

Hamilton Area Transportation Plan (2009 Update)

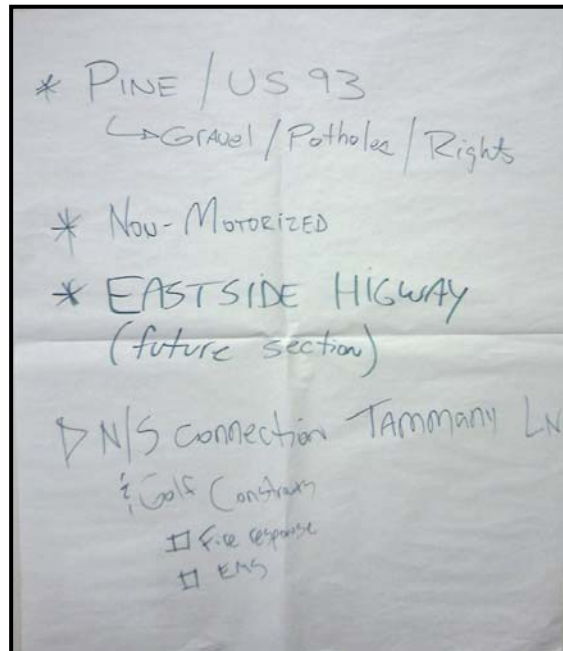
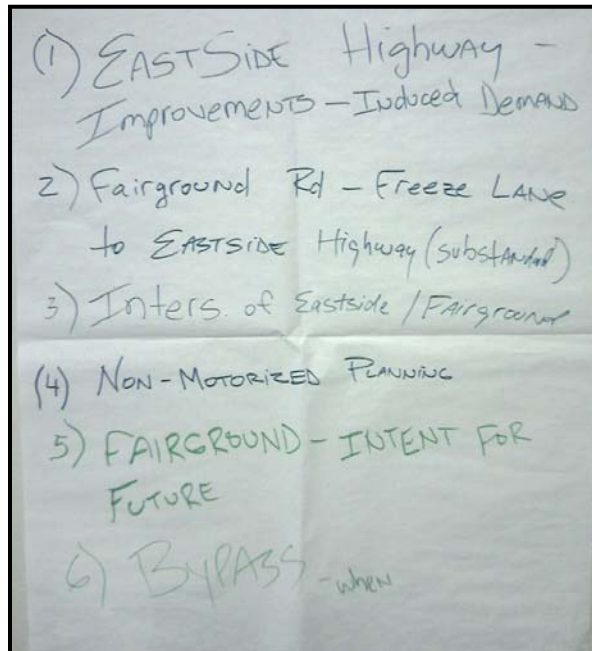


Transportation Work Station Notes (March 4, 2009 Planning Area Workshop)

The following comments and/or concerns were noted at the transportation work station set up for the "Planning Area Workshop" held on Wednesday, March 4, 2009 in Hamilton. The work station was set up and staffed from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm by Jeff Key (CDM) and Sheila Ludlow (MDT Helena). Comments and/or concerns were noted as follows:

- Eastside Highway – Need improvements along the facility, especially as growth occurs. Needs to happen in the right manner. If improvements are made, will more growth migrate to the corridor (i.e. induced demand)?
- Fairgrounds Road – Freeze Lane to Eastside Highway is substandard and in need of urban improvements. Are their plans to provide curb and gutter, new pavement, sidewalks, etc.?
- Intersection of Eastside Highway/Fairgrounds Road – This intersection has poor sight distance and is a safety concern. Improvements need to be considered.
- Non-Motorized Planning – The transportation plan needs to provide non-motorized planning for bicycles and pedestrians. Currently the City does not have a non-motorized transportation plan.
- Fairgrounds Road – What is the intent for this roadway in the future? Will it become an urban roadway with curb and gutter, sidewalks, etc.?
- Does a Bypass make sense? Will US 93 become so congested 50 years from now that another major route around town might be required?
- Pine Street / US 93 intersection – This intersection needs improvements on the minor legs due to gravel approaches and existing potholes.
- Need better non-motorized planning - The transportation plan needs to provide non-motorized planning for bicycles and pedestrians. Currently the city does not have a non-motorized transportation plan.
- Eastside Highway – What is the future roadway section going to be?
- Need a north/south connection between Tammany Lane and Gold Course Road for emergency services response.

The two photographs below depict the comments/concerns written during the work station breakout.



Lastly, three (3) graphical exhibits were prepared and utilized for the work station breakout. Thumbnails of these graphics are shown below and portray the project study area boundary, the existing functional classification system (entire study area) and the existing functional classification system (inset city area).

