APPENDIX K

Agency Workgroup Meeting #1 Summary





Meeting Summary

Project:	Egan Yandukin Intersections Improvements Project	
Subject:	Agency Meeting	
Date:	Tuesday, November 05, 2019	
Location:	DOT&PF Headquarters, Room 140	
Attendees:	Joanne Schmidt, DOT&PF Christopher Goins, DOT&PF David Epstein, DOT&PF Adam Moser, DOT&PF Ben Storey, DOT&PF Emily Haynes, DOT&PF	Michael Horntvedt, Parametrix Irene Gallion, City and Borough of Juneau Jesse Lindgren, ADF&G Pelana Wilks, USACE Randal Vigil, USACE Yumi [unknown], ADEC
	Mike Lesmann, DOT&PF	Bill O'Connel, ADEC

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Jim Brown welcomed everyone who was in attendance and discussed the importance of the Egan/Yandukin intersection.

SAFETY, FACILITATION, AND ADMINISTRATIVE

Josie Wilson went over the agenda, purpose, and objectives of the meeting. She also established meeting decorum.

INTRODUCTIONS

The attendees went around and introduced themselves, what organization they are with, and what their role in the project is.

PROJECT PRESENTATION

Jim expressed that the goal for this project is to improve traffic and pedestrian safety. He then went on to discuss the project purpose and need and complete a related activity.

Jim presented the project purpose and need to the meeting attendees. The attendees then presented their comments and suggestions for edits to the statement. Below is a summary of those comments.

- o General/Overall
 - Clarify if the purpose and need statement is for the project or for the PEL study.

Overall, there were no other comments made at the meeting. The attendees were encouraged to further review the statement and submit their comments to the project team.

Jim went on to discuss the findings of the traffic study. He presented the current traffic data and the projected numbers for 2040. He then went on to discuss what improvements have been implemented to date. Jim also pointed out that there haven't been further improvements as there hasn't been enough time to monitor the latest improvements.



Jim then discussed the current and future stages of the project. These steps include the updated traffic report and community and agency engagement.

AGENCY AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Emily Haynes provided a further background on what PEL does and how it works. She also emphasized the importance of agency and public involvement in this process. Emily pointed out that the purpose and need developed during the PEL study will be used in the NEPA process.

Emily then discussed the next steps of the PEL process, establishing that there will be continuous agency and public involvement, as this involvement will also assist in developing and screening of alternatives.

QUESTIONS

During the meeting, several questions were asked by the participants. Below is the summary of those questions and the answers provided by the project team.

- Will DOT&PF be acting a state or a federal agency of this project?
 - o DOT&PF will be acting as the Federal Highway Administration.
- Is there an established timeline for future collaboration and agency involvement? A
 clear outline will help agencies to plan accordingly to provide valuable input.
 - This is something that can be built into the schedule.
- What effect, if any, will improvements to Egan/Yandukin will have on McNugget intersection, and are there opportunities to improve both?
 - Any improvements to Egan/Yandukin will likely have impacts on the McNugget, but those effects have not been completely analyzed.
- Is McNugget intersection more dangerous?
 - The crash rate is higher than at Egan/Yandukin.

COMMENTS

At the end of the meeting some of the members provided additional comments and suggestions regarding the project. Below is a summary of those comments.

 Be mindful of the land development in the area. Industrial subdivision is starting to be developed in that area, and there is more land in the area that could potentially start developing soon.