



Coulee Region Transportation Study
 “Innovative Solutions for the 21st Century”
 Planning and Environment Linkages
 WisDOT Project ID 1630-08-00
 La Crosse County, WI



Community Advisory Group Meeting #10 & Technical Advisory Group Meeting #10

November 5, 2015
 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. & 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
 Myrick Park Center
 789 Myrick Park Drive
 La Crosse, WI 54601

Attendees:

- **WisDOT:** Andrew Winga, Angela Adams, Steve Vetsch, Steve Flottmeyer, Francis Shelfhout
- **SEH:** Darren Fortney, Jeremy Tomesh, Marty Falk, Nate Day

CAG Member Attendance

Contact Name	Organization	Time Attended
Andrew Londre	La Crosse Neighborhood Revitalization Commission	Not Present
Brian Rude	Dairyland Power	Not Present
Charley Weeth	Livable Neighborhoods, Inc.	Not Present
Chuck Lee	Friends of the Marsh	5:30-7:00 p.m.
Dave Clements	La Crosse Area Convention and Visitors Bureau	Not Present
Georgia Christensen	Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration	Not Present
Glen Jenkins	Coulee Partners for Sustainability	Not Present
Hans Zietlow	Kwik Trip	Not Present
Jacob Sciammas	Grandview Emerson Neighborhood Association	5:30-7:00 p.m.
Jeffrey Polenz	Trane	Not Present
Robert Lass (for Joe Kruse)	Mayo Clinic Health System-Franciscan Healthcare	5:30-7:00 p.m.
Cindy Hood	Coulee Region United Soccer Club	Not Present
Jonella Rademacher		Not Present
Kurt Schroeder	7 Rivers Region Outdoor Recreation Alliance	Not Present
Lynn Paddy	Wal-Mart	Not Present
Maureen Kinney	La Crosse River Marsh Coalition	Not Present
Laura Olson (for Michael Richards)	Gundersen Health System	5:30-7:00 p.m.
Nicholas Padesky	Central High School (student)	Not Present
Patrick Wilson	Sierra Club - Coulee Region Group	Not Present
Rebecca Conn	UWL Student Association	Not Present
Shawn McAlister	Onalaska Area Business Association	Not Present
Sonya Ganther	Viterbo University	Not Present
Steve Johnson	State Board for the Blind and Visually Impaired	Not Present
Trish Grathen	Lower North Side and Depot Neighbors Assoc.	Not Present
Vickie Markussen	La Crosse Area Chamber of Commerce	Not Present
Vickie Unferth	Washburn Neighborhood Association	Not Present
Warren Loveland	Mississippi Valley Conservancy	Not Present

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TAG Member Attendance

Contact Name	Organization	Time Attended
Randy Turtenwald	City of La Crosse Engineering	3:00-4:30 p.m
Jason Gilman	City of La Crosse Planning	3:00-4:30 p.m
Amy Peterson	City of La Crosse Planning	3:00-4:30 p.m
Ronald Tischer	City of La Crosse Police Dept.	Not Present
Dale Hexom	City of La Crosse Public Works	Not Present
Brandon Shea	City of La Crosse Streets & Highways	Not Present
James Kruegar	City of La Crosse Transit Utility	3:00-4:30 p.m
Matt Gallagher	City of La Crosse Transportation Engineering	Not Present
Jarrold Holter	City of Onalaska Engineering	3:00-4:30 p.m
Brea Grace	City of Onalaska Land Use and Development	Not Present
Danny McDonald	City of Onalaska Streets and Stormwater	Not Present
Scott Halbrucker	City of West Salem Public Works	Not Present
Bethany Bacher-Gresock	Federal Highway Administration	Not Present
Tom Faella	LAPC	3:00-4:30 p.m
Kermit King	La Crosse Area School District	3:00-4:30 p.m
Steve O'Malley	La Crosse County Administrative Center	Not Present
Keith Butler	La Crosse County EMS	Not Present
Paula Silha	La Crosse County Health Department	3:00-4:30 p.m
Ron Chamberlain	La Crosse County Highway Dept.	Not Present
Charlie Handy	La Crosse County Planning	Not Present
Carolyn Dvorak	LAPC Bike/Ped Advisory Committee	Not Present
Audrey Kader	LAPC Transit Coordinating Council	Not Present
Jackie Eastwood	LAPC Transportation Planning	3:00-4:30 p.m
Peter Fletcher	Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission	Not Present
Kerrie Hauser	US Army Corps of Engineers	Not Present
Dean Olson	Village of Holmen Public Works	Not Present
Karen Kalvelage	WDNR - SW Region	Not Present
Peter Fletcher	MRRPC	Not Present
Joe Langeberg	La Crosse County	3:00-4:30 p.m

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I. Welcome

II. Local check in

Andy Winga asked the members if they have heard anything about the study from the community. No comments were made.

III. Discussion

- a. WisDOT and SEH staff facilitated a group discussion on the specific strategy packages.

IV. Wrap up and questions

- a. The final part of the meetings was reserved for questions and discussion. Topics discussed included:
 - i. Whether or not LOS maps on exhibits should reflect intersection improvements.
 - ii. Including No-build LOS maps as an additional handout.
 - iii. Strategy Package A1: discussion on expanding capacity on exiting major corridors vs. spreading traffic out throughout the grid.
 - iv. Strategy Package A2: comments made about impacts to neighborhoods and whether or not Losey Blvd could be improved enough with intersection-only improvements.
 - v. Strategy Package E2: discussion on the number of lanes needed for this strategy.
 - vi. Strategy Package F1: discussion on impacts to adjacent roads. Additional discussion on an additional connection using Oak Ave.
 - vii. Strategy Package F3: comments made about challenges of building alongside/over existing railroad corridor, including adjacent property impacts and the cost of an elevated roadway.
 - viii. Strategy Package F4: comment made about making the history of 5B-1 strategy very clear to the public. Additional design aspects were discussed including elevated sections over the marsh, removing potential portions of verbuild on 7th St, following the old/existing dike, and skirting the Indian Hills neighborhood.
 - ix. Strategy Package F5: discussion on impacts to Monitor Street and avoiding the Indian Hills neighborhood.
 - x. Strategy Package H: discussion on additional park & rides at Exit 2 and Exit 5. The fact that this strategy is incorporated into all of the build strategies was also brought up.
 - xi. Strategy Package A1+A2: members discussed concerns about impacts from the A2 portion of the strategy.
 - xii. Strategy Package E2+F5: topics from individual E2 and F5 strategies were revisited.
- b. As a result of discussion at the meetings, the advisory groups recommended the elimination of Strategy Package A2, A1+A2, and potentially H and E2 as stand alone strategies.