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September 2017 Meeting Summary

Meeting Name: Sheltowee Trace Impact Meeting	Subject: County: Rowan Item No.: 09-231.00 Description:	Attendees: Steve Barbour, Director, Sheltowee Trace Association Scott Templeton, Board Chairman, Sheltowee Trace Assoc. Joe Callahan, KYTC District 9, Project Manager
	Perform a Design	, , ,
	Study for Logical	
	Sequence of Practical	
	Improvements to	
	Upgrade the KY 59,	
	KY 344 and KY 377	
	Connection between	
	Vanceburg and Moreh	ead
Meeting Date:	Time:	
9/20/2017	11:00 am	
Location:	Prepared By:	
Sheltowee Trace	Joe Callahan	

Dear Mr. Barbour and Mr. Templeton:

Northern Terminus

I am pleased to submit this meeting summary from the Sheltowee Trace Impact Meeting held for the above-referenced project. The following are summaries of items discussed:

1. Jon Kazmierski, U. S. Forest Service District Ranger for the Cumberland District of the Daniel Boone National Forest, requested that KYTC contact Sheltowee Trace Association (STA) leadership to provide an update on the project and discuss any impacts the project could potentially have on the Sheltowee Trace.



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- 2. There are currently three proposed alignments to be considered when moving the project forward to the next design phase. One alternate (ALT 3A-1) closely follows the existing alignment of KY 377 but is currently proposed to stay several hundred feet west of the existing Sheltowee Trace Northern Terminus Trailhead at this location. If this alternate is chosen for the project, either a section of the existing KY 377 would need to remain in place to provide access to the existing trailhead or some other form of mitigation would need to be implemented. The second alternate (ALT 3B-1b) is an off-existing-route alignment but lies along the eastern edge of the existing alignment and is right on the trailhead parking lot. If this alternate is chosen for the project, impacts to the trailhead would be appropriately mitigated. The third alternate (ALT 3D-1), another off-existing-route alignment, misses the trailhead just to the west. Any impacts to the trailhead with respect to this alignment would also be appropriately mitigated.
- 3. Drawings of each proposed alignment was provided to Mr. Barbour and Mr. Templeton for their review.
- 4. The current proposed alignments are very preliminary and are subject to change when the project enters into the next phases of design.
- 5. An estimated time for any construction to begin on this section would be 5-10 years at the earliest, with funding currently being the controlling factor in the timing.
- 6. Mr. Barbour and Mr. Templeton agreed that the third alternate (ALT 3D-1) would be most favorable as it is the alternate most compatible with the STA's long-term plans to extend the trail toward the Jenny Wiley Trail in South Portsmouth, KY.
- 7. Mr. Barbour and Mr. Templeton agreed that either one of the other alternates would be acceptable as long as any impacts to the trail would be properly mitigated to allow the trailhead to function as it currently does.
- 8. This summary will be made part of the Planning Study document as a record of the meeting.
- 9. KYTC will keep STA leadership informed of any changes in project status that would have an effect on the trail.

If you have any additional comments or questions, please email me at <u>joe.callahan@ky.gov</u> or call me at 606-845-2551.

Sincerely,

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Joe Callahan, P.E. Project Manager

From:	Scott Templeton	
To:	director@sheltoweetrace.org	
Cc:	Callahan, Joe J (KYTC-D09)	
Subject:	RE: [FWD: RE: FW: 9-231 Planning Study]	
Date:	Friday, September 29, 2017 1:41:12 PM	
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Hey Steve and Joe,

This looks fine to me. Thanks Joe for seeking our input.

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Scott,

Joe needs you to review this.

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Thanks again and please let me know if you have any questions.

Joe Callahan, P.E. Planning Section Supervisor Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, District 9 P. O. Box 347 Flemingsburg, KY 41041 Office: 606-845-22551 Fax: 606-849-2286 Cell: 606-776-5020 From: director@sheltoweetrace.org [mailto:director@sheltoweetrace.org] Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 2:27 PM To: Callahan, Joe J (KYTC-D09) Subject: RE: FW: 9-231 Planning Study

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I'm free this Wednesday-the other days I'm not. Just let me know where and when and I'll be there. Thank you, Steve.

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To: 'director@sheltoweetrace.org'
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All three alternatives in the report are considered viable for a future design phase. Currently, only planning work has been completed on this section of the corridor. The time frame for actual work is greater than two years—we currently have no funds for this section and there are no plans to request funds for the upcoming 2yr biennium. However, I need to finalize the Planning study that shows the alternates as being possible and I want to make sure you're okay with what we've proposed.

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