

Press Release

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Residents Asked to Comment on Traffic Improvements

Residents of the Springfield metropolitan area will have an opportunity to review recommendations and provide input regarding future north/south corridors in the region at four open houses scheduled for January 8th and 9th.

The open houses are part of a study sponsored by the Ozarks Transportation Organization (www.ozarkstransportation.org) Olsson Associates and CJW Transportation Consultants, which are conducting the study, have been charged with identifying the most effective means to improve the flow of north/south traffic. The corridors that were considered are: State Highway 160/Campbell Avenue; State Highway 13, north of Interstate 44; Kansas Expressway; West Bypass/State Highway 160; and National, south of Highway 60.

“The tremendous growth of our region has resulted in traffic congestion along all of our major north/south corridors,” said Daniel Rudge, Executive Director of the Ozarks Transportation Organization. “This study is important to anyone who lives, works or plays in our area and has to use the roadway system to do so. It will provide the foundation for our region to identify a solution together, pursue funding for its implementation and support for our continued economic vitality.”

Residents are encouraged to attend one of the following four open houses.

- 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. January 8th at Battlefield Community Room, 5434 S. Tower Drive.
- 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. January 8th at the Nixa Community Center, 701 N. Taylor Way.
- 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. January 9th at Library Center Concourse, 4653 S. Campbell.
- 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. January 9th at Willard Recreation Center, 133 N. State Highway Z

At each session, residents will have the opportunity to review the recommendations resulting from the study. The open house will include a prioritized order of improvements as well as the criteria that was used to determine the priorities.

If you have questions or need additional information regarding the project or the open houses, please call Dan Rudge at 417.864.1093 or Sara Edwards at 417.864.1453.

