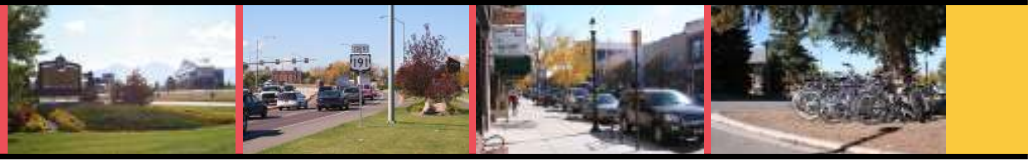
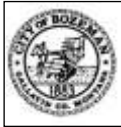


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## GREATER BOZEMAN AREA TRANSPORTATION PLAN (2007 UPDATE)

### PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

The development of this Transportation Plan includes an extensive public involvement process. This process has been designed to encourage public involvement and meaningful participation. Public informational meetings were held on June 27th, 2007 and November 28th, 2007 and were both very well attended. Minutes from each public outreach effort can be found on the project website. Other public involvement opportunities will be scheduled as the planning process proceeds. The next public outreach activity (yet to be scheduled) will focus mainly on the development of recommendations to mitigate identified problem areas on the transportation system.

An additional public meeting will be held after the draft plan has been published to discuss elements contained in the draft, and a public hearing will be held before the Plan is produced in final form and adopted. Check the Bozeman Daily Chronicle and the project website periodically for information relating to the time and location of future public events.

### WORK ACCOMPLISHED TO DATE

The following data and work efforts have been completed since the release of the previous newsletter:

- Data collection activities are 100% completed
- Land use projections have been completed and analyzed
- A “working draft” of the existing conditions memo has been developed and added to the project website
- The second “formal” public informational meeting was held on November 28th, 2007
- The future “E+C” transportation model has been developed and is currently being analyzed
- An existing Level of Service analysis has been completed for the study area
- Miscellaneous analysis work and focused outreach has continued
- Miscellaneous technical memorandums have been produced and are available on the project website

### UPCOMING WORK TO BE PERFORMED

A variety of work is ongoing and some items have yet to be started. It is important to realize that the ultimate product to be generated for this project will be a Transportation Plan Update that will guide future transportation system needs and improvements in the Greater Bozeman area through the year 2030. The following items will be addressed over the coming months.

- Preliminary recommendations to the overall transportation system will be developed
- Funding mechanisms for recommended improvements will be developed
- Recommended improvements will be prioritized
- Public participation activities will continue to be offered
- Draft and Final Transportation Plan documents will be developed

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### PROJECT SCHEDULE

The project schedule is an eighteen-month time frame. The project schedule began on April 1st, 2007 and strives for a final document and project completion near August, 2008. The majority of the work completed to date has revolved around the establishment of project goals, completion of data collection efforts, analysis of the existing transportation system, assignment of future land use to areas within the study boundary, and analysis of the future conditions of the transportation system.

The consultant is currently in the process of identifying problems in the transportation system and developing preliminary recommended alternatives. The project schedule is located on the project website.

### WE WANT YOUR INPUT

Public participation and input is a vital component to any planning project. It is necessary to seek out and facilitate this public involvement to ensure meaningful dialogue and the exchange of all ideas. To that end, this *Transportation Plan Update* has been designed to provide public participation at appropriate points during the course of the project. It is important at this time that we get your input on several important issues related to transportation in the Bozeman area. Concepts and ideas that we'd like to hear from you about include the following areas:

- Areas of concern related to transportation
- Transportation improvements you'd like to see
- Traffic conditions in the area
- New roads, corridors or connections
- Safety concerns related to transportation

All interested citizens and groups are encouraged to contact the Consultant working on this Plan, or the City of Bozeman Public Works Department, with any questions, concerns, ideas, or presentation requests. Contact information for the appropriate parties is contained later in this newsletter.

### WEBSITE INFORMATION

To learn more about the project, please visit the project website at:  
<http://www.rpa-hln.com/bozeman/bozemantransplan.htm>

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