

Ramona Community Planning Group  
Ramona State Routes Subcommittee  
Agenda for 2/24/2021 at 6:00 pm  
Teleconference Meeting

FINAL Meeting Minutes

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1. Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 6:04pm by Dan Summers
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Debbie Foster
3. Establish a quorum  
Attendees: Debbie Foster, Lynn Hopewell, Robin Joy Maxson, Maya Phillips and Dan Summers  
Absent – Elio Noyas and Torry Brean
4. Assign minute taking – Lynn Hopewell will take minutes
5. Identify public participants – None

Marvin Canton from CalTrans shared about the scoping meeting held on January 27, 2021. They had a total of 69 people registered, 57 attended not including livestream viewers and project agency attendees. Most of the attendees submitted a zip code in either Ramona or Lakeside. Attendees submitted a total of 59 questions/comments during the meeting; the project team responded to 42 questions/comments during the meeting. The project team followed-up with attendees who did not receive answers to their questions during the meeting within four business days.

Key comment and question themes included:

- Project design (including widening and boundaries) (18)
- Timeline and funding (14)
- Highway operations (11)
- Environmental process (10)
- Safety in the project corridor (5)
- Multi-modal transportation (4)
- Environmental impacts (4)
- Other (11)

They were putting some cameras up for traffic counts for next several weeks located at key intersections. The task order for the paleontology and cultural studies has been signed. That's what Marvin has for right now.

Dan Summers said this was clearly a very large effort on the part of CalTrans to reach people impacted by the San Vicente Corridor project. Dan thanked Marvin for the work that CalTrans has done.

Marvin said that the public comments help with the development of the project.

Robin Joy Maxson asked how the survey for the project played into the comments that he reported to us. Marvin unfortunately he's not part of the environmental project. Don't go into environmental document but the team looks at. Focusing on State Rt 67 and how it relates to fire and rescue.

Marvin said he's willing to come to meetings monthly if we want and we can share comments then as well.

Dan as the project speeds up once a month would be good. Marvin agreed that once things get moving once a month would be good.

Maya Phillips asked when it's going to be decided which version of the highway will be chosen. What is the timeline. Could it be started sooner.

Marvin there were a total of seven versions. That's decided by the project manager. Take comments and analysis and more alternatives can come out of that. One alternative will work for some sections but not others so there can be a combination of alternatives. The road could either get bigger or smaller. Hasn't seen any comments against widening Hwy 67. The timeline will be available in Summer 2023. There are multiple studies that have to be done so feels this is earliest.

6. Approval of minutes from 1/6/2021 and 2/3/2021

Motion to approve minutes of 1/6/2021 made by Robin Joy Maxson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Maya Phillips. Motion passed 5-0-0-2, Elio Noyas and Torry Brean not present.

Motion to approve minutes of 2/3/2021 made by Dan Summers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Maya Phillips. Motion passed 5-0-0-2, Elio Noyas and Torry Brean not present.

7. Update on invitations to SANDAG voting members

Dan Summers shared that there's a date with target rich environment. Major Vasquez, of Lemon Grove would like to meet with us on March 22 at 4:30pm via Zoom. She's one of the votes we need. That's the only response we've had. At this point the SANDAG members have had a chance to settle into their rolls. Believes it's time for a follow-up to the letter.

Robin Joy Maxson thought is to make a phone call and let them know we know that they are busy. Keep it alive.

Dan suggested calling the mayor's chief of staff and make sure they've received the letter and that we want to follow-up. The voting members of SANDAG are mayors within San Diego County. We have been going down there 23/24 times

and given speeches about the situation in Ramona. There are new people that aren't aware of the San Vicente Corridor project as much as they need to. We wrote a letter signed by the Ramona Community Planning Group (RCPG) chair that went out in December 2020 timeline and we received no responses. Then we got a couple trickling responses. Asked for a 10-to-15-minute meeting with them. Give them a face to connect with the project and the position of Ramona that they may not be aware of. Have had a poor response from the mayor's office.

Debbie Foster thinks it's great and appreciates the information. Didn't know how SANDAG was composed. Robin Joy Maxson agreed with what Debbie brought up. It's to help them know us and that they have an impact on our community. Dan shared that the mayors are votes and when it comes to funding that impacts us.

Dan any proposal for contacting the mayors and do we want to involve the RCPG? Robin Joy Maxson we're not doing anything new so probably not involve RCPG at this time.

Dan so we don't need RCPG approval to do this. Will do a follow-up on this. Will call the mayors that letters were sent to and ask if they've received a letter since he hasn't received a response. Realize that they've been very busy and would like to set a time and date to meet.

8. Add RSRS as a stakeholder on the development of entryway from SR 67 to the Mt. Woodson parking lot.

Dan Summers said that since the parking lot is going in off of Hwy 67 there's going to be alterations and since we are the state routes subcommittee, we should be part of this project.

Marvin Canton said his understanding is that it's a County project not CalTrans. He was hoping to get County Project Manager name but hasn't received it yet. Once he has information will send to Dan. He can't speak for them. They do review the permits.

Robin Joy Maxson said coming out on Hwy 67 and realizes it's a County project. She realizes they're saying CalTrans is a stake holder, that there may be a change on Hwy 67 that we don't have input on. The input we'd have on the driveway and Hwy 67.

Marvin they are reviewing the project can put in contact with Rita. She should be able to take our input. They aren't having meetings regarding Mt. Woodson parking lot.

Dan said this is a construction project that involves Hwy 67 and since it's in our pervue would like to give our input if possible.

Marvin the rehab/repaving job is supposed to go late Summer, 2021. The rehab is from San Diego River Bridge to Hwy 78. Dan thinks the gentleman said Spring of 22. Marvin no, the design engineer said late Summer.

Robin which end are they starting on. Marvin don't know that information. But he could ask the site manager that question.

Dan hoped the project would start in Ramona which is badly needed. Dan saw the considerations to do the project. The area near Boll Weevil is going to be completely reconstructed so will impact the traffic flow.

9. Dan Summers welcomed Debbie Foster and Elio Noyas to the RSRS Subcommittee.

10. Discuss progress on SR 67 scoping process

11. Future agenda items

a) Update on Hwy 67 project by Marvin Canton.

b) Discuss need for third ambulance in Ramona.

Dan Summers believes Ramona needs a third ambulance to be at Station 82 (Dye Rd.). Dan is doing investigation and background on this. It's a bureaucratic quagmire. The cost to add in another ambulance to Ramona is significant as they'd need six more paramedics and another rig. It's more of an RCPG issue. Robin Joy Maxson agrees, Dan can discuss as a non-agenda item at the March 4, 2021 RCPG meeting. Will see if the RCPG wants to move forward with this item. Dan believes Debbie Foster can make a case for this as well. Dan believes that if the Ramona community is well informed about this, they would support a third ambulance.

12. Concerns of members - None

13. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Lynn Hopewell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robin Joy Maxson. Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 31, 2021 at 6pm.