Hess, Raymond

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Transportation Commissioners,

There will be a public information session for MDOT's M-14/Barton Drive interchange project at the Ann Arbor Farmer's Market on June 8th (11am-2pm). More details about the project are included in the email below.

Regards, Raymond

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Hi Raymond and Josh. Per your request:

MDOT has hired a consultant to conduct a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study for future improvements along the eastbound section of the M-14/Barton Drive interchange. A PEL study is a formal process to obtain federal transportation funding and is a first step in the environmental clearance process as required under the federal National Environmental Policy Act rules. The intent of the study is to analyze the environmental and social impacts of a proposed FY 2025 operational improvement alternative to improve the geometry of the EB M-14/Barton Drive on and off ramps. This area of Ann Arbor has extensive park property along with other potential environmental and public involvement concerns.

The study will: 1) consider environmental, community, and economic goals; 2) use the information analysis, and services or recommendations developed during planning to inform the environmental review process; and 3) evaluate the condition, geometric/safety, and operational needs of the Barton Drive ramps.

As a part of the process, representatives from the city and other local representatives will participate on a Local Advisory Committee (LAC). MDOT will use the LAC to gather input regarding the issues and the proposed improvements along the eastbound side of the interchange. The LAC will assist MDOT in developing the project's Purpose and Need statement, identifying issues, and discussing possible alternatives.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

Kari