

U.S. 95 THORNCREEK ROAD TO MOSCOW

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U.S. 95 Thorncreek Road to Moscow Profile: David Witthaus



David Witthaus, a partner with Northwest Media Productions, is part of the team that developed and maintains the U.S. 95 Thorncreek Road to Moscow Web site.

Northwest Media Productions is a graphic design, web design and advertising company located in Clarkston, Wash.

At the beginning of this project, the public involvement team conducted interviews with several community members to learn ways to communicate with the community about this

project. One of the suggestions was for ITD to develop and maintain a project Web site.

The Web site has been an important source of information for many people. It has received about 2,800 visits total, including nearly 1,200 visits between January 2006 and mid-April 2006.

The site is updated frequently and contains project news, including monthly newsletters, news releases and information about upcoming public meetings.

It also includes summaries of past public involvement meetings, the maps and displays that were shown and other meeting materials.

The Web site is located at www.itd.idaho.gov, click on Get Involved, click on North-Central Idaho, click on U.S. 95 Thorncreek Road to Moscow, Stage 1.

At the May 9 breakfast meeting, David will discuss and answer questions about the Web site.

David Witthaus is the scheduled speaker for the May breakfast meeting. The meeting will be held Tuesday, May 9 from 7 to 8 a.m. at the Sandpiper Grill Restaurant, 414 Main St., in Moscow.

OTHER PROJECT NEWS

ITD SENDS ALTERNATIVE/ALIGNMENT RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) has submitted three alternatives/alignments to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for consideration. The alignments are the same ones shown to the public at the January 2006 open houses – W4, C3 and E2. ITD received nearly 700 comment forms from the public about these alternatives/alignments.

Maps of these alternatives/alignments and a summary of public comments are on the project Web site at www.itd.idaho.gov click on Get Involved, click on North-Central Idaho, click on U.S. 95 Thorncreek Road to Moscow, Stage 1, click on Public Involvement, click on Summary of Past Meetings.

FHWA will review ITD's recommendation and prepare a response.

RESPONSES TO JANUARY OPEN HOUSE QUESTIONS

Several people who attended the January 2006 open houses asked questions and expressed concerns about the project and its environmental studies.

The questions and answers have been posted to the project Web site.

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MONTHLY BREAKFAST MEETING

Monthly breakfast meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at the Sandpiper Grill Restaurant, 414 N. Main Street in Moscow, from 7 to 8 a.m.

The next breakfast meeting will be held May 9.

The breakfast meeting topic will be the U.S. 95 Thorncreek Road to Moscow Web site. David Witthaus is the scheduled speaker. David is a partner with Northwest Media Productions, which developed and maintains the Web site. A profile of David is inside this newsletter.

KIOSK LOCATED AT MOSCOW CITY HALL

The U.S. 95 Thorncreek Road to Moscow project information kiosk is located at Moscow City Hall, 206 East Third Street. Staffing days and times are:

**Mondays and Wednesdays
from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

The kiosk staff person can answer questions about the project. The kiosk is updated regularly and contains project information including newsletters, brochures and notices of upcoming events.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Web site: www.itd.idaho.gov, click on Get Involved, click on North-Central Idaho, then click on U.S. 95, Thorncreek Road to Moscow, Stage 1
- Email: thorncreekroadtomoscow@itd.idaho.gov
- Call: ITD Project Manager Ken Helm at 799-5090

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