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To: Peter Arnold

Cc: Adam Politzer; Jonathan Goldman; Wayne Bush; Weir, Meghan; Mark Lockaby

Subject: FW: Message regarding Meadow Way Bridge

Hi Peter,

Thank you for your phone text message to me, and it's good to hear from you again. The Town has new interim Town Manager and interim Public Works Director, Adam Politzer and Jonathan Goldman, in that order. I forwarded your text message to my email, below, and have copied the new and continuing Town officers in this email to keep them in the loop.

Actually, since the CEQA approval and adoption by the Council, and release of the needed project dollars by Caltrans earlier this year, before Garrett's departure, we've had the wind behind the project and been moving forward. Since the February-March timeframe, the project has entered the right-of-way (ROW) phase and final design. We've had our survey subconsultant prepare the final ROW map, based on the titles, County records, etc., and prepare plats and descriptions for the needed temporary construction easements (TCEs) and permanent easements. We are giving the products of their work to our especially licensed ROW appraisal and negotiation subconsultant shortly to begin preparation of the easement documents for agreement with the five homeowners involved. Our plan is to have the project's final design-phase public workshop in the fall, after presenting the preliminary ROW agreement to each household first, in order not to have surprises for anyone and have a smooth public meeting/workshop. At the workshop, we will focus on the project's details, construction timing and process, various amenities, aesthetics, lighting, landscaping, etc., all that will be covered by the federal grant, and will be seeking input from folks on them.

The final design is proceeding well too. Since after CEQA, we took on a comprehensive study of a continuous construction season, vs. the original two-season process interrupted at the end of the first "dry season" and the onset of winter. We have made substantial changes to the project's design and construction sequencing to make this possible, without changing its features and character, and have struck a method to do this. I believe the residents will be interested in this, as it will do the job in one continuous season and without a second mobilization by the contractor and going in the creek, etc. We are also in the midst of coordination, for a double dose of utility relocations during construction, with the 5 utility agencies and companies involved. We have been shooting for the 2022 construction season, but a lot will depend on the easement agreements and folks liking what those entail and signing the agreements. There are no surprises, land losses or hardships in them, though.

We will post a similar update on the project's web site shortly. Please let me know if you have additional questions.

By the way, congratulations on your retirement from Abey-Arnold!

Regards,

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