

OPEN HOUSE NOTICE

33RD STREET SOUTH CORRIDOR

ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA



When: Thursday, November 8th, 2007
Time: 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Where: St. Cloud City Hall
400 2nd Street South,
St. Cloud, MN

A Brief presentation will be given at 6:00 PM. The purpose of this meeting is to present information about the proposed project, including the preliminary analysis of alternatives and respond to your questions.

Overview

The partnering agencies of Stearns County, City of St. Cloud, City of Waite Park, Mn/DOT and the St. Cloud Area Planning Organization would like to encourage the public to attend an open house regarding the development of preliminary roadway designs and the environmental review process for the 33rd Street South Corridor project in St. Cloud. The open house is a forum where the public can gather information and provide oral and/or written commentary regarding the project.

This is the last planned open house prior to the forwarding of a recommendation to the jurisdictional agencies. Public hearings to address the Environmental Assessment and the Official Mapping will be held late winter and mid spring, 2008.

Purpose and Need:

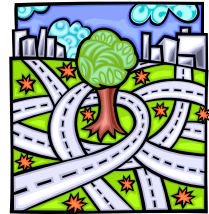
The southwest portion of the St. Cloud metropolitan area has experienced significant increases in land



development, population and traffic growth that are straining the current network of roadways. Currently there is a lack of fully functional east-west roadways that can accommodate the current and projected traffic needs in this area. Also, there is a general lack of connectivity to Trunk Highway (TH) 15, and other major highways.

Background:

Previous studies have concluded that the existing 33rd Street South alignment between County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 74 and CSAH 75 is a logical location to develop an east-west roadway with a new connection at TH 15.



Utilizing the existing 33rd Street roadway corridor for the majority of the proposed alignment is intended to minimize impacts to both the environment and existing developed areas.

Objectives and Goals:

The objective of the project is to evaluate the 33rd Street South corridor and set the framework for developing a functional, efficient and safer roadway between TH 15 and CSAH 75 that will meet current and future transportation needs.

Contact Information:

If you cannot attend the Open House, or have special needs, but would like to comment on the project you may submit comments to Patrick (Pat), M. McGraw, PE @ Bonestroo 3721 23rd Street South, St. Cloud, MN 56301, or by e-mail at Pat.mcgraw@bonestroo.com.