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**Randall Road (FAP 336) CR V29**  
County Line Road to Ackman Road  
Section: 06-00329-01-PW  
Algonquin-Lake in the Hills Fire Protection District Outreach Meeting  
May 13, 2014  
9:00 a.m.

### Minutes of Meeting

#### Attendees:

Monthly staff meeting attendees:  
Chief Patrick Mullen  
Assistant Chief Peter Van Dorpe  
Battalion Chief John Knebl  
Battalion Chief Mike Kern  
Battalion Chief John Greene  
Captain Charlie Tenson  
Captain Tim Littlefield  
Michele Bauer  
Jill Jurgos  
Director Chris Randall (Absent)  
Director Mike Murphy (Absent)  
Todd Bright, TranSystems

The meeting was scheduled in response to Director Murphy's request to meet and discuss the project as it relates to the Districts emergency operations. He had received the March 2014 project update flyer. The meeting also initiated a dialogue that will be ongoing throughout the next phase of the project.

The meeting began at 9:00 a.m.

#### Introduction and Overview

The meeting was held on site at the firehouse located at Algonquin Road and Pyott Road. Mr. Bright began by giving a general overview of the project, as well as the structure of the design team.

#### Scope

The Randall Road Corridor is characterized by the following deficiencies:

- Severe Congestion
- Safety and Accident Concerns
- Inconsistent Access
- Lack of Pedestrian and Bicycle Access

The County is proposing to address these issues by widening and reconstructing this vital corridor to provide three (3) through lanes in each direction, dual left turn lanes, and an exclusive right turn lane at the major



signalized intersections. Other improvements include drainage and detention, traffic signals, lighting, multi-use paths, and sidewalks. The roadway design plans may include future construction of pedestrian grade separations.

The Randall Road and Algonquin Road intersection will be widened and reconstructed to accommodate future traffic and commercial access. Mr. Bright explained that the current intersection does not have the capacity to accommodate existing and future traffic. The delay experienced while driving the corridor and waiting time at stop lights can be significant on Saturdays and during weekday rush hours. The attendees acknowledged the congestion and felt drivers and businesses would welcome the improvements. Mr. Bright added that there needs to be a balance between traffic, safety, and access. Designers will need to address the corridor's failures while maintaining the daily living needs of the County residents and merchants.

#### Project Status

The design team began working on the project in the middle of February 2014. They are taking a fresh look at what was originally proposed. Initial tasks have been reviewing existing studies, public outreach, and validating traffic forecasts. New traffic information is a focus, as it will be used to reevaluate the Randall and Algonquin intersection. Only if warranted, will a CFI be considered.

#### Schedule

The type of intersection at Randall and Algonquin should be decided by the end of the year. Design plans will be prepared in 2015. The earliest construction could begin is 2016. This schedule is dependent on funding and property acquisition.

#### Discussion

An intersection aerial and the current preferred improvement plans were discussed. A copy of the exhibits was left with the District. Mr. Bright showed exhibits for both the CFI alternative and traditional alternative at the Randall/Algonquin intersection. This illustrated that there were similar access impacts with both alternatives, which may have been different from what he was conveyed by others and/or in the media. It was reiterated that the type of intersection is unknown at this time.

The potential CFI concept was explained and the District had a good understanding of how it would operate. Mr. Bright noted that the project website contains a video link illustrating how a CFI operates.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oVI3Ldw7mc>

#### District Issues/Concerns

- Not only is access important to the businesses, but it is also important to the District during emergencies.
- Algonquin Road and Randall Road both currently have emergency preemption at each signalized intersection. The District would like this condition to remain in place during construction and after construction.
- The District would like to meet after the plans are further developed to discuss emergency access during construction and after construction.

#### Next Steps

TranSystems will look into the issues and concerns listed above by the District.



All attendees were very appreciative of the meeting and asked that they be kept informed as the project moves forward. In addition, they would like the opportunity to review the final drawings prior to construction. The design team is committed to meeting again after alternatives are further developed.

The Randall Road presentation portion of the meeting ended at approximately 9:35 a.m.

By: Todd S. Bright, P.E.