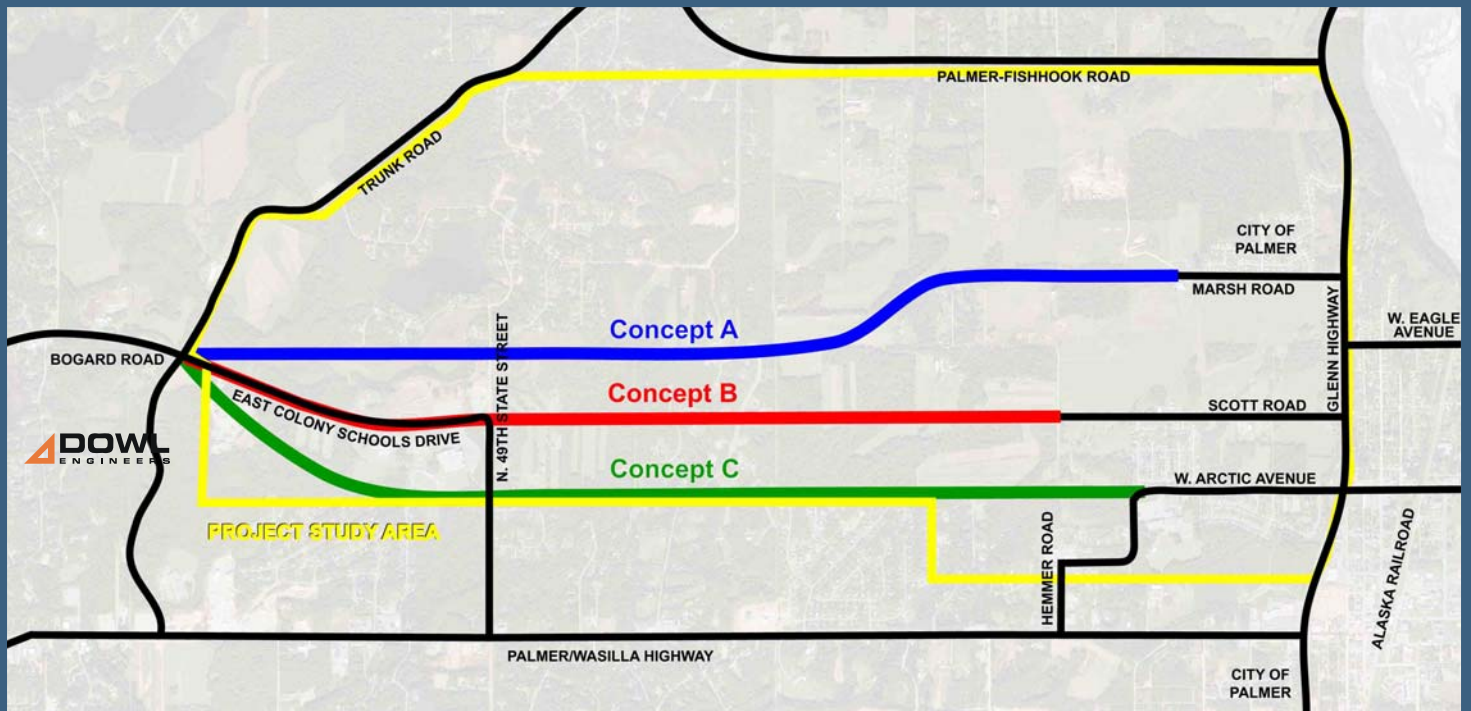




Project Purpose

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough (MSB) is proposing to extend Bogard Road from near Trunk Road to the Glenn Highway. The purpose of this project is to provide an additional east-west corridor to facilitate travel across the core area of the Borough.



What you told us about the project

At our October 23, 2006 Public Meeting we presented three conceptual road alignments for discussion purposes—no decision has been made. We are still gathering comments and data but want to give you a snapshot of the types of comments we've heard.

Alignment comments:

Marsh Road Route (Route A)

Oppose: expensive, negative wetlands/ecological impact, too close to homes, runs through farms, high winds will make drift a problem; the grade at Glenn Highway approaching Marsh is too steep.

Favor: least impact on homes and schools.

Scott Road Route (Route B)

Oppose: too close to schools and residential areas.

Favor: this is the most direct route.

Arctic Avenue Route (Route C)

Oppose: safety issue for children as it is too close to schools and residential areas.

Favor: improves connectivity by routing to the existing Glenn/Arctic intersection, provides better access to schools, and builds on existing roads.

Environmental issues:

- Put road through the wetlands rather than take private property.
- Please take wildlife and wetlands into consideration.
- Please take into consideration farms and historic sites.

Overall project comments:

- There needs to be another east-west corridor.
- Improve the roads you have.
- A 40 miles per hour road is not fast enough.
- Provide a better map of routes with more definition.
- Public meetings should be held within the Palmer City Limits.

Neighborhood quality:

- Don't add noise and light pollution.
- Add separated pathways for pedestrians.
- Don't turn the Mat-Su Valley into a grid of high speed roads.
- We would rather you take our home then put a road by it.

What next?

On January 23, 2007, the project team met with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, and other agencies responsible for granting permits for the project to gain their input into the proposed routes.

The project team will now weigh all the comments received along with the engineering data we've gathered and bring forward a proposed route for consideration. We look forward to working with you to improve connectivity in the Mat-Su Valley.

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