

**New Braunfels Outer Loop Task Force
Meeting #4 (July 20, 2009): Comment Cards Tally**



A total of 9 Comment Cards were received.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Applicable
1.The objectives of this meeting were clearly articulated.		3		2	
2.The stated objectives for this meeting were met.		3	1		
3.I felt that my time was valued and utilized well.		1	1	3	
4.The speakers/presenters were well prepared and informative.		2	2	1	
5.I believe the topics were covered adequately in the time available.		1	2	1	

Comments:

- There is no demonstrated need for an Outer Loop. You are going at this backwards. Why was 3.2 million dollars spent on one plan instead of looking for the best plan to meet the community needs. The city of New Braunfels did not request this study. This was request by one county official. This was not a mandate by the public. Why is so much money being spent on one ill researched plan – one very old plan – rather than innovating timely and up to date plans?
- Could you have a more detailed map (of the proposal) that would be available to the public?

Acoustics in this building is lacking. It is hard to hear some of the comments.

- 1. This is, to me, is a clearly orchestrated effort, perhaps by the truck lobby and also likely by San Antonio, to drive the I-10 truck traffic from E. I10 thru the hill county to W-10 to relieve the traffic and the air pollution so that San Antonio will not lose federal highway dollars and the trucks will have their highway.
- 2. This is a bold effort by developers to “sell” the hill county for the fastest buck and then demand a road to service the mess they developed. That road will absolutely be a toll road built by a foreign investor who would have no investment in the environmental concerns of the Aquifer and the citizens who live here NOW!
- Isn't it time for the city and county to revisit the purpose and need for the NBOL?

We need to stop the development (or any type of growth) over the aquifer.

Also, some of the areas chosen for the NBOL have been developed years ago and this loop will greatly impact real estate values.

- See question on reverse
- 1. My comments pertain to quality of life and impact of the loop on, consideration should be given to the adverse or potentially adverse impact on the watershed in Guadalupe County, specifically any drainage issues impacting homes downstream from the loop portion between I35 and Marion? This are is already adversely impacted by development along I35 in Comal County/New Braunfels as these homes are downstream and additional faster runoff from these developments create flooding and increased runoff water.

2. What consideration has been given to air quality in areas around the loop particularly areas that are rural now.

Flooding and lower air quality will adversely affect quality of life of citizens in these areas.

- Purpose and need not clear, is too broad even for level of planning

Can not adequately plan without adequate input

This “plan” creates a cloud over property within this plan when do not know outcome

Have not sold community on the loop as the solution

What else considered

Suggest a new finding

Needs have significantly changed without adequate community city and county involvement

- Once again it is obvious at this meeting that the original study has been done outside the context of our communities rather than as a way to deal with local visions and realities. Whose agenda is being worked? This is an outrageously costly performance to justify the agenda of the few.

Why can't we expect a process that reflects our cherished democracy?

- 1. I think Rudy's overview is unnecessary. We have heard it so many times – UNNEEDED. Save time.
 2. Who is paying Task Force Expenses, TxDOT, building use, mediator's expenses?
 3. Good point about “UNDEVELOPED LAND –,” Agriculture land is productive, historical, great value to landowners and neighbors and community.
 4. Need for loop? Data of growth
 5. Article in Herald Newspaper about road repair (front page) 75% of roads in NB need repair. City of NB having a large budget short fall. Public Works Director Steve Ramsey said they were behind and the city will need to make decisions. SO HOW CAN City of NB take on Loop Project since money/funding is so bad?
 6. What is more important road repair 2 New Fire Stations – or – Outer Loop for City of NB?