



WEST DOWLING ROAD
OLD SEWARD HIGHWAY TO C STREET

November 6, 2008

PUBLIC MEETING NOTES

A joint public meeting was held for three projects on Thursday, November 6, 2008 at the Tanglewood Lakes Golf Club. These projects included West Dowling Road represented by DOWL HKM, 92nd Avenue Grade Separation, represented by Brooks and Associates, and Seward Highway, Dimond Boulevard to 36th Avenue, which was represented by CH2M Hill. The State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) initiated all three projects.

Information regarding the date, time, and location of the joint public meeting was provided in a flyer. This flyer was distributed to the mailing lists for each of the three projects.

During the joint public meeting, staff members and project team members from DOT&PF were present to answer any questions the public had about the West Dowling Road project. There were also multiple presentation boards showing roadway and landscape concepts as well as the project area for people to reference. An interactive video was provided to the public as well at this meeting. This video gave people the opportunity to sit down and view the corridor from the perspective of a car or helicopter. The video could be stopped at any point to view a particular area or to ask questions of the project team.

Comments, suggestions, and concerns raised at this meeting are shown below.

- There was a general concern about Campbell Creek and the bank south of the first driveway that is west of the bridge. Many kids play along the bank of the creek and this bank continues to erode and will cause problems in building the roadway.
- There was a concern with the trail underpass and what it should look like. A comment was made to look at the underpass by the Sourdough Mining Company as a suggestion for what the trail underpass for the West Dowling bridge should look like.
- A suggestion was made about the bridge's surface along the trail. A resident stated that this surface should remain smooth so it will be easy to maintain and paint over if graffiti is present.
- There is a concern with utilities along the Dowling Road corridor and the cost of relocating these utilities, specifically the gas and water lines.
- If one unit on the property of 273 and 275 E. Dowling will need to be acquired, then all of these units will need to be acquired because all utilities are connected to each other.
- A general concern of the public was the amount of ROW that would need to be acquired. It was specified to people that the project team is only in the preliminary design phase now and have not determined what properties will need to be acquired.