



El Dorado County/City of Folsom  
Joint Powers Authority Meeting Minutes



**Wednesday, May 26, 2010  
9:00 a.m.**

**Folsom City Council Chambers  
50 Natoma Street  
Folsom, CA 95630**

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- I. Call to Order: Director Morin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
  - II. Pledge of Allegiance.
  - III. Roll Call  
Present: Director Nutting, Director Knight, Director Sheldon and Director Morin
  - IV. Approval of Minutes: August 26, 2009.  
It was moved by Director Knight, seconded by Director Nutting, to approve minutes of August 26, 2009. It was unanimously approved.
  - V. Status of Active Development Projects and Long-Range Projects in Each Jurisdiction  
Folsom Sphere of Influence: City of Folsom Planning Manager, Gail Furness de Pardo, stated that the the Joint EIS/EIR for the Sphere of Influence will be released at the end of June and that there would be a public review period of 45 days. During that period of time there will be an open house/public meeting similar to what was done with the Notice of Preparation. The meeting will be held in July or August. It is expected that the EIR will be certified at the end of 2010 and the EIS, which is under the control of the Army Corps of Engineers, will have a Record of Decision by the end of 2010 or January 2011.
  - VI. Regional Projects
    - A. Joint Federal Project – Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam  
Mark Rackovan, City of Folsom, stated that the blasting for the spillway is not yet finished and will continue through June 2010 and Folsom Lake Crossing Bridge will continue to have weekday closures. The next phase is the construction of the main control structure at the top of the spillway which will begin in early 2011. There will be continued blasting and closures. The one hour closures may move to late morning to accommodate shift change at Folsom Prison. Director Knight asked for clarification about the Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam status. Mr. Rackovan stated that the Corps was exploring several alternatives for construction of the modifications to the auxiliary dam. Most alternatives would preserve Green Valley Rd. current alignment. Director Knight asked that more information be provided at the next meeting.
    - B. Status of 50 Mobility Partnership  
Rich Lorenz, City of Folsom Public Works, stated that the group is in the stages of putting together a fee program for four projects identified as important to improving transportation along the Hwy. 50 corridor in the southeast portion of the County. The four projects include auxiliary lanes on Hwy. 50, improvements to White Rock Rd., extension of Hazel Ave. to connect with White Rock Rd., and contribution to RT to reduce headways on the Gold Line to Folsom. The fee program will help compete for regional and state funding for those

projects. This has been successful in the past. The City of Rancho Cordova is not participating in this funding at this time.

C. Rock Quarries South of White Rock Road

Mark Rackovan stated that the draft EIR that was part of the Teichert application has already been circulated and will be reviewed by the Sacramento County Planning Commission at their meeting next month. The Granite application has a draft still being prepared and should be out the end of this year. The third application is now the Barton Ranch property owners who plan to move forward with a quarry mining application. The City of Folsom, Rancho Cordova, and El Dorado and Sacramento Counties along with the quarry applicants and Caltrans continue to meet regularly. At the last meeting the group focused on a proposal where the north bound quarry trucks head toward Hwy. 50. All participants have been contributing constructively to the process. Director Knight asked if the South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan fits in with the quarry applications. David Miller, City of Folsom Community Development Director, stated that the City of Folsom was negotiating directly with the County. The Habitat Plan now comes all the way to White Rock Rd. and that the City wants to follow the blueprint and wants everyone else to as well, whatever the use ends up being. The City would like a side agreement that states that it is recognized the area will be urbanized. Director Sheldon asked what the impact would be for Hwy. 50 with thousands of trucks traveling that route. Mr. Rackovan stated that Caltrans was part of the discussions and they are currently considering this and currently evaluating the Prairie City Rd. option and what improvements would be necessary to accommodate all the trucks.

D. Mather Airport

Gail Furness dePardo, City of Folsom Planning Manager, stated that the City of Folsom, along with Sacramento County, was part of a settlement agreement in relation to the expansion of DHL at Mather. Development of short term and long term solutions for night time noise abatement was part of the agreement. The discussion was to find another safe route for arrivals at night that decrease nighttime noise. FAA and UPS were involved in the discussion. Alternative flight paths were shown to be safe approaches. After two years of discussion, public outreach needs to begin. There is an 18-step FAA process for STAR (Standard Terminal Arrival Route). The process will take 12 – 18 months and will begin in the next 6 – 8 weeks. Jurisdictions involved will be contacted by the FAA who will take the lead on these meetings. Chuck Colson, Folsom resident, stated flights out of Sacramento International have increased since the settlement. Bill Bryant, Landrum Cir. resident, stated that the EIR was very important to the quality of life of the residents. He also stated that flights from Sacramento International are not following their directed flight departure procedures and that is why noise has increased. Mike Coffman stated that the landing gear is being lowered much too far out. He has spoken to UPS about this and they are not recognizing his complaints.

VII. Transportation Projects

A. Update on U.S. 50 HOV Lanes

Jim Ware, Dept. of Transportation El Dorado County, stated the HOV Lane Project has received a 20 million dollar grant for the project. They will be pursuing the HOV lanes further up the road. The lane has not yet been striped because Caltrans did not want HOV lane ending as you drive up the hill with an off ramp there as well. It should be finished in the fall.

B. Silva Valley Parkway Interchange

Jim Ware, Dept. of Transportation El Dorado County, stated a notice of preparation for a supplement to the environmental document has been issued. They are trying to move forward as quickly as possible with a design build process. They are hoping to award the project at this time next year or earlier.

C. Saratoga Way

Jim Ware, Dept. of Transportation El Dorado County, stated the draft EIR document has been completed. They will try to keep it moving forward even though money is tight.

VIII. Public Comment

Bill Bryant asked if the item in the minutes (Section X) that stated public comments would be limited to "one per person" was accurate. It was stated that the intent of the statement was to limit individuals to one comment and not a continued debate back and forth. Chair Morin stated that as Chair he would help manage the time limits efficiently so that the meeting would not exceed 1 hr.

IX. Next Meeting

- A. The next meeting will be September 15, 2010, 9:00 a.m., El Dorado County Planning Commission Chambers, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA 95667.
- B. Items for Next Agenda
  - 1. Quarry Project - visual of locations

X. Miscellaneous

Director Nutting stated that he was looking into an issue involving SACOG and that the Pony Express was coming back.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.