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Date: April 15, 2020

Subject: SR-7 Stakeholder Meeting Summaries

Memorandum

The purpose of this memo is to provide a list of key points made during each of the stakeholder meetings held to discuss the SR-7 Active Transportation Plan. Each stakeholder meeting is listed below followed by a bulleted list of important takeaways.

Washington City

Meeting Date: April 7, 2020

Attendees: Kim Manwill, Jeff Sanders, Andy Stevens, Mike Shaw, Barry Blake, Aron Baker, Emily Andrus

- Washington City has an active transportation plan, but the parks department also has a parks and recreation map (Nov 2019) with planned trails map-located on <https://washingtoncity.org/recreation/trails>
 - The web version looks like it only shows existing trails
- Looking to pull trail off of highway through Long Valley and build along the power line corridor from Exit 12 to Washington Dam Rd
 - Contact Jim Raines with Bob Brennan's Long Valley Development to find out their trail plan
- There is a potential connection to Virgin River Trail or Canal Trail underneath SR-7
- Shapefiles have been received from Washington City's GIS trail plan

SUBA

Meeting Date: April 9, 2020

Attendees: Kim Manwill, Jeff Sanders, Craig Shanklin, Aron Baker, Emily Andrus, Ryan Gurr

- The grade on SR-7 near Sand Hollow is at max 6% which is difficult but doable for biking. 6% should be the absolute maximum for a bike route. Occurs in Washington and Hurricane segments
- Along south side of Sand Hollow, maintenance of the trail due to blowing sand could be an issue.
 - To solve this issue, an alternate route could potentially connect to Turf Sod Rd and cut across to Dixie Springs
- A goal is to avoid high expense areas and put more miles of trail on the ground
- Check that St. George city has a regional trail planned along Southern Parkway

- Craig recommended that Jeff Peay be invited to be involved and that Dannielle Larkin be invited to join the St George meeting.
- Trail widths and location will be recommended as a part of this study

Hurricane City

Meeting Date: April 10, 2020

Attendees: Kim Manwill, Arthur LeBaron, Darrin LeFevre, Aron Baker, Emily Andrus

- Roadway master plan indicates interchange locations on SR-7 through Hurricane
<https://hurricaneut.maps.arcgis.com/apps/StoryMapBasic/index.html?appid=d8605cb368fd4405a3a11764546d7869>
- Discussed trail reroute to Turf Sod Rd. New route would go through SITLA property and Burgess' are planning a trail
 - Trail on Dixie Springs might have >6% grade
- The City thinks it would be beneficial and valuable to have a trail shown on the entire length of SR-7, it comes down to priorities
- Maintenance will be responsibility of local jurisdiction
- The interchange at SR-9 and SR-7 provides opportunities for East/West as well as North/South connection
- Loop connecting SR-9 is also a priority
- It is reported that the County is planning a trail along Purgatory Road which would create a loop through Purgatory Valley

St. George City

Meeting Date: April 13, 2020

Attendees: Kim Manwill, Jeff Sanders, Monty Thurber, Dannielle Larkin, Millie Cockerill, Mark Goble, Shane McAfee, Aron Baker, Emily Andrus

- Consider connections to Sun River trail that currently ends suddenly on West side of freeway. Mark Goble suggested looking closely at Parks and Trails plan to see what is happening in the future.
- Horrocks will integrate all of the new trails in GIS and show connections.
- Recommendation to invite John Willis in the future to be sure that development is coordinating with the trails
- There is a mountain bike underpass under the Southern Parkway at a drainage facility at Desert Canyon that could be used as a long term trail underpass

Washington County

Meeting Date: April 14, 2020

Attendees: Aron Baker, Emily Andrus, Leslie Fonger, Kim Manwill, Jeff Sanders

- The cut between Washington and Hurricane is potentially not wide enough for a trail and 4 lanes of highway -other alternatives through that segment should be considered.
- It is important to stay connected to the Sand Hollow recreation area
- Whatever the priority is for Hurricane will determine how the County will manage that connection
- The County is planning on a trail along Purgatory Road-called the Purgatory Valley Trail