

# *Stone Creek Bridge to Williams Road Open House*

**Thursday, February 21, 2013**

**6:00pm - 8:00pm**



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# ***Welcome!***

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# These local improvements are part of the Cariboo Connector Program

Improvements to Highway 97 made under the Cariboo Connector Program will increase safety and efficiency for the travelling public, and decrease travel times to connect northern British Columbia with the interior through the heart of the province.

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure is providing northern communities with a first class, four-lane resource and trade corridor to support increased commercial traffic and meet the needs of a growing economy.



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# Open House Purpose

To provide local area residents and property owners with an update on current status of design.

To receive feedback from local area residents and property owners with respect to the proposed design.

# This Project will include:

- Upgrading the existing highway to four lanes for 2.8 kms from approximately 200m north of the Stone Creek Bridge to Williams Road approximately 450m north of the CN Rail bridge
- Replacement of the existing CN Rail bridge along with improvements to the adjacent sharp curve
- Adjustments to side roads and driveway locations to maintain access at locations which provide improved sight distance and safety

# Project Considerations

Original plan was to complete 4-laning on the existing Highway 97 alignment.

Geotechnical risks including unstable ground, very high walls, proximity to the railway and related high costs resulted in reconsideration of the alignment.

Preferred alignment carries the southbound lanes down and along the east bank of the Fraser River.

Existing highway would be used for northbound lanes.

# This project will result in:

- Improved alignment to Cariboo Connector standards
- A safer driving environment
- A continuous 10 km 4-lane section of Highway 97 from south of Stoner to north of Red Rock
- Wider shoulders and paved median
- Increased clearance at railway bridge

# Plan of project

Large scale plan showing entire project with:

- No property lines except in the area of the new railway bridge
- Southbound alignment along the river
- Similar to the attached
- Appropriate labeling and titles



# Schedule

ACTIVITY	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Bridge Design	■				
Conceptual Highway Design	■				
Conceptual Design Approvals		■			
Detailed Highway Design			■		
Construction			■	■	■

***Thank you for attending  
this open house.***

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thoughts or ideas.***



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