

Scott Boulevard & I-70 Interchange Location Study

City of Columbia, Missouri



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The City of Columbia is working together with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and Boone County to improve access to Interstate 70 in western Columbia.

What is the reason for the Interchange Location Study?

Western Columbia is currently served by Stadium Boulevard, which is already congested.

This study is being conducted to identify solutions for improving access to I-70.

Where are we in the process?



We are in the initial stages of the planning process.

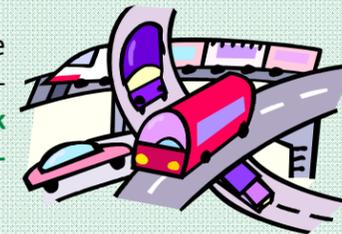
Actual construction would be several years in the future.

No funding has been identified for design or construction.

Where would the interchange be located?

The location has not yet been determined.

The new interchange would be located between Perche Creek and Stadium Boulevard.



It's location must maintain adequate spacing between Stadium Boulevard and Route 40.

The Location Study will . . .

- ◆ Document the purpose and need for the proposed interchange.
- ◆ Select a preferred location & configuration for a new interchange between Perche Creek and Stadium Boulevard.
- ◆ Select a preferred alignment to extend Scott Boulevard from West Broadway to Route E to connect to the proposed I-70 interchange.
- ◆ Complete federally required planning documentation (Environmental Assessment and Access Justification Report).



What critical issues influence the location of a new interchange?

- ◆ Impacts to neighborhoods & businesses;
- ◆ Ability to serve travel demands in the community;
- ◆ Connectivity to the local street system;
- ◆ Spacing between interchanges along I-70;
- ◆ Topography; and
- ◆ Environmental impacts.

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Informational Open House

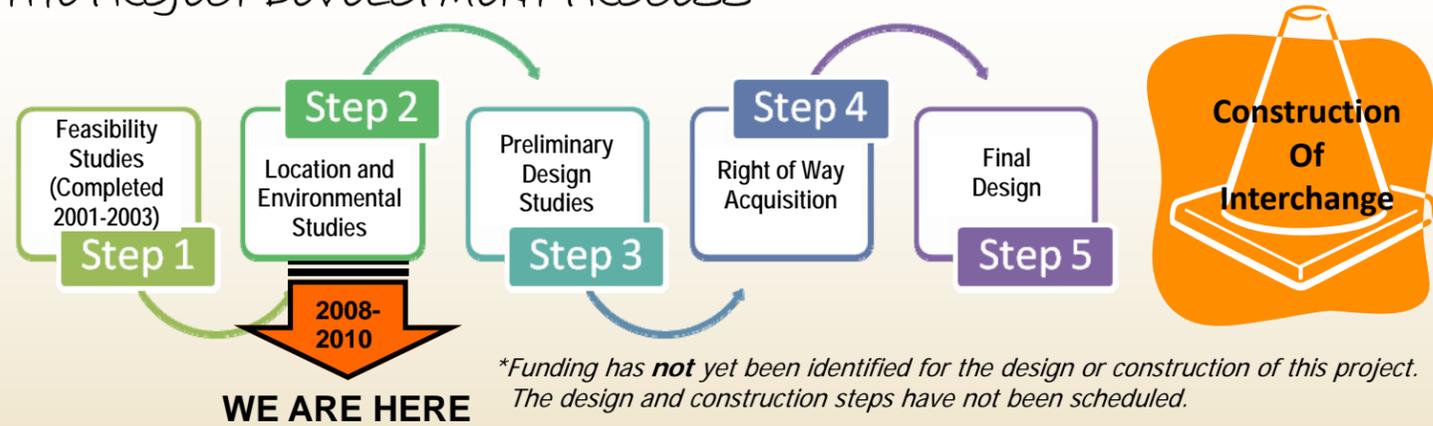
Come share your ideas with us at the Activity Recreational Center (ARC)
701 W. Ash Street



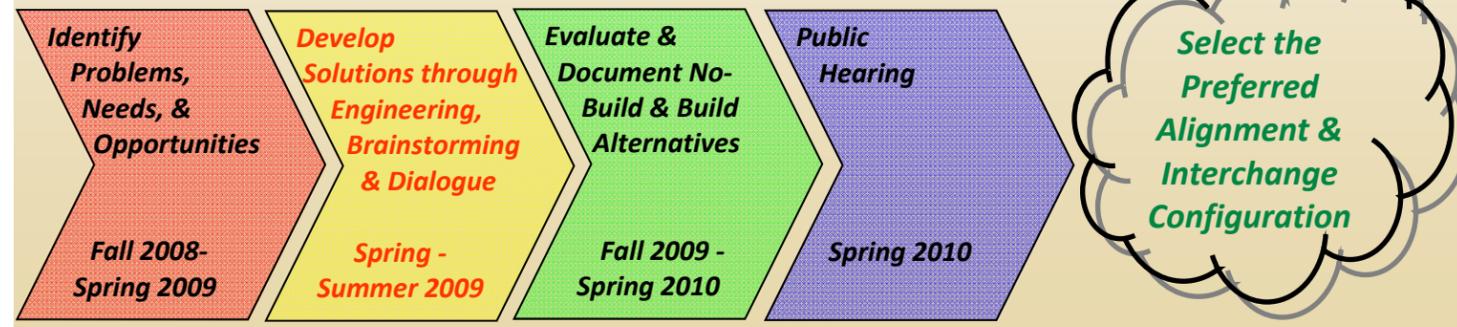
June 22, 2009
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

What is the process for building a new interchange? Where are we in the process?

THE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



THE ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES PROCESS



Related Information MoDOT's "Improve I-70" Studies

Interstate 70, which bisects the study area, is the primary highway serving the Columbia metropolitan area. Since I-70 connects Kansas City, St. Louis, and Columbia with the national freeway system, it is one of the **most important transportation corridors** in Missouri.

During the past several years, MoDOT has developed plans for the future of **Interstate 70**. You may have heard about MoDOT's long term planning efforts at other public meetings. These plans do not currently include a new interchange at Scott Boulevard. However, MoDOT's studies did find that additional access to I-70 in this area would help **decrease local congestion** and **benefit the local community**. The study concluded that the City could pursue the interchange as a part of its long range plans.



Additional information about MoDOT's Improve I-70 studies can be found at:
<http://www.improvei70.org/>

So WHY do we need another interchange on I-70???

- ❑ The neighborhoods and business community in **western** Columbia are **growing**.
- ❑ This area **does not have adequate access to I-70**. The primary access is at Stadium Boulevard, which is **already congested**.



- ❑ An interchange at I-70/Scott Boulevard will:
 - ◇ Provide travel **options**;
 - ◇ Facilitate **safe and efficient** traffic flow;
 - ◇ Enhance **emergency service** access;
 - ◇ **Relieve congestion** and **improve the level of service** along **West Broadway** and **Stadium Boulevard**; and
 - ◇ Benefit **regional** travel.



What is Next???

Informational Open House Scheduled for: June 22, 2009

The purpose of the open house is to:

- Discuss potential impacts of the proposed interchange and Scott Boulevard extension; and
- Provide an opportunity for the study team and public to share ideas on potential alternatives.

Exhibits and project information will be on display and the public will be provided an opportunity for dialogue and comment.

When: June 22, 2009
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Where: Activity & Recreation Center (ARC)
701 W. Ash Street
Columbia, Missouri

Additional documentation will be available on the City of Columbia's website after the meeting (www.gocolumbiamo.com). If you cannot attend, but would like to submit comments, mail or email them to the address provided below.

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