

SH 41 CORRIDOR MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Board Approved December 8, 2016



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

August 10th to September 9th, 2016

Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization
250 Northwest Blvd., Suite 209,
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814 Phone: 208-930-4164



Summary

The SH 41 Corridor Master Plan Update began the public open house process on August 10th with the affidavit of publication advertising the public open houses in the Coeur d'Alene Press for a period of 30 days.

The open houses were scheduled as follows:

August 15th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Prairie View Elementary located at 2478 E. Poleline Ave., Post Falls, Idaho. Total attendance was 18 people, 7 of which were the general public. The second open house was on August 23rd from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the City of Post Falls Library located at 821 N. Spokane St, Post Falls, Idaho. Total attendance was 21 people, 8 of which were the general public. The third and final open house was held on September 8th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Lakeland High School located at 7006 W. Highway 53, Rathdrum, Idaho. Total attendance was 35 people, 21 of which were the general public.

Flyers were posted at 21 different businesses along SH 41 to encourage attendance at the open houses. In addition, reoccurring posts regarding the upcoming open houses were placed on social media, on KMPO's blog page and Facebook page.

The public comment period ended on September 9th, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. Upon the completion of the 3 open houses, a total of 21 public comments were received and are included in this document (17 of the comments were received directly from the open house they attended using the comment form sheets provided and 4 were received either through KMPO email, from the KMPO blog or the KMPO Facebook page. The summary of the open house comment results are included at the end of this document.

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE PICTURES:



Pictures taken from Public Open House #3 held Thursday, September 8th, 2016 at Lakeland High School, Rathdrum Idaho.

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION 8-29-16:

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF IDAHO, }
 County of Kootenai, } ss.

Holly Fredericks being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and says:

1. I am now and at all times hereinafter mentioned was a citizen of the United States, resident of the State of Idaho, over the age of twenty-one years and not a party of the above entitled action.

2. I am now and at all times hereinafter mentioned was the printer (principal clerk) of the "Coeur d'Alene Press," a newspaper printed and published daily except Sunday in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai County, Idaho, and having a general circulation in said county.

3. The legal notice

of which the annexed is a printed copy, was published in the regular Wed issue of said newspaper for 2 consecutive Weeks commencing on the 10 day of AUG 2016, and ending on the 24 day of AUG 2016, and such publication was made as often during said period as said daily newspaper was regularly issued.

4. That said newspaper has been continuously and uninterruptedly published in said Kootenai County, during a period of more than seventy-eight consecutive weeks immediately prior to the first publication of said notice Holly Fredericks. On this 24 day of AUG in the year of 2016, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Holly Fredericks known or identified to me to be the person whose name subscribed to the within instrument, and being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.



Katrina George
 Notary Public for the State of Idaho,
 residing at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 8/29/17

**KMPO
 Highway 41 Corridor Master
 Plan Update
 Notice of Availability and
 Public Comment Period**

A draft of the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization (KMPO) Highway 41 Corridor Master Plan Update is now available for public review and comment. Originally developed in 2002, this update reviews what has occurred since 2002 and incorporates changes in future plans and forecasts of growth in the region through 2035. The update also extends the planning area to include all of SH-41 between I-90 and SH-53 in Rathdrum, ID. The public comment period provides an opportunity for the community to review the proposed updates to the Master Plan and recommended improvements to the corridor over the next twenty years, prior to finalizing the draft for further consideration. To obtain additional public comments, KMPO will be having three Open Houses:

August 15, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Prairie View Elementary, 2478 E. Poinline Ave., Post Falls; August 23, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Post Falls Library, 821 N. Spokane St., Post Falls; and September 8, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Lakeland High School, 7006 W. Highway 53, Rathdrum

To view or download the SH-41 Corridor Master Plan Update, go to www.kmpo.net or call KMPO at (208) 930-4164 for a copy. The comment period is from Tuesday August 9, 2016 through Friday September 9, 2016. All comments must be received by KMPO no later than Friday September 9, 2016 through one of the following options: email kmpo@kmpo.net; mailing or delivering to KMPO, 250 Northwest Blvd, Suite 209, Coeur d'Alene ID 83814; calling (208) 930-4164.

For special accommodation/translation services, citizens need to contact KMPO 48 hours in advance of the meeting. KMPO assures nondiscrimination in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (P.O.100.259) and the Americans With Disabilities Act, as amended.

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 AUGUST 10, 24, 2016

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE FLYER:

**SH 41 CORRIDOR MASTER PLAN UPDATE
PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE**
(State Highway 41 Corridor from I-90 to the SH 41/53 Junction)

Get informed about the planned improvements along the SH 41 Corridor and **COMMENT** on the plan!

In participation with:



Kootenai MPO
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OPEN HOUSE'S:

- AUGUST 15TH, 2016**, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Prairie View Elementary, 2478 E. Poleline Ave., Post Falls, ID
- AUGUST 23rd, 2016**, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Post Falls Library, 821 N. Spokane St., Post Falls, ID
- SEPTEMBER 8th, 2016**, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Lakeland High School, 7006 W. Highway 53, Rathdrum, ID




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✓ FLYER POSTING LOCATIONS FOR SH 41

1. STARBUCKS
2. NUMERICA
3. JACK IN THE BOX
4. ANYTIME FITNESS
5. PRO-BUILD
6. ZIGGY'S BUILDING MATERIALS
7. KOKOPELLI COFFEE (2)
8. 41 EXPRESS
9. H & E EQUIPMENT
10. EXPRESSIONS SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS
11. PECK & PECK EXCAVATING
12. NORTHLAND NURSERY
13. SERIGHTS ACE HARDWARE
14. ZIPS DRIVE INN (3)
15. SAM'S STOP & SHOP CONOCO
16. GLOBAL CU
17. STCU
18. UNION 76 MULLAN
19. UNION 76 RATHDRUM
20. THE HIGHLANDS CLUB HOUSE
21. RATHDRUM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

COEUR D'ALENE PRESS ARTICLE, AUGUST 12, 2016:

Highway 41 project comes into focus - Coeur d'Alene Press: Local News

http://www.cdapress.com/news/local_news/article_d6b9041e-6f78-51a6-a801-16c380df74ef..

Highway 41 project comes into focus

By BRIAN WALKER/Staff Writer | Posted: Friday, August 12, 2016 12:00 am

POST FALLS — Rathdrum's Patricia Jenson calls her work commute on Highway 41 to Post Falls an "adventure."

"There's an interesting mix of commuters with farm and commercial traffic," said Jenson, who has been making the drive for eight years. "I've seen it all — accidents, near-misses, people stranded along the road causing a traffic mess."

Jenson said Highway 41 between Post Falls and Rathdrum needed to be widened years ago and the improvements can't happen soon enough.

She said she's relieved to hear that a plan calling for right of way acquisition in the corridor next year and road construction improvements are slated for 2019 at the south end of the corridor from Post Falls and 2021 on the north end into Rathdrum.

"But it wouldn't hurt my feelings if things got going sooner," she said with a smile. "It can't seem to happen soon enough."

Government agencies and the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization will hold open houses on a draft master plan for the corridor on Monday at Prairie View Elementary, Aug. 23 at the Post Falls Library and Sept. 8 at Lakeland High. All open houses will run from 4 to 7 p.m. Public comments will be accepted.

The corridor will be expanded to four lanes with turn lanes at the signalized intersections. The highway will be divided from Mullan Avenue in Post Falls to Boekel Road in Rathdrum.

"It will resemble U.S. 95 in Coeur d'Alene," said Marvin Fenn of the Idaho Transportation Department.

Construction on the Mullan-to-Prairie section of the corridor is planned for 2019 and the Prairie-to-Boekel stretch in 2021.

New signals are planned to be installed at Lancaster in Rathdrum and 16th Avenue in Post Falls in 2020. A bike-pedestrian trail on the



Highway 41 project comes into focus

Vehicles travel north and south on Highway 41 on Thursday in Post Falls. Future improvements to Highway 41 include four lanes, traffic lights and turn lanes.



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east side of the corridor will be continued up the corridor from Post Falls.

About \$28 million worth of improvements are planned. The corridor handles an average of 18,000 vehicles a day.

Rathdrum Mayor Vic Holmes said the intersection of Highway 41 and Lancaster has been a concern for several years and, with the opening of North Idaho College's technical school on Lancaster next to the Kootenai Technical Education Campus this fall, it will become an even bigger one.

"That's a troublesome corner at best," Holmes said. "That intersection does not lend itself to bus traffic. That's the No. 1 traffic concern that's mentioned to me on a regular basis."

Holmes said there's no wiggle room on Highway 41 if someone has car problems.

"If somebody has a flat tire, suddenly it's down to a one-lane road," he said. "The state recognizes these issues, but it is our belief that this project should be a higher priority than it is."

Fred Meckel, a KMPO board member and Rathdrum City Council member, said the widening of Highway 41 should help attract businesses to Rathdrum.

"A lot of the setbacks we hear about when businesses are being recruited is that Highway 41 is a two-lane road," he said. "This should snap things into place."

The plan also calls for improvements along Greensferry and Meyer roads, but those will not be constructed in the next five years.

Holmes said Rathdrum wasn't included in the first Highway 41 study in 2002 as that one ended at Lancaster. The city appreciates being included this time, he said.

"We're hoping citizens turn out for the open houses to let the state know about any concerns they have," he said. "For us in Rathdrum, that's the road home."

Bonnie Gow, KMPO senior transportation planner, said the draft plan, an update to the 2002 plan, has been in the works for two years. Comments on the plan, which is available at www.kmpo.net, will be accepted through Sept. 9.

Following the public comment period, the KMPO is expected to vote on the plan in mid-September.

"There are not many north-south main corridor routes in our region, so Highway 41 is a priority corridor," Gow said. "The route has had



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a lot of rear-end accidents and there is already congestion at Seltice Way and Mullan Avenue. The corridor needs improvements for safety, capacity and congestion."

Gow said she distributed information on the plan and open houses to 21 businesses in the corridor.

"We're trying to encourage as much participation from the public as possible," she said.

Highway 41 plan open houses, how to comment

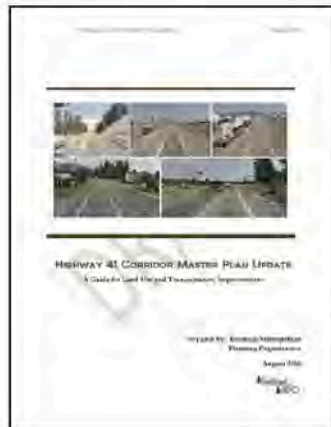
Public open houses for the Highway 41 Corridor Master Plan from Post Falls to Rathdrum include:

- Monday, 4-7 p.m., Prairie View Elementary, 2478 E. Poleline Ave., Post Falls
- Aug. 23, 4-7 p.m., Post Falls Library, 821 N. Spokane St.
- Sept. 8, 4-7 p.m., Lakeland High School, 7006 W. Highway 53, Rathdrum

To view the plan, visit www.kmpo.net or call 930-4164 for a copy. The comment period runs through Sept. 9. Comments can be sent to kmpo@kmpo.net; mailed to KMPO, 250 Northwest Boulevard, Suite 209, Coeur d'Alene 83814; or be made by calling 930-4164.

• The Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization will also hold an open house on Aug. 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. on the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), an outline of all road projects countywide planned in the next four years, at 205 Northwest Boulevard, Suite 209, in the conference room next to the elevator. The TIP is at www.kmpo.net.

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE #1 COMMENTS – BLANK FORM, August 15th, 2016



Public Meeting #1 August 15th, 2016 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. Individual Comment Form

Thank you for attending the first SH 41 Corridor Master Plan Update public meeting! The purpose of this meeting is to gather feedback and receive comments on the SH 41 "draft" plan. All public comments will be reviewed, addressed, documented and included in the final plan document. Your input is needed and greatly appreciated.

Please drop this completed form in the comment box located by the door OR mail OR Email: kmpo@kmpo.net your comments, no later than **September 9th, 2016**. The public comment period closes on September 9th, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

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COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM 1ST OPEN HOUSE:

#1

1. How would you rate the proposed draft SH 41 Strategy Improvements? (Please check the shaded box that best corresponds with your level of agreement).

	Do NOT Support					FULLY Support				
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SH 41 Draft Master Corridor Plan Update										<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. What do you like the most?

Access management, divided highway, bike/ped path

3. What do you like the least?

- Bike/ped path only on one side for two of the segments.
- Lack of input from CityLink. It would help future development if future bus pullouts can be identified.
- Freight doesn't seem to be considered.

4. Other Comments?

- What is the expected crash reduction based on the proposed improvements?
- Philosophical question: Why is it necessary to estimate the number of vehicle trips but not estimate the bus ridership demand (if a bus route were to come online in the future) or bike/ped trips? Even a qualitative assessment would go a long way in supporting alternative transportation growth.

Thank you for your time and participation!

COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM 1ST OPEN HOUSE (Continued):

Bonnie Gow

From: KMPO General <kmpo@kmpo.net>
Sent: Friday, September 09, 2016 8:46 AM
To: 'Bonnie Gow'; 'G Miles'
Subject: FW: Info for the 41 plan

Bonnie

-----Original Message-----
From: Joe Doellefeld [<mailto:joedoellefeld@aol.com>]
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2016 4:02 AM
To: kmpo@kmpo.net
Subject: Info for the 41 plan

May I suggest that information might be asked from the public safety agency's.
They may also have long range planning in process, as to where sub stations, new fire houses, and traffic control optic com areas may be needed?
The Two city's police departments and the County Sheriff, KCFR, and NLFD, along with KCEMSS all have Chiefs, commissions and boards. They direct several first responders who that work these roads every day when emergency services are needed. They may have useful information about their individual future planning that may help in your planning.
I notice that you do not show the public safety arena on your board or advisory group.
Thanks, Joe Doellefeld KCFR Fire Commissioner, Member KCEMSS Joint Powers Board

Sent from my iPad

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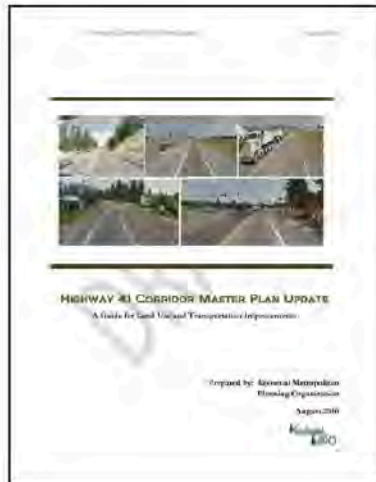
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2. What do you like the most?
Apparently, the Hwy 41 project will attempt to preserve, as much as possible the feel for the Rathdrum Prairie. I like that a minimum of driveways and access will be available from Hwy 41. I am hoping that Hwy 41 is not going to turn into the commercial mess that is Hwy 41 between Seltice and Mullan. I hope the ID Dept. of Transportation goes with the divided portion to be a grass median not a concrete median similar to Hwy 95 in CDA.
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3. What do you like the least?
The drive up Hwy 41 reminds me of the rural of Idaho, hate that Hwy 41 will increase the possibility of losing that. I hope they keep the driveways for businesses to a minimum so it doesn't become a commercial mess.
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4. Other Comments?
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Thank you for your time and participation!



Public Meeting #2
August 23rd, 2016 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Individual Comment Form

Thank you for attending the second SH 41 Corridor Master Plan Update public meeting! The purpose of this meeting is to gather feedback and receive comments on the SH 41 “draft” plan. All public comments will be reviewed, addressed, documented and included in the final plan document. Your input is needed and greatly appreciated.

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COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM 2ND OPEN HOUSE:

1. How would you rate the proposed draft SH 41 Strategy Improvements?
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2. What do you like the most?

Divided highway with the inclusion of a ped/bike path.

3. What do you like the least?

Too many traffic lights proposed - maybe leave some intersections with turn and merge lanes only?

4. Other Comments?

Very informative and helpful staff. Looking forward to improvements.

Thank you for your time and participation!

COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM 2ND OPEN HOUSE (Continued):

8696 W. Zion St.
 Rathdrum, ID 83858
 (208) 687-5072
Gail5wood@yahoo.com

September 6, 2016

Glenn F. Miles, Director
 SH 41 Corridor Master Plan
 250 Northwest Blvd
 Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

Dear Mr. Miles

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the SH 41 Corridor Master Plan. Having attended Public Meeting #1 for the purpose of learning about the plan, its timeline and priorities, we feel that it is necessary to share with you and the Planning Organization specific feedback. We recognize the magnitude of the SH 41 Corridor Master Plan has tremendous implications and continues to require refinement. With that in mind, we submit to you the following area for further assessment and reprioritization:

- Intersection of SH 41 and Lancaster
 - Currently this intersection is proposed to have a traffic signal installed in 2020
 - Living in the Golden Spike Estates development located on the SW end of Nagel St., we experience daily the north-south traffic flow on SH 41 and subsequently issues associated with the intersection of SH 41 and Lancaster. Those issues include:
 - Long lines of south and north bound traffic being delayed because of vehicles making left-hand turns onto either westbound or eastbound travel onto Lancaster from SH 41. We have observed and/or experienced accidents or near misses because of the current configuration of this intersection.
 - When road conditions are snow covered and/or icy, the seriousness of the issues are heightened. For example, we have observed a school bus almost go in the ditch when making a left-hand turn from SH 41 onto eastbound Lancaster because there is not adequate space for such a tight turn to be made with such a vehicle when traffic is waiting to turn left from Lancaster onto southbound SH41.
 - With both KTEC and NIC being located in close proximity to each other and therefore needing to access SH41 from Lancaster, there are times of day when the traffic flow exceeds the capacity of the current configuration. The reality of the continued increase in accidents is accentuated by the current level of use.
 - Since the proposed traffic signal as recommended in the Master Plan is set to be installed in 2020, we request the following actions be considered:
 - Move up the date of installing the proposed signal,
 - Install right hand merging lanes from Lancaster onto SH41,
 - Install right hand turn lanes from SH41 onto Lancaster, or
 - Install a round-about.
 - IN THE INTERIM, on SH41 from the Intersection at Boekel St. to Wyoming, impose a NO PASSING ZONE and REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT to 35 MPH. **THESE NEED TO BE STRICTLY ENFORCED!!!**

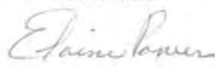
Thank you seeking input from the community. If you have questions regarding any comments made in this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Gail Hanninen at (208) 687-5072 or via email – Gail5wood@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

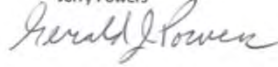
Gail Hanninen



Elaine Powers



Jerry Powers



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2. What do you like the most?

*Improvement & increase efforts
to improve traffic flow &
management of SH 41 corridor —*

3. What do you like the least?

See Attached!!

4. Other Comments?

Thank you for your time and participation!

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2. What do you like the most?

MAINTAINING TRAFFIC FLOW ALONG HIGHWAY 41

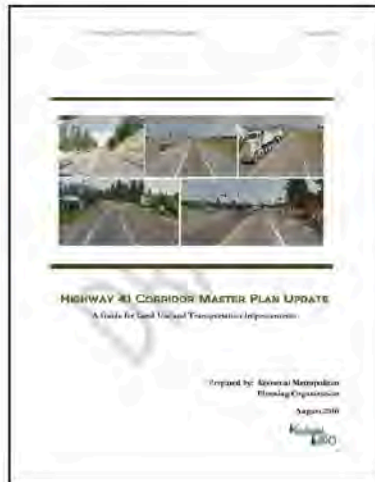
3. What do you like the least?

4. Other Comments?

- CONTINUE EMPHASIS FOR MULTI-MODAL, BIKE & PED FACILITIES
- CONSIDER GRADE SEPARATED BIKE / PED CROSS ON HIGHWAY 41 NEAR PRAIRIE TRAIL SYSTEM
- PREVIOUS TRAFFIC STUDIES HAVE INDICATED A NEED FOR DOUBLE N.B. LEFT TURNS FROM 41 TO MOLLER AVE.

Thank you for your time and participation!

- BACKAGE ROADS NEED TO BE IMPLEMENTED PRIOR TO OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH ACCESS CONTROL / RESTRICTIONS
- PROVIDE SHARED USE PATHWAYS ON BOTH SIDES OF HWY 41 TO KATHARON



**Public Meeting #3
September 8th, 2016 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Individual Comment Form**

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2. What do you like the most?

- Add a traffic circle - round about to Boekel & Myer

- Convert all 4 way stops to roundabouts.

3. What do you like the least?

4. Other Comments?

Thank you for your time and participation!

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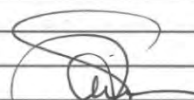
Finally something will be scheduled to
get four lanes on Hwy 41 from Post Falls
to ~~Bozeman~~ Bozeman.

3. What do you like the least?

May not live long enough to see traffic light
at the Natch and Hwy 41 intersection (by 2035)

4. Other Comments?

would love to see funding speeded up
and earlier times scheduled for work!



Thank you for your time and participation!

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2. What do you like the most?

I LIKE THE COMPLETE STREETS W/ BIKE/PEDESTRIAN PATHS.

3. What do you like the least?

MAKE HIGHER PRIORITY!

THE SEGMENT BETWEEN TO 5TH IS VERY HAZARDOUS AND IT IS DISCONCERTING TO SEE IT IS NOT SCHEDULED/FUNDED UNTIL 2035!

4. Other Comments?

SPEAKING W/ THE ENGINEERS, I KNOW TREES ARE A HAZARD, BUT PLEASE LANDSCAPE THE GREEN (SWALE) AREAS.

Thank you for your time and participation!

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2. What do you like the most?

3. What do you like the least?

Landcaster at Highway 41 is the most ^{dangerous} ~~dangerous~~ intersection between I90 and Rathdrum. Vehicles going north towards Rathdrum cannot see that intersection until it's too late. Plus there are 200 more houses being built at Landcaster and Meyer. Plus there are two new schools on Landcaster east of 41. High School and College.

4. Other Comments? About 1000 students per day in and out of these two schools.

Thank you for your time and participation!

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1. How would you rate the proposed draft SH 41 Strategy Improvements?
(Please check the shaded box that best corresponds with your level of agreement).

	Do NOT Support						FULLY Support			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
SH 41 Draft Master Corridor Plan Update										<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. What do you like the most?

IT is going to happen

3. What do you like the least?

Time takes to slow

4. Other Comments?

*What would it take to get
The light out 41 + LAUGUSTA section?*

Thank you for your time and participation!

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2. What do you like the most?

Safety

3. What do you like the least?

How long it is going to take to happen

4. Other Comments?

Kathdrum needs this sooner than projected!

Thank you for your time and participation!

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2. What do you like the most?

3. What do you like the least?

There is a real lack of oversight as this corridor is promoting the sense of sprawl that will encompass the entire plains & the very thing that makes P.F. & Rathdrum the wonderful places they are.

I want to see a defined area that Rathdrum can NOT grow beyond.

4. Other Comments?

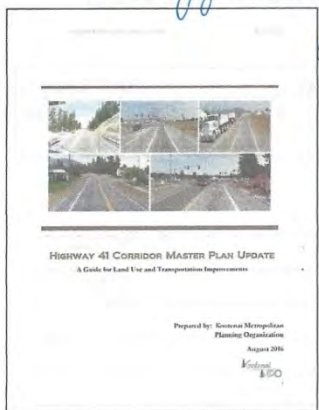
that Rathdrum can NOT grow beyond. At the rate we are going there will be another sprawling plains of houses as far as the eye can see!

I want to see incentives for infill w/in P.F. & Rathdrum!

Thank you for your time and participation!
Cdh had to start looking @ things differently because of borders & they are creating housing close to jobs & the downtown isn't a slum. We as landowners, DONT have the "right" to change zoning. When a

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*person buys lands, they accept zoning as they bought it.
I want my grandchildren to experience rural/agriculture
areas on the plains. Let's find ways to
support farming & rural life.*



Public Meeting #3
September 8th, 2016 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Individual Comment Form

Thank you for attending the third SH-41 Corridor Master Plan Update public meeting! The purpose of this meeting is to gather feedback and receive comments on the SH 41 "draft" plan. All public comments will be reviewed, addressed, documented and included in the final plan document. Your input is needed and greatly appreciated.

Please drop this completed form in the comment box located by the door OR mail OR Email: kmpo@kmpo.net your comments, no later than **September 9th, 2016**. The public comment period closes on September 9th, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

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Attn: Glenn F. Miles, Director
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2. What do you like the most?

safety for travel to PF .

3. What do you like the least?

Slow implementation!

4. Other Comments?

Rathdrum is the intersection of 41 & 53 - and needs this improvement.

Thank you for your time and participation!

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KMPO

Attn :Glenn F Miles, Director

3. What do you like the least ?

Hwy 41 and Lancaster Ave. is an extremely dangerous intersection.and has needed a traffic light for years. Due to the change in hwy grade and a hill at this corner, the visibility is very poor. There have been many accidents at this corner for years.As the plans now stand, there will not be traffic lights at this corner until the year 2021 when Hwy 41 is reconstructed to 4 lanes.

This is unacceptable, due to all the increased traffic that the two very large Tech Schools which were recently constructed brought to this site. They have been built just east of Hwy 41 on Lancaster Ave. which has added hundreds of students using this intersection to and from these two very large Tech Schools .Plus the many new housing developments added to this situation. The increase in traffic on Hwy 41 is considerable as is,but can only get worse.

The traffic lights are needed now, not in the distant future. Please consider immediate construction of these traffic lights at Hwy 41 and Lancaster to cut down on the hazard here and possible deaths.

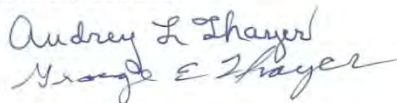
Thank you for considering this to be your #1 project.

Sincerely,

George E and Audrey L Thayer

12941 N Hwy 41

Rathdrum, Idaho 83858



PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM 3RD OPEN HOUSE (Continued):

COMMENTS REGARDING THE SH 41 CORRIDOR MASTER PLAN UPDATE

From: David St.Amand, Post Falls, Idaho

1. I would rate the proposed draft SH 41 Strategy Improvements as a 5 out of 10. This is a good start, but lacking in addressing the long-term needs of the corridor.
2. What I like most about the proposal is the recognition that SH 41 needs to be a 4-lane, limited access highway. As a person who drives SH 41 daily, I can assure you that at peak traffic times (usually in the afternoon), it often takes two or three signal cycles, especially at Poleline, in order to proceed north or south. The same applies for the signals at the west-bound I-90 ramp and at Seltice. Current development along Prairie and Hayden is extending westward and will soon intersect with SH 41, adding additional traffic to the corridor.
3. What I like least about the plan is the proposal to add additional traffic lights on the corridor. This same scheme was used on US 95 from Coeur d'Alene to Lancaster Road, resulting in what could be argued as the worst traffic flow pattern on any highway in the State of Idaho. Reliance on traffic signals on a major through highway completely negates the purpose of moving through-traffic in a smooth and efficient manner.

The opportunity exists at this time to provide for improving SH 41 and keeping it as a genuine highway, and not transforming it into a glorified surface street for the benefit of eventual commercial interests. Given this I suggest the following:

1. Full interchanges are needed at Mullan, Prairie, Hayden, Wyoming, and Lancaster to provide for smooth flow of through traffic from I-90 to Rathdrum. Realizing that funding of full interchanges is not likely at this time, I propose that sufficient land be acquired at each of these intersections in order to construct full interchanges in the future. The land is currently mostly undeveloped at Prairie, Hayden, and Wyoming, so acquisition at these locations will be most feasible and economic at the present time – this will not be the case once development begins in earnest along the corridor.
2. Remove the proposed traffic signals from Bluegrass/Hope, Harvest, and OK Corral. There are currently no through roads connecting these to SH 41, so

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future development can provide backage roads to connect to the major east-west arterials. If access is required in the short-term, then only "right-on-right-off" should be allowed.

3. Deny all future direct access to SH 41. All development along the corridor in the future must be routed via backage roads to the major east-west arterials. It is imperative that this requirement be upheld and all proposals for development in the corridor include language/requirements to this effect.



PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM 3RD OPEN HOUSE (Continued):

To: bgow@kmpo.net
Subject: KMPO SH 41 Corridor Master Plan

Hi Bonnie,

Thank you and all your colleagues for the work done on the SH 41 Corridor Master Plan. It was nice to meet you last night and get information on the project, I'm glad I happened to see the fliers you posted at our local Zip's or we would not have known about it in time.

I know time is short so I'd like to list a few things that have come to mind from a number of people I have spoken with about the project.

We are pleased this is being considered before it becomes an even more dangerous and critical need for our area, and hope it will progress before the need becomes too great.

We support the project and appreciate having our input considered, please don't hesitate to ask at any time if our input would be helpful and if there are new considerations to look over.

It seems a traffic light at the intersection of SH 41 and Nagel should be moved up in the timeframe due to the heavy (at times) and increasing amount of turning traffic with many homes both east and west of SH 41 and especially the elementary school and churches which utilize this area.

Please consider the possibility of fewer traffic signals if they would, as it may seem, slow down the flow of the traffic. With the high number of collisions already at key intersections being rear ends, keeping the flow moving at a good rate should help. At least it would be good to keep some options open for review and/or change as the years pass and reality sets in.

We are concerned about keeping pedestrians and bicycles away from vehicular traffic. They do

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not compliment each other and considering that we believe fewer and fewer children are riding bicycles to get from point A to point B this could be an area to realize savings which could

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possibly be applied to over/underpass provisions along the route. We are aware of other areas where bicycle paths and lanes are extremely underutilized both by very few people and for such short times of the year due to our seasons that it seems to be a waste of dollars which could help in other more important areas.

The question came up about the possibility of extending Nagel (which some maps, including the Draft already show) all the way to SH 53 as a good alternative route which may also help give the traffic another, more convenient option. As well as connecting Nagel with Greensferry to again provide a more direct route for some traffic and possibly relieve some of the heavy east/west traffic in other roads.

This is brief and late but I hope it may be somewhat helpful.

Thank you again!

Lea Noble



PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM 3RD OPEN HOUSE (Continued):

From: Rob Palus <rpalus@postfallsidaho.org>
Sent: Friday, September 09, 2016 4:41 PM
To: Bonnie Gow; William Roberson (William.Roberson@itd.idaho.gov)
Subject: SH41 Corridor Study - at central ave

Bonnie and Bill,

Below is a copy of an e-mail I sent to a property owner who has concerns regarding SH41 at Central Ave. / Neufield Ln. I wanted you to be aware of the conversation. The individual did provide public comment at one of the open houses; however, he followed up with a phone call with additional concerns to me late last week. Please let me know if you have any concerns with what was said.

Regards,

Robert S. Palus, PE
Assistant City Engineer
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John,

Over the last week, I have talked about the concerns you and additional property owners have on access to/from SH41 via Central Ave. and Neufeld Lane with Kootenai County Planning Organization (KMPO – Bonnie Gow) and Idaho Transportation Department (ITD – Bill Roberson).

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As you are aware, the current intersection allows for $\frac{3}{4}$ turn movements on the west (Central Ave.) side, consisting of right-in / right-out on Central Ave, and lefts in from SH41 (no left turns onto SH41) On the east side (Neufeld Ln.) full turn movements are allowed onto and off of SH41.

The City has requested additional language be included in the corridor study regarding the extent and timing of further restrictions at this location. Additionally requests have been made to give more attention to the current extent of safety concerns between Seltice Way and I90.

The plan shows (Figure 68) future restrictions to right-in / right-out only. Table 26 does not address the intersection with Neufeld Ln. / Central Ave. The section in concern is identified in the Access Control Management & Implementation section of the Study (pages 142-151 the draft report is available at KMPO.net) In discussion with ITD, it was expressed that at present (and I paraphrase) there is not sufficient collisions to require installation of further access restrictions at this time. (continuing) ITD would prefer to address this location with further analysis of the I90 corridor so that the impacts of any future interchange modifications could be taken into account. (end paraphrase) However the plan does identify that the future reduction in access would be to right-in/ right-out only and that such improvements / restrictions would be triggered by crash rates.

Again, the City did raise a question to clarify within the report on the timing and extent of restrictions from the stand point of concerns from property owners (residential and commercial) who utilize this access (and as you point out have limited alternative access), as well as concerns raised by the City Police Department and Kootenai County Fire and Rescue on the safety in this area.

I hope this helps you and I will let you know what additional information I receive from ITD and KMPO. Please feel free to take your concerns to their attention as well. Let me know if I can be of further assistance.



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From: Rob Palus <rpalus@postfallsidaho.org>
Sent: Friday, September 09, 2016 4:07 PM
To: Bonnie Gow
Cc: Kelly Lund (klund@kmpo.net)
Subject: SH41 Corridor Study

Bonnie,

The following comments are from the City of Post Falls and are based on additional reading of the Master Plan Update and conversations during the three (3) public open houses.

1) Rail Transportation – please include language that ITD, City of Post Falls and Post Falls Highway District and working with UPRR towards the removal of the existing spur that crosses SH41, just north of Prairie Ave. such improvements, if made prior to or in conjunction with ITD’s planned expansion of SH41 in 2021 could result in improved safety and provide a potential route for the future extension of the “Prairie Trail” to have a crossing, and possibly grade separated, of the multimodal facilities with SH41.

2) The City of Post Falls is desirous that language be included for the value of a grade separated crossing of the Prairie Trail and SH41. This would facilitate identified local priorities for expansion of multimodal networks and provide for safer access to / from the SH41 corridor than at grade signal crossings.

3) The original plan from 2002 and the existing MOU’s between ITD and the City indicate the existence of a multimodal “multiuse” trail along both sides of SH41. The model update has

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removed the trail from the west side of SH41 in the typical cross section. The path is shown in figure 15. The City of Post Falls feels that removal of the trail from the west side is counter to the multimodal plan that KMPO has in place. Furthermore it is the City's opinion that the inclusion of the trail on both sides is in the best interest of individuals wishing to use the SH41 corridor from multiple transportation modes. This is in part due to a one side only system increases non-motorized use along the shoulders, increases the number of crossings at signalized intersections and forces numerous back and forth crossings to get to destinations. Such actions could have a negative effect on transportation safety. Whereas the City understands that the State (ITD) may not be able to construct a trail along both sides of SH41 with the pending ITD project; that should not also mean the removal of the west trail from the Corridor Plan. Funding and construction of such facilities could be done with future ITD projects, by private development, Urban Renewal, City funds, grant projects, etc....

4) The Post Falls Police Department and Kootenai County Fire and Rescue have expressed concerns regarding existing safety / collisions between Mullan Ave. and I90. Particularly from the commercial developments located between Neufeld Ln. and Mullan Ave. Can there be additional discussion in the text of the document regarding existing collision history in this stretch and its safety implications / priority for addressing (if warranted). The document does note that the section has a higher collision rate for the corridor, but does this meet the level of needing to be addressed in the near term.

5) Table 26 – could the intersection controls for SH41 / Central Ave. / Neufeld Ln. be



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included? Figure 68 shows right in/ right out. Existing allows for lefts in from SH41 to Central and full access to Neufield Ln. The City has received some questions and concerns about when and what restrictions will be constructed as this will impact access to residential land uses and commercial land uses in this vicinity. ITD has made some comments recently that this section will not be addressed until further study of the I90 corridor is completed to determine the extent and impacts of future interchange revisions at I90/SH41. The property owners in the area would appreciate some additional clarity to aid in decision making on the long term value / development of their interests.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your time in reviewing these items.

Regards,

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**SH 41 CORRIDOR MASTER PLAN UPDATE
PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE**
(State Highway 41 Corridor from I-90 to the SH 41/53 Junction)

Get Informed about the planned improvements along the SH 41 Corridor and COMMENT on the plan!

OPEN HOUSE'S:

~ FINAL OPEN HOUSE ~

- SEPTEMBER 8th, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Lakeland High School, 7006 W. Highway 53, Rathdrum, ID

In participation with:



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State Highway 41 Corridor Master Plan Update - The FINAL OPEN HOUSE, is this Thursday night, September 8th, 2016, at Lakeland High School, 7006 W. Highway 53, Rathdrum, Idaho. Please attend, get informed and comment on the plan.

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Cory Kirkham Is this meeting a presentation or an informal Q&A - I will be attending and need to know how long to plan...
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Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization Thank you Cory, after we spoke on the phone this morning, we hope to see you tomorrow night! 😊
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SH 41 Corridor Master Plan Update - Coeur d'Alene Press Article - "Highway 41 Comes Into FOCUS" August 12, 2016 by Brian Walker. See link below to news article.

The SH 41 Corridor Master Plan Update is available for review and public comment until September 9th, 2016. The plan can be reviewed online at: www.kmpo.net.

Three public open houses are scheduled for August 15th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Prairieview Elementary, 2478 E. Poleline Ave., Post Falls ID; August ... [See More](#)



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SUMMARY of Comments

In summary, the open houses were fairly well attended for a project update in the study phase. Out of the 17 comments received solely from the open houses, on a scale of one to ten, with 1 being “Do Not Support” and ten being “Fully Support”, the majority of the comments were 65% that Fully Support the project, 12% were in a Neutral position, 6% were in the “Do Not Support” position with the remainder of 18% showing no response to the question. The summary of the results from the comments received at the open houses are shown in the graphic below:

SH-41 Corridor Public Comment Period
Public Response to Comment Form Question #1
How would you rate the proposed SH-41 Strategy Improvements?

Response/Support	Do NOT Support						FULLY Support				
	No Response	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1											1
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Subtotal	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	3	5
N=17	18%	6%				6%	6%	18%		18%	29%
	18%	6%	6%			12%		65%			

	Public Open House #1 August 15, 2016 Prairie View Elementary School, Post Falls Idaho
	Public Open House #2 August 24, 2016 Post Falls Library, Post Falls Idaho
	Public Open House #3 September 8, 2016 Lakeland High School, Rathdrum, ID

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