

Carter Bridge & Bigley Ave. Bridge LMC Overlay

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Meeting Minutes Summary

All meetings were voice recorded by Karen Zamow. She was present at all meetings.

Meeting #1 March 28th @ 1:00pm

Attendees:

Paul A. Mattox, Jr., Secretary of Transportation/Commissioner of Highways, VE Board Chair
Robert Pennington, Director Program, Planning and Administration Division, Voting Member
Tim Priddy, Engineering Division, Voting Member
Paul Farley, MCS&T, Voting Member
Cindy Cramer, Director Traffic Engineering, Voting Member
Jimmy Wriston, Special Projects Engineer, Voting Member
Matt Crum, D-1 Construction, Voting Member

Presenters from Penhall:

Gary Bush and Jason Brynick

Other attendees were:

Marvin Murphy, State Highway Engineer
Harry Bergstrom, Deputy Commissioner of Highways
Jeff Miller, WVDOT Legal Division
Tom Smith, FHWA
Mike Spolarich and Monty Kahn, Traffic Engineering
George Fisher, D-1 Construction
Mike Clowser and Pat McDonald, WV Contractors Association

Brief Summary:

The meeting was opened by introductions of all those attending. A presentation was given by Penhall Company detailing the VEP. Questions were asked by those in attendance and answered by Penhall. There was a lengthy discussion on if any analysis had been performed to analyze traffic queuing based on the work zone configuration as proposed in the VEP.

Secretary/Commissioner Mattox called an executive session of the meeting. Those in attendance not employed by the DOH were asked to leave the room.

Following the executive session Penhall returned to the room. Discussion of the VEP continued and it was agreed that some queuing analysis should be performed. The WVDOH Traffic Engineering Section will analyze queuing based on the traffic count information available.

Meeting #2 March 30th @ 2:00pm

Attendees:

Paul A. Mattox, Jr., Secretary of Transportation/Commissioner of Highways, VE Board Chair
Robert Pennington, Director Program, Planning and Administration Division, Voting Member
Tim Priddy, Engineering Division, Voting Member
Paul Farley, MCS&T, Voting Member
Cindy Cramer, Director Traffic Engineering, Voting Member
Jimmy Wriston, Special Projects Engineer, Voting Member
Matt Crum, D-1 Construction, Voting Member

Penhall Construction:

Gary Bush

Other attendees were:

Marvin Murphy, State Highway Engineer
Harry Bergstrom, Deputy Commissioner of Highways
Tom Smith, FHWA
Mike Spolarich and Monty Kahn, Traffic Engineering
George Fisher, D-1 Construction

Brief Summary:

After opening the meeting Cindy Cramer, Director of Traffic Engineering, presented a summary of their queuing analysis. Basically it stated that closing lanes on weekday evenings at 8:00pm as presented in the VEP instead of 9:00pm as outlined in the plans did not cause significant queuing to occur. The analysis also detailed that "significant queuing" would occur during the VE proposed one lane weekend closure. It was noted that the traffic count analysis performed was ran using first the weekday traffic counts for the project area, and then using weekend traffic counts for Huntington, WV because weekend counts were not available for the project area.

After hearing these findings it was determined that weekend hourly traffics counts be taken for the project area. This work would be performed by Program and Planning. Once the data was obtained the numbers would be given to Penhall who would hire a traffic consultant to analyze the data.

Meeting #3 April 5th, 2012 @ 2:00pm

Attendees:

Paul Mattox, Secretary of Transportation/Commissioner of Highways, VE Board Chair
~~Robert Pennington, Director Program, Planning and Administration Division, Voting Member absent~~
Harry Bergstrom, Deputy Commissioner of Highways, set in for him
~~Tim Priddy, Engineering Division, Voting Member absent~~ Greg Bailey, Director of Engineering, set in for him
~~Paul Farley, MCS&T, Voting Member absent~~, Aaron Gillispie, Director MCS&T, set in for him
Cindy Cramer, Director Traffic Engineering, Voting Member

Jimmy Wriston, Special Projects Engineer, Voting Member
Matt Crum, D-1 Construction, Voting Member

Penhall Construction:

Jason Brynick

Other attendees were:

Marvin Murphy, State Highway Engineer
Tom Smith and Ed Compton, FHWA
Mike Spolarich, Traffic Engineering
Gary Mullins and George Fisher, D-1 Construction

Brief Summary:

After opening the meeting Traffic Engineering presented additional queuing analysis with traffic count data taken by Program, Planning and Administration Division over the weekend of March 31st to April 1st. This analysis indicated that traffic would not queue past the 1.5 mile threshold that was previously established on the weekend lane closure. There was some discussion of putting a "contingency" plan in place to minimize queues if an event would arise where significant queues were forming. A vote was cast. It appeared to be unanimous. VEP approved contingent upon execution of change order documents.