



Welcome to Public Meeting #2 of 3

The City of Aurora is conducting a comprehensive transportation study of the Parker Road and Smoky Hill Road intersections along Quincy Avenue. The study will evaluate the existing and future operating conditions of the area intersections with the goal of identifying operational improvements that may be implemented with funding within the near term. The near term for this study is considered to be within approximately five years.

PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

The purpose of this second public open house is to present the alternatives evaluation results. Following the first public open house (held in October 2015), alternatives were developed using input received from the public and agency stakeholders. These alternatives were evaluated through two levels of screening. As a result, two action alternatives (and a No Action alternative, for comparison purposes) are being carried forward for further refinement and identification of study recommendations.

The City of Aurora would like your comments regarding the alternatives screening completed to date, and the refinements you'd like to see made to the alternatives being carried forward. The project team will use your comments to help develop the study recommendations, which will be presented at the final public meeting in a few months.



Thank you for taking the time to get involved with this important transportation project!

AGENCIES INVOLVED IN THIS STUDY

City of Aurora (Lead agency)
Arapahoe County
Colorado Department of Transportation
Denver Regional Council of Governments

COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Ask questions or provide comments to project personnel (with name tags).
- Fill out a comment sheet and drop it off at the sign-in table or send it in later.
- Use the contact information to the right to provide your comments.
- Submit a comment on the project web page:

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Questions & Answers

Q: WHAT ARE THE STUDY AREA LIMITS?

A: The study area limits are along Parker Road, from the Lehigh Avenue intersection to the Temple Drive intersection. The study area includes Quincy Avenue from west of Parker Road through the Chambers Road intersection, and includes Smoky Hill Road from north of the Quincy Avenue intersection to south of the Tufts Place intersection. Potential physical improvements are focused at the Parker Road and Smoky Hill Road intersections with Quincy Avenue. The adjacent intersections are evaluated for potential operational benefits or impacts resulting from changes at those intersections.

Q: WHY IS THIS STUDY BEING CONDUCTED? AREN'T IMPROVEMENTS ALREADY PLANNED?

A: The 2009 Parker Road Corridor Study recommended that a grade-separated interchange be constructed at the intersection of Parker Road and Quincy Avenue, in addition to widening Parker Road between Hampden Avenue and Quincy Avenue. There is currently no funding for a large-scale interchange construction project. This current operational improvement study is intended to study relatively low-cost improvements that can improve the transportation operations of the Parker Road and Quincy Avenue intersection and the Smoky Hill Road and Quincy Avenue intersection with funding that may be obtained in the near term.

Q: HOW WERE ALTERNATIVES EVALUATED?

A: Alternatives were evaluated for consistency with the project goals, using a two-tiered process. The project team considered tradeoffs during the alternatives evaluation process. The detailed alternatives screening process determined impacts (both adverse and beneficial) of various improvements. Action alternatives were compared to a No Action alternative. Traffic analysis considered local agency plans and land use projections into years 2020 and 2040. Public and agency comments were considered during alternatives development and evaluation, and will also be used to refine alternatives being carried forward and to shape details of the study recommendations.

Q: WHAT WILL THE PRODUCT OF THIS STUDY BE?

A: This study will develop recommendations to potentially reduce congestion and improve operational performance and safety of the Parker Road and Quincy Avenue intersection and the Quincy Avenue and Smoky Hill Road intersection. The study will provide a plan for relatively low-cost near-term operational improvements, which will be used by the City of Aurora for obtaining funding and project implementation.

Q: WHEN WILL RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THIS STUDY BE CONSTRUCTED?

A: The timeline for improvements is dependent on funding availability. Currently, there is no funding identified for implementing study recommendations.

Q: WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROJECT, JOIN THE MAILING LIST, AND SUBMIT A COMMENT?

A: Visit the project web page: www.auroragov.org/parkerquincystudy