

Birmingham Northern Beltline
Community Outreach Group
Meeting Notes
September 9, 2016

COG Members present-

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Meeting Notes:

ALDOT Personnel and Support

- I. Overview of current and future projects and funding
 - a. The current project is a grade and drain project (foundation, plumbing and framing) between Highway 75 and Highway 79.
 - b. The next project scheduled at this time is a bridge project to be let for construction in 2019.
 - c. After the bridges on the current section are constructed, the project will have to be paved before traffic can drive on the Highway. At this time, we do not have a date for the paving, or for construction of any of the other sections of the Beltline, but design and right-of-way acquisition continues.
 - d. The current project was started using some Appalachian Development Project (APD) funds that had been earmarked by Congress years ago. With the passage of a new transportation funding bill, Congress no longer earmarks APD funds, so any future funding will come out of ALDOT's total Federal allocation.
- II. Current work and schedule
 - a. Current work is mostly paving Highway 79. Work on the current project should be complete in about a month.

- b. Beginning Monday, Highway 79 will be reduced to one lane with a pilot car while Highway 79 is paved. The group discussed the need to notify Kermit Johnson School to ensure buses know of closure.

III. Site Observation

- a. The group entered the project from Highway 75 and observed finished grade, sedimentation basins, and the completed soil nail wall at Stop #1.
- b. The second observation stop was west of a future bridge across Self Creek in the area of excavation on the project.
- c. The third stop was at the western area of the future bridge abutments for future on and off ramps at Highway 79.
- d. The group entered the western side of the project from Highway 79 at the future location of the on-ramp and stopped at Green Drive looking back to the west to observe the future area of ramp onto the Beltline from Highway 79.
- e. Paving on Highway 79 was observed.