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## Advance questions about the Rabbit Ck Road Rehabilitation project

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Hello Steven -

We look forward to DOT representatives joining our Rabbit Creek Community Council April 13 meeting to discuss the RC Road Rehabilitation project from Seward Highway to Golden View. The RCCC Land Use and Transportation Committee met on April 6 and would like to submit the questions below to you, the Project Manager and the Engineer, for your consideration before the meeting. We recognize that you indicated you would not be bringing proposed design alternatives to the meeting as you are only in the data collection and analysis phase, so you may not be able to address all the questions posed below. However we hope these questions will assist with ensuring that data collection will encompass information needed to soon answer these questions.

- 1. <u>Rehabilitation</u>. What are the parameters or constraints of a rehabilitation project, compared to a reconstruction project?
- 2. <u>Safety</u>. Given the density of intersections, our Council is on record as strongly favoring turn pockets, not a continuous center lane. Has this design element been decided?
- 3. Design speed.

How will the design speed be determined? Will safety be the primary factor in determining design speed? If not, what is the primary factor?

- 4. Speed management. What features will ensure a self-implementing speed limit?
- 5. Will the intersection of Golden View Drive and Rabbit Creek Road be re-designed?
- 6. Where will private property be taken?
- 7. Where is DOT planning for safe crossings for pedestrians? With a pathway on only one side, crossings need to be planned.

Areas of interest for safe pedestrian crossing include:

- \*Golden View Drive
- \*Golden View Park
- \*Elmore
- \*Loch Loman Lane
- \*Old Seward Highway
- 8. The culverts at Rabbit Creek need to be reconstructed for fish passage as well as wildlife passage.
- 9. How will this project (from the Seward Highway to Golden View Drive) be coordinated with currently-funded design work for the Safer Seward Highway and also with eventual upgrades to upper Rabbit Creek Road, east of Golden View? Additionally, Old Seward Highway is scheduled for repavement work in 2024 is coordination with that work also underway? Is it reasonable to assume that the Old Seward Highway/Rabbit Creek Road intersection will undergo some changes that may remodel that repavement project there?

Specifically, the Safer Seward Highway may include a new intersection east of the current highway overpass (just west of the Old Seward Highway junction, on the curve).

We are looking forward to your presentation and will be happy to Screen Share any information you can provide at the meeting. If you want to provide any information now, we can post it in our 'Meeting Documents' folder on our RCCC website.

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