

Appendix H

Public Scoping Comments

Note: Due to privacy concerns, the actual letters and e-mail received are not posted on the Internet. A list of persons commenting and a summary of comments received by topic are included here for review. Actual comments received are part of the public record and can be requested in the Freedom of Information Act.

Comments Received

Kevin Keeler, March 29, 2006

Tom McGrath, April 22, 2006

Stacy Dean, April 26, 2006

Brian Dean, April 26, 2006

Thomas Howard, April 26, 2006

Janus Reyes, May 4, 2006

Miriam Marsh, May 4, 2006

Steven William, May 5, 2006

Mari Reeves, May 6, 2006

Pat Redmond, May 22, 2006

48th AVENUE EXTENSION COMMENTS			
Comment Number	Date Received	Mode	Comment
1.	3-29-2006	E-mail	<p>I've heard that one of the purposes of the recently announced geotechnical drilling for a 48th Street extension next month on Muni lands adjacent to Far North Bicentennial Park is for the development of the AWWU Anchorage Water Loop Phase IV on this alignment by 2008. I'm wondering if you can confirm that the newly selected alignment is indeed this route rather than the previously planned Tudor alignment.</p> <p>Could you also tell me when the decision was made to change the location of the AWWU alignment, who made the decision, when this change in routing will be made public, whether there will be any public review/input, and when NEPA and other related analyses will be undertaken.</p> <p>Also could you tell me if the conceptual plan is for the water line to be located beneath the planned road, or adjacent to it? Finally, could you tell me the approximate clearing width of the road/water pipeline, etc.</p>
2.	4-22-2006	E-mail	<p>We need a Boniface extension but the alignment is wrong. The extension should be from Tudor and Boniface to intersect with Dowling Road. This would give a straight shot east west to the south side of the airport if Dowling is ever extended through to Raspberry.</p>
3.	4-26-2006	E-mail	<p>I think this project is important just for the simple fact of connecting the water main that supplies water to the water tanks behind Service High School.</p> <p>This connection would be so important for progress on connecting the Hillside to MOA water supplies. This also would help so much if we had access to water for potential forest fires on the Hillside and Bicentennial Park areas. To me the road is secondary, the water connection is far more important.</p>
4.	4-26-2006	E-mail	<p>Please take into consideration and make accommodations for the existing ski trails (Tour of Anchorage trail). It is important to maintain the trail system with as few road crossings as possible. If 48th Avenue were to interrupt the trail a vital and growing trail connection would be lost or seriously curtailed.</p>
5.	4-26-2006	E-mail	<p>After viewing the proposed 48th Street route, it appears this new road will conflict with the existing Tour of Anchorage trail and also the dog mushing trail system. The road plan description does not include this consideration. What is in store for the important trails?</p>

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6.	5-4-2006	E-mail	What is being done to mitigate the impact on these wetlands? So we bypass Tudor, what happens after we get to Bragaw? The last obstacle is University Lake on the APU/UAA campus. This route appears to make it easier to eliminate that area in the future. I can see the benefit of circumventing Tudor traffic, but the end result (Bragaw) does not make sense.
7.	5-4-2006	E-mail	I have always thought it was crazy that "essential services" could be completely cut off if there was a dead moose in the middle of Tudor. Or an earthquake or even a split water main. I think it is essential to have another way to get into all these buildings and for the workers to get out if Tudor is out of commission. My only suggestion: run it all the way through to Lake Otis. I fail to see anything that would be a real loss if 48th was to be made continuous even as a two-lane road.
8.	5-5-2006	E-mail	Per DOWL's ad in the April 20th Anchorage Daily News concerning the 48th Avenue/Boniface project, I tried going to the listed website to view the details. "Unknown" was the reply. Even DOWL's homepage doesn't show a link to or any other information about this project. When do you plan to add it?
9.	5-6-2006	E-mail	I do not support the 48th Avenue extension through undeveloped parkland in the Campbell Tract. What is the proposed cost of this road? The 48th Ave. extension is unneeded and will destroy valuable public open space.
10.	5-22-2006	E-mail	My first comments on this proposed extensions are: How will this affect the wonderful non-motorized trail (bike trail) that is in part of the area? What will be the effect on wetlands? What about the ballparks and any dog sled trails that might be in the area? The design and alignment of any roadway or additional trails in this area need to take these things into consideration. And you know, Cathy Gleason will not want any trees damaged, even if they aren't on the west side of town.