

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT COORDINATION

4.1 Public Coordination

The project team used several targeted methods to advise the corridor stakeholders of the availability of the EA and notice of the public hearing. These methods included paid media, door-to-door flyers, mass e-mails to the residents of Stapleton, and web site announcements on the Stapleton network and the CCD web site. A public hearing was held on June 25, 2009 and the public and agency comments and responses are summarized in Section 4.3.

Paid Media

For the Notice of Availability of the EA and invitation to the public hearing, 4x5 inch display ads were placed in the following papers:

Denver Daily News	YourHub (Section of The Denver Post)
June 9, 2009	June 11, 2009
June 23, 2009	June 18, 2009

Press Release

CCD prepared a press release to announce the public hearing. Details regarding the date, time, and location of the public hearing were released to the media on June 18, 2009.

Flyer/Meeting Announcement

The project team distributed Meeting Announcement flyers door-to-door to 127 businesses. Meeting notices were placed at schools, retail establishments, government offices, and the Forest City Stapleton offices. Businesses also received an e-mail announcement sent by the Greater Stapleton Business Association. The business outreach included Northfield, the businesses at Stapleton, and the industrial areas north of I-70 and west of Quebec Street.

Web Page

The project team created an I-70/CPB Interchange project web page on CCD's website. CDOT provided a link from their website to the CCD project web page. The web page (http://www.denvergov.org/Capital_Projects_Center) included specific project information including updates, announcements, project location, public involvement, project schedule, and provided the ability to leave a comment. The EA was on the website for review starting on June 9, 2009.

Neighborhood Outreach

The Stapleton community has an e-mail network that reaches residents that bought a home in the development. Stapleton United Neighbors e-mailed the announcement to over 35,000 individuals. Forest City also sent an e-mail distribution of the announcement to the residents of Stapleton.

Other Outreach

Meetings were requested by the Stapleton Foundation Transportation Management Agency and the Stapleton Business Association to inform them of the public hearing.

4.2 Availability of Environmental Assessment

The EA was available for public review from June 9 to July 8, 2009 at the following locations:

Pauline Robinson Branch Library
5575 E. 33rd Avenue
Denver, Colorado 80207-2027

Federal Highway Administration
12300 W. Dakota Avenue, Suite 180
Lakewood, Colorado 80228

City and County of Denver
Council District 11
4760 Oakland Street, Suite 175
Denver, Colorado 80239

City and County of Denver
Wellington E. Webb Municipal Building
201 W Colfax Ave.
5th floor Receptionist Area
Denver, Colorado 80202

Colorado Department of Transportation
4201 East Arkansas Avenue
Shumate Building
Denver, Colorado 80222

Colorado Department of Transportation
Region 6
2000 S. Holly Street
Denver, Colorado 80222

4.3 Public Hearing Summary

A Public Hearing was held at the Radisson Hotel Denver Stapleton Plaza, 3333 Quebec Street, Denver, Colorado 80207, on Thursday, June 25, 2009. The purpose of this meeting was to present the recommended Preferred Alternative for the proposed I-70/CPB Interchange.

An open house format was conducted from 5:30 to 6:00 pm. Registration was set up at the entrance of the room with sign-in sheets. Approximately 30 people attended the meeting including citizens and elected officials. Attendees were given the opportunity to view various project exhibits and maps. Twenty-five graphics boards displayed information on the project location, funding, the recommended Preferred Alternative, impacts, mitigation, and project milestones. Attendees were encouraged to view the exhibits, discuss the recommended Preferred Alternative, and ask questions concerning the proposed project with the project team.

A formal presentation started at 6:00 pm. The project team reviewed the project purpose and need, described the alternatives and screening process, and recommended a Preferred Alternative. Impacts to the study area and mitigation were presented. The presentation was immediately followed with an opportunity for attendees to provide comments on the recommended Preferred Alternative.