

Stakeholder Meeting Summary

Monday, September 17, 2007
City of Fulton
Fulton, Illinois

Project: FAP 309 (US 30)
Section (20-1, 17R, 16, 15, 110) PE 1
Whiteside County
Job No. P-92-107-07

Attendees:

Honorable Howard Van Zuiden, Mayor
Fulton City Council Members (all in attendance)
Randy Balk, City Administrator
Dan Clark, Public Works Director
James Rhoades, Chief of Police
Linda Hollis, City Clerk

US 30 Project Team Members:

Dawn Perkins (IDOT)
Gil Janes (HR Green)
Shelia A. Hudson (Hudson and Associates, LLC)

Handouts (see attachment):

Power Point- US 30 Environmental Impact Statement and
Phase I Design Report

Meeting Purpose

Members of the Project Study Group (PSG) met with the City of Fulton to present an overall project status report that included results from the feasibility study and highlights of the next study phase.

The following information was presented:

- Results from the Corridor Feasibility Study
- Federal Requirements for Next Phase (NEPA, EIS and CSS Policies)
- Project Timeline
- Public Outreach Activities
- Results from Public Information Meeting (July 25, 2007) and First Round of Stakeholder Meetings

US 30 Team Presentation

Shelia Hudson opened the meeting by introducing the team present and thanking the Council for agreeing to meet with the District to discuss the project status.

Dawn Perkins followed Ms. Hudson with remarks on behalf of the Department. She went on to explain the purpose of the next phase and the consultant role/ responsibility during the next phase.

Gil Janes presented a power point presentation that focused on the results from the feasibility study; highlights of the next phase; federal and state policies (such as NEPA, EIS and CSS); and results from the Public Information Meeting and first round of Stakeholder Meetings. Gil closed the meeting by thanking the Council for their time and on-going efforts to champion the project.

Comments/ Issues/ Questions

Questions:

Q- Alderman Field wanted to know why was there so much foot dragging? In his opinion the project was going backward not forward.

A- Gil responded that the project was actually on course. He went on to explain the Federal and State policies the Department must adhere to as prescribed before moving to the next phase.

Q - Alderman Roels wanted to know at what cost is the project costing the tax payers. Also, what are HR Green and Volkert making on the project?

A- Gil informed the council that the project will cost approximately 7 million dollars to complete a very thorough study.

Q- Alderman Fields asked where did the project rank with the Department?

A- Gil stated the project was high on the Department's listing of statewide projects for Illinois. He went on to say much of the acknowledgment of hard work and thanks goes to their leadership and the on-going community support being demonstrated. Gil emphasized the importance of keeping the momentum going to continue progress.



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US 30 Project

This project proposes 4 lane improvements to US 30 in Whiteside County Illinois, from the junction of IL 136 near Fulton to the junction of IL 40 in Rock Falls.



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The US 30 Corridor Feasibility Study determined there was a need to:

- ❑ *Improve Regional Mobility*
- ❑ *Accommodate Land Use Planning Goals*
- ❑ *Address Local System Deficiencies and Safety*



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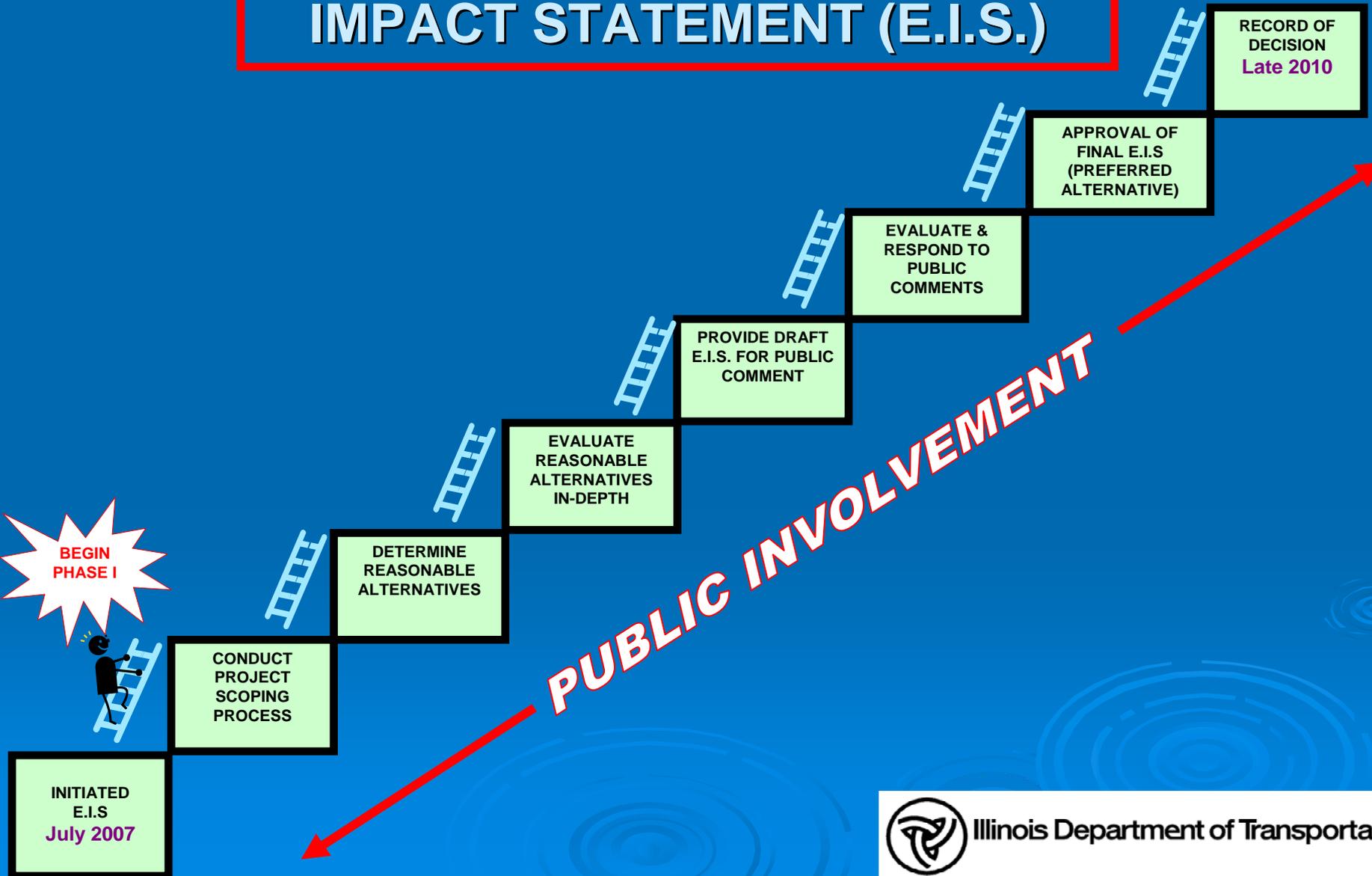
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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT
AND PHASE I DESIGN REPORT
Using Context Sensitive Solutions
Process



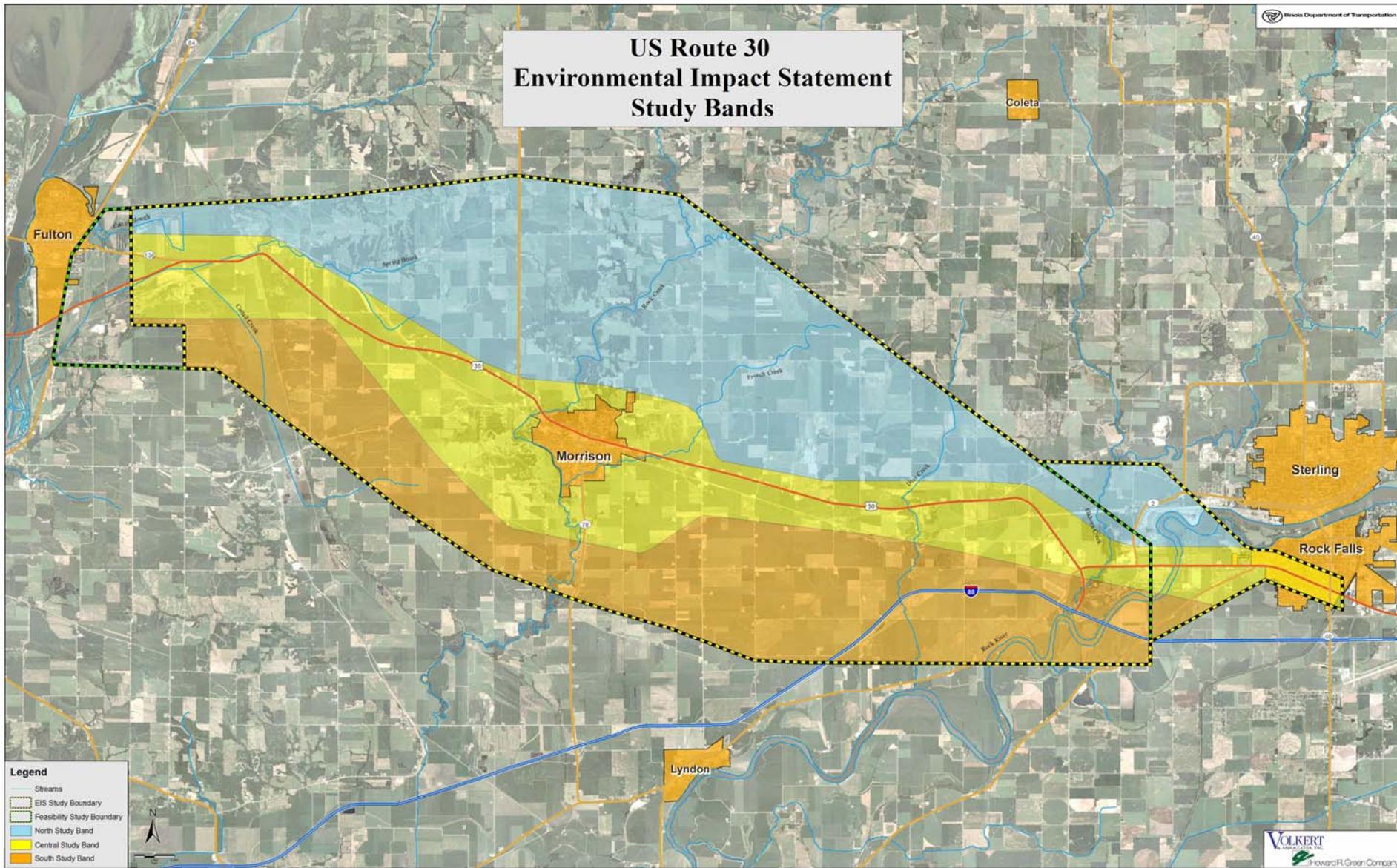
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PHASE I ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (E.I.S.)

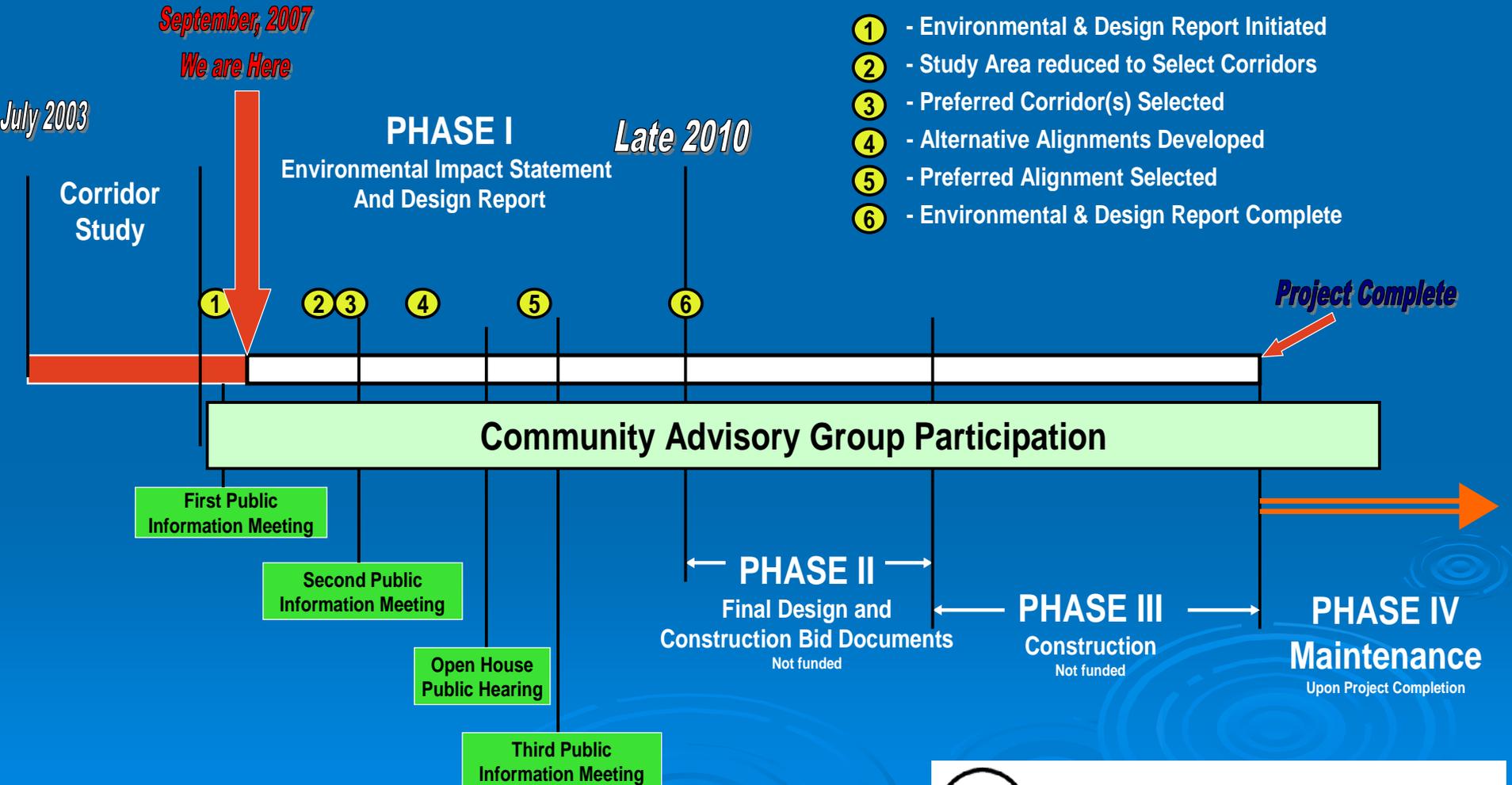
**COMPLETE
DESIGN
REPORT**



US 30 Study Bands



Project Timeline



CONTEXT SENSITIVE SOLUTIONS

PSG's Role

- ❑ Identify Stakeholders and assure representation of all entities in the Public Involvement process.
- ❑ Utilize the problem statement developed by the Community Advisory Group to develop the Project Purpose and Need Statement.
- ❑ Utilize the information gained by the Community Advisory Group along with Environmental and Engineering Data to guide the project decisions.

CAG's Role

- ❑ Identify criteria that reflect the ideas and interests of the community (e.g. safety, severance of farms).
- ❑ Develop a problem statement.
- ❑ Participate in exercises to visualize and suggest engineering and aesthetic concepts for enhancing the project.
- ❑ Provide ideas and information to be directly used in the development of project documents, the study bands, corridors and alignments of potential improvement.

CONTEXT SENSITIVE SOLUTIONS

Community Advisory Group Activities

- **Develops Problem Statement and define Project Context**
- **Evaluates & refines Corridors based on Environmental & Engineering Criteria**
- **Evaluates & refines alignments based on Environmental & Engineering Criteria**

Public Information Meeting

OVERVIEW

Morrison, Illinois

Monday, July, 25, 2007

ATTENDANCE: 253

ATTENDEES: Business Leaders, Home Owners, Farmers, Political Officials, Media, Business Owners, Farm Bureau, Special Interest Groups, Roadway Commissioners, Chamber / Economic Development Agency Representatives

COMMUNITIES: Fulton, Morrison, Rock Falls, Sterling, Lyndon, Erie, Galesburg, Mt. Prospect, Clinton, Iowa, Davenport, Iowa



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STAKEHOLDER BRIEFING HIGHLIGHTS JULY and AUGUST 2007

We have met with several groups thus far including US 30 Coalition, Several Legislators, County and Township Personnel, Business Owners, the State Park and City Councils.

We will continue to update these and other stakeholders throughout the length of the project



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Key Issues from the Public Meeting and Stakeholder Meetings

- Land Acquisition
- Bypass or No Bypass in Morrison
- Project Funding
- Did this backtrack?
- Effects on Businesses

YOUR COMMENTS & CONCERNS



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