



## Meeting Minutes

<b>Subject:</b>	I-70 PEL Study Resource Agency Meeting	<b>Client:</b>	MoDOT
<b>Meeting Date/ Time:</b>	July 26, 2018 2:00 pm	<b>Project:</b>	I-70 PEL Study
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### Meeting Participants

#### Resource Agency Representatives

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#### MoDOT

Richard Moore  
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#### Consultant Team

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#### East-West Gateway

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### Summary of Webinar Meeting

1. Welcome
  - a. This meeting is to update resource agencies on what is happening with the study as it concludes within the next month.
2. PEL Refresher
  - a. Study allows flexibility for projects moving forward.
  - b. Robust engagement with the public for stakeholders.
3. Public Outreach
  - a. How can we get the people who have information to the people who need it?
  - b. Public utilized the Metro Quest Surveys.
  - c. Two public meetings with public official briefings before.
    - i. First meeting had sticky notes placed on maps similar to Metro Quest.
    - ii. Second meeting facilitated discussion around the study.
4. Corridor-Wide Goals
  - a. Goals we felt were needed for the entire corridor.
    - i. Safety is a high priority goal.
5. Corridor Segments
  - a. Forty-mile corridor from Wentzville to Downtown St. Louis.
    - i. Five segments based on shared traits within the corridor.



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6. Prioritization of Strategies
  - a. Goals in green are to improve transportation system.
  - b. Goals in red are to minimize natural impacts in specific areas.
7. Corridor-Wide Strategies
  - a. Applied to the entire corridor instead of specific segments.
  - b. MoDOT input what they want their ITS to look like in the future.
8. Review of segment maps and specific strategies within each segment.
9. Evaluation Criteria for Future Project Proposals
  - a. Criteria used with East West Gateway and MoDOT to lead future project proposals.
    - i. Transit, bike, pedestrian, automatic technology, capacity expansion, and access to interchanges.
    - ii. Access to the highway is kept and even added back to communities.
10. What About the Reversible Lanes?
  - a. Technical Memorandum in the works and will include stakeholder interviews.
11. Final PEL Report
  - a. Final report is under internal review currently.
    - i. Will be sent to MoDOT, FHWA.
  - b. In the report there will be recommendations on what needs to be done to move future projects forward.
  - c. The final report will contain the PEL Questionnaire that will assure FHWA that the PEL process was followed correctly. The report will be sent to the TCIG and FHWA for concurrent review.
  - d. Once all documents are complete, they will be uploaded to the project website. All stakeholders involved in the study will be notified when the report is available.
12. Questions and Comments
  - a. Why are they referred to as segments? Is that terminology that NEPA or FHWA wants? Will there be an EA/EIS across the corridor?
    - i. The team chose the word segments instead of sections because they were similar in the way that they function and to also avoid using "sections", as in sections of independent utility, a common NEPA phrase. Segmenting, in this study, is designed to allow for a variety of projects that can move forward independently within each segment.
  - b. The MetroQuest survey was a great idea.
    - i. We were pleased with the response we received and the amount of data collected.
  - c. Raegan Ball stated that she would work in collaboration with Richard Moore on any additional needs.
  - d. Final posting of documents will be on [Envision70.com](http://Envision70.com)
  - e. A recording of this webinar can be requested by contacting Kelly Ferrara: [Kelly@StratCommRx.com](mailto:Kelly@StratCommRx.com) or 314-221-2251.
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