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Cc: Penner, Darcy GTWY:EX; Freer, Geoff GTWY:EX
Subject: 28th Av residents meeting

Good morning,

For those that haven't heard we had an interesting meeting yesterday with the residents. Also attending were reps from DFI, Corp of Delta and Vicki Huntington's office.

The outcome of the session was that we are going to do a high level review of the scope of the underpass^{s.13,s.16,s.17}
s.13,s.16,s.17 We are
also going to update the very preliminary cost estimate comparison between 28th crossing and the longer structure at
57B crossing the railway^{s.13,s.16,s.17} We will meet again with the residents in a couple of
weeks to share our findings and confirm our direction.

We are scheduled to meet with most of you at 10.30 next Tuesday to discuss the project in more detail.

Thanks,
Jon

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From: Bukowsky, Gayle GTWY:EX
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 12:45 PM
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Attached is an overview / key themes from the meeting with 28th Avenue Overpass area residents. Please let me know if there are any changes/edits.

Thanks
Gayle

28th Avenue Overpass Project

Results of Meeting with residents/landowners – October 22, 2009

Attendance:

Geoff Freer	Gateway Project
Darcy Penner	Gateway Project (28 th Avenue)
Jon Buckle	Gateway Project (28 th Avenue)
George Harvie	Corporation of Delta
Steven Lan	Corporation of Delta
Trevor J. Loke	Constituency Assistant to Vickie Huntington

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Introduction to Project by Geoff Freer



Background to Project by Jon Buckle

Feedback Key Themes:

- 1) Insufficient justification for overpass at 28th Avenue versus 57B
 - a. Less impact on residents if 57B is built instead of 28th Avenue
 - b. No residents/farms in this area requiring connectivity (Identify farms on 28th that would require this connection)
- 2) Negative effects on resident's properties
 - a. Loss of property
 - b. Impact on property not required but next to project (septic fields, driveways)
 - c. Loss of trees
 - d. Devaluation of property

- 3) Safety concerns regarding route
 - a. Concerns that 28th Avenue will become a truck route
 - b. Five equestrian centres (100 horses) with a sixth centre planned
 - c. Increased traffic presents safety hazard to humans/horses
- 4) Communication/Consultation
 - a. Agency stakeholders consulted but not residents
 - b. No communication/information from the project
 - c. Lack of information regarding access to Hwy 17 and SFPR

ACTION ITEMS

- Perform a high level review of the scope of the overpass
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than a significant network element for future traffic.)
Jon/Darcy

- Update the preliminary cost estimate comparison between the
28th Avenue crossing and the crossing at 57th s.13,s.16,s.17
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Jon/Darcy
- Set up next meeting with landowners (invite BC Rail?) for the week
of November 2
Darcy

**MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION
BRIEFING NOTE**

**Cliff #: 182844
October 30, 2009**

REGION: South Coast

MoT DISTRICT: Lower Mainland

ELECTORAL DISTRICT: South Delta & North Delta

**MUNICIPALITY /
REGIONAL DISTRICT:** Corporation of Delta

I. PREPARED FOR: Minister for Information

II. ISSUE:

Corporation of Delta and South Fraser Perimeter Road/28th Ave Projects

III. BACKGROUND:

The Gateway Program has been in consultation and discussions with the Corporation of Delta (CoD) on all aspects of the South Fraser Perimeter Road since the summer of 2003 to present. Prior to 2009 the Mayor and some council members were generally critical of the Province and SFPR publicly with some support for the project privately. In 2009 the new council has generally been taking a more positive approach both publicly and privately. Since May 2009 the Mayor has been supportive publicly regarding SFPR. Corporation of Delta staff have been going through some re-organization and significant staffing changes and this has made for delays with SFPR project staff and contractors.

Current issues and status include:

Property

In order to construct the South Fraser Perimeter Road (SFPR), 2 full and 12 partial properties are required from CoD. s.13,s.16
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Recommendation: s.13,s.16

Environmental

Delta was actively involved in the EA process and, subsequent to approvals, have been very active in publicly saying they will ensure the SFPR project meets all commitments made by the Project. The EA process results in a Table of Commitments and Assurances (TOCA) that projects must implement. SFPR has more than 125 TOCA commitments and fully intend to meet these.

Recommendation: The Ministry looks forward to continuing work with Delta and will fully meet all Environmental Assessment related commitments.

Community Liaison Committee

SFPR currently meets on a regular basis with an Inter Agency Environmental Review Committee (IAERC) that monitors the project and TOCA commitments. Delta (at UBCM) requested a Community Liaison Committee be established (similar to a existing Metro Port Vancouver Deltaport committee) to work with SFPR project staff through project construction. MLA Huntington subsequently made the same request in Estimates debate. The Ministry is committed to this and a Terms of Reference and process is currently being drafted. The Ministry currently contemplates asking for volunteer applications and selecting committee members from both Delta and Surrey.

The Mayor would like the Minister to publicly announce this committee and highlight the fact that this was requested by Delta prior to the MLA Huntington request.

Recommendation: The Ministry fully supports, and is implementing a Community Liaison Committee as a result of discussions between Delta and the Ministry.

Agricultural (Enhanced Irrigation System)

As part of the Agricultural Enhancement Program in Delta, the Ministry is enhancing the Corporation of Delta owned and operated irrigation system with a comprehensive upgrade at a Provincial cost of \$18M. This upgrade is supported by Delta and the Delta Farmer's Institute. Delta will be required to operate and maintain the upgraded system with some increase in their annual operating costs (we understand about \$60K annually; generally recovered from water users). Some of the new infrastructure being installed with the upgrade will offset many of these costs. Delta have not formally agreed to accept this.

Recommendation: The Ministry is pleased to participate in upgrading the irrigation system in Delta and looks to Delta to cover any increases in operating and maintenance costs.

Landfill Remediation

Delta is very concerned about a number of historical landfills located in the Sunbury and Tilbury areas containing primarily building demolition and land clearing materials. These landfills have methane gas and contaminated water leachate that is currently uncontrolled. Delta and the Ministry of Environment have been working with landowners to prepare and implement closure plans for each landfill. Delta has a program call Save Our Industrial Lands (SOIL) and all parties in the area including the Ministry have been working together to develop this community plan to close landfills.

SFPR travels through a number of these landfills and will improve the situation significantly. The Ministry is required to clean up and close the landfill area immediately within the SFPR right of way. The Ministry is committed to this and to building a leachate and methane gas collection system that is robust enough to allow adjacent landowners to connect to the system when those landfill areas are closed. The MOE have been very pleased with Ministry participation and commitments to date.

Recommendation: The Ministry is pleased to be part of the solution in the Delta landfill cleanup.

Delta Force Main Sewer Replacement

Delta has an aging force main sewer in the area of Crescent Slough adjacent to the SFPR alignment where preload construction is in progress. Delta approached the Ministry to have a new sewer installed as part of the SFPR project. The Ministry agreed to include this work as part of the preload contractors work at Delta's cost. Delta staff negotiated a price with the preload contractor and it appears this work will proceed. Delta will have their own monitor on site to ensure compliance with their requirements. Council has approved this project and an agreement is very close to signing.

Recommendation: The Ministry is pleased to be able to help with this Delta sewer project.

28th Ave Overpass Project and Resident Concerns (Roberts Bank Rail Corridor Project)

The 28th Ave Overpass project is an agricultural and municipal traffic overpass on 28th Ave crossing Highway 17. It replaces an unsafe level crossing of the rail line to Deltaport and has the support of all the transportation agencies and Delta. The project is being delivered by SFPR project staff who are currently consulting with local residents. Some local residents are unhappy with the concept and prefer the overpass to be on 57B Street, away from their neighbourhood. Project staff have agreed to review resident concerns over the next two weeks.

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Recommendation: The Ministry will continue to work with Delta and the residents to find mutually acceptable solutions. Ultimately this will be a municipal street.

Delta Humane Society

SFPR is travels very close to the Delta Humane Society building and Delta has concerns regarding traffic noise impact on the resident animals. SFPR project is building a treed berm and potentially a fence to mitigate noise. Delta would like to see the Ministry provide \$1M to relocate the building and operation. To date, the Ministry has said the treed berm should be adequate.

Recommendation: The treed berm mitigation should be adequate. If necessary a fence can be installed to improve the situation further.

Delta Salt Shed and Maintenance Facility

Delta has been using Ministry land in the Nordel Way area as a small salt storage and maintenance facility for their winter operations. SFPR will impact this area and Delta are looking for a replacement location. The Ministry is keeping a lookout for a new site.

Recommendation: The Ministry is looking for a site that might work (at no cost to the Ministry)



IV. DISCUSSION:

SFPR is of great benefit to Delta and the Ministry is continuing to work on any outstanding issues (as per above).

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V. CONSULTATIONS:

Weekly meetings between Delta and SFPR project staff
Interagency Environmental Review Committee meetings on a regular basis
Burns Bog Management committee meetings (Delta is a member)
Delta Chamber of Commerce meetings
Delta Farmers Institute meetings

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS/SUMMARY:

- The Ministry looks forward to a continued positive working relationship with Delta
- The Ministry can use Delta's help with facilitating demolitions; signing plans for land acquisition and generally facilitating permits and approvals for our contractors.
- We understand Delta will continue to operate and maintain the enhanced irrigation system at no cost to the Ministry

Prepared By: Geoff Freer
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Phone: 604-775-0350
Date Prepared: October 30, 2009

Reviewed By:
Reviewer's Title:

Revised By:
Reviser's Title:

Date Revised:

January 12, 2010

File: TRAN-42000-40/81010A

Steven Lan
Acting Director of Engineering
Corporation of Delta
4500 Clarence Taylor Crescent
Delta BC V4K 3E2

Dear Steven:



Re: 28th Avenue Overpass

This letter is to confirm that the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure will proceed with the design and construction of the 28th Avenue Overpass Project based on the following scope:

Structure:



The structure will:

1. accommodate agricultural, pedestrian, cycling and equestrian traffic;
2. be 6 metres wide and accommodate single lane farm traffic ;
3. access will be restricted to local farmers requiring farm access, and residents on 28th Avenue as determined by Delta; and
4. have bridge railings at equestrian height of 1.4 metres.

Approaches and Gradients:

- Gradients on each bridge approach will be about 10 %.
- Small turnaround areas will be incorporated at each lower end of approach fills.
- There will be no upgrading of 28th Avenue beyond the construction limits of the overpass approach fills.
- Impacted irrigation ditches will be relocated where required to accommodate continuity and farm requirements.
- Property owners adjacent to bridge fills have requested landscaping of slopes. We will work with Corporation of Delta to incorporate a suitable treatment that is maintainable.

Other:

- Right in/out access to Highway 17 will be removed from both sides of 28th avenue.
- 57B Street will be terminated south of the BCR crossing and a small turnaround provided.
- 57B street access to Deltaport Way from the north will be reconfigured to accommodate a protected T intersection.

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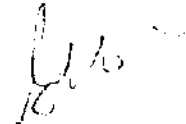
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- Upon completion of the overpass, 28th Avenue will continue as a Corporation of Delta roadway.

Do not hesitate to call if you have any questions. The Ministry looks forward to a continued successful relationship.

Yours truly,



Geoff Freer
Executive Director

Copy: Helen Berthin, Manager of Project Development, Partnerships
Jon Buckle, Project Director



**APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION, UTILITY OR
RECREATIONAL TRAIL USES**
under Section 6 of the Agricultural Land Reserve
Use, Subdivision and Procedure Regulation

NOTE: The information required by this form and the documents you provide with it are collected to process your application under the Agricultural Land Commission Act and regulation. This information will be available for review by any member of the public. If you have any questions about the collection or use of this information, contact the Agricultural Land Commission and ask for the staff member who will be handling your application.

APPLICANT

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT JURISDICTION *(List all affected jurisdictions)*

Municipality	Regional District
<u>Corporation of Delta</u>	<u>Greater Vancouver Regional District</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

LAND UNDER APPLICATION *(Show land on plan or sketch)*

Title Number	Area Affected (Ha.)	Title Number	Area Affected (Ha.)
Refer to Tab ?	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

NOTIFICATION OF AFFECTED LANDOWNERS

Have all affected property owners with land in the ALR been notified as required by Section 7 of the Agricultural Land Reserve Use, Subdivision and Procedure Regulation?

☒ Yes ☐ No

PROPOSAL *(Show on plan or sketch)*

- Construction of new single lane municipal overpass connecting 28th Avenue east and west over Highway 17 in the municipality of Delta. The overpass will be approximately 360 meters long (including approaches)
- Refer to Tabs ? and ? for a summary of agricultural impacts and mitigation measures proposed, as well as the proposed Agricultural Enhancement Strategy.

Are there any farm activities such as livestock operations, greenhouses or horticultural activities in proximity to the proposal?



Yes *(If yes, please specify farm activity and location)*



No

☐ Yes, refer to Tab ? for details

DECLARATION

I/we consent to the use of the information provided in the application and all supporting documents to process the application in accordance with the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* and regulation. Furthermore, I/we declare that the information provided in the application and all the supporting documents are, to the best of my/our knowledge, true and correct. I/we understand that the Agricultural Land Commission will take the steps necessary to confirm the accuracy of the information and documents provided.

Date

Signature of applicant

John Buckle, Project Manager

Print Name

Date

Signature of Applicant

Print Name

Please ensure the following documents are enclosed with the application:

- Application fee (\$400) payable to Minister of Finance
- Certificate of Title or Title Search Print
- Agent authorization (if using agent)
- Map or sketch showing proposal
- Photographs (optional)




MINUTES OF THE PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

A meeting was held by the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission on March 25, 2010 in Langley, B.C.

PRESENT:	Sylvia Pranger	Chair, South Coast Panel
	Michael Bose	Commissioner
	John Tomlinson	Commissioner
	Tony Pellett	Staff

For Consideration

Application: 51643
Applicant: Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
Agent: Jon Buckle
Proposal: Transportation, Utility Corridor Use – 28 Avenue Overpass of Highway 17 to improve farm vehicle circulation.
Legal:  Parcel "C" (K34826E) Lot 3 Except: Firstly; Part on SRW Plan 39429, Secondly; Part on SRW Plan 45037, Thirdly; Part on Plan BCP1308 District Lot 113 Group 2 New Westminster District Plan 3264
Location: 28th Avenue, Delta
Legal: Parcel 99, Section 23, Township 5, New Westminster District, Plan LMP45178
Location: 28th Avenue/57B Street, Delta

Site Inspection

A site inspection was conducted on January 26, 2009. Those in attendance were:

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| • Sylvia Pranger | Chair, South Coast Panel |
| • Michael Bose | Commissioner |
| • John Tomlinson | Commissioner |
| • Ron Wallace | Staff |
| • Tony Pellett | Staff |

The Commissioners and staff drove by and viewed the site.

Context

The proposal was weighed against the purposes of the Commission as stipulated in section 6 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* (the "Act"). They are:

1. to preserve agricultural land
2. to encourage farming on agricultural land in collaboration with other communities of interest, and
3. to encourage local governments, first nations, the government and its agents to enable and accommodate farm use of agricultural land and uses compatible with agriculture in their plans, bylaws and policies.

Discussion

The Commission supported the application as it meets the criteria associated with Resolution #15/2009 from application 37610 (BC Railway Company).

IT WAS

MOVED BY: Commissioner Tomlinson

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Bose

THAT the application to dedicate and construct the 28 Avenue overpass be allowed subject to the following conditions:

- The preparation of a subdivision plan to delineate the area for the overpass dedication per the drawing submitted with the application.
- the subdivision must be completed within three (3) years from the date of this decision.

This decision does not relieve the owner or occupier of the responsibility to comply with applicable Acts, regulations, bylaws of the local government. This includes zoning, subdivision, or other land use bylaws, and decisions of any authorities that have jurisdiction under an enactment.

CARRIED

Resolution # 2348/2010

Approval for Acquisition
 Approved by: MARTIN HUNTER
 Signature: [Signature]
 Date: 2010 2/10

NOTE:
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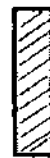
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 PROPERTY ACQUISITION PLAN
 PID: 00-000-000
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Provincial Agricultural Land and Commission
 Application #516443
 Resolution #2348/2010

Approved for Overpass in the ALR



PROJECT DELIVERY PLAN

28TH Avenue Overpass

August 2010



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1. Background

Port Metro Vancouver (PMV) and the BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoT) ("the Parties"), have been working together to facilitate improvements along the Roberts Bank Rail Corridor (RBRC). This process has included the removal of at-grade roadway crossings, and the implementation of associated road network improvements in South Delta. These improvements will ensure connectivity, improve access and provide safe and efficient movement of people and goods.

 As part of the closing of several at-grade crossings, the 57B Street crossing will be removed, and 28th Avenue that currently tees into a right-in/out at Highway 17, will be reconstructed with a structure to allow 28th Avenue to pass over Highway 17 as an agricultural, pedestrian, cycling and equestrian overpass. It will not be open to general traffic. This is part of the Port's commitment to improving transportation in Delta as part of the Deltaport Third Berth Project.

The Parties signed an agreement (the "Agreement") on August 18, 2009 which enables the above-noted improvements to proceed through planning, property acquisition, design, and construction, with MoT being responsible for the implementation and delivery of the project. PMV and the federal government will participate as the major funders of the project.

2. Project Steering Committee

A Steering Committee has been appointed for the Project that includes representation from MoT and Port Metro Vancouver. The purpose of the committee is to ensure the project's key funding partners remain informed about the progress of the project, allows them to address any significant issues that arise, and approve changes as set out in the Project Delivery Plan.

3. Project Budget and Reporting

The Parties have established the Project budget at \$5.8 million, with the Design and Construction set at \$5.0 million with the balance made up of Project Management. PMV is contributing \$2,612,500, the federal government (under the Federal Stimulus Program) contributing \$2,387,500, while MoT is providing \$0.8 million toward the project management costs. MoT will cover any overruns should they occur, or mitigate such costs as set out in the Agreement.

The Project finances will be monitored and reported monthly by MoT and invoiced as applicable to PMV and the federal government on a quarterly basis along with a quarterly Project status report.

4. Project Schedule and Milestones

Project completion is scheduled for March 31, 2011. The Project will be undertaken in conjunction with the adjoining Highway 17/South Fraser Perimeter Road Interchange that is being delivered in a similar Design-Bid-Build model by MoT.

Estimated Milestones for the 28th Avenue Project are as follows:

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| • Project Agreement Signed | Aug 2009 |
| • Conceptual Design of Underpass | Nov 2009 |
| • Environmental Assessment Screening | |
| Screening Report Completion | Apr 2010 |
| • Property Acquisition | May 2010 |
| • Final Design | June 2010 |
| • Issue Tenders | July 2010 |
| • Award Contract | August 2010 |
| • Commencement of Work | August 2010 |
| • Substantial Completion | Mar 2011 |
| • Final Completion | June 2011 |

The work breakdown structure will be as follows:

- Project Management
- Design
- Property Acquisition
- Ground Improvement
- Structure
- Walls
- Roadways
- Environmental
- Community / Stakeholder Relations
- Other Construction

5. Project Critical Success Factors

- Stakeholder Support – demonstrated support in place
- Environmental Approval
- Project Schedule – substantial completion by March 31, 2011 with final completion June 2011
- Project Budget – delivered on/under budget
- Design – an effective design meeting Provincial and Corporation of Delta standards

6. Project Design

The 28th Avenue Overpass and associated road improvements to 28th Avenue and 57B Street is being designed by design consultants Kohn Crippen Berger (KCB) and roadway sub-consultants R.F.Binney. Several conceptual options will be developed considering alternate highway crossing alignments and bridge approach embankment designs.

The design process commenced in August 2009. The process will continue through May 2010 with tender packages issued in June and construction commencing in July.

7. Environmental Assessment Screening Report

Since the Project will be federally funded, in part, the requirement to complete an Environmental Assessment Screening Report has been triggered. The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority will represent the Responsible Authority for this Project and coordinate the distribution of the Project Description to other potentially interested Government Agencies. The 28th Avenue Overpass Project does not trigger any CEAA requirements with respect to the funds

granted from the Infrastructure Canada Fund (ICF) however, ICF will be among the stakeholders for this Project.

The following components will be undertaken for this report:

- Onsite field visits to assess existing site conditions, water quality, vegetation and wildlife
- Research of existing environmental impact assessments
- Public advertisement of the 28th Avenue underpass and proposed works
- Submission of a Screening Report to the Federal Responsible Authority

8. Community / Stakeholder Relations

A project representative, in consultation with the PMV community outreach representative, will lead the communications with the public and Stakeholders. A communications plan (Appendix A) has been prepared that identifies stakeholders, communications objectives, proposed program and timeline for activities.

9. Project Preliminary Costs

The Project preliminary cost estimate is \$5.8 million made up of \$0.7M in engineering and design, \$0.8M in project management, \$0.3M in property acquisition, and \$4.0M in construction and contingency.

10. Project Procurement Approach

The design consultants were selected through a competitive RFP process. The construction phase of the project will commence through a series of smaller agreements and contracts for various preliminary works including drainage, utility relocations and ground improvements (stone columns). The balance of the project on 28th Avenue Overpass will be completed with a tender through BC Bid for the construction of the overpass and its approaches.

The works required to close 57B at the BC rail crossing will be facilitated through a separate supplemental agreement or additional contract.

11. Project Change Management

Changes to Project scope, schedule or budget may be requested by either party through a Project Change Request. The Project Manager will review the request and determine the impact on the consequent cost, scope and schedule, and assess options and mitigation strategies. The Project Manager will submit the Change Request along with his assessment to the parties for approval with respect to any material changes. If approved, the Project Manager will implement the change to the project scope, schedule and budget as applicable.

12. Project Risk Management

Project risks will be identified followed by a quantification of their probability and impact. Responses will be developed to avoid, mitigate, transfer or accept the risks and actions will be put in place to monitor and control the response.

Appendix A

28th Avenue Overpass Communications Plan

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

28TH AVENUE OVERPASS

Background

An overpass crossing Highway 17 at 28th Ave in Delta south of Ladner is proposed as part of the Roberts Bank Rail Corridor improvements. A goal of these improvements is to remove at-grade roadway crossings to improve safety and enhance connectivity for efficient movement of people and goods. The 28th Avenue overpass will provide a new east-west route across Highway 17 and a key link for agricultural, pedestrian, cycling and equestrian traffic and emergency vehicles. It will replace an at grade rail crossing at 57B Street.

The 28th Avenue overpass contributes to the overall viability of the broader rail corridor and the operation of the third berth at Deltaport.

The 28th Avenue Overpass project is being funded by Port Metro Vancouver as part of their commitment to improve traffic flow on Deltaport Way as part of the Deltaport Third Berth Project, and the federal government under the Federal Infrastructure Stimulus Program (ISP). The Partnerships Branch of Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoT) is providing project management.

The 28th Avenue Overpass project is adjacent to, but not part of, the South Fraser Perimeter Road (SFPR) Project. Due to its proximity to the SFPR, the SFPR Project Team has agreed to implement and deliver the Project.

Construction is anticipated to start in the spring of 2010 for completion in the spring of 2011.

Audiences and Stakeholders

- Residents of 28th Avenue and 57B Street
- Public (Delta/Ladner)
- First Nations
- Port Metro Vancouver
- Corporation of Delta
- Delta Farmers Institute
- Infrastructure Canada
- Deltaport 3 Community Liaison Committee

Communications Objectives:

- Build public awareness of the project benefits through regular and proactive communications.
- Provide effective and reliable traffic communications that will minimize disruption and maximize predictability for drivers.
- Support the Ministry (MoT), Port Metro Vancouver (PMV), and the project team through ongoing issues management activities.

Community Relations Plan

During the concept and design stage the project representative, in consultation with the PMV's community outreach representative, will support the project team by attending community and stakeholder meetings and providing information as required. As construction activities accelerate, public and stakeholder interest will be focused on traffic information and construction updates. A project representative, in consultation with PMV's community outreach representative, will support the project by managing the community relations program and providing relevant and timely information to the public and stakeholders.. The project representative will also ensure that PMV, the federal Infrastructure Canada Fund (ICF), Delta Farmer's Institute (DFI), the Corporation of Delta (CoD), and other key stakeholders are kept apprised of construction progress.

A Community Relations Activity timeline will be prepared.

Type of Communications

The SFPR Community Relations representative, in consultation with PMV's community outreach representative, will support the project team in communications with the public and stakeholders and manage communication materials in support of the project through:

- Project Announcements/Press Releases (prepared jointly by MoT and PMV)
- Information Line and E-mail – respond to inquiries in a timely manner
- Gateway and Port Metro Vancouver Website – ensure current, relevant material is posted
- Issue Tracking – identify, track, and respond to issues as they arise
- Monitoring - monitor community groups and community websites to identify opportunities for dialogue
- Construction Bulletins and Weekly Traffic Updates – post to the Gateway website and distribute to key stakeholders
- Media Notification - distribute traffic and construction bulletins (TV, newspaper, radio)

Hours of Work (per noise bylaws and traffic restrictions)

Within residential areas, crews are expected to limit noise to permitted hours, namely:

- 7 am – 7 pm Monday to Friday;
- 9 am – 5 pm Saturday (Work will be restricted during morning and afternoon peak traffic periods.)

Issues Management

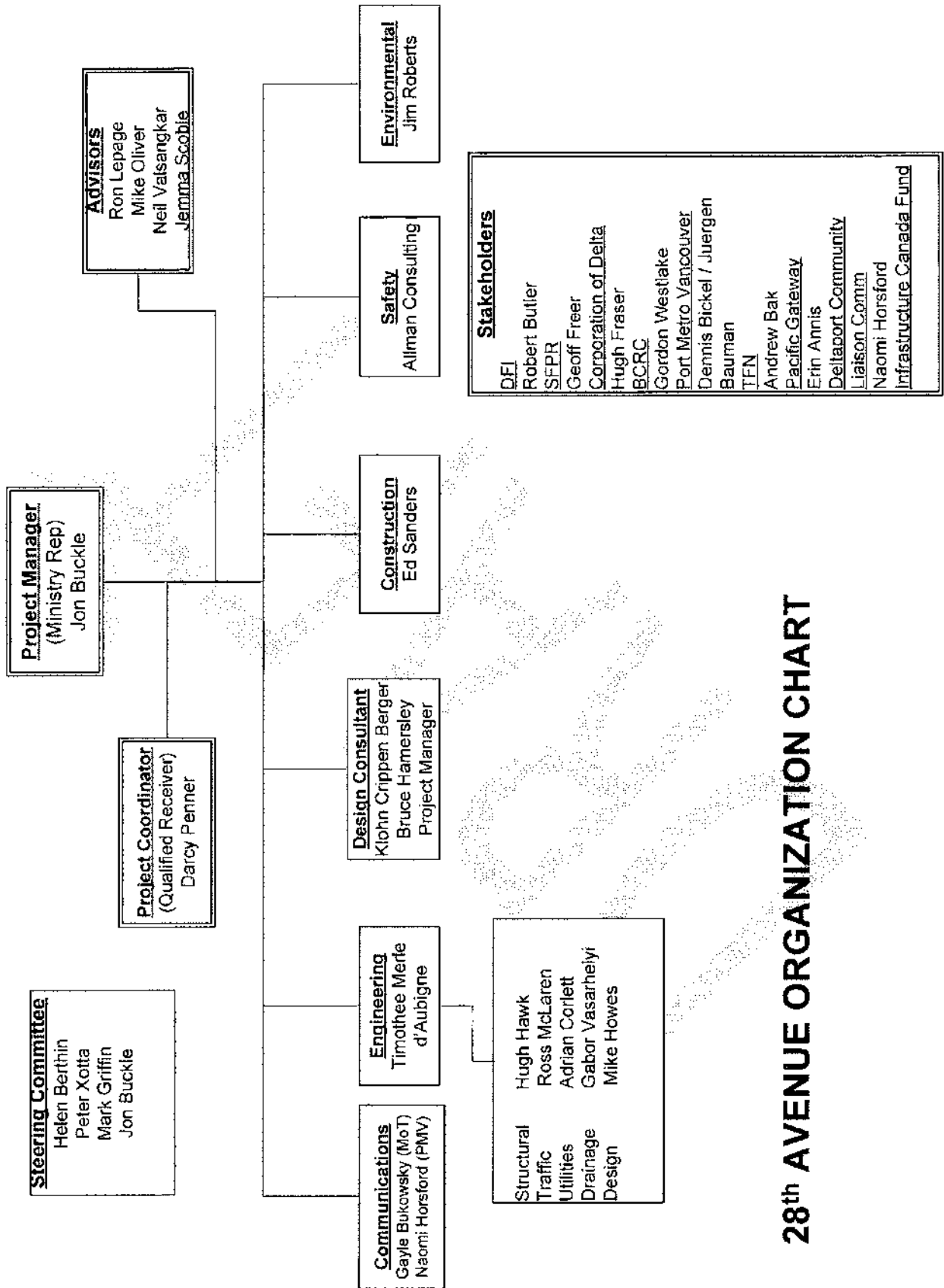
- Incident Management Plan - The Contractor(s) will provide an Incident Management Plan for MoT's acceptance. Project leads will provide the Contractor(s) with appropriate contacts for incidents with the potential for sustained traffic interruptions, adverse effects on the public, and/or media attention. With a callout plan in place, Community Relations staff will follow MoT protocol and prepare an appropriate response for queries.
- Responding to Media Inquiries - MoT will retain its lead role in media relations throughout the project. Community Relations will support the Public Affairs Bureau (PAB), and in consultation with PMV, in preparing Briefing Notes, Issue Notes and subject-specific Q&A's as appropriate, to ensure MoT's spokesperson is prepared to respond to media queries.

- **Protest Response Plan** - A Protest Response Plan is in place for the project to ensure that construction personnel have safe and open access to the project site and adjacent areas. The plan is designed to provide for safety of workers and the public, and protection of equipment.
- **Stakeholder Communication** - identify opportunities to share information with stakeholder groups and community leaders on an on-going contact basis with identified interested groups and identifying opportunities to share information with stakeholder groups and community leaders
- **Municipal Liaison** - work with the Corporation of Delta to ensure that communication information is consistent and timely, advising them of developments and project schedule.

Project Signing

Site specific signs and CMS Boards, in addition to traffic control signs, will be utilized to promote driver safety and educate motorists about upcoming construction and highway access closures (57B at Deltaport Way). Project information signs will reflect the input of both PMV and MoT.

The closure of the 28th Avenue accesses to Highway 17 will be undertaken as part of the SFPR Project. The closure will be coordinated with SFPR Project to ensure it is completed prior to the start of construction of the 28th Avenue overpass.




28th AVENUE ORGANIZATION CHART

**MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
BRIEFING NOTE**

Cliff #: 190391


Date: October 7, 2010

REGION:	South Coast
BCMOT DISTRICT:	Lower Mainland
ELECTORAL DISTRICT:	Delta-South – Vicki Huntington MLA
MUNICIPALITY / REGIONAL DISTRICT	Corporation of Delta 

I. PREPARED FOR: Information

II. ISSUE: 28th Avenue Overpass at Hwy 17 Project Update

III. BACKGROUND:

 An overpass crossing Highway 17 at 28th Ave in Delta south of Ladner is proposed as part of the Roberts Bank Rail Corridor improvements. A goal of these improvements is to remove at-grade roadway crossings to improve safety and enhance connectivity for the efficient movement of people and goods. The 28th Avenue overpass will provide a new east-west route across Highway 17 to provide a key link for agricultural traffic and emergency vehicles. It will replace an at grade rail crossing at 57B Street where multiple fatalities occurred in 2005. Closure of this crossing will also accommodate expansion of BC Rail trackage allowing for expansion of Delta Port facilities as part of their commitment to improve traffic flow under the Delta Port 3rd Berth Expansion Project.

The 28th Avenue Overpass project is being funded by Port Metro Vancouver (\$2,612,500) and the federal government (\$2,387,500) while MoT is providing \$800,000 toward project management costs.

The 28th Avenue Overpass project is adjacent to but not part of the South Fraser Perimeter Road (SFPR) Project, a component of the Gateway Program. Due to its proximity to the SFPR, the SFPR Project Team is implementing and delivering the Project. The Corporation of Delta (CoD), Port Metro Vancouver (PMV), BC Rail, Delta Farmers Institute (DFI), and the Ministry of Transportation (MoT) support the project. Tsawwassen First Nation also supports the project. A Project Agreement between MoT and PMV has been signed.

A Project Delivery Plan is in place, neighborhood consultation is on-going, and environmental approvals have been obtained. The overpass design is complete, the contract has been awarded and construction has begun with substantial completion anticipated by March 31, 2011.

IV. DISCUSSION:

When initially announced, the proposed 28th Avenue overpass at Highway 17 raised concerns with property owners in the vicinity of the overpass. However subsequent meetings with residents, the CoD, and the Ministry resulted in a reduced scope for the overpass that would address the interests of all involved and alleviate many concerns. Meetings with individual property owners are on-going to provide design and project updates.

An Environmental Assessment Screening Report was completed and archaeological investigations were carried out the week of February 22 through 26th within the project area.

Any property required for the project has been purchased. Land required from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) is 0.6 hectares. An application for the ALR portion was submitted and approved.

V. CONSULTATIONS:


PMV has been consulting with DFI and the CoD since 2004 regarding access issues related to rail expansion to service and expanded Delta Port. In 2007 the Ministry was asked to facilitate the consultations to accelerate resolution of outstanding issues. In 2008, a consensus was reached among the stakeholders (CoD, PMV, Delta DFI, BC Rail and Tsawwassen First Nation), that a new structure at 28th Avenue over passing Highway 17 coupled with a new structure at 41B Street over passing Deltaport Way provided the most appropriate solution for maintaining local access in Southwest Delta. These two new structures would allow for the closure of the south leg of 57B Street from Deltaport Way and accommodate BC Rail's track expansion. The 28th Avenue project was a condition of approval by the ALC for BC Rail's expansion plans.

In 2008, Gateway and DFI met with Delta Mayor and Council and presented the concept of the proposed overpasses at 28th Avenue and 41B Street, and closure of 57B Street. Following the presentation and further discussion Delta Council unanimously supported the concept as presented. The current MLA for the area, Vicki Huntington was a Delta Councilor at that time and was part of the unanimous vote in support of the proposal. In January 2009 Delta Council passed a resolution in support of the 28th Avenue and 41B Street overpasses and the closure of the south leg of 57B St.

The CoD provided the Ministry with a written agreement in support of this proposal. At a November 2 meeting with the Ministry, the Mayor and Administrative Officer of the CoD, reconfirmed Delta's support for the 28th Avenue Overpass. The Ministry subsequently provided a letter to CoD confirming the 28th Avenue Overpass project and proposed scope.

Communication with residents/property owners is underway. A meeting with the project team, CoD and residents was held on October 22, 2009. Residents concerns included

effects on properties; justification of the overpass in this area versus 57B; safety; and communication with residents.

 A follow-up meeting with residents was held November 12 and the Ministry provided clarification that in response to community input, a reduced scope for the crossing at 28th Avenue was designed to accommodate agricultural, local traffic and emergency vehicle access only.

Another meeting with residents was held November 24 with representatives from MoT, PMV, BC Rail and CoD attending. A representative from MLA Huntington's office was also in attendance. The overpass scope and the reduced impact to properties were reviewed and a comparison of the 28th Avenue and 57B Street overpass options was provided. The Ministry reinforced the point that an overpass at 57B Street would be twice the cost of an overpass at 28th Avenue and the increased cost could not be justified from a taxpayer perspective.

On November 30, 2009 the Ministry met with four property owners who are within close proximity to the proposed overpass location. The Ministry provided a rendering of the proposed overpass and cross-sections of views from various locations. Some concerns were identified and in all cases were advised that solutions would likely be found to address them. Another meeting was held on December 15 with 28th Avenue residents to review an updated concept map and answer further questions. Further meetings will be arranged as the project progresses.

A project update was emailed to local residents in mid-February advising them of the archaeological investigations in the area and provided a project status the project.

The Manager of Aboriginal Affairs has consulted with the Tsawwassen First Nation.

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS/SUMMARY:

- The 28th Avenue Overpass project is part of the Roberts Bank Rail Corridor upgrade initiative to improve safety by closing level rail crossings. Analysis indicates that the project will improve safety, have few traffic impacts, and improve connectivity for local users.
- The Ministry's SFPR project team has agreed to implement and deliver the 28th Avenue Overpass project in conjunction with SFPR improvements.
- The project team is consulting with local residents/landowners with respect to the project scope and schedule and to address concerns.
- The project has the support of the Corporation of Delta, Delta Farmers' Institute, Agricultural Land Commission, Port Metro Vancouver, BC Rail, MoT and Tsawwassen First Nation.

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