

**Highway 34 Development  
Community Work Group  
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Note: Statements made by Martin Marietta (MM) or their representatives are in plain text and statements made by other members of the Community Work Group (CWG) are *italicized*.

**CWG Attendees:**

David Hagerman  
James Sharn  
Tom Donkle  
Larry Sipes  
David Kisker  
Randy Worthley  
John Cummings  
Jaquelyn Ross  
Chris Friede  
Bob Meusch

**Other Martin Marietta Staff present to help answer questions:**

Britney Guggisberg  
Julie Mikulas

**Updates from Last Meeting**

Sinclair pipelines carry gasoline. Both have been replaced. It has been too wet to regrade.

Trying to get bobcat next to Meusch's to regrade when potholing was done. We were going to seed, but realized the access is road base so plan to just back drag once things dry out.

Dirt that came in was 22,000 yards. No water truck at that time. Did blade the dirt to keep down dust. Understand about keeping control of dust.

*When will you have more dirt?* Middle part of June

Where Martin Marietta brought in dirt near the UP railroad tracks gravel had been put in to limit track out onto WCR13. *Do you have an access permit for that location?* Gerrard has used that access point as long as they have been there. *Don't think it is a legal access.* Access road is in UP ROW.

Regarding the timing of the white house coming down. Some miscommunication happened. Spoke to Lori, everything is good. Timing of relocation of PVREA lines near house will work out. All fine on that. *David Kisker ran into Lori, she is on board and doesn't have any concerns.*

**Updates on progress of project**

Timing on when things are happening

PVREA on east side of WCR13, beginning to move poles to the east from Hwy 34 to a little south of the UP railroad. *PVREA has set a number of the poles already.*

Xcel has lines on west side already – they relocated their line from the site up to Hwy 34, still need to go under Hwy 34 to the north. Have not completed that. *Is that gas or electric?* For a gas line.

Century Link – put a line under Farmers Ditch a month ago, have not moved anything yet. Will start work in about 4-6 weeks. Have talked with them about fiber/internet. Still don't have that resolved with them.

Bringing fiber from the west to the site – coming from a mile away. Will bring it along Hwy 34 and then south. Asked them about the subdivision and they haven't given any answer on that.

Heads up that DCP had a fuel spill at CR13 north of Farmers Ditch. Contamination went to both sides of road. They are looking to come in in early June to complete soil removal and remediation. Work will transpire over about 3 days – they need to rip up the road to remove contamination and the soil, rebuild the road, will put back the pavement. Most likely road will be shut down while it happens. *Do they have contamination at monitoring well?* Assumption is they dug down to edge of road and realized went under of road. Realized on other side so have to dig out entire road. *John Cummings got a briefing from manager. Installed monitoring wells, so maybe found additional contamination. They had to put in new section of pipe where pipe was cracked.* Contamination was floaters so that is why it is easy to find the contamination on top.

Expect dirt to come in mid-June for material for rail and visual berms and cut and fill. Expect to continue for a while. Want a balanced cut and fill ratio, but less cut more fill at this site due to high water table.

July expect to start working on WCR13 and Hwy 34. County has requested full rebuild of WCR13. So paving, base and sub-base will need to be removed from Hwy 34 to a little south of RR tracks. Deceleration lane south of entrance will be a half rebuild. Going north, full rebuild on east side only.

*Why wouldn't you have to do west side as well as east side?* Weld County has been talking to Larimer County. All widening will be from the centerline to the east. Pavement design was done saying west side was ok. On the west side we are adding a 4' shoulder. Not uncommon for County to not require full replacement. Weld and Larimer County have been coordinating. Larimer County has received and commented on all documents. Issue is deceleration lane coming into plant. So road will just shift to east and still be a double lane coming from the north. Centerline will stay the same, will add lanes to the east. Road widening will use east easement and west easement is still there.

*I understood Larimer and Weld traded off maintenance so that doesn't make sense.* Agreement has to do with maintenance, not design. *Well I hope they are making the right decision.*

For safety purposes, County wants WCR13 will be closed during construction. Anyone living in that stretch will always have a way to get out of their property.

Regarding detour route, the County is still reviewing the plans; however, WCR 15 and WCR 56 will not be used. WCR13 from south will be used to the south as there are not a lot of other ways to get there. Traffic plan will be approved by the County – will direct drivers as to detour route. Will use WCR54 to WCR17. There will be signs on WCR15 that it is only for local traffic.

*Chris Friede has an event on June 4 and 5. Closure won't be until July. What about Gerrard, what will you do? Gerrard will go north or south, no big deal.*

*Can we get a timeline copy that shows what you discussed today? Will you send it out to all neighbors along WCR13 so they know what is going on? Will personally sit down and talk to neighbors along WCR13. Will be signs up a couple weeks ahead of time to forewarn people about closure.*

Expect closure to be 2-3 months weather pending.

*Where are the Hwy 34 improvements?* Traffic light to be installed on Hwy 34, Great Western railroad crossing improvements and acceleration and deceleration lanes installed. Traffic on 34 will maintained. There will be speed reductions during improvements. When the rail improvements have to be done, work will be done on weekends for the north and south side. Working with Great Western contractors and CDOT to coordinate schedule. We are working to schedule work as efficiently as possible. Some potholing will happen on Hwy 34 when doing work on WCR 13, then will do the Hwy 34 improvements after the WCR13 improvements are completed. The contractor will help drive timeline. The goal is to have all road work done by end of November.

*How will that impact traffic on 34? Speed reductions. That will create jam ups like crazy. All traffic will divert to 402. But it can't go on WCR 13 so it will be on WCR 15 and WCR 17.*

*Appreciate you going house to house. If you can give us a timeline so people are aware of it and can plan accordingly.*

*Are you going to divert traffic off WCR 15 and make them go to WCR17? Traffic plans not fully approved, but signs will say local traffic only, WCR 15 won't be the detour route.*

*Will you distribute schedule to members of CWG? Yes. If it is in a format that is useable, we'll put it on the website to get it out there.*

East/west waterline coming across property. From WCR 13 the water connection will happen in July timeframe. Connecting to Indianhead Estates won't happen until November until after the ditch shuts down.

*Why do you need to connect into Indianhead? To create a full loop. The subdivision doesn't add demand. Yes, but water companies want to have loops. They do that for water quality purposes. You guys are on a dead-end. People in our neighborhood have done water quality testing, and it is not a problem. Who will fix the problem when water pressure stops? Actually, it will help water pressure. It is the reason they want to do loops. Not a person in Indianhead believes you will make it better. Logic doesn't flow here. There is concern by the neighborhood. You will suck water out of neighborhood and that is why you are tapping in. The water district isn't worried about us. You guys are the big users. Originally we weren't going to connect to you, water district wants the connection. We will have 12" line coming across. Martin Marietta has to supply our own water. We have to buy and supply Little Thompson with the water. So what, that is your problem. The point is that Martin Marietta is not stealing water from the subdivision. Pressure issue also came from the fact that they have an 8" line. Going from 8" to 12" – wouldn't that drop their pressure once go into 12" line? Olson did a model. Model shows that the restriction is the existing line. We aren't affecting pressures. Existing line causes long term pressure issues for the district. Mike said may need to have a plan to upgrade line size in the future. The simple situation is that the size of the line affects pressure. If net flow toward MM, the pressure will go to MM. Flow is going both ways. Basic physics shows that our pressure will drop. Water district is requiring the connection, MM would rather not connect. We didn't ask to connect. At one point there was talk about bringing in a line from 402. Now you don't have to do. So you plan to suck our water for emergency purposes. Engineering study showed connection to south not needed. We tested fire hydrants on WCR13 and that is why they decided nothing more is needed. Initially wanted to connect to WCR 56 line and they said no. There is a ton of skepticism about this issue. If people's water pressure drops and we can't water our lawns, it will be MM's fault. You have to realize that no matter what the use on this property, a looped water line would go in. That is conjecture, you don't know that. We understand your concern. This is being done based on what the water district directed us to do. Perhaps a rep from Little Thompson could meet with the neighbors. We will have to take that up off-line. We will meet with Mike Cook and Olson.*

*How many taps will you have?*

4 taps off our 12" line – a 2", a 1 1/2", and two 3/4" lines

Ready Mix Plant is going to begin construction in late July/August. *Do you have all of your permits? No*

*What about your APEN? Not submitted yet. When is it going in? Soon*

During that timeframe, powerlines from east will come in from Boomerang Substation. They will be coming into the site along the south end of Indianhead. Overhead line will go over Greeley Ditch along north edge of property and head east to our substation.

*Will we (Meusch's) be looking at powerpoles? We were told that would be underground lines along northern property boundary. Don't remember saying that personally, but we will check into that. We were told that through the County process.*

Construction will begin near Boomerang station.

*Have you secured any easements with Mr. Hankins? Working on various routes.*

*Powerpoles come to ditch and then need to get across that. At corner it should go underground along the property line. Across Farmer's ditch some reason it had to go over – angle or something like that. Even if was short extension to get across Farmer's ditch and then went underground, that would be better. Would be better to just go under both ditches.*

To recap the follow-up items:

- Martin Marietta to get timeline of improvements to CWG Members.
- Martin Marietta to look into statements neighbors say were made about power being underground.
- Chris Friede has an event June 4-5; Martin Marietta will make sure nothing is going on.
- The neighbors will contact Mike Cook.

*Tom, what kind of tap will Gerrard have? 1" tap and 2 hydrants. Do you have all your permits? USR should be recorded this week.*

*What is going on at Bill's old house? PVREA staging their trucks while poles are going in.*

*Property used to be well maintained. We saw that and followed up. Martin Marietta was out there to mow and pull weeds. Bill used to maintain so well, poor maintenance now, not impressed. If we need to we will get a lawn service out there. Trees are dying. Sprinkler system is ready to go now. When Bill lived there it was beautiful. Water probably not the problem for dying trees. When we see how things are now being maintained at this little spot it is a reflection of how you will take care of your bigger spot. Trees are dying and grass is weedy. We live by it and drive by it every day.*

### **Schedule next meeting**

Wednesdays will no longer work for Janet Ross. Will meet Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

### **Additional Questions**

*During road improvements, what will happen with culvert? Will sawcut until the ditch shuts down. Weld County will provide concrete culvert to install. Will be putting in new headwalls.*

*We need to wait on landscaping until site is built to decide where to place new landscaping.*

*When are you trying to get APEN in? Yes, we need to get it in pretty soon. We don't need the APEN to construct plant, just to operate it.*

*Are you guys paying for all of this or are you going to reimburse Weld County? Martin Marietta is paying for all road improvements. If something happened and you had to move, then there at-risk money. Yes.*

*How much fill are you going to need? Around 300,000 yards. Where will it come from? Will come from a couple different sources. What you need for visual berm is different than what you need for RR tracks. Curious because Oakwood had a tough time getting dirt to build. Have enough sources for dirt, just haven't decided what dirt will be brought in. All dirt will be trucked in? Yes. That's a lot of trucks.*

Thank you for your time.

*Appreciate you trying to be responsive. The fact that you are making some efforts are recognized. We are on guard and watch everything, but we recognize when do right thing and appreciate it.*