



Seldon Road Extension Phase II: Windy Bottom/Beverly Lake Road to Pittman Road

Event Summary

SUBJECT:	Seldon Road Extension Phase II: Windy Bottom/Beverly Lake Road to Pittman Road
PROJECT NUMBER:	State Project Number: CFHWY00562, Federal Project #: 0001723
GROUP:	Public
DATE:	October 20, 2022, 3 to 7 PM
LOCATION:	Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, 1001 S Clapp St, Wasilla, AK
OUTREACH:	See Table 1. Outreach
MATERIALS:	Project overview map, fact sheet, comment sheet, email signup sheet
STAFF PRESENT:	DOT&PF: Chris Bentz, Project Manager Stantec: Steve Kari, Consultant Project Manager
ATTENDANCE:	304 people signed in at the event

Summary

The project team staffed a booth at the Mat-Su Transportation Fair and talked to many people about the project. The event hosted over 80 different transportation related projects and programs and invited the public to discuss them with staff members.

Comments

The team summarized the following verbal questions and responses about the project. Three people requested being added to the project email list.

- **Several people would prefer a roundabout at the Seldon / Pittman intersection.**
Team response: Traffic volume projections for the project do not warrant a roundabout for intersection control at this location. A roundabout may be warranted if specific conditions indicate that a traffic signal is warranted (DOT&PF policy). This intersection does not present those warrants/conditions for the life of the project (2048).
- **Several people were glad to see the current Seldon Phase I traffic will be routed off Beverly Lake Road.**
- **Will you be removing the speed bumps on Beverly Lake Road?** Team response: Beverly Lake Road is Borough owned and maintained and ultimately it would be their choice of what will happen to the speed bumps.



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- **How will pedestrians cross Seldon road at the school?** Team response: With respect to the new intersection configuration and control, we will be looking more closely at how pedestrians can/should cross Seldon Road at the Pittman intersection. This is a school zone and existing warning beacons will be relocated as necessary to slow traffic during typical school starting and ending hours. Alternatives will be evaluated during the design phase.
- **When will the road be constructed?** Team response: We anticipate construction in 2024.
- **Several people mentioned they were looking forward to using the pathway.**
- **Will large trucks be allowed to use the road?** Team response: There will be no restrictions for truck travel on this arterial roadway other than possible seasonal load restrictions.
- **Is there a plan to take this road all the way to Houston, AK?** Team response: Originally there were plans to continue the connection to Houston, but there are no plans for that in the foreseeable future.
- **There is a stream called Beverly Creek which will flow under the proposed Seldon Road Extension phase 2 alignment. It appears the stream is anadromous according to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game database and will require fish passage. It is part of MSB policy to install fish passable culverts on all newly constructed roads.*** Team response: The Alaska Department of Fish and Game does not map Beverly Creek as anadromous. Fish trapping activities and observation during 2013 and 2016 resulted in no fish captured or observed.
- **There is an area that floods the road just west of the intersection with Windy Bottom Drive. This has been reported every year, at least once or twice a year.*** Team response: Drainage issues identified in the project area will be addressed during the design phase.

*The last two comments concerning Seldon Road were conveyed to us by Mike Campfield, Mat-Su Borough, (in an email) received from a person who lives on Beverly Lake Road.

Outreach

The event organizers conducted the following outreach for the event.

Table 1. Outreach Methods

Date	Outreach method	Description
8/31/22	DOT&PF Online Calendar	Event posted to https://dot.alaska.gov/creg/calendar.shtml
9/9/22	Flyer	Flyer for sharing



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Date	Outreach method	Description
9/9/22	Email notice	Save the date email notice to subscribers
9/24/22	Event website	Meeting notice posted on the website
10/6/22	Borough website	Event added to Borough website home page
10/7/22	Email notice	Featured projects email notice to subscribers
10/7/22	State of Alaska Online Notice	Event notice sent by DOT&PF to subscribers
10/11/22	Forwarding request to boards, commissions, and community councils	Request to forward email to subscriber lists
10/11/22	Forwarding request to groups	Sent request to forward to email lists
10/11/22	Forwarding request to legislators	Sent request to forward to constituents
10/11/22	Forwarding request to project teams	Sent request to all teams to forward event information to their lists
10/11/22 to 10/20/22	News media advertising, Alaska News Source	Online website advertisement
10/11/22 to 10/20/22	News media advertising, <i>Frontiersman</i>	Advertisement in e-newsletter
10/13/22	Radio interview	Community Connect interview with Ohana Media Group (92.1 FM, 92.9 FM, 96.3 FM, 99.7 FM, 102.1 FM, 700 AM)
10/13/22 to 10/20/22	YouTube advertisement	Event advertisement ran on YouTube in Alaska
10/14/22 to 10/21/22	Bus advertising	Inside and outside advertisements on the on-demand Valley Transit buses
10/14/22 to 10/19/22	Facebook advertisement	DOT&PF Facebook advertisement highlighting the event



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Date	Outreach method	Description
10/16/22	Radio advertisements, music stations	Invitation to the event sponsored and produced by the Mat-Su Borough
10/17/22 to 10/20/22	News media advertising, <i>Anchorage Daily News</i>	Online affiliate advertisement
10/17/22 to 10/20/22	Radio advertisements, KSKA Public Radio	Invitation to the event sponsored by the DOT&PF and Alaska Railroad
10/19/22	Email	Layout email notice to subscribers