

Moore County Comment Sheets - Question 3

How can we make Strings Ribbons better

Make the presentation shorter, or the time limit longer, or the workload smaller.

Maybe announce at the beginning any projects that are already approved/funded going forward, so we don't spend or play \$ discussing amongst ourselves.

Call it an exercise rather than a game. A games sounds as if you aren't taking it seriously.

Use larger space, noise an issue.

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Population trends & development projections might help to take group to future planning - planning for the future.

Not use it!

Not sure that it is worth while.

Use maps that show streets in towns.

We should be able to spend our \$ wherever we feel best suites the whole community.

have way to easily place (roads, interchanges, etc.), but then remove so you don't get (illegible) info.

Yes

Find some solutions with rules that people know before we come.

More detailed maps.

By not cramming a freeway down our throat. Just because you have a state policy, doesn't mean citizens of Spines want a freeway.

Andy did a great job of facilitating at one meeting he explained, but did not try to sway. Facilitators should not be allowed to push their agenda. Our facilitator was Arah Leigh & she was argumentative & seemed to be actively pushing us to turn US1 into a freeway just because that's a policy vs. thinking about what is right for the people who live here.

It was well done.

Just fine.

It was good.

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We were over run with Pinewild Residents. That made discussion of 24/27 Bypass difficult. This should be broken into separate meetings for each of the 3 proposed bypasses.

Start on time! Too many issues for one meeting. Frances (speaker) needs to be more concise. Felt that Frances (speaker) was talking down to the group.

Not sure.

Talk, tell us why DOT is insisting on a bypass? Where is this coming from?

More access to technical data.

Don't know if you need the fake money. We're adults & we can comprehend the cost without toys.

Maps need to include more of the area.

Allow people to sit with those who want to plan in their neighborhood to address their problem. Fix my issue, not one I don't have a clue to solve.

Larger maps of entire county, maps of Moore County region

Full map of Moore County to refer to.

Studies done first, then strings & ribbons.

Separate regions within the county.

Each charette should be for specific region residents.

8 people are a few to many. Maps for 211 Bypass could be larger or at a smaller scale.

Make an interactive website from it.

More time at tables, introduction for 1 hour too long!

More time, less detail, better organization & instruction.

Better instruction, less detail pertaining to costs involved & money

Show how we can manipulate the process of adopting a bypass better, i.e. influence town commissioners.

Facilitators needs to be consistent in administration of the "game", some had certain bias that forced on participants.

Quieter working environment.

No

Broader scale maps, stickers very good.

Effective way to exchange views. Provide more info on impact before hand

Start on schedule!

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Too much confusion on what the DOTS represent. Is it saving the area or spending money on upgrades/enhancements?

Have space areas to where you can hear your group speak.

Building not large enough.

Clarify the rules & make the bank sheet clearer.

Prove more detail on US1 Alternatives currently under study.

Don't play games. Provide education, data statistics. This is a highly educated community! Conduct studies.

I don't know - sorry.

Larger place for the number of people.

Find a location with better acoustics. I had a hard time hearing. We all had to yell.

I will give some thought & pass along suggestions.

Have smaller money.

Yes, many folks still left out of the decision - advice.

Larger facilities.

Give PowerPoint information ahead of time to enable more time for discussion.

Put material in packets for each person.

Explain more clearly prior to start, provide wider scale map to accommodate wider regional planning, larger space to work in.

Focusing on those problems to improve or whatever.

Hold meetings in buildings with good acoustics, hard to hear across the tables.

Ineffective, this is not a game.

Order of map presentation should be discussed.

Instruct all facilitators as to the proper rules & how to use them. They do not fully understand how to use the information (costs) & how to apply the measurements.

Don't have any improvements.

I think the understanding of what's going to or will happen...

Time limits, require decisions.

Please listen to what we say & want! 3 inches of raised road from Morganton to 15-501.

Some conflict in what our bankers told us on costs of different projects.

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More time.

Make it an individual exercise, not a group (table) exercise.

It does the job for strategic planning.

Change the name of the game. When dealing with multiple projects, tables should be set up by area of concern. Folks who want to address a specific project need to be at that table. Use a woodpecker.

Use them.

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Larger facility, areas (towns) should be grouped at same table.

Larger space for participants.

Only have people (illegible) who have skin in the game?

Take into consideration "the induced traffic" principle, which the DOT hasn't. It is an accepted system which has proved that adding express/highways ultimately increases the traffic!

Printed instructions for table.

More balanced presentation at each table.

Allow us "not to spend" why can't you understand that?

Put a design online & let people show their options & preferences.

Some meeting places had poor acoustics.

More space. Denied entry, overflow.

Carthage site a problem.

All more time.

Show us tools to influence the municipalities better.

Talk less in introduction, too repetitious.

Went very smooth for our group. We had good cooperation.

Better to hear, more smaller maps.

More time.

Work on one project at a table or one project per meeting.

Nothing address economic feasibility of any of these projects.

Allow tables to show more than one preferred alternative.

I found it helpful & don't know how to improve it, thank you.

Choose large venues for meetings.

Have locations where more people can attend.

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If you have a table with people from one area of interest, it could overload an opinion or use up all the time on one project.

More focus from facilitator to stay on track.

Allow the participants to set the parameters.

Be factual in the presentation. Some information given is misleading (i.e. 40,000 cars in S. Pines/Aberdeen vs. a (illegible) being driven over by (illegible) fewer cars, 40,000 times).

Less introduction.

Maps allow larger area to work in to county borders over all county size sheet for a big picture per table.

As "planners" you need to plan better, bigger venues.

Less (illegible) participants.

Make instructions.

Be sure to explain rules of charette carefully.

Better cost info on options.

Move (illegible).

No opinion.

Sign in took too long, need more time, less projects per meeting, too many for 1 session.

Larger maps - more seating.

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Noting, it was great!

Introduction shorter! Didn't start until after 1:30 PM.

Have a few option on the map to show the difference in cost.

Accommodate more people, have more venues.

Provide brief leaflet with purpose before. Is this on the website? I found it moderately offensive to call this a game. This is not a game.

Worked better than I expected. Don't call it a game.

Allow all who want to participate do. So, I was shut out of Cameron.

Bigger facility so community can participate.

More information before hand.

Don't do it.

No! I was not allowed to participate due to lack of seating.

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Explain rules & have timer.

Must get a lot more organized!! This is much to elementary process to make such serious decisions. It does not reflect the importance of these decisions.

Map did not outline existing & approved but not built communities in some areas, ex. Stonehill Pines, Reynwood, Grade Pines in Foxfire.

Bigger maps, maybe so we can put them all together.

It's ok the way it is.

Is fine.

Bigger venues.

Please provide a venue that can handle the capacity of the public interested in voicing their opinions; without providing this you are creating a bias.

Don't know.

Shorten the opening presentation - encapsulate.

I don't see the purpose of the exercise since we don't determine where the new roads go. You do. Also, not enough time to discuss our roads & spend our money - more time needed for 3 maps & districts.

Gather people from same area for priority.

More time allowed.

Include overall map including adjacent counties.

Give a general cost list for road/infrastructure element

Make sure predetermined costs reflect current status (parts already upgrades)

Try male & female groups

Listen to what we are saying.

Perhaps one (illegible)

Do not call it a game. It is an exercise and vitally important to our.

Larger facilities to allow more to attend. Give more than 1 hour for the citizens to come to a consensus for a plan. Presentation eats up the 1st hour.

Bigger meeting places for greater participation.

Not sure.

Shorten the information in the introduction - to long winded.

Intro too long.

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When mentioning the principle of congestion relief, make sure you explain the lesser known principle of induced traffic.

Bigger place for better access for those of us here not able to "go inside".

More examples of the process before we get started.

Allow to map to different counties if interstate.

Use all red stickers for better visibility on (illegible) colored maps.

Organize

Don't know.

Make our voice count!!

More time to make decisions.

Publish the agenda rules, purpose, & intent with regard to each community.

Breaking it up with areas of interest might help with the limited time.

More organization - better explanation.

Not sure, first time doing exercise.

Don't treat it as a game. We are serious & activists.

Get rid of it.

Don't call it a game, games aren't serious. Exercise or some other word may sound more "official".

Need a larger facility & group with same interest should be grouped at the same table.

Listen to our suggestions.

Limit the focus at each meeting to one regional community so as to maximize the time spent on regional priorities within the county, but have participants from across the county to maximize education about regional concerns.

It's ok as is.

Sound proof each session - very noisy!

Not sure at this time.

Larger and quieter venues.

Good job.

PowerPoint handout.

I thought this was a very informative & educational view of options.

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Can't think of any.

Thinking about it.

It's fine.

Seems fine.

It's fine, except meeting spaces insufficient Fair Barn & Aberdeen time.

It's fine.

Needed more time on each map.

Confusing at times. We had a traffic expert at our table, so that helped us. Otherwise, we would have been lost. I'm concerned at the type of plans that might come from tables without knowledgeable people.

More dots.

Do more meetings & illustrations.

Give more time.

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Give us more money.

Ensure all the facilitators have the same info. Travis insisted that a road improvement needed to go from one end of the map to the other. Andy & Wayne said that we could just do a section of a road.

Provide materials/info prior to the meeting. Listen to the community rather than earmark areas for projects that are unfunded.

Do what we say!

Good as is except a lot of repeat attendees with experience & strong opinions.

Kiss - keep it simple stupid.

Reduce number of areas being considered.

Narrow down area of attention by where people live. S. Pines people focused on US1.

More cooperative moderators.

Have people from different areas at each table, i.e. Carthage, S. Pines, Aberdeen, West End, etc.

Larger place.

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Written instructions.

It's okay as it is.

Good the way it is.

Make markers for local road improvements.

Better meeting place with sufficient room for people to work.

Allow a page on each map to list the thought processes that are behind the final solutions.

More consistent input from DOT folks. \$ per mile, strategic plan priorities not well explained or justified.

More time, make preplanning time.

We need more technical data in order to make education decisions, example how much traffic is actually flowing over these existing roadways.

Allow suggested alignments.