

Vision Advisory Committee Meeting #2

During the second VAC meeting, the committee heard a presentation by CalTrans about the Honey Lake Expressway Master Plan (Highway 395). After the CalTrans presentation and discussion, the planning team presented a summary of the Community Visioning Meeting results, including the general vision topics for each community, and the synthesized maps from the community map exercises.

Part 1: CalTrans Presentation—Honeylake Expressway

- Dale Weidner, Tim Huckabee (CalTrans) provided an overview presentation on conceptual plans for the future Highway 395 corridor. Access management, widening, and right-of-way needs were discussed at a broad level.
- Committee members requested additional information on actual alignments for different locations in the planning area from CalTrans—interim meeting suggested, with an opportunity for VAC members to review maps in advance if possible, either by making them available on the web or in hard copy form.
- A preliminary working draft of the Master Plan will be available in June 2009 and will be refined in conjunction with the County Area Plan Update.

Part 2: Community Visioning Workshops Recap

MAP COMMENTS

- Honey Lake shoreline (need to keep frontage roads close to highway to avoid splitting ag lands)
- Susanville boundary is not shown correctly—city will provide team with more recent file
- In Johnstonville there is a lot of commercial zoning that is not used for commercial purposes
- The plan needs to focus on land uses compatible with the airport (e.g. industrial, not residential)
- There are opportunities for industrial growth in the Wendel area.

GENERAL COMMENTS

- Focused, area-by-area approach for scenarios generally made sense to those in attendance
- Need more information in advance of next VAC meeting—would also be helpful to have more info to share with others interested in the format of the community meetings in advance to help committee members inform others.

Next Steps

Next VAC and community meetings to be held sometime during last two weeks of June.

