

Highway 63 & I-90 Interchange Improvement Open House 2 Summary

Date: Tuesday, August 13, 2019

Time: 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Location: Stewartville Civic Center (105 1st SE, Stewartville, MN 55976)

This document summarizes information regarding the Open House #2 for the Highway 63 & I-90 Interchange Improvement Project on August 13, 2019.

Overview

The Open House hosted on August 13, 2019 is part of Minnesota Department of Transportation's (MnDOT) commitment to provide thoughtful, effective, and broad-reaching involvement by ensuring the public is well informed and have clearly identified opportunities to present their ideas and concerns. **A total of 119 individuals signed in to the Open House, a few attendees did not sign in.**

The Open House informed attendees of the proposed improvements and construction/detour timeline for the Highway 63 and I-90 interchange. Project team members were present at the Open House to answer questions regarding the proposed staging plans. The project team also provided large aerial maps with the proposed improvements and engagement boards with an overview of project schedule and costs.

Engagement boards provided information on:

- Project background – Needs for project, construction costs, project schedules, and proposed improvements
- Highlight of existing issues before improvements
- Overview of construction staging - Year 1 and Year 2
- Overview of detour routes



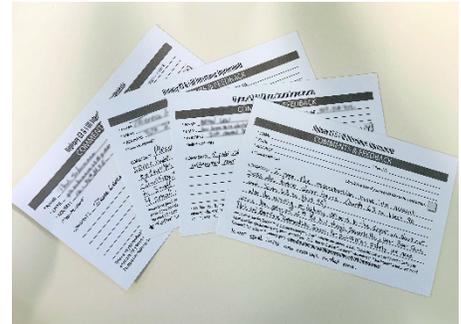
Computers with access to the project website allowed attendees to sign up for the project email list. Individuals on the email list will receive project and construction updates from Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT).

Comment Cards

Open House attendees also had the opportunity to leave their ideas and concerns on comment cards. A total of 4 comment cards were submitted to the project team. Comments highlighted the current lack of safety at the interchange.

The following are comments provided by attendees:

- I like the advanced detour planning! Very useful information that more planning projects should spotlight.
- Please install permanent traffic lights of some type at the intersection of Hwy 63 & Schumann Dr. by the Kwik Trip North of Stewartville. I stopped counting the # of near-misses I have experienced due to semi-truck traffic and other large vehicles (RV's, trucks w/trailers, etc.) at this intersection. I have 4 small children and this intersection is dangerous for us.
- Please leave my address the same.
- I hope the reconstruction takes into account possible future clover leaves (North 63 to West 90 and South 63 to East 90). With the rerouting of Highway 30 north to the airport, a short cut would be going on 10th St NW through Stewartville, past Bear Cave Park and Bear Cave Intermediate School. For pedestrian safety we need lower speed limits and crosswalk on that road.



Next Steps

Proposed solutions to issues on the Highway 63 & I-90 included changes to access points and new interchange loops and acceleration ramps. Major concerns will be taken into consideration as MnDOT works with the impacted stakeholders. The public will continue to be informed of project and construction updates.

To keep up to date on the project and to receive updates on more ways to get involved, please visit the project website at: www.dot.state.mn.us/d6/projects/hwy63-i90-interchange/.

Photos of the Event

