back-ups at the traffic signal from truck traffic on Cedar Oak Drive and Highway 43.	<p><i>The City of West Linn has re-striped the road, to extend the turning lane at the intersection. The Partnership will reimburse the City for this work.</i></p> <p><i>Attendees also suggested working with ODOT to investigate extending the timing signal.</i></p> <p><i>Additional questions raised at 10/1 meeting:</i> <i>How would re-striping the road on Cedaroak improve traffic flow? Doesn't the length of traffic signal need to change instead?</i> <i>Response: Restriping Cedaroak will allow more traffic to queue up at the traffic signal, and allow more cars to turn right onto Highway 43 without waiting for those turning left.</i></p> <p><i>The Partnership contacted ODOT, and the signal was extended to allow additional traffic through.</i></p>	<p><i>Further questions raised at 10/15 meeting: Is there a way to maximize the timing of the yellow signal, to allow more traffic to enter the intersection box safely behind trucks, without violating traffic rules?</i></p> <p><i>Response: The Partnership will investigate this. Check in at 11/5 meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Checked with ODOT. The yellow time is 4 sec which meets their standards of 3.5 - 5 sec. ODOT indicated that if you have a yellow you are supposed to stop if you can stop safely rather than pull through the intersection. If you are following a truck so closely that you can't see the signal head before you enter the intersection, then you need to add more space between you and the dump truck. A yellow light is not designed to "get people through the intersection".</i></p> <p><i>ODOT also increased the delay between the yellow and red from 1/2 second to 2 seconds to keep traffic still a bit longer</i></p>	Open
1.1	9/5/2013	Meetings	Others have mentioned staggering the meeting times for these bimonthly meetings.	<p><i>By those present at the meeting, 8:00 a.m. seemed like a reasonable time. Consistency of start time is important to avoid confusion.</i></p> <p><i>Further concern raised on 10/1 about the time of the meeting - inconvenient for most of the neighbors. Most attendees at the meeting suggested staggering the meeting times, having one in the morning and one at night (6pm). Another suggestion was on Saturday mornings.</i></p>	<p><i>The Partnership is proposing to extend the meeting length from 1/2 hour to 1 hour. Meetings will continue on the first and third Tuesdays of the month.</i></p> <p><i>Response: The Partnership proposes the first Tuesday meeting to be held at 7:30 a.m. and the third Tuesday meeting to be held at 5:30 p.m. at Burgerville.</i></p>	Open

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				<p><i>On 10/15, the Partnership suggested the option of moving the meetings earlier to 7:30am. A discussion about more convenient times followed, including an evening time or weekend time. A meeting time was not agreed on.</i></p>		
4.4	10/15/2013	Trucks	Can the trucks stop earlier on Halloween (Oct 31)?	<p><i>Slayden will finish work on-site by 4pm on October 31.</i></p>		Closed