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Comment:

30/03/2011 1:03 PM

Why has no meetings been scheduled since last fall? Is this project on hold? Gwinnett County residents deserve an explanation! Please advise!

04/03/2011 1:40 PM

Did this just die? I haven't seen or heard any updates in months. What is the current status of this project and the CAG?

01/03/2011 1:17 PM

I am a member of the citizens advisory group and have not received any correspondence for quite some time. Has the project been abandoned? Will there be any summary communicated to the CAG?

22/02/2011 11:52 PM

As a member of the CAG I am assuming that after all this time the project is to be considered a dead issue?

16/02/2011 4:49 PM

Is there any news of the next meeting for the Citizen's Advisory Group. I represent the Northern area and have been asked about the next proposed meeting.

Response:

We would like to resume the public meetings of the Citizens Advisory Group for the feasibility study of a potential extension of the Ronald Reagan Parkway. We are forecasting a spring meeting, most likely late April or May. The date and time are to be determined and we will contact you again soon with that specific information.

We have foregone meetings over the past several months because one element of the feasibility study required the attention of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners. Specifically, as we discussed, one consideration with a potential extension of the Reagan Parkway is its connection to I-85 and relationship to the Georgia Department of Transportation's HOV to HOT project. The ability to study this connectivity in more depth required an agreement between Gwinnett County and GDOT that enabled information sharing and further analysis-at

no additional cost to County. On January 18, the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners approved the execution of two agreements, one with GDOT and one with Skanska, to allow for the further study of this connection and options for associated improvements to better manage traffic on I-85, both at no additional cost to the county. More information will be shared at the upcoming Citizens Advisory Group meeting.

Thank you for your continued interest and we look forward to seeing you in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,
Brian Allen
Director, Gwinnett County Department of Transportation

Comment:

01/01/2011 9:08 PM

When will next meeting take place? Have traffic studies been completed?

Response:

Thank you for your e-mail. The status of the proposed Ronald Reagan Parkway Extension is that we are nearing completion of a feasibility study that will identify up to three possible corridors that could accommodate an extension of the Ronald Reagan Parkway from its current end at Pleasant Hill Road to an interchange with Interstate 85. Please note that this study will not result in the selection of a preferred alternative from among the potential corridors. In addition, whereas the study may result in some recommendations on how the project may be financed, currently there are no funds allocated for the construction of a proposed Ronald Reagan Parkway Extension. Any activity that you may notice in the study area is not related to any construction or preliminary engineering associated with a proposed Ronald Reagan Parkway Extension. Gwinnett County believes that public awareness and involvement are a vital part of this overall process. A Citizens Advisory Group, comprised of stakeholders representing residents in and around the study area and general commuters, as well as those representing business, environmental and educational perspectives, was formed as a way of keeping members of the public involved and informed. To learn more about the activities of the Citizens Advisory Group, review meeting notes and be notified of upcoming meetings, we invite you to visit this website: <http://www.reaganextension.com>

Thank you for your interest and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any additional questions or comments.

Kind regards,

Brian Allen, Director

Comment:

29/11/2010 4:37 PM

I am writing to get a current update on the status of the Ronald Reagan Parkway Extension Project; What phase is the project currently in? When is the acquisition phase expected to begin? Is there currently funding for acquisition? When is construction for this project anticipated to begin? Thank you for your time.

Response:

Thank you for your interest in the feasibility study for the proposed Ronald Reagan Parkway Extension. The timeline presented on www.ReaganExtension.com will provide you with an idea of when future phases may occur. We are currently in the pre-development/feasibility phase. Should you prefer to receive future updates about the project, please visit www.ReaganExtension.com and complete the form on the Contact Us page.

Comment:

21/09/2010 3:18 AM

For everyone who complains about any improvements to Ronald Reagan Parkway....you need to live in this area .I live right off of Pleasant Hill, before Cruse Road. Anyone who thinks, "hopping" off of RR onto Pleasant hill, then onto Steve Reynolds, or what not..doesn't see that EVERYONE else is doing the same thing...so for homeowners in the area.. we are trapped during the heaviest of traffic times! WE know we can't go out from 4:30 to 7pm.. IN fact everyone coming home, sits in the middle of intersections, even when lights turn green for us, coming out of our neighborhoods...I am sick of it! No businesses around here are going to lose, because I can tell you...not very many people are interested in stopping at red lights, let alone stopping to "shop" on their way home. everyone is in a rush to go go go!!! Change is coming... the population is rising, this issue needs addressed now, as traffic gets worse.... By the way is this why the LOWES closed down? That's a great sign of moving forward! I love my Lowes,so this is the only reason i could see it going out of business!

Response:

Thank you for the comments you submitted via www.ReaganExtension.com. The Project Team has taken them into consideration and values your input. Among other benefits, the project is designed to create more efficient traffic patterns, and improve quality of life. To your question about Lowe's, we do not know why that location closed. Should you want to receive future updates about the project, please complete the "Contact Us" section of www.ReaganExtension.com and check the box at the bottom of the page.

Sincerely,

The Project Team

Comment:

02/09/2010 8:29 AM

At the 9/1/10 CAG meeting water run off treatment was briefly touched on. Basically what I heard was that the first .10 of run off will be treated for petroleum based contaminates. I put before you, once again, that should elevated roads be constructed that, as with most toll roads, there is an expectation that the road will be maintained, so road salt (sodium chloride) should also be addressed. I just don't want this issue to get missed.

Response:

Thank you for your questions and for your continued participation in this process. Each potential alternative for the proposed Ronald Reagan Parkway Extension project contains a connection to I-85 along with the associated construction. I-85 is a federal highway facility managed by GDOT. Both USDOT and GDOT regulations, therefore, require the NEPA process be followed to obtain environmental approval for the proposed action. In addition, there is always the possibility of future Federal funding (grants, loans, etc.), which would also trigger the requirements to follow the NEPA process. With regard to your comment on road maintenance and water run-off treatment, the project will be designed to remove storm water runoff pollutants and to improve water quality to the allowable standards specified by the GA Storm water Management Manual and will meet the required government agency standards for obtaining the storm water runoff permits. The GA Storm Water Management Manual is recognized as the accepted guidelines for best management practice of storm water runoff. We welcome your continued interest.

Sincerely,

The Project Team