

Section 7: Community Participation Program

To demonstrate the level of community participation and plans for future public input we've included the adopted Community Participation Plan. Also included is a list of meeting dates for all three CAGs and the future meeting schedule for the Ormond Scenic Loop & Trail (OSL&T) CAG. Sample minutes from the two former CAGs (Historic Ormond-by-the-Sea Scenic Trail and Ormond Beach Scenic Loop) and one from the time when the two groups were melding together to form the OSL&T. Sample meeting minutes are included in Appendix G.

Outline of the Community Participation Program

Step 1: Identified all groups and individuals that have an interest in the scenic Corridor designation.

- Those adjacent to the Corridor
- Those with a special interest in the Corridor
- Others

Step 2: Evaluate public outreach approaches

A. Public meetings which provide public information exchange forum

1) CAG members present Corridor information at meetings of local organizations

- a. Organize a speaker's bureau
- b. Develop visual aids for presentations: video, maps, fact sheets, etc.
- c. Market speakers' bureau to organizations, schools, etc.
- d. Promote membership in the CAG
- e. Other

2) CAG holds workshops and "open houses"

a. Publicity

- (1) Meetings are advertised in the local newspaper and on the City and County websites
- (2) Meetings are advertised in newsletters of interested organizations
- (3) Fliers or newsletter are posted on community bulletin boards and county website
- (4) Radio and/or TV free public service announcements
- (5) Other

b. Workshop Format

- (1) Project Team
- (2) Agenda
- (3) Displays, fact Sheets, video, registration, comment cards, etc.
- (4) Other

- 3) CAG has regular meetings
 - a. Publicity
 - (1) Newspaper
 - (2) Newsletter
 - (3) E-mail
 - (4) Other
 - b. Newsletter
 - c. City, County and CAG websites
 - d. Newspaper articles
 - e. Fact sheets and/or brochures
 - f. Surveys
 - g. Record of Support
 - (1) Letters
 - (2) Petitions
 - (3) Resolutions, ordinances, policies
 - (4) Newspaper articles
 - (5) Survey results

Step 3: Develop local, regional, state and national partnerships.

- A. Parks along the Corridor
- B. Businesses and Chambers of Commerce
- C. Civic and Social Organizations
- D. Homeowners Associations
- E. Special Interest Groups
- F. Governmental Agencies including TDC and EDC
- G. Other

Historic Ormond-by-the-Sea Scenic Trail Meetings

- December 1, 2004
- January 6, 2005
- February 3, 2005
- April 6, 2005
- May 19, 2005
- July 20, 2005

- September 7, 2005
- November 9, 2005
- December 14, 2005
- January 11, 2006
- February 8, 2006
- March 8, 2006
- April 12, 2006

Other Public Meetings Attended

Information about the Scenic Highway efforts and activities is provided on a community website developed by the CAG. The site is www.savetheloop.org. Recently the CAG Chairperson Joe Jaynes has attended meetings to provide updates on the status of activities, the goals of the CAG and show the Loop video. The Chair has made the following presentations:

- February 2, 2006 – County Council of Volusia County
- February 14, 2006 – GE Women (Rita Press made this presentation)
- March 6, 2006 – Metropolitan Planning Commission Executive Commission
- March 7, 2006 – Ormond Beach City Commission
- March 8, 2006 – Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee of the Metropolitan Planning Commission
- March 15, 2006 – East Central Florida Regional Planning Council in Maitland
- April 12, 2006 – HOSST CAG meeting
- April 18, 2006 – Ormond Beach Kiwanis Club
- May 25, 2006 – Ormond Beach Chamber of Commerce

Ormond Beach Scenic Loop Meetings

- January 29, 2005
- February 9, 2005
- February 23, 2005
- March 23, 2005
- April 27, 2005
- May 25, 2005
- June 22, 2005
- July 18, 2005 – FDOT Workshop
- August 24, 2005
- September 28, 2005
- October 26, 2005
- November 30, 2005
- December 21, 2005
- January 25, 2006
- February 22, 2006
- March 22, 2006

Ormond Scenic Loop & Trail Meetings

- April 26, 2006
- May 24, 2006
- June 28, 2006
- July 26, 2006
- August 23, 2006
- September 27, 2006
- October 25, 2006

Future OSLT Meetings

- November 29, 2006
- December 20, 2006

Organizations invited to join Ormond Scenic Loop & Trail and/or send representatives

- A1A Scenic & Historic Coastal Byway
- City of Ormond Beach
- Daytona Beach Track Club
- Florida Native Plant Society
- Garden Club of the Halifax Country
- Halifax Democratic Club
- Halifax River Audubon Society
- Historic Landmark Preservation Board
- Historic Trust
- Ormond Beach Garden Club
- Residents on John Anderson Drive
- Save the Loop
- Shadow Woods Home Owners' Association, Halifax Plantation
- Sierra Club
- Tomoka State Park
- Volusia Anthropological Society
- Volusia County Council
- Volusia County Growth and Resource Management Department
- Volusia/Flagler Environmental Action Council

Plans for future Community Participation

The OSL&T CME plans to continue holding regular evening meetings and inviting more of the local citizens to become involved. The meetings will be advertised and held in the public library to ensure handicap accessibility for all who wish to attend. The County and City will continue to post the meetings on their meeting notices and they will continue to send staff representatives. The CME will continue to send email announcements of upcoming meetings to their extensive, and continually growing, list of interested citizens.

The Corridor video will be shown regularly on the government channel to develop interest and awareness. Visitors to the State parks will be given brochures to introduce them to the unique resources within the Corridor. The local newspapers, television and radio stations will be contacted and asked to cover events that the CME and other organizations hold along the Corridor.

CME members will continue to seek out clubs, groups and organizations that regularly invite speakers. They will provide speakers to talk about the Ormond Scenic Loop & Trail to the groups' members and invite them to become involved.