



Otter Tail County – Limited Area Star Lake Comprehensive Plan

PMT Meeting #3 Summary

1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 4, 2016

Otter Tail County Government Services Center

520 Fir Ave W, Fergus Falls, MN

Attendees: See Attachment 1 - Sign-in Sheet

1. Welcome & Introductions

SRF and Otter Tail County welcomed the group. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

2. Study Update

SRF provided an overview of the study work completed to date. Below are highlights from this discussion.

- SRF showed the group updated maps with potential redevelopment areas for years 2020, 2030 and 2040. SRF also provided a summary of the methodology used to determine potential redevelopment areas. The following was discussed:
 - The methodology considered input from the White Earth Nation and Otter Tail County representatives.
 - The group agreed that the amount of redevelopment shown was appropriate for future years.
 - SRF will coordinate with representatives from Otter Tail County, Star Lake Property Owners Association and Star Lake Township to refine the maps **(ACTION)**.
- A representative from White Earth Nation gave the group an informational overview of the federal process required to convert fee land to trust land for gaming purposes and for non-gaming purposes.
- SRF noted that the Limited Area Comprehensive Plan will evaluate the effects increased development has on public services, in addition to potential impacts to the surrounding roadway network.
- SRF presented draft evaluation matrices for the transportation system assessment. The following was discussed:
 - The evaluation matrices focused on the review of CSAH 41 from TH 108 to CSAH 35. SRF gave a summary of the existing and future conditions, then the group discussed potential mitigation measures for the corridor and specific intersections.



- Otter Tail County noted that all of the roadway improvements recommended in the Otter Tail County Highway Safety Plan for CSAH 41 from TH 108 to CSAH 35 have been completed.
- Otter Tail County noted that there are no additional planned improvements for the CSAH 41 corridor within the study area over the next 10 years.
- The group noted that sight lines are challenging at the intersection of CSAH 41 and TH 108 due to the vertical curves on either side of the intersection.
- Otter Tail County noted that a long-term plan may include the realignment of CSAH 41 to the west.
- The group discussed the long-term solution to potentially reconstruct the intersection of CSAH 41 and TH 108 to the west of the existing intersection where the crest of the vertical curve is. This location would potentially improve sight distance at the intersection.
- A representative from Star Lake Township noted that 360th Street has one of the highest volumes in the township.
- Otter Tail County noted that the intersection of CSAH 41 and CSAH 35 could potentially be reconstructed further to the northeast as part of a long-term plan.
- The group discussed the potential shared benefits that would result from future development opportunities in the area.
 - Power transmission within the immediate area due to the utility upgrade for the Resort and Casino development.
 - Potential for sanitary sewer connections to others in the immediate area if coordination is possible with individual property owners. This discussion topic did not grow significantly to any type of agreement but was raised as an opportunity that may be possible if both parties (WEN and general public) were interested in working together.
 - Potential for high-speed internet service expansion to this area.
 - Other services that may now be available in the area to support the Resort and Casino development and other developments that may occur as a result.

3. Neighborhood Meeting/Open House #1 Survey Summary

SRF provided an overview of the results from the public engagement survey that was distributed at the neighborhood meeting. The group briefly shared general comments and agreed to the format for sharing this information with the public during the June Open House meeting.



4. Looking Ahead

The group discussed the future public engagement and the updated study schedule. Below are highlights from this discussion:

- The next PMT meeting will be held on July 7, 2016 at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahnomon.
- A public open house was held on June 9, 2016 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Dent Community Center. A public notice was sent out. The study website was also updated with details about the open house.
- The first study newsletter was distributed and posted on the study website.
- An additional PMT meeting is planned for the month of August to discuss the final public open house, which is planned for early August. The study schedule has been revised to reflect these changes and posted on the study website.



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