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RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

91 Project Corona Community Task Force

May 12, 2016

7-9 p.m.

Corona Public Library

Meeting Notes

Attendees:

Task Force Members

Tom Coelho
Casey Horvath
Amie Kinne
Mark Kozakowski
Rowena Mendoza
Sol Shapiro
Jerry Sincich
Muhammad Sohail
Wes Speake
Frank Zwayne

Absent:

Bob Dressler
Susie Mason Dana
Jeff O'Dell
Cynthia Schneider
Michele Wentworth

RCTC Staff:

David Thomas
Eliza Echevarria Perez
Michael Blomquist

City of Corona:

Mayor Scott
Vice Mayor Haley
Darrell Talbert
Lt. Reynolds
Nelson Nelson

California Highway Patrol:

Sgt. Licon

AWJV (Design-Builder):

Jan Bohn
Jay Titus

91 CCTF Coordinator:

Marnie Primmer (Connected Consulting)

The meeting was called to order by 91CCTF coordinator Marnie Primmer and commenced with a welcome to members of the public and a reminder of the role of the task force in the project. The task force meetings provide a forum for dialog between the project team and the task force members on the areas of local traffic issues and public communications. 91CCTF members are being impacted by the project and wanted to provide input to the project team to help their community in an environment where factual, relevant and timely information is shared. The task force provides members with access to information to share with their neighbors, and provides insight to the project team on how specific construction activities are impacting residents, businesses and motorists.



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The meeting began with welcome and self-introductions. The members of the CCTF then provided feedback about project activities in the past month and were able to share input about concerns, suggestions and questions from members of their respective neighbors and social networks. The CCTF then received a presentation from Lt. Reynolds of CPD and Sgt. Licon of CHP to discuss incident management on City streets and on the 91 corridor mainline, and what their respective agencies are responsible for with respect to the project. Lt. Reynolds pointed out that limited resources and highly trained officers make flagging an inefficient use of his officers. CPD is sensitive to negatively impacting congestion in construction zones when enforcing traffic laws. Both CHP and CPD regularly attend the traffic meetings and have input into the project plans from a public safety perspective. If they express concerns the project team will adjust planned work or design to ensure that safety issues are addressed prior to implementation. Sgt. Licon explained that the closest officer to an incident will be the responding officer and will then notify appropriate agencies. The Riverside and Santa Ana office locations work together as a team to expeditiously and efficiently cover incident management. Project Manager David Thomas gave a detailed update about current project work and what is planned in the coming 4-6 weeks. David shared that all ramps are projected to be complete by December 2016. His presentation emphasized the current focus of the work at Lincoln and Serfas Club/ Maple. The CCTF were able to ask questions and provide input. Eliza Perez addressed the group with plans for a tour of the OCTA toll facility and an overview of outreach activities for the project.

Comments and requests that were captured included the following:

Wes

- Signage continues to be a problem (didn't capture any specifics here)
- Let people know when items are completed (i.e. freshening striping)
- Also commented on the consecutive ramp closures despite commitment to avoid
- Foresees queue jumping (and related complaints) at Lincoln temporary onramp

Tom

- SB71 sign was not turned on indicating Green River ramp is closed
- Noted that there was not signage at Green River for the ramp closure and had to detour to Weir Canyon
- Provide additional information for businesses with the new flyover ramp at Maple to ensure that existing signage will still be visible from 91 mainline.

Frank

- Thank you for paving Serfas/Frontage
- More speed limit signs on Frontage each direction and/or add a "Slow Curve" sign
- Advanced signing still needed at WB91 Maple exit

Amie

- There are multiple locations on the project where signs are confusing and outdated, asked the project team to review and remedy. For example, she referenced construction signs at Grand/N. Main are conflicting and some no longer relevant. Also look at old W Grand onramp location.
- Need better lighting in the Grand underpass

Casey

- Watch lane widths with K-rail, particularly on curves to ensure EMS and tow vehicles can access.

Jerry

- What are the plans to fix the dip at the end of the N15-W91 Connector?
- Are traffic incident rates prior to and since the project available?
- Did we know traffic volumes at each onramp prior to project start; is this information used in determining closures?

Sol

- Pavement still rough at Frontage/Serfas
- Tell people a new signal is coming at Joy/Grand
- Warn people of new signals in place (i.e. 3rd/Grand)
- Driving at dusk WB91 at lane shift between Serfas and SR-71 hard to see

Muhammad

- Are the SRO's educating new teen drivers on construction zone safety?



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Other Discussion

- S15-W91 connector outer lane needs striping or channelizers. Cars are using the 2nd lane that should be closed.
- What is the schedule for Pomona Road one-way condition to be done? Lots of congestion. Needs review.
- Bring maps to next meeting
- Communicate more clearly how the project team values resident safety
- Carefully craft message regarding Green River Road onramp capacity changes for staging prior to Stage 2
- Communicate that timing of Serfas Club ramp closure is AFTER Memorial Day to assuage business concern

Next meeting will be June 9 at 7 PM at the Corona Public Library.