

Meeting Summary

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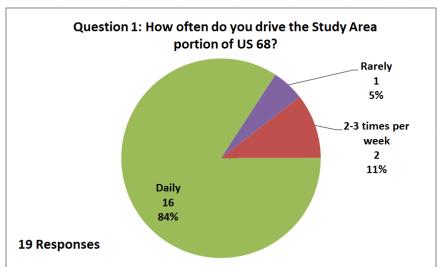
Online Survey Results from Public Meeting #1

Two Public Information Meetings for the US 68 Scoping Study were held on February 10 (Sulphur Well in Metcalfe County) and February 11, 2014 (Greensburg in Green County). The purpose of these meetings was to provide information about the study and the projects under consideration, discuss conceptual alternatives, and solicit input from the public.

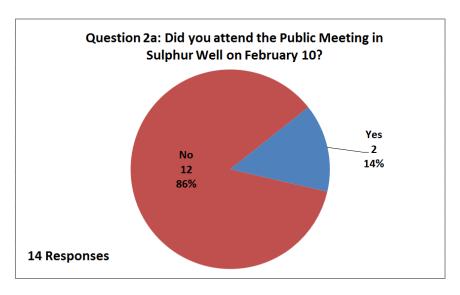
All information presented at the meetings was made available on the project website at http://transportation.ky.gov/YourTurn/Pages/US-68-Scoping-Study.aspx. An online version of the public meeting questionnaire was made available through March 3, 2014. A total of 19 electronic surveys were returned and the findings are summarized as follows:

a. The first question asked how frequently the respondents drive through the study area. Sixteen respondents (84 percent) said they drive through the study area daily. Only one respondent (5 percent) said they rarely drive through the study area.

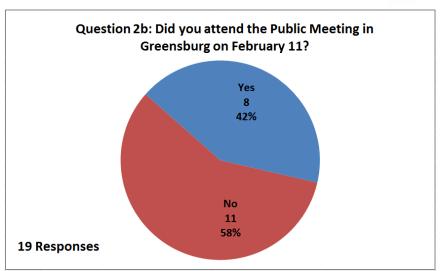




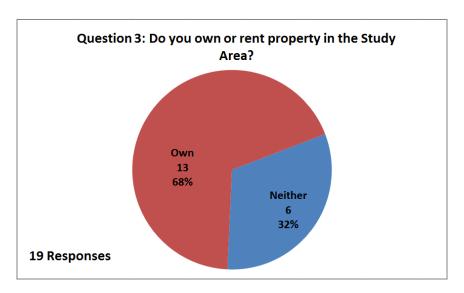
b. Question 2 asked if the respondents attended either of the two public meetings. This was asked as two separate questions specific to each meeting location. Only two respondents (14 percent) indicated they had attended the meeting in Sulphur Well and eight (42 percent) attended the meeting in Greensburg.





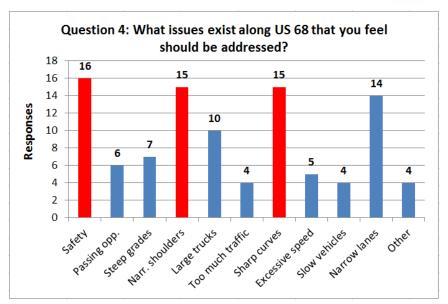


c. Question 3 asked if the respondents own or rent/lease property within the study area. Of the 19 responses, 13 (68 percent) indicated they own property within the study area.

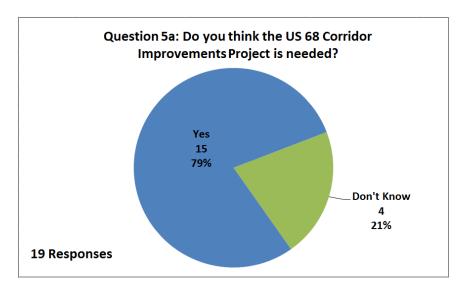


d. Question 4 asked whether several transportation issues along US 68 should be considered as part of the project. Of the 10 options provided, safety (16 responses), sharp curves (15 responses), and narrow shoulders (15 responses) were selected most. Narrow lanes (14 responses) and large trucks (10 responses) were the next most frequently listed issues.

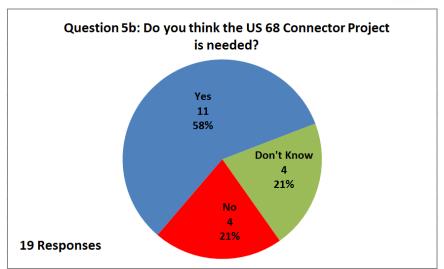




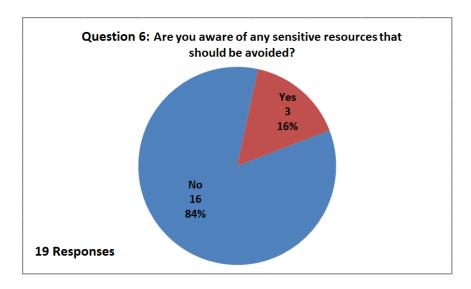
e. Question 5 asked if they felt the US 68 Corridor Project and the US 68 Connector Project are needed. Fifteen respondents (79 percent) indicated the US 68 Connector is needed with the remaining four (21 percent) indicating they did not know if it is needed. A majority (11 responses, 58 percent) said the US 68 Connector needed, four (21 percent) said it is not needed, and four (21 percent) said they do not know if it is needed.







f. Respondents were asked if they were aware of any sensitive environmental resources that should be avoided should the projects move forward. Resources that were mentioned include parks and cemeteries. One respondent mentioned the City of Greensburg is planning a "greenway" series of trails from one side of the city to the other that should be taken into consideration when exploring potential connector alternatives.



g. The final question asked how respondents had learned about the US 68 Scoping Study. The Variable Message Signs (VMS) posted in the weeks prior to the meeting were instrumental in getting the word out as seven respondents indicated that was how they learned of the study. The newspaper was mentioned five times.



