<u>U.S. 45 – IL 132 to IL 173 and Millburn Bypass</u> Community Advisory Group #4 Meeting Summary

The fourth meeting of the US Route 45 Millburn Bypass Community Advisory Group (CAG) was held at the State Bank of the Lakes in Lindenhurst from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on August 19, 2010. What follows is a summary of the evening's proceedings.

The goal of this fourth CAG meeting was to (1) update the members on the project progress since the last CAG meeting, and (2) present a preview of the Public Meeting #2. Again present to facilitate were members of the Lake County Division of Transportation (LCDOT), Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), and consultant members of the project study team. All attendees are listed on the last page of this document.

The meeting agenda was as follows:

- I. Welcome and Meeting Agenda Overview
- II. Project Status Update
 - a. CAG #3 Meeting Minutes
 - b. Project Team Recommendation Finalist Alternatives
 - c. Federal Highway Administration meeting May 12th
 - d. NEPA/404 Merger Meeting June 11th
 - e. Illinois Historic Preservation Agency meeting July 19th
 - f. Public Meeting #2 September 2nd
- III. Public Meeting #2 Content Overview and Preview
 - a. Study Progress/Purpose and Need Overview
 - b. Alternatives Development and Evaluation Process
 - c. Finalist Alternatives and Evaluation
 - d. Community Advisory Group Proceedings
- IV. Next Steps
 - a. Project Team Evaluation of Public Meeting Results
 - b. CAG Meeting #5 Fall '10: Public Meeting Results and Preferred Alternative
 - c. Prepare Engineering and Environmental Reports for review by the Project Team and FHWA
 - d. February NEPA/404 Merger Meeting Preferred Alternative Concurrence
 - e. Summer 2011 Public Hearing

The following information was provided for inclusion within the project binders each CAG member possesses:

- CAG #4 Meeting Agenda
- Copy of the CAG #4 PowerPoint Presentation
- Summary of the third CAG Meeting held on April 27, 2010
- Conceptual Finalist Alternatives Exhibits
- Updated Evaluation Matrix
- Public Meeting #2 Station Overview

A PowerPoint presentation guided the overall meeting. Chuck Gleason of LCDOT began by giving a welcome and facilitating reintroductions of everyone present. Mike Matkovic of Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. (CBBEL) then continued the presentation by providing an update on the current project

status. He conveyed the events that have occurred since the last CAG meeting, and described the process by which concurrence on the three finalist alternatives was gained. He noted that this process began with the feedback received at the last CAG meeting, and then continued with further study by the PSG to identify the preliminary finalist alternatives, and then involved coordination with the following agencies:

- Federal Highway Administration Meeting May 12th
- NEPA/404 Merger Meeting June 11th
- Illinois State Archeological Survey
- Illinois Historic Preservation Agency July 19th

On this basis, alternatives A1, A4, and C4 emerged as the finalist alternatives. Based on information provided by the Illinois State Archeological Survey, it was determined that a potential archeological site was within the proposed Alternative C4 alignment. As a result, Alignment C4 was modified to avoid this location. This was possible within the standard design criteria laid forth for the project.

A meeting was also held with the Millburn Congregational Church to discuss the direct impacts to their property of the finalist alternatives. At that meeting, it was observed that the east-west 4 alignment could potentially be tweaked to minimize the impacts to certain areas of the church property, including a children's playground. If the chosen alternative is one of these, adjustments such as this will be explored.

Concurrence on the finalist three alternatives was gained from the FHWA and at the NEPA/404 Merger Meeting, and therefore, the project team will proceed towards Public Meeting #2 to present these alternatives.

Jarrod Cebulski of Patrick Engineering Inc. (Patrick) then continued the meeting with a description of the upcoming Public Meeting. He noted that the following Stations will be available for public viewing:

- 1. A Slideshow
- 2. Study Progress/Purpose & Need Overview
- 3. Public Involvement/Community Advisory Group Proceedings
- 4. Alternatives Development and Evaluation Process
- 5. Finalist Alternatives and Evaluation
- 6. Comments

He gave a short description of what each station would entail, which was provided to each CAG member. Jarrod also displayed an exhibit that showed the Public Meeting room layout and showed the expected progression through the meeting.

In regard to Station 3, the Public Involvement/Community Advisory Group Proceedings station, Jarrod noted that CAG members could be integral in explaining to the public how the CAG has worked. He asked that CAG members consider volunteering to staff this booth. An email will be sent out to facilitate this.

Mike Matkovic then concluded the meeting by outlining the anticipated next steps and schedule. After the Public Meeting, the project team will evaluate the meeting results, proceed with the decisionmaking process towards a final alternative. Another CAG meeting is anticipated this fall to go over the Public Meeting results and hopefully select a preferred alternative. At that point, the project team will prepare the final geometry and engineering & environmental reports. Preferred alternative concurrence will be sought at the NEPA/404 Merger Meetings, beginning in February. Ultimately, a final Public Hearing will be held in the summer of 2011

At this point, the floor was opened for comments. A few items were raised. Mr. Rovang asked whether a proposed typical section for the roadways had been settled on. Mr. Matkovic noted that the initial proposed section had previously been presented at CAG Meeting #2, and will be shown at the Public Meeting. Currently, the U.S. 45 proposed typical section consists of two through lanes in each direction with a center 22' landscaped median, with a bikepath on one side of the roadway and a sidewalk on the other, within an approximate 130' ROW width, which matches the width preserved for potential Alignment A along Haven Lane. Mr. Pfeiffer asked whether the proposed radius for Alignment C4, now that it was modified, meets design criteria standards. Mr. Matkovic indicated that it does, and noted that the design speed is 50 mph, while posted speed is anticipated to be 45 mph. Mr. Leffingwell asked whether landscaping will be considered for all finalist alternatives. Mr. Matkovic noted that landscaping will be considered for all alternatives both in the median and roadside to the extent practical and feasible. The meeting adjourned with the opportunity for members to peruse the exhibits that will be presented at Public Meeting #2.

CAG #4 attendees were:

PSG Members	Organization
Chuck Gleason	LCDOT
Paula Trigg	LCDOT
Marie Glynn	IDOT
Mike Matkovic	CBBEL
Matt Huffman	CBBEL
Pete Knysz	CBBEL
Jarrod Cebulski	Patrick
Ryan Westrom	Patrick
Chris DeRosia	Patrick
Christina Bernardo	Patrick

CAG Members	Representing
Bob Holbach	Millburn Tree Farm
Craig Richardson	Heritage Trails Homeowners Association
Dawn Revenaugh	Millburn Glass Studios
Dominic Marturano	Village of Lindenhurst
Ellen Mauer	Millburn Community Consolidated School District 24
Gerald F. Swanson	Self
Glenn Westman	Lake County SMC
Jennifer Andrew	Historic Millburn Community Association
Kevin Klahs	Lindenhurst Police Department
Larry Leffingwell	Tempel Farms
Linda Berger	Forest Trail subdivision
Michael Mark	Self
Michael Scholler	Providence Woods Homeowners Association

Milt Anderson	Self
Pete Szpak	Heritage Trails Homeowners Association
Philip Rovang	Lake County Planning, Building and Development
Ray Boller	Self
Scott Pfeiffer	Cross Creek Homeowners Association
Thomas Druce-Hoffman	Self
Tim Smith	Old Mill Creek
Jim Stout (representing Tom Lippert)	Lindenhurst Park District
A representative for Andrew Kimmel	Lake County Forest Preserves
A representative for Kevin McKeever	Providence Ridge subdivision

CAG members not in attendance were:

Daniel Venturi	Lake Villa Township & Lindenhurst/Lake Villa Chamber of Commerce

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