

Citizens Committee

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Jared B. Morse, Denver.

The commission letter to the retiring committee expresses "sincere thanks and our invitation for your continued involvement in the development of this important Colorado transportation project."

Citizen attitude survey to begin in April

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Community Response of Colorado, Inc.

An important citizen attitude survey of residents in Grand Junction.. Metropolitan Denver, Eagle, Carbondale, Gypsum, and Glenwood Springs will be conducted in April. The purpose of the survey is to obtain citizen input concerning preference for the design of Interstate 70 through Glenwood Canyon.

Three artists' conceptions of possible designs have been developed and participants will be asked for their opinions on the design which they would most prefer. The Division of Highways contracted the survey to SRI Community Response of Colorado, Inc. a Denver-based research firm.

The results of the survey will be used in helping to make the decision on the most acceptable design based on the desires of the citizenry.

The survey will be conducted by personal interview. Each interview will last approximately ten to twelve minutes. Citizens will be selected at random and will be asked to participate in the survey.

Two hundred and fifty persons representing different households will be interviewed from Glenwood Springs, Carbondale, Gypsum, and Eagle communities. In addition, 100 persons from Grand Junction and the Denver Metropolitan area will be selected to be interviewed. The

survey will determine the desires of the citizenry concerning the existing concept designs and will explore additional alternatives that the citizenry feels are important.

The interviewers will leave a brochure with each interviewee which lists the schedule of public meetings and a telephone number than can be called for additional information.

If by chance you are selected to be interviewed, the Division of Highways hopes that you will take time to let your opinions and preferences be known. Only through YOUR input can the best concept design be selected.

Public involvement to be emphasized

Sincere and strenuous efforts are soon to begin to insure public involvement in design decisions to be made before detailed design of I-70 through Glenwood Canyon can commence. Preliminaries are expected to take at least a year.

A community attitude survey will sample citizen opinion beginning in April. Details of that effort are described elsewhere in this newsletter.

A Glenwood Canyon Citizens' Advisory Committee will soon be empaneled to assist and advise staff personnel and outside consultants during deliberations of design concepts. The process of choosing that committee is described in a separate article.

This newsletter will be issued monthly to keep people tuned in on progress.

Beginning in April, a series of public meetings and workshops will be scheduled at various times, including evening sessions, and week-end sessions, if desired by persons not able to attend during the week. Purpose of the meetings is to familiarize everyone with design