



Grant Avenue/SR128/Russell Blvd. Complete Streets Project  
DRAFT Community Workshop Summary  
May 6, 2010

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## Introduction

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On May 6, 2010 approximately 25 community members attended an SR 128/Grant Avenue Complete Streets Community Workshop at the Winters Community Center. The workshop was sponsored by the City of Winters and Caltrans District 3 and facilitated by MIG, Inc. This was the second of two public workshops conducted for the project. The primary purpose of the meeting was to review the potential improvements identified for the corridor as part of the draft SR 128/Grant Avenues Complete Streets Concept Plan. The improvement concepts were based on community input generated at the first workshop. Ultimately, this project will identify a series of prioritized improvements along the corridor.

## Workshop Overview

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**John Donlevy**, Winters City Manager, called the meeting to order, and thanked people for attending. He introduced **Alyssa Begley**, Caltrans District 3, who added her welcome and appreciation for the community's participation in this important project. **Lou Hexter** of MIG, the project consultant team, introduced himself as facilitator for the evening and reviewed the meeting purpose and agenda.

**Mukul Malhotra**, MIG, delivered a PowerPoint presentation that described the project history to date and identified the preliminary complete streets design concepts for the corridor. (PowerPoint attached as appendix.)

Following the presentation, Lou Hexter facilitated a discussion about the community's level of support for the potential improvements along the corridor. Nick Ponticello, City of Winters, and Robert Grandy, Fehr and Peers, supported the conversation by providing project history and technical background as needed.

In addition to the opportunity to discuss the potential improvement concepts during the meeting, attendees were encouraged to fill out written comments cards. This summary highlights the findings from the community discussion, by corridor segment. The results of the eight submitted comment cards are included as an appendix to this meeting summary.

## Railroad Avenue to East Main Street

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There was strong support for the proposed improvement concepts in this section of the corridor, including the following elements:

- Number of travel lanes for each mode of travel,
- Travel speed,
- Landscaping improvements

Attendees also explained that safety improvements are urgently needed at the intersection of Morgan Avenue/SR 128 and requested that a pedestrian crosswalk be installed at the intersection in addition to or in lieu of a roundabout.

## **East Main Street to I-505**

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There was mixed support for the proposed improvement concepts in this section of the corridor. Some participants wanted to reduce the number of lanes in this portion of the corridor while adding additional roundabouts. Others wanted to preserve the capacity of the existing corridor and explained that lane reductions or roundabouts may cause unintended future travel delays.

## **I-505 to El Rio Villa**

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There was support for the proposed improvement concepts in this section, especially those that will increase pedestrian safety.

## **Other Discussion**

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The existing Level of Service and the City of Winters' General Plan were identified as key policy levers influencing the design of the corridor. Meeting attendees were interested to learn how the existing Level of Service or the General Plan could be amended to more fully support the Complete Streets Concepts. There was also discussion of and interest in the potential for additional technical studies required east of East Main Street to support any intersection improvements or lane reductions.

## **Summary and Next Steps**

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The project team will review the preliminary design concepts to address the input generated at the workshop. A revised set of design concepts will be presented for review and discussion at a joint City Council/Planning Commission Study Session, scheduled for June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Following the input generated at this session, MIG will work in collaboration with the project team to complete a final project report by September, 2010.