

**I-5/SR-78 Interchange Project  
Community Working Group Meeting #2**

**Meeting Agenda**

Date: 03/09/15

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Harding Community Center (Recreation Hall)  
3096 Harding Street, Carlsbad, CA 92008

**Meeting Goal:** Establish project criteria to help shape the package of scenarios that should be studied during the project's environmental review process.

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1. Introductions (10 minutes – Sara Costin, Facilitator)
2. Working Group Charter (5 minutes – Sara Costin, Facilitator)
3. Recap of 11/10/14 Community Working Group Meeting (10 minutes – Sara Costin, Facilitator)
  - a. Pros and cons for each scenario
4. Recap of 01/29/15 Public Workshop (10 minutes – Karen Jewel, Caltrans)
  - a. Summary of written comments
5. Group Activity – Mapping the Interchange (30 minutes – Sara Costin, Facilitator)
6. Establish Criteria and Evaluate Scenarios (45 minutes – Karen Jewel, Caltrans)
  - a. Restate purpose and need
  - b. Project objectives
  - c. Community comments
  - d. Discuss criteria
7. Next Steps (10 minutes – Sara Costin, Facilitator)
  - a. CWG meeting #3
  - b. NOI/NOP scoping meeting

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<b>Meeting Type:</b>	Community Working Group Meeting #2
<b>Project:</b>	I-5/SR 78 Interchange
<b>Meeting Date/Time:</b>	March 9 / 10 – 12 p.m.
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	Harding Center – Recreational Hall
<b>Notes by:</b>	Wes Jones (Southwest Strategies)
<b>Notes Prepared:</b>	March 18, 2015 (REVISED April 1, 2015)
<b>Attendees:</b>	See pages 3&4

1. Welcome/Introductions

- Sara Costin, Facilitator, led the group through self-introductions including team members, consultants and working group participants.
- Sara Costin covered the working group meeting objective: Establish project criteria to help shape the package of scenarios that should be studied during the project’s environmental review process.
- Sara Costin provided a general recap of the first working group meeting (pros and cons of project scenarios A – D).
- Sara Costin covered the working group charter; copies of the charter were passed out to the working group participants.
  - No feedback was provided by the working group members

2. January 29 Public Workshop Overview

- Karen Jewel, Caltrans Project Manager, provided an overview of the January 29 public workshop and discussed the summary of comments provided by the public. Karen asked the working group participants who were in attendance at the January 29 workshop to provide their thoughts on the workshop. Their comments included:
  - Very well attended
  - Seemed to be some confusion from folks about what the objective of the workshop was
  - Next meeting/workshop should be held in Oceanside
  - Workshop went well, there were a variety of ways for folks to be engaged
  - Perhaps a formal presentation should have been given
  - Not that many folks from Carlsbad in attendance – Donna Cleary from Senator Pat Bates’ office offered to help distribute notices in the future



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- Karen Jewel then handed out a summary sheet that included comments received by the public at the workshop. The comments were categorized by topic and location. (See attachment for summary sheet) Karen asked the working group for their feedback and thoughts on the comment sheet. Those comments included:
  - South Oceanside will be most impacted by traffic flow through neighborhoods
  - Overall traffic flow is a concern
  - Did some folks have multiple comments on one form? Karen Jewel explained that yes, some comment forms included multiple types of questions/comments
  - Seems like many folks recognize the local issues, but what about the regional importance of the project – perhaps SANDAG and Caltrans can focus on some of the regional aspects in the future
  - Morning traffic on westbound SR-78 is really bad
  
- 3. Map exercise
  - Karen Jewel explained that the working group members would help Caltrans identify other ideas/concepts for interchange improvements. The working group members were put into groups of three to create four concepts.
    - After each group came up with a concept map the overall group was able to see what others had come up with.
    - Karen Jewel detailed the features of each concept
    - Karen Jewel explained that these are helpful and that the project team would utilize these ideas, in addition to the ones provided by the general public, to help modify existing project scenarios.
  
- 4. Establish criteria
  - Sara Costin and Karen Jewel explained that the next step was to establish criteria that could help shape the project alternatives. Karen Jewel covered the purpose and need of the project as well the objectives. Karen Jewel asked the group for what they thought were important criteria to consider. Those mentioned by the group include:
    - Local traffic/safety
    - Regional traffic
    - Noise
    - School access/traffic conflicts
    - Visual
    - Wetland impacts
    - Growth induction
    - Consistency with regional plan
    - Air quality



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- Local facility needs should drive decision making at the regional level
- Constraints on Jefferson Avenue
- Maximize local access
- Project cost
- Access to businesses in the area
- Right of way impacts
- Promotes alternative transportation
  
- The aforementioned criteria was then consolidated into the following:
  - Reduce regional travel times and reduce congestion
  - HOV connectivity
  - Support North Coast Corridor and support lagoon restoration
  - Environmental
  - Safety
  - Maintain access/circulation for local traffic
  - Cost
  - ROW impacts
  - Alternative transportation
  
- Karen Jewel explained that over the coming months, Caltrans will begin to outline how each project scenario addresses the criteria.
  
- Karen Jewel explained that she may be emailing the working group members a status update over the coming weeks/months.
  
- The next working group meeting is tentatively scheduled for May/June.

### Working Group Participants

(In attendance)

- Diane Nygaard – Preserve Calavera
- Jim Schroder – Oceanside Economic Development Commission
- David DiPierro – City of Oceanside
- Marylynn McCorkle– Alliance for Regional Solutions
- Gary Barberio – City of Carlsbad
- Marshall Plantz – City of Carlsbad



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- Regg Antle – Buena Vista Lagoon Foundation
- Bret Bernard – Camino Town and Country Shopping Center
- Eric Larson – Carlsbad resident
- Stephen Fluhr – Westfield Shopping Center
- Richard Fox – Oceanside resident

(Not in attendance)

- Belinda Garcia – Cal State San Marcos University
- Toni Padron – Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce
- Linda Strand – Independent Energy Solutions
- Deb Schmidt – Cal State San Marcos University
- Paul Pace – Oceanside resident

### Project Team/Consultants

- Allan Kosup – Caltrans (Not in attendance)
- Karen Jewel – Caltrans
- Mohamad Khatib – Caltrans
- Levy Le – Caltrans
- Katie Basinski – Caltrans
- Victor Cardenas – Caltrans
- Joe Britton – SANDAG
- Chris Wahl – Southwest Strategies
- Wes Jones – Southwest Strategies
- Karen Chapman – TY Lin International
- Ryan Lau – TY Lin International
- Sara Costin – Costin Public Outreach Group

### Elected officials representatives in attendance

- Donna Clearly, Field Representative for Senator Pat Bates
- Adaline Woodard, District Representative for Congressman Darrell Issa
- Chris Champine, Senior Policy Advisor for Supervisor Bill Horn