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Public Works News Release

Bishop Leaders Talk Transportation

The Bishop City Council and the Bishop Planning Commission met Tuesday evening to talk about the future of transportation in and around Bishop. The boards jointly reviewed a draft of a new transportation chapter of the Bishop General Plan. This new chapter is called the "Mobility Element" of the General Plan.

The purpose of the Mobility Element is to define how the City will serve the transportation needs of its residents, businesses and visitors while enhancing its environmental, economic and natural resources. The draft Mobility Element includes many interesting facts and ideas such as:

- Two thirds of the traffic on Main Street is local traffic, one third is through traffic
- New streets east and west of the city should be constructed to reduce traffic on Main Street
- The Wye Road, Park Street, and Grove / East Pine areas each may present opportunities to improve transportation while enhancing the surrounding areas
- A trucks-only route constructed between Bishop and the airport would reduce truck traffic on Main Street
- All streets in Bishop should include sidewalks, with certain exceptions
- Pedestrian, bike, and transit facilities should be expanded

The new Mobility Element and a supporting Transportation Report document incorporate significant public input that was gathered at a workshop held during May 2011. Both documents are now available on the city website, www.ca-bishop.us. Visit the site and look at these documents to learn more about the future of transportation in Bishop.

In addition to incorporating Council and Planning Commission input, additional public comment and questions are invited on the Mobility Element, the supporting Transportation Report, and anything involving Bishop transportation. Questions and comments can be left on the city website or in person, writing, phone, or email to City Hall, 377 West Line Street in Bishop. In addition, a public meeting is anticipated in the next few months.