



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:	January 25, 2024, 3 to 7 PM
LOCATION:	Alaska State Fairgrounds, Raven Hall, Palmer, AK 99645
OUTREACH:	See Table 1. Outreach
MATERIALS:	Project overview map, fact sheet, comment sheet
STAFF PRESENT:	Stantec: Steve Kari, Consultant Project Manager
ATTENDANCE:	256 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 100 different transportation related projects and programs from several different agencies, including the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) and the Mat-Su Borough. Weather caused the event to be rescheduled from November 2023 to January 2024.

Steve Kari, Consultant Project Manager, talked to many people about the Seldon Road Extension project and answered questions.

Comments

The team summarized the following verbal questions and responses about the project.

- **When will this project be constructed?** Construction is planned for 2025.
- **Will the road still have speed bumps?** No, the Seldon alignment will shift north from the Beverly Lake Road alignment (where the speed bumps are located), starting at Windy Bottom Drive, and will not have speed bumps.
- **Does the pathway continue down Pittman Road?** The multiuse pathway constructed as part of this project will end at the fire station, west of Meadow Lakes Elementary School.
- **There have been over 50 accidents at the Seldon/Church intersection (no fatalities) and we are concerned this project will make it worse. Is there anything that can be done at that intersection?** We are aware of issues at this intersection, but



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it is outside the limits of this project. DOT&PF reviews crash data to identify locations that have statistically higher crash rates and may warrant a safety project. The Seldon and Church intersection is not currently at that level and is not being considered for a safety project.

- **Are there MEA facilities on the corridor?** There is existing electrical infrastructure near the intersections of Windy Bottom Drive, Wyoming Drive, and Monroe Street. The intersection lighting planning with this project will require line extensions as needed.

Other Comments:

- We are excited for Seldon Road to be completed.
- Would like to see a roundabout at the Seldon/Pittman intersection.
- We use Seldon as an alternative to the Parks Highway when coming back to Palmer from the north (Houston, Willow, etc.)
- There is new residential development along Pittman Road that will increase traffic.

Outreach

The event organizers conducted the following outreach for the event.

Table 1. Outreach Methods

Date	Outreach Method	Description
12/11/23	DOT&PF Online Calendar	Event posted to https://dot.alaska.gov/creg/calendar.shtml
12/11/23	Event website	Meeting notice posted on the website
12/13/23	Email notice	Save the date email notice to subscribers
12/19/23	Flyer	Flyer for sharing
12/22/23	State of Alaska Online Notice	Event notice sent by DOT&PF to subscribers
12/22/23 1/25/24	Facebook post	DOT&PF Facebook post highlighting the event
1/11/24	Forwarding request to boards, commissions, and community councils	Request to forward email to subscriber lists
1/11/24	Forwarding request to groups	Sent request to forward to email lists
1/11/24	Forwarding request to legislators	Sent request to forward to constituents



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Date	Outreach Method	Description
1/11/24	Invitation to civil engineering students	Sent request to forward to students
1/12/24 to 1/25/24	News media advertising, Alaska News Source	Online website advertisement
1/13/24 to 1/25/24	News media advertising, <i>Frontiersman</i>	Online website advertisement and e-newsletter
1/18/24	Interview with Big Cabbage radio	Justin Shelby with DOT&PF answered questions and discussed the event
1/22/24 to 1/25/24	Radio advertisements	Invitation to the event ran on Alpha Media stations
1/22/24 to 1/25/24	Radio advertisements	Invitation to the event ran on Ohana Media stations
1/23/24	Email notice	Email reminder notice sent to subscribers