


Southwest Region Planning Commission

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MEMORANDUM

Date: July 26, 1991
From: Robert G. Nichols, Executive Director 
To: Hillsborough Bypass File
Subject: Meeting with Planning Board and Conservation Commission, Antrim, July 16, 1991

A meeting was held with the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission at the Antrim Town Hall at 7:30 PM on July 16th to discuss and review the resource maps of the Hillsborough Bypass study area.

Miss Judith Pratt opened the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Present for the Town were:

Judith Pratt, Chairman, Planning Board
Ed Rowehl, Selectmen's Representative, Planning Board
Hugh Giffin, Planning Board, Citizens Advisory Task Force
Peter Beblowski, Conservation Commission
Thelma Nichols, Planning Board
Virginia Rowehl, resident

Also present:

Jeff Brillhart, project manager, NH Department of Transportation
Douglas Woodward, The Smart Associates (environmental consultants)
Robert Nichols, Southwest Regional Planning Commission

R. Nichols gave a brief general overview of the project and introduced J. Brillhart and D. Woodward.

J. Brillhart explained that the project, excluding construction, will take 32 months (February 1991 - September 1993) and has five phases:

1. Data collection, mapping of resources --- Scoping Report

2. Corridor(s) location(s) and alignments --- preferred alignments
3. Public hearings
4. Environmental Impact Statement
5. Design/construction

The Citizens Advisory Task Force will meet every other month, the next meeting is scheduled for August 13th in Hillsborough. Informational meetings will be held during the winter of 91/92. The public hearing(s) will be held in the spring of 1993.

D. Woodward presented the 12 resource maps. The 12 maps (color, acrylic overlays) were presented one at a time, superimposed on the base map of the study area. The resource maps included

- Water resources
- Floodplains
- Wetlands
- Soils, important farm lands
- Vegetative Cover
- Wildlife Habitat
- Land Use
- Socio-Economic
- Recreational/Public Lands
- Archaeological
- Historic Resources
- Visual/Aesthetic

Antrim board members stated that a mobile home park in the southern corner of the Antrim study area should be added to the Socio-Economic Map. Also, Charlie's Antique was not shown and should be added.

Antrim board members stated that there severe problems with the intersection by the Pierce Homestead. Depending on the corridor alignment, this could get worse and should be studied.

P. Beblowski stated that the solution to corridor was obvious: it should follow the existing corridor for the electrical transmission lines. Power lines should be buried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

cc: Antrim Planning Board
Antrim Conservation Commission
Jeff Brillhart, NHDOT
Douglas Woodward, TSA