

Meeting Notes

SUBJECT: 2010 Mat Su Transportation Fair
PROJECT NO.: 3926.09 / Glenn Highway 34-42
GROUP: Public Meeting
DATE: September 16, 2010
TIME: 4-8 p.m.
LOCATION: Alaska State Fairgrounds, Raven Hall, 2075 Glenn Highway
MEETING OUTREACH: Print Ads in *Anchorage Daily News* (9/1/10 and 9/15/10), *Mat-Su Valley Frontiersman* (8/29/10 and 9/12/10); Postcard mailers to Glenn Highway 34-42 and Fairview Loop project mailing lists; emails to all Brooks & Associates Mat-Su Project email lists; MSB Boards and Commissions, and MSB elected officials; flyers/posters distributed to local businesses, related project meetings, borough offices; PSAs sent to radio and television stations; announcements on all related B&A project websites.
MEETING ATTENDANCE: 202 signed in
MEETING MATERIALS: Each project provided their own materials
STAFF PRESENT: B&A: Anne Brooks, Kathy Burgess, Elizabeth Quinley
Various project representatives

MEETING INFORMATION:

The purpose of this meeting was to provide a location where interested residents could access information and answers to questions regarding Mat-Su Area transportation projects. 202 people signed in at the door. The meeting had an open house format, where visitors could browse the many booths, or go directly to their area of interest. Refreshments were provided in the rear of the building.

ADOT&PF, The Alaska Railroad Corporation, the Mat-Su Borough, the City of Palmer, and the City of Wasilla all had areas with their specific projects. Additional booths included: US Fish & Game, MASCOT, Valley Mover, VPSI Van Pool, Roundabouts, MV Susitna Cook Inlet Ferry, Advocacy Services USA, MSB Bond Information, Knik Arm Crossing, MSB Trails, Safe Routes to Schools, Bike & Pedestrian Safety, Wetlands Mitigation Bank, and National Scenic Byways. (See attached meeting agenda and map.)

The following written comments were received at the meeting:

“Very needed project. Suggest traffic light at Colony Way & Glenn Highway to make it easier to avoid Glenn and Palmer Wasilla Highway intersection to leave Palmer.”

“At Sherrod Drive we will be turning right to Anchorage by going to Colleen for a u-turn. Coming home from Palmer we will have to pass our home by ?? and u-turn to come back. We would VERY MUCH appreciate a left turn bay/opening in the median to turn directly onto Sherrod Dr. I’m sure I speak for all in our (6 homes) subdivision as well as Crestview Subdivision (s. end of Sherrod Drive). Also, spare as many buffer trees as possible.”

In addition to these written comments, commenters provide input directly to the project team. The most verbal comments/concerns received were from adjacent property owners that may be impacted with ROW acquisitions. They wanted to know how the proposed ROW acquisitions were determined and how the process works.

There were a number of verbal comments that stated that this is a good project and is definitely needed.

As visitors left the meeting, they were asked to fill out an anonymous meeting evaluation form. The feedback was overall positive and appreciative for the 1-stop-many projects approach. When asked to rate the meeting from 1 (poor) to 6 (excellent), the average response was a 5. Comments about the meeting included:

“Great information about all the projects in our community.”

This meeting was great because? “One Stop shopping.”

“There were well informed representatives.”

“Plenty of room – plenty of time”

“It was a nice casual atmosphere, everyone was helpful. Thanks!”

“Great access to info – knowledgeable people to talk to”

“Lots of information in one place, lots of knowledgeable and helpful people.”

Related documents on file:

Sign-in sheets

Handouts (blank comment sheet)

Written Comment Sheets Received at meeting

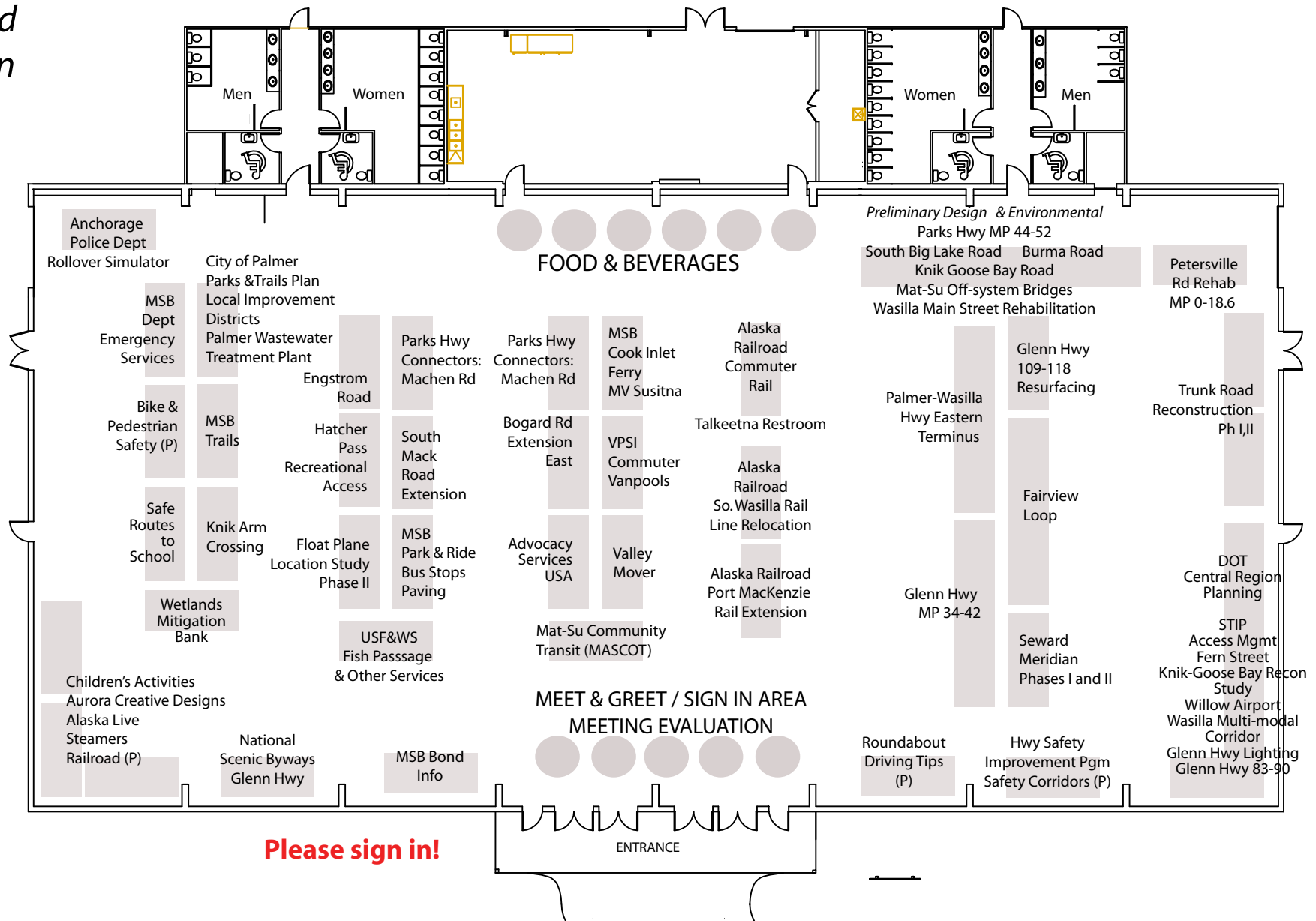
Mailing list for project mailers

Postcard mailer

Where do I find the project I'm interested in?

Use Red
Drive In
Gate

PARK
HERE!



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PIONEER PLAZA

Check the Pioneer Plaza for the following:
Vanpool Vehicle
MASCOT Vehicle