APPENDIX I

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT MEETING DOCUMENTATION

Meyer, Jon (PWks)

Subject:	Leawood homeowners assoc.
Start:	Tue 10/10/2006 7:00 PM
End:	Tue 10/10/2006 8:00 PM
Recurrence:	(none)
Meeting Status:	Accepted
Required Attendees:	Meyer, Jon (PWks)

Carol, 681-9508, was referred to you and requests you call her to let her know who could attend the homeowners meeting on October 10 at 7:00 pm at 165 & Center, Faithful Shepherd Pres. Church to explain the plans for 168 between Center and Dodge Streets.

Millard Public Schools
5606 South 147 Street
Omaha NE 68137

Invoice

Number: **1372**

Date: **June 06, 2007**

Bill To:

Jen Meyer
City of Omaha Public Works Department
1819 Farnam Street
Suite #604
Omaha, NE 68183

Mail To:

Kathy Rush
Department of Athletics/Activities
(402) 895-8378

Date	Description	Hours	Fees	Amount
	Use of Willowdale Elementary for public meeting on May 17, 2007			
	Facility Rental	4.00	15.00	60.00
			Total	**$60.00**

Pd 4/26/07

Please include a copy of the invoice with your payment. Thank you.

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Omaha, NE 68144-2209
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April 24, 2007

Mayor Mike Fahey
City of Omaha
Omaha/Douglas County Civic Center
1819 Farnam Street, Suite 300
Omaha, NE

Re: STPC-3811(1), CN 22209, 168th Street, West Center Rd. to "Q" Street
STPC-3811(2), CN 22210, 168th Street, West Center Rd. to Poppleton Avenue
City of Omaha, Douglas County
Environmental Assessment, Public Meeting Announcement

Dear Mayor Fahey:

On behalf of the City of Omaha in cooperation with the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) and the Federal Highway Administration Nebraska Division (FHWA-NE), we are requesting your participation in the review of two (2) proposed projects, as identified above, to improve segments of 168th Street in the City of Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska. Because the improvements of both projects are the same type and are in close proximity, both projects will be evaluated as one project area in one Environmental Assessment document. The project area is located along 168th Street from Poppleton Avenue proceeding south, crossing West Center Road and Lake Zorinsky and ending just north of "Q" Street in Southwest Omaha (See Figure 1). As part of early coordination in the development of an Environmental Assessment, we are requesting your participation in the review of this proposed project. We are holding a public information meeting on this project and details are provided below.

Project Overview
The project would include improving 2 existing segments of 168th Street from a two (2) lane roadway to a four (4) lane divided curbed roadway with auxiliary lanes and sidewalk where appropriate, widening or replacing an existing bridge with continued accommodations for a pedestrian sidewalk/trail at Lake Zorinsky, new culvert at an unnamed tributary of the west branch of the Papillion Creek and storm sewer. The project would also include cut and fill activities where needed. The project limits are anticipated to be within existing right-of-way. Retaining walls will be constructed as required. Please note that the intersection of 168th Street and West Center Rd. and short segments north and south were improved as part of a previous project.

Public Meeting Announcement

Date: Thursday, May 17, 2007

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Location: Willowdale Elementary Auditorium
16901 "P" Street
Omaha, NE

We request your review of the project. If you would like to review and discuss this project in more detail we will be holding a public information meeting or you may contact us directly. Further information will be provided as this study continues.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in assisting the City of Omaha in cooperation with NDOR and FHWA- NE in continuing to provide and maintain a safe and reliable transportation system. If you have any questions or want to respond via e-mail please contact me at (402) 333-5792 (e-mail fuhlarik@hws.com) or Bob Tusa, Senior Environmental Scientist at (402) 490-1172 (e-mail rtusa@hws.com).

Sincerely,

HWS CONSULTING GROUP

Frank Uhlarik

Frank Uhlarik
Senior Project Manager

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Attachment (Figure 1)

CC: City of Omaha (Jon Meyer)
File
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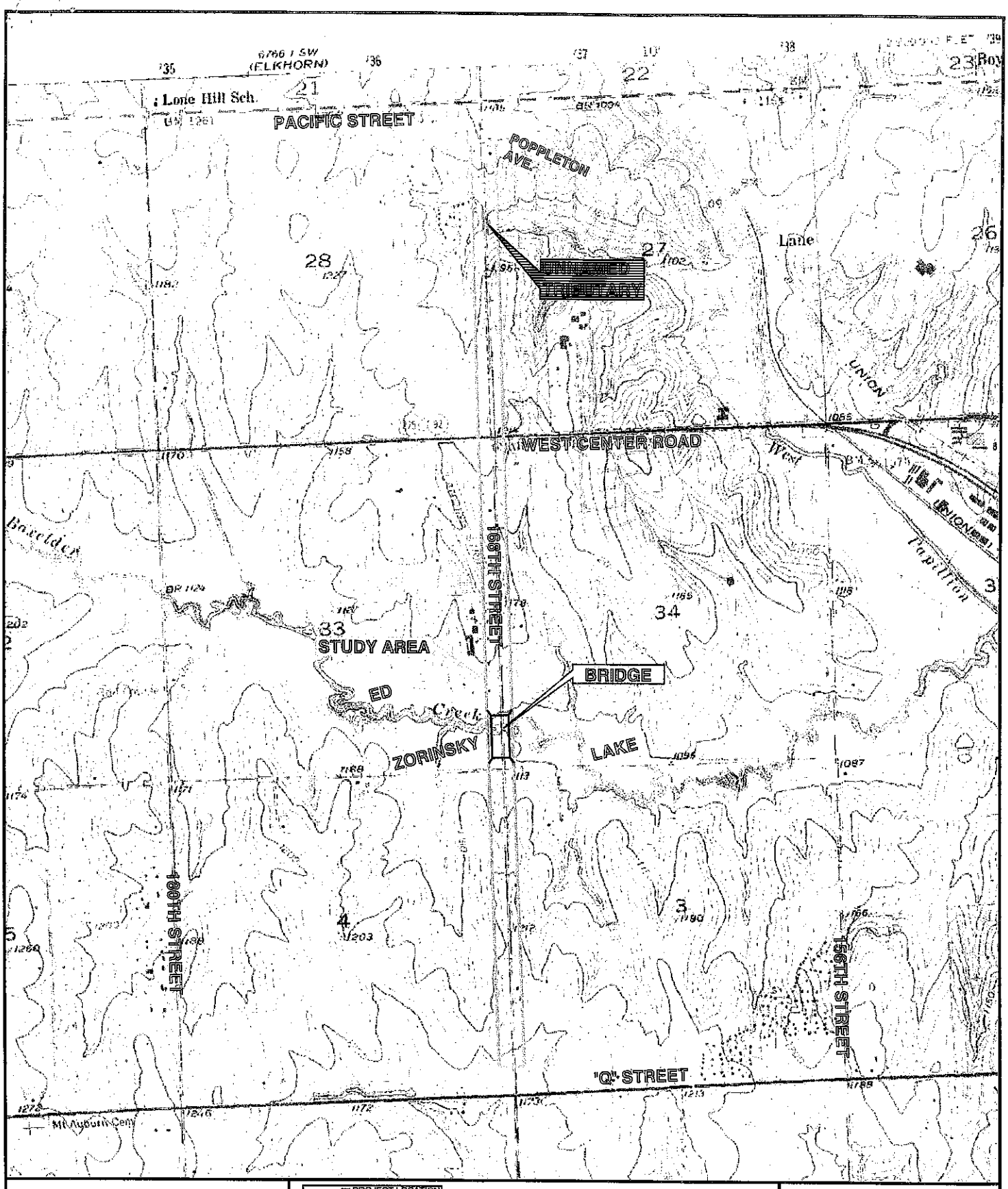
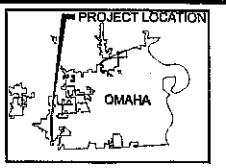


Figure 1

Federal Aid Project No.: STPC-3811(1)
State Control No.: 22209 & STPC-3811(2)
Control No.: 22210
Date: March 2007
USGS Quad: Gretna
USGS Date: 1984



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City of Omaha
168th Street Improvements
Environmental Assessment
Project Area Map

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PUBLIC COMMENT FORM

Improvements to 168th Street
From P Street to Poppleton Avenue

We encourage you to express your comments and views on the improvements to 168th Street from P Street to Poppleton Avenue. We are providing this form so that your comments will be directed to the design team for evaluation and consideration in proceeding with the design report. You may either leave the form with us today or mail it to the department at the address provided on the reverse side of this form. Your comments should be mailed within 10 days of this meeting in order to provide timely consideration. Please note if you are affected as a homeowner, business or both.

We appreciate your input. If you would like to provide additional information, please submit your comments on additional pages.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Please check the box to the left if you would like to be added to the mailing list.

Check one or more as applicable:

___ Homeowner along project route ___ Business owner along project route
___ Use route to commute ___ Interested party

Comments:_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

What should the Design Division try to accomplish with this roadway project? What should the purpose of this project be?_____

_____

_____

_____

Do you feel that the Design Division is coordinating with the public effectively? If no, how can we improve?_____

_____

_____

_____

16901 P Street
Omaha, NE 68135
Susan Kelley, Principal

WILLOWDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Phone: 402-895-8280
Fax: 402-895-8580
Proud to be Millard Public School

If you do not receive the number of pages indicated, please call (402)895-8280.

Fax Transmittal Form

To
Name: Jon Meyer
At: City of Omaha
Fax number: 402-444-5248

- ☐ Urgent
- ☐ For Review
- ☐ Please Comment
- ☐ Please Reply
- ☐ Per Your Request

From
Name: Cathy
Phone: 402-895-8280
Fax: 402-895-8580
Date sent: 4/12/07
Time sent:
Number of pages including cover page: 3

Message:

(Be sure to sign second page!)
Please fax completed form back to me at 895-8580. Thank you.
– C

Post-it® Fax Note 7671	Date 4/13	# of pages ▶ 3
To Cathy	From Jon M.	
Co./Dept. Willowdale Elem	Co. City of	
Phone # 895-8280	Phone # 444-	
Fax # 895-8580	Fax # 444-52	

Willowdale Elementary School
Home of the Wildcats!

MILLARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS FACILITY USE AGREEMENT FORM

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into by and between the Millard Public Schools, Omaha, Nebraska (hereinafter "the District") and the following organization and/or individual (hereinafter "the User").

Organization/Individual: City of Omaha Public Works Dept. - Design Division
Street Address: 1819 Farnam St., Suite 604
City/State/Zip Code: Omaha, NE 68183
Phone Number: 444-4191
Contact Person: Jon Meyer
Address: Same
City/State/Zip Code:
Phone Number (Work): 444-4191 Phone Number (Home):
E-mail Address: JMeyer@ci.omaha.ne.us Fax Number: 444-5248

Please check all boxes that apply to your organization:

- [ ] Millard Schools organization
- [ ] Millard Youth Organization
- [ ] Millard Community Organization
- [ ] Non-Profit organization not affiliated with a school (Must include 501C3 IRS determination letter with form)
- [ ] PAYBAC partner at site requested

WHEREAS the User desires to use the following facilities and/or equipment of the District on the date(s) and time(s) and for the purpose(s) noted below:

School Building: ~~Auditorium~~ Willowdale Elementary Number of People Expected: 50-100
Number of Millard Students Involved: None Custodial Help Specifically Assigned to Event: [ ] yes [X] no
(Note that district may assign custodial help paid for by the User)

Areas Requested: Auditorium
Purpose(s) of Use: Public meeting as part of the Environmental Assessment for the 168th St. Improvements from Q-Pacific St.
Dates Requested: May 17th, 2007 5:30-9:30 PM.
(Exact dates of use required; write additional dates needed on a separate paper and attach to this form)
Times Requested: 5:30-9:30 PM.
Equipment Requested: 4 to 6 tables for project display areas.
Special Requests:

WHEREAS the District is willing to grant to the User the use of such facilities and/or equipment subject to the following charges and all other provisions of this Agreement:

FOR CENTRAL OFFICE USE ONLY: ESTIMATE OF CHARGES

Facility Rental Fee: $ Access Charge: $
Additional Staff Fee: $ Equipment Charge: $
Custodian/Other Staff Assigned at User's Expense [ ] YES Other Charges: $
Total Estimate for Fees and Charges: $

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

1. That the District will permit the User to use the facilities and/or equipment on the date(s) and time(s) and for the purpose(s) noted above;
2. That the User will pay the District the charges noted above;
3. That this Application permits the use of only the area(s) and/or equipment noted, and, that if User use any areas or equipment not noted above, the User agrees to pay the applicable rate for such use(s) plus an additional twenty-five percent (25%);
4. That the User agrees (a) to comply with all District policies, rules, and regulations that govern use of facilities; (b) to be financially responsible for any damages incurred to facilities, grounds, or equipment during the period of such use; (c) to have the District Director of Activities and/or the Associate Superintendent for General Administration as the final determiner as to whether repair or replacement is the appropriate remedy for any damages; (d) to be wholly responsible for the supervision and control of all persons and activities during such use; and (e) to defend, protect, indemnify, and hold the District harmless for any and all claims, suits, actions, damages, judgments, or causes of action arising out of or in any way related to such use.

5. That, unless waived in writing by the District, the User agrees to provide a Certificate of Liability Insurance in the amount of one million dollars ($1,000,000) naming Millard Public Schools as an additional insured for the date(s) of use.

6. That this Agreement may be cancelled for any of the following reasons: (a) failure of the User to pay applicable fees or charges for this use or any prior use; (b) failure of the User to reimburse the District for damages incurred during this use or any prior use; (c) evidence satisfactory to the District that User's use of the facility would violate a District policy, rule, or regulation or would be illegal; (d) any violation of the terms and conditions of this Agreement; (e) any change in the school activities that presents a conflict with the use; (f) any snow or ice accumulations that would require additional removal costs for the District; (g) failure of the User to maintain required liability insurance or failure to keep a current Certificate of Liability Insurance on file for the date(s) of use; or (h) any other event or circumstance which, in the opinion of the administration, necessitates cancellation of the use.

7. That in the event this Agreement is cancelled, the District shall not be responsible for any damages (including consequential damages) incurred by the User as a result of such cancellation.

8. That the access charge shall be used to compensate the District for expenses incurred in providing building access and for other normal overhead expenses, such as heating, air conditioning, lighting, and general maintenance services; and, that such charge does not include the assignment of a custodian to work exclusively for the User during the use;

9. That the User shall be responsible for providing labor related to setup, cleanup (except mopping, vacuuming, and emptying trash), and conducting of the use unless this Agreement expressly states otherwise under "Special Requests" above;

10. That the User shall be responsible for providing labor related to setup and removal of user-owned equipment after each use of the facility unless this Agreement expressly states otherwise under "Special Requests" above;

11. That in situations where no advanced cancellation notice has been received by the District and the User does not appear at the scheduled time, the custodian(s) assigned to such use shall remain available at the facility for one hour before securing the building, and, that an access fee will be assessed to the User for such time;

12. That District staff must be present when kitchen facilities, swimming pools, auditoriums, and other such areas (as may be determined by the administration) are being used, and, that when such additional staff are required to be present, the User shall reimburse the District for expenses associated with such additional staff;

13. That in the event of significant snowfall (or ice accumulation) prior to a use of District facilities, the District's operations and maintenance supervisors shall make a determination as to whether or not snow (or ice) removal is required, and, if such is required (and if such removal is not necessary for other school-related activities) the scheduled use shall be cancelled, or, if mutually agreed to by the User, the snow (or ice) will be removed by District personnel and an additional charge for such will be assessed to the User.

14. That all snow (or ice) removal on school District property must be made by school District personnel or by properly insured independent contractors approved by and working for the District, and that the User will not be permitted to engage in snow (or ice) removal activities nor will the User be permitted to hold activities on school property without proper snow (or ice) removal;

15. That the User will make all reasonable efforts to ensure that vehicles parking on school grounds as part of this use shall be properly parked, and, that vehicles that are improperly parked shall be subject to towing from school grounds at the owner's expense, and that improper parking shall include, but not be limited to, parking in driveways or throughways, parking over painted stall lines, parking on sidewalks, and parking on grassed areas; and,

16. That the User will not permit nor acquiesce to any use of tobacco, alcohol, or controlled substances in school buildings or on school grounds.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties set their hands on the date(s) indicated below:

Signature of Building Administrator	Signature of Central Office Official	Signature of the User
Date	Date	4/13/07 Date

CENTRAL OFFICE USE ONLY:

☐ Priority 1 Use ☐ Priority 2 Use ☐ Priority 3a Use ☐ Priority 3b Use ☐ Priority 4 Use ☐ Priority 5 Use

Organization Notified of Charges _____ Initials **Certificate of Insurance on File** _____ Initials **501C3 IRS Letter on File** _____ Initials

Copy Sent to Site _____ Initials **Copy Sent to User** _____ Initials **Copy Sent to Maintenance/Food Service** _____ Initials

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May 17, 2007
Public Meeting

168th Street

Improvements & Environmental Assessment

(Poppleton to West Center Road - West Center Road to "Q" Street)

Welcome!

Thank you for coming this evening. The City of Omaha, with the cooperation of the Nebraska Department of Roads and the Federal Highway Administration Nebraska Division, has been planning improvements to 168th Street. The project area is located along 168th Street from Poppleton Avenue proceeding south, crossing West Center Road and Lake Zorinsky and ending just north of "Q" Street in Southwest Omaha.

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This is the first of three public meetings that will be held throughout the study. The purpose of this meeting is to introduce the project, the study area and the study's purpose. One of the most important aspects of the study is to have an effective public participation program. Suggestions made by area property owners are very helpful and will undoubtedly result in a better plan. The City of Omaha is committed to having a comprehensive public participation program for this study. Please fill out a comment form and tell us about any questions or concerns you have about this project. We look forward to hearing from you!

Contact Information

HWS Consulting Group
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14748 West Center Road
Omaha, NE 68144
phone: 402.333.5792 or 877.807.9478
email: fuhlarik@hws.com

Check out the Website!
www.hws.com/168

Study Purpose

The purpose of this study is summarized in the following:

- Public and Agency Scoping Meetings to Receive Comments on the Project.
- Develop Preliminary Alternatives.
- Screen Preliminary Alternatives.
- Present Preliminary Alternatives to Public and Receive Input.
- Select a Preferred Alternative and Determine Potential Environmental Impacts.
- Present the Environmental Assessment with Preferred Alternative to the Public for Review and Comment.
- Finally, hold a Public Hearing on the Project.

Schedule

2007 May

1st Public Meeting - May 17, 2007

Introduction of Project

Receive Public Input

2008 May

2nd Public Meeting

Present Preliminary Alternatives to Public and Receive Input

2008 August

Public Hearing

Draft Environmental Assessment Available for Review and Present Preferred Alternative

Receive Public Input

The above schedule should be considered preliminary. Exact dates for future milestones and any changes may occur without notice.

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Welcome - Please Sign In!

Name	Phone Number	Email	Address
Dawn Steffen	402 479 2240	dsteffen@hws.com	dsteffen@hws.com
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James Steele	330-2541	steelea67@msn.com	23055 168th St.
Jeanne Woolman	895-5976	jeanne_woolman@hotmail.com	4854 S 167 NE Cir
Scott Gilliland	553 0234	sgilliland@is-ccg.com	6910 Pacific St Omaha NE 68132
Judy Williams	334-6934		4411 S 168 Ave
Mike & Linda Schneider	330-2080	mschne9001@yahoo.com	1422 So 167th Ave
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KENNETH C. VETTER	933-9278	KENNETHVETTER@COX.NET	4447 S. 173 St.
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[illegible] Rosola			[illegible]
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[illegible] Mills	895-5992		16820 O Cr.
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[illegible] WAMRE	895-4017		16810 I Cr. 68135

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Name	Phone Number	Email	Address
Betty McEwen			17123 Patterson Dr
Jeff Giandinoto	896-2510		4242 S 167 Ave
BRIAN HARTGERINK	861-1639		16807 I CIRCLE
Jim PALMER	895-6464		16816 H CIR
Richard Beatty	896-4513		16810 Holmes Cir
Terry Hinze	697-8348		1404 S. 167th Ave
Thomas Pullmann	895-7887-895-4555		16824 H CIRCLE
JOHN & DONNA PLEBANEK	894-9648		16808 L CIRCLE
Mary McMorrow	758-8954		16761 Pine St
Mike McMorrow	933-4484	mjmcmorrow@aol.com	"
Steve Tonn	444-4237		1261 Golden Gate Dr STE Papillion
Ron Christensen	894-6772		17167 Orchard Ave
Mike Andersen	891-1894		16821 O Cir.
Jim & Debbie Andrews	697-1826	DebbieAndrews@aol.com	16756 Gold St
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HARRY ALLEN	697-0970	HALLEN27@COX.NET	4771 S. 167 ST
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CURT LARGENT	991-1293	CLARGENT@COX.NET	16760 I Cir
Michael Firkins	895-4567	mfirkins@tconl.com	17014 Holmes Cir.
Willard Waugh	827-1933	waugh@pkmfg.net	1490 S. 167th Ave
KATHY CUNLIFFE	330-1365		2516 S 167th AVE CIR

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Roger Howard	696 3234	mail@livingchoice omaha.com	4823 S 168 ST
Mike & Connie Lovejoy	334-8341	cklovejoy@cox.net	3630 So 168 St
Carol J Copeland	333-1521	COPELAND@TCONL.COM	2603 S. 166 St
Jay E. Arnsperger	~~168~~ 891-8684	Arnsperger@AOL.com	16815 O Cir 68130
Diana Bartlett	758-6656	rdbartlett@juno.com	3508 S. 168 St
Kay Kauffmann	330-5216		16808 Pine St.
DAVID BROWN	896 9557		6011 M CR

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If so, we would like to hear from you. Please write your comments in the space below and return them to HWS. You can drop this form off on your way out, or you may take it with you and mail it later. If you like, you may also call or fax at the numbers listed below.
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email: fuhlarik@hws.com

Concerned about improachment by 168th St East of Ruby Thursday's. Hoping widening goes to the West of open Heights property.
Also concerned of Safety, Noise + Salt Runoff.

Thanks for Considering
Annette Brandl
2510 S 167th Ave Cir.
P.S Save my Trees. put in as a Noise Barrier

(optional)
Name Annette Brandl
Address 2510 S 167th Ave Cir
Omaha, NE 68130
Telephone No. 333-0923

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I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE TWO LAKESHORE SIGNS ON 168 & PATTERSON AND 168 & ORCHARD. WILL THEY NEED TO BE MOVED (IF ON THE RIGHT OF WAY)?

(optional)
Name KENNETH C. VETTER
Address 4447 S. 173. ST
Telephone No. 933-9278

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THE WATERSHED'S CONCERN IS MAINTAINING WATER QUALITY IN LAKE ZORINSKY. AS WE KNOW, THE EXISTING CAUSEWAYS AND BRIDGE CROSSING ACT AS A SILT BARRIER TRAPPING A GREAT DEAL OF SEDIMENT ON WEST SIDE OF 168TH ST. THE NEW BRIDGE DESIGN IS CRITICAL IN A NUMBER OF WAYS.

- IF THE CAUSEWAY SCHEME IS KEPT, IT WILL REQUIRE WIDENING THE CAUSEWAY BY MEANS OF SHEET PILING, GABIONS, OR SOME OTHER FORM OF BANK STABILIZATION. ALL OF THESE CAN BE DONE FROM SHORE BUT THEY STILL CAUSE TURBIDITY.
- IF THE CAUSEWAYS ARE REMOVED (ALLOWING MORE SILTATION INTO THE EAST PORTION OF THE LAKE) LONGER BRIDGE SPANS ARE NEEDED FOR THE CROSSING. THIS INVOLVES MARINE WORK WITH COFFERDAMS, BARGES & BOATS. THE TURBIDITY MAY BE LESS ALTHOUGH THE OLD CAUSEWAYS WOULD PROBABLY BE REMOVED. HOWEVER, MARINE WORK CREATES NEW CHALLENGES.

(optional)

Name: BILL POSPICHAL
Address: 20915 W. CENTER RD.
ELKHORN, NE 68022
Telephone No.: 402-289-0400 WORK
ZORINSKY LAKE WATERSHED COUNCIL

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THANK YOU FOR THE MEETING. MY CONCERN IS THAT MY BACK DOOR AT 16808 L CIRCLE IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE CLOSEST TO THE STREET NOW. MY 2ND FLOOR IS STREET LEVEL AND VERY NOISEY. I'VE ALREADY HAD CARS IN WINTER NEXT TO MY FENCE. WITH THE ROAD COMING EVEN CLOSER TO MY BACK DOOR WERE MY GRANDKIDS PLAY, I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT SAFETY IN MY BACK YARD AS WELL AS THE NOISE PROBLEM WHICH CURRENTY IS TOO LOUD TO OPEN WINDOWS. SOME PROTECTION IS NEEDED FROM CARS AND NOISE.

THANK YOU

P.S. MY BACK DOOR IS 20 FT BELOW STREET LEVEL. RUN OFF IS ALSO A CONCERN.

(optional)
Name JOHN PLESANEK
Address 16808 L CIRCLE
OMAHA NE 68135
Telephone No. 894-9648

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As our back yard property and fence line run adjacent to 168th Street, We would like to see the grade of 168th Street ~~at Patterson~~ approaching Patterson Drive lowered to aid in noise reduction. However, if this is not feasable, I would like to see 3-4 foot molded retaining wall placed along our fence line and our fence mounted on top of that. It would raise the fence to help reduce traffic noise and we wouldn't have to stare at a high retaining "wall"!

(optional)
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Carol Copeland
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Re: 168th & West Center Road Project

Dear Ms. Copeland:

Thank you for your inquiry. An environmental assessment was performed for your area in 1983 addressing the West Center Road widening project between 156th Street and US-6. Noise abatement was found to be neither feasible nor reasonable at your location. It was determined that due to the terrain, a noise wall would need to exceed the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) Noise Policy maximum of sixteen feet at the edge of the backyards or be built along the edge of the roadway, as well as being extended north on 168th Street to provide a substantial benefit to the six homes closest to West Center Road. Continuing the wall along 168th Street would cause a safety problem because it would affect the line-of-sight for cross-traffic. A wall on the edge of pavement would create an obstacle to West Center traffic as well as maintenance problems.

There are two projects planned currently in your area, both City of Omaha projects. One involves West Center Road where it meets N-38 to approximately 158th Street; the second involves 168th Street, north and south of West Center Road. Neither project would involve the section of West Center where your home is located. There will be an environmental assessment performed by the City of Omaha for the 168th Street project; noise abatement will be considered for areas directly adjacent to the project.

To answer your question as to whether a noise wall at your location would ever be possible: Noise studies are performed where there is a proposed Type I project, which is defined as "a proposed Federal or Federal-Aid highway project for the construction of a highway on a new location or the physical alteration of an existing highway which significantly changes either the horizontal or vertical alignment or increases the number of through lanes." The City of Omaha will do a noise study for areas along 168th Street that involve Type I projects, but this will not include your area since there will be no significant changes to either West Center Road or 168th Street next to your neighborhood. If a project is proposed in the future at your location, either shifting the alignment of the highway or adding lanes, your area will be analyzed for noise impacts and noise abatement at that time.

Please feel free to call if you have any other questions.

Sincerely,

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