



## COMMUNITY LEADERS COORDINATION MEETING SUMMARY

**Date/Time:** November 19, 2014/4:30-6:30 P.M.

**Location:** Swansea Elementary School

**Attendees\*:**

Jeanne Robertson	Larry Kowalis	Larry Lovato	Miller Hudson
Justin Dumond	Ray Ruppert	AE	Teresa Favela
Robin Reichhardt	Maria Luerano	Zenaida Ibarra	Brandon Varner
Wes Adkins	Sal Arrieta	Rumualdo Chavez	Bettie Cram
Norberta Dominguez	LaVonne Griffie	Armando Perez	Juan E. Veloz

*Due to the informal nature of the meeting, attendees may have participated in the meeting without signing in.*

### I. INTRODUCTION

The I-70 East environmental impact statement (EIS) project team conducted a community leaders coordination meeting on November 19, 2014 as part of the on-going community outreach process. The primary purpose of the meeting was to allow members of the public to speak with project team members, ask questions, express their concerns, and provide comments.

The meeting started at 4:30 p.m. as an informal meeting with no presentation. The informal style let people arrive at their convenience, get information that interests them, and provide feedback at any time during the meeting by completing a comment sheet or discussing their thoughts and concerns with a project team member. Boards and plots were available to let the public view the progress on the project.

The meeting included discussion tables facilitated by project team members. The discussion tables allowed individuals to interact with each other, share their thoughts and opinions, and give them an opportunity to discuss their concerns with a project team member in more detail. Spanish translation and light refreshments were available at this meeting.

### II. SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

The following questions and concerns were discussed:

One person had questions about the reroute, specifically the existing capacity on I-270 and the new capacity that would be needed.

An attendee suggested a compromised alternative that included the No-Action Alternative (but lowered) and increased capacity on I-270 and I-76.

A person asked about putting hard copies of the public comments at the library in Elyria.

Another attendee was in favor of the project and had questions about the improvements necessary for truck traffic.

Three attendees wanted to know when CDOT would decide on the preferred alternative. They are concerned that the Partial Lowered Cover might not be the alternative to chosen due to the negative comments from the supporter of the re-route. They also wanted to find out when the next meeting will be.

One person was anxious to find out if her property will be acquired in the next phase. She wants to be ready before the acquisition process starts. She was provided information about non-profits helping low income residents to fix their properties. She has some roof damage and her home insurance company does not want to cover those damages because it happened before they started the new policy.

### **III. COMMENT FORMS RECEIVED**

No comment forms were received during the meeting.