

<b>Vernon / Patoka CAG # 2 May 27, 2008</b>			
<b>Community Characteristics and Land Use</b>			<b>Present ?</b>
<b>In your community, are there any...</b>			<b>Replied</b>
			<b>Yes</b>
			<b>No</b>
...	manmade features (railroads, pipelines, lakes, prisons, quarries, mines, etc.)		16
...	agricultural lands of local/regional importance?		15
...	public use facilities (schools, fairgrounds, parks, gathering spots)?		14
...	social or community features (churches, monuments, cemeteries, etc.)?		12
...	commercial centers of local/regional significance?		5
...	major industrial districts?		5
...	historically significant features (landmarks, monuments, etc.)?		5
...	densely populated urban areas?		0
...	major populated urban areas?		0
...	transportation centers that serve cars, trains, buses and pedestrians?		0
...	mixed residential/commercial city centers?		0
...	archaeological features (area where artifacts have been found)?		0
...	architectural features (structures that convey information about community)?		0
...	natural features (rural areas, stream, hills, valleys, etc.)?		0
...	entertainment centers or key attractions?		0
...			

<b>Transportation System</b>		Present ?		
Are the following present in your community <u>along</u> US 51:		Yes	No	Replied
	...access to farming operations?			26
	...access to commercial/retail areas?			19
	Is the roadway network compatible with existing business?			14
	Does traffic travel in a safe manner?			5
	...access to east/west or north/south State routes?			4
	...convenient access to the interstate?			3
	...street and pedestrian lighting?			1
	...sidewalks?			0
	...bicycle lanes/paths/facilities?			0
	...connections to public transportation?			0
	...pedestrian crossings and crosswalks?			0
	...signals (traffic & pedestrian)?			0
	...access to residential areas?			0
	...access to airports and regional air travel?			0

	<b>Economic Resource</b>		Present ?
	Yes	No	
In your community....			Replied
...does US 51 serve as a commuter route (primary route for going back/forth to work)?			26
...is US 51 important to businesses?			25
...is the local economy supported by historical, natural, cultural or entertainment spots?			9
...is improving movement along US 51 a local/regional concern?			9
...have areas been identified for new development or redevelopment?			3
...are visitor regularly attracted to the area?			0
...is sprawl a concern?			0

<b>Community Planning</b>		<b>Present ?</b>	
		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
1	Does your community have a plan for growth and development? If yes, describe the proposed plan:		
2	Are you aware of any growth management plan adopted by local governments? If yes, describe the plan and its location.		
3	Do you think an expansion of US 51 will serve local transportation needs in addition to regional travel? If yes, explain why:		
4	Are there any other scheduled or planned projects that may tie into this project or impact this project? If yes, list project names and describe project.		
5	Are there any community / traffic safety issues within your community? If yes, please list:		
6	Are aesthetics important within your community? Comments:		
7	Are community parks and open areas important within your community? Comments:		
8	Are there any location where access to a recreational area is important within your community? If yes, please list:		
9	Area there any seasonal events that may be affected by the proposed US 51 expansion in your community? If yes, please list:		

**Vernon & Patoka Context Audit**  
**Citizens Advisory Group Meeting May 27, 2008**

Community Characteristics

- Pipeline
  - Generates Jobs
  - Important to Regional and National Economy
  
- AG Land
  - Family Incomes
  - Regional and Local
  
- Elevator Access
  - South Edge of Patoka
  - Next closest is Sandoval
  
- Agricultural Businesses
  
- Public Use
  - Carlyle Lake
  - Fishing & Camping
  
- School
  - On Route 51
  - Sports
  - Basketball
  
- Patoka City Park
  - Patoka Fall Festival
  
- Social Community Features
  - Vernon – Civil War Monument
  - Vernon City Park
  
- Commercial Centers
  - Fast Stop – Closest Convenience Store
  
- Major Industrial
  - Tank Farms
  
- Historically Significant Features
  - Civil War Monument

## TRANSPORTATION

- Farming Operations
  - Farming on both sides of U.S. 51
  - Access to 51 – Currently adequate
  - Safety Issues ( Speed / Slow Moving)
  - Travel Distance W/Modified Access
- Access to Commercial / Retail
  - Need to be able to get on & off
  - Current access is adequate
- Compatible
  - Currently Compatible
- Safety
  - Speed thru Vernon
  - ½ mile North and South of Fast Stop – Accidents
  - Crossing as School
  - Accidents in Vernon (Lair & 51)
- Access
  - Existing is Adequate
  - East / West Convenient access to I-57 for car.
- Lighting
  - Vernon – Lighting at Intersections
    - City Owned
  - Patoka – City Owned
- Students not allowed to walk to School.
- Commuter Route
  - Drive to work – Away
  - Salem, Decatur, Vandalia, Centralia, Sandoval, St. Louis, Carlyle.
- Business
  - Maintain Economic Base
  - Could be more attractive to Business
- Historic / Entertainment
  - Carlyle Lake, Tourist Stop for Gas

- Improving Movement
  - More Attractive to Commuters
  - Better for Trucks
  
- New Development / Re-Development
  - New Tank Farms
  
- Other Issues
  - Improve Access to I-57 - Important