

City of Carson City
Agenda Report

Item # 13

Date Submitted: February 9, 2010

Agenda Date Requested: February 18, 2010

Time Requested: 20 Minutes

To: Mayor and Supervisors

From: Public Works Department / Parks and Recreation Department

Subject Title: Action to approve the conceptual landscape design and design theme "Carson City's History in Motion" for three interchanges and three grade separations on Phase 1 (northern leg) of the Carson City Freeway. (Vern L. Krahn, Park Planner)

Staff Summary: Staff is requesting review and approval on the proposed project's design theme and conceptual landscape design concepts for Carson City's Freeway Landscape Project. The project's design concepts will enhance the northern freeway's corridor with native/naturalized landscaping, drip irrigation systems, hardscape components, including large boulders, rock talus, visual features, and aesthetic enhancements.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)

Resolution

Ordinance

Formal Action/Motion

Other (Specify)

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: Yes No

Recommended Board Action: I move to approve the conceptual landscape design and design theme "Carson City's History in Motion" for three interchanges and three grade separations on Phase 1 (northern leg) of the Carson City Freeway.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: Over the past four months, Carson City, Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides (GROW), Nevada Department of Transportation, and Winston and Associates consultant team have developed conceptual native/naturalized landscape and hardscape designs, including aesthetic enhancements for three interchanges and three grade separations on Phase 1 (northern leg) of the Carson City Freeway. The project's design theme "Carson City's History in Motion" was created to guide design decisions and convey the City's history through motion and travel as a central element of the northern freeway. In addition, the freeway's landscape design will adhere to NDOT's U.S. 395 Landscape and Aesthetic Corridor Plan. These landscape and aesthetic improvements are being proposed at the North Carson Street, Arrowhead Drive, and College Parkway interchanges and at the Northgate Lane, Emerson Drive, and Northridge Drive/Carmine Street grade separations.

After an extensive public outreach campaign by City staff, the proposed concepts were presented to the public at an informational meeting held on Tuesday, January 19, 2010, in the Sierra Room and front lobby of the Carson City Community Center (851 East William Street) from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Also, a project overview presentation was provided by City staff and the design consultant team at 6:30 p.m. in the Sierra Room and was broadcast on public access television. The public was given an opportunity at the meeting to ask questions and was encouraged to provide written comments before leaving or submit their comments later in writing to the City. The deadline for project comments was Tuesday, January 26, 2010. Since the public informational meeting, the City's project management team, including representatives from GROW and NDOT, have directed the design consultant team to make changes to the project's design concepts based on verbal and written comments received during the meeting and on the project's construction budget limitations. It will be these modified design concepts City staff will be presenting at the Board of Supervisors meeting.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: N/A

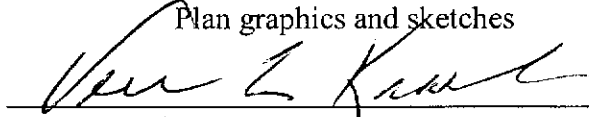
Fiscal Impact: The future fiscal impact to the City will consist of on-going landscape maintenance costs. City staff is currently working with the design consultant team to develop these preliminary costs and present them at this meeting.

Explanation of Impact: It is anticipated by City staff the Regional Transportation Commission will be funding the on-going project's landscape maintenance costs through Gas Tax revenues.

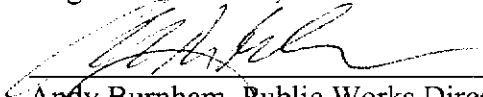
Funding Source: Carson City has received approximately \$2.2 million for the proposed improvements to the northern freeway corridor. \$1.7 million was secured through federal funding by the efforts of Senator Harry Reid and GROW. In addition, Carson City received \$500,000 through NDOT's Community Match Program. The design costs for the project are being funded by the Regional Transportation Commission.

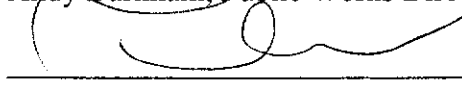
Alternatives: 1) Reject the conceptual design for the freeway landscape project.
2) Request modifications to the conceptual design for the freeway landscape project.

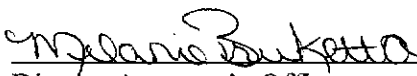
Supporting Material: Public Outreach Campaign Memorandum to Regional Transportation Commission and Exhibits A-M
Project Overview Sheet
Plan graphics and sketches

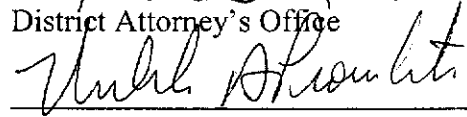
Prepared By:  **Date:** 2/9/10
Vern L. Krahn, Park Planner

Reviewed By:  **Date:** 2/9/10
Roger Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Director

 **Date:** 2/10/10
Andy Burnham, Public Works Director

 **Date:** 2/9/10
Larry Werner, City Manager

 **Date:** 2/9/10
District Attorney's Office

 **Date:** 2/9/10
Finance Department

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____ 1: _____ Aye/Nay
2: _____

(Vote Recorded By)



CARSON CITY, NEVADA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Regional Transportation Commission

FROM: Tom Grundy, P.E. / Project Manager *TE*
Vern L. Krahn, Park Planner *[Signature]*

DATE: February 2, 2010

SUBJECT: Public Outreach Campaign for Carson City Freeway Landscape Project

In preparation for the Carson City Freeway Landscape Project's public informational meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2010, the City's project management team developed a public outreach campaign to inform the public regarding this project and invite them to the meeting. The outreach campaign targeted the week before the meeting and involved various communication methods to provide the public with information on the project. They were as follows:

January 11, 2010

- Carson City "officially" issues a press release to media outlets and posts meeting information on City's Home Page website. (Exhibit A) ✓
- Press release distributed to Board of Supervisors, City Manager, and City employees.
- Press release distributed to members of the Planning Commission, Historic Architectural Review Committee, Regional Transportation Commission/CAMPO, Parks and Recreation Commission, Shade Tree Council, Open Space Advisory Committee, Carson River Advisory Committee, Redevelopment Authority Citizen Committee, Cultural Arts Commission, and Library Board of Trustees.
- News Carson City posts meeting article on its website. (Exhibit B) ✓
- Nevada Appeal posts meeting information on its website. (Exhibit C) ✓
- Dave Morgan interviews Mary Fischer (GROW President) and Vern L. Krahn (Park Planner) at Comma Coffee regarding the upcoming meeting. The "Our Town Carson City" interview is available 24/7 on the internet at www.newscarsoncity.com

January 12, 2010

- Carson City posts official "Notice of Public Meeting" for event. (Exhibit D) ✓

January 13, 2010

- Nevada Appeal runs paid advertisement for event. (Exhibit E) ✓
- Chamber of Commerce sends out "Keeping in Touch" (e-news letter) to all Chamber members with meeting information. (Exhibit F) ✓

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January 15, 2010

- NDOT posts meeting information on Carson City Freeway “What’s New” website. (Exhibit G) ✓
- Press release distributed to Nevada Arts Council.

January 17, 2010

- Nevada Appeal covers story with pre-meeting article. (Exhibit H) ✓
- Nevada Appeal prints Mary Fischer’s letter to the editor. (Exhibit I) ✓

January 19, 2010

- Public information meeting held in Community Center from 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM. (Exhibit J) ✓
- Project overview presentation by the design consultant team was broadcast at 6:30 PM on public access television from the Sierra Room by the BACTV.
- Public comments / Design consultant team’s meeting notes. (Exhibit K) ✓

January 20, 2010

- Nevada Appeal does follow-up article on meeting. (Exhibit L) ✓

January 26, 2010

- Remaining meeting handouts distributed to Parks and Recreation Department, City Hall, Library, Cooperative Extension, Planning Division, Health Department, and Public Works Department for “on counter” distribution to the public. (Exhibit M) ✓

PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

Date: January 8, 2010
Contact: Vern L. Krahn, Park Planner
Carson City Parks and Recreation Department
Phone: 775-887-2262, Extension 30343
Fax: 887-2145

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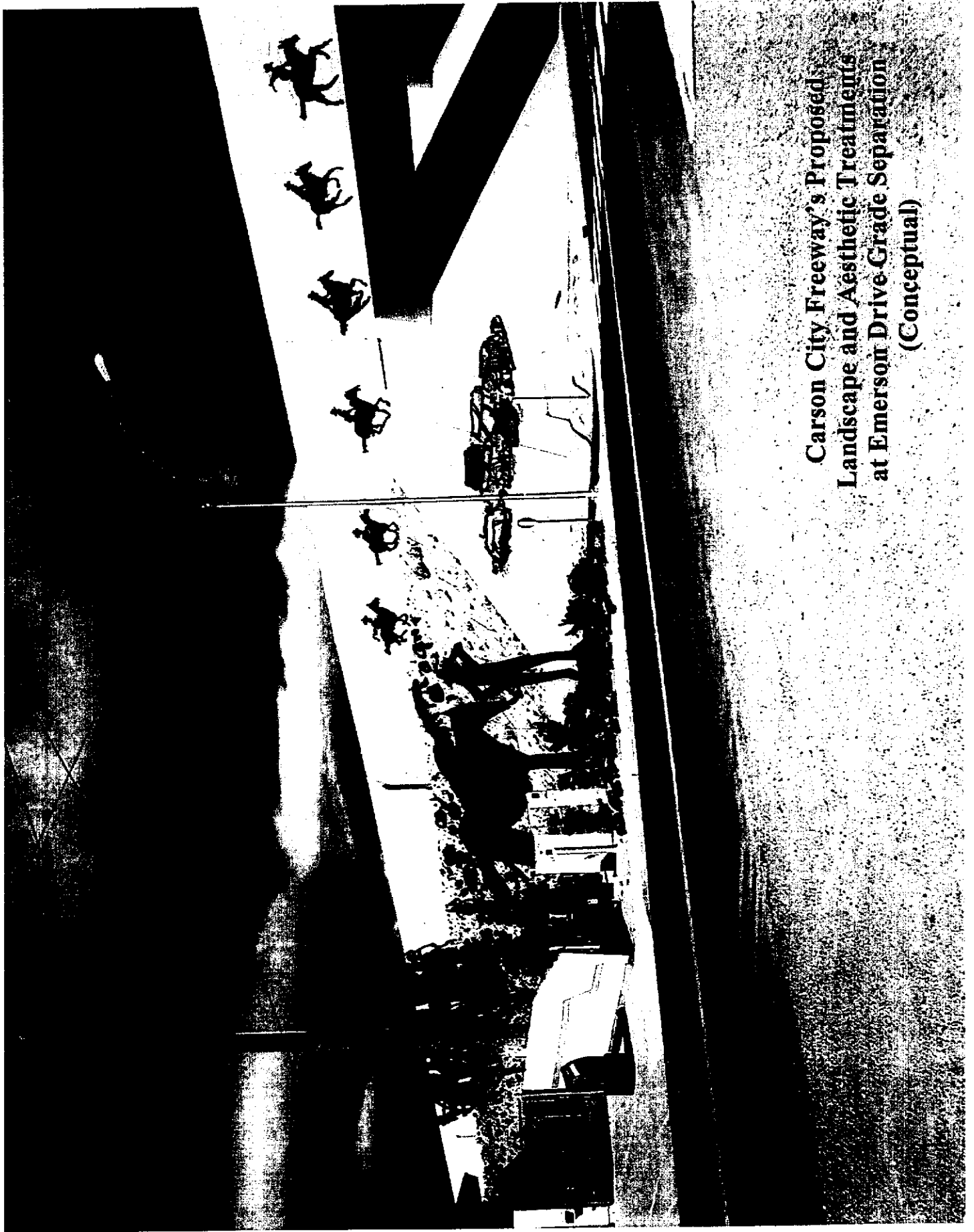
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For more information, please contact Vern L. Krahn, Park Planner, at the Carson City Parks and Recreation Department at 887-2262, Extension 30343.

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Exhibit A



Carson City Freeway's Proposed
Landscape and Aesthetic Treatments
at Emerson Drive-Grade Separation
(Conceptual)

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Have a say in the way the CC Freeway landscaping will look

Posted by [Dave Morgan](#) in [Uncategorized](#) on January 11, 2010



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It'll be something (for some of us) we will have to look at for decades. So have your say about how the landscaping for the Carson City Freeway ought to look.

No Comments



The reckless driving didn't get him arrested. It was his attitude.

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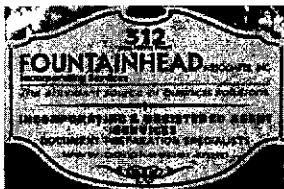
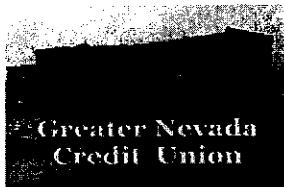
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Public input sought on visual treatments for freeway interchanges

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Monday, January 11,

Nevada Appeal Staff Report

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Carson City and members of Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides (GROW) group are inviting the public to attend an informational meeting regarding the proposed landscape, hardscape, visual and aesthetic treatments for the Carson City Freeway.

The informational meeting is set for 5:30-8:30 p.m. Jan. 19 in the Sierra Room and front lobby of the Carson City Community Center, 851 East William St.

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Project representatives will be available during the entire meeting to discuss the project with residents and answer their questions.

Comments on the project may also be submitted in writing at the meeting or by e-mail through Jan. 26 to VKrahn@ci.carson-city.nv.us with Carson City Freeway Landscape in the subject line. Comments can also be mailed to Vern L. Krahn, Park Planner, Carson City Parks and Recreation Department, 3303 Butti Way, Building #9, Carson City, Nevada, 89701.

For more information, call Krahn at 887-2262, Ext. 30343.

<http://www.nevadaappeal.com/article/20100111/NEWS/100119977&parentprofile=search>

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING **Exhibit D**

DAY: Tuesday

DATE: January 19, 2010

TIME: 5:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Sierra Room and Front Lobby
Carson City Community Center
851 East William Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING REGARDING PROPOSED LANDSCAPE, HARDSCAPE, VISUAL, AND AESTHETIC TREATMENTS FOR THE CARSON CITY FREEWAY

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In accordance with NRS 241.020, this agenda has been posted
before 9:00 a.m. three working days before the meeting
at the following locations:

- City Hall, 201 North Carson Street ✓
 - Carson City Library, 900 North Roop Street ✓
 - Carson City Public Works Department, 3505 Butti Way ✓
 - Carson City Community Center, 851 East William Street ✓
 - Carson City Planning Division, 2621 Northgate Lane, Suite #62 ✓
 - Carson City Parks & Recreation Department, 3303 Butti Way, Building #9 ✓
- Carson City, Nevada

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Tickets are still available for the 2010 Western Nevada College Wildcats Athletics fund-raiser featuring Boston Red Sox second baseman Dustin Pedroia, at the Peppermill Resort Spa Casino in Reno. Tickets cost \$100. Tables of 10 are available \$1,000. The event benefits the WNC baseball and softball programs. The event includes a three-course prime rib dinner, hosted beer/wine, and live music. 445-3240. Flyer

Tuesday, January 19, 5:30 p.m.

Young Business Professionals (YBP)

(for those between 21-40)

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\$5 per person

Flyer

Tuesday, January 19, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Think our freeway is going to be just boring gray sound walls? Wrong! A committee has been working diligently to make our completed interchanges a work of art and you are invited to provide your input. The informational meeting will be held in the Sierra Room and front lobby of the Carson City Community Center (851 East William Street) Flyer Photo

Wednesday, January 20

Free Seminar

The New Affordable Health Care Program Unveiled

Presented by: Sherri Rice

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MEETING NOTICE:

Informational Meeting on Proposed Landscape/Hardscape for CC Freeway Carson City and Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides (GROW) are Holding an Informational Meeting Regarding Proposed Landscape, Hardscape, Visual and Aesthetic Treatments for the Carson City Freeway.

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Aesthetic look for freeway proposed

1-17-10

BY SANDI HOOVER

shoover@nevadaappeal.com

Gone are the days when motorists could look forward to nothing more than barren concrete freeway entrances and sound walls while traveling the nation's highways.

Residents will get an opportunity Tuesday night to review and comment on Carson City's History in Motion, a proposed plan to blend landscape, art and history into the six interchanges and grade separations of the north leg of the Carson City Freeway.

The themed idea builds on the Nevada Department of Transportation's vision for the entire Highway 395 corridor, which is intended to celebrate Carson City's history through motion and travel. The project will benefit freeway travelers as well as drivers on surface streets around the freeway.

"This could put a new face on Carson City and give us a new way to look at our city," said Park Planner Vern Krahn.

The meeting, sponsored by Carson City and Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides, will be from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Sierra Room and front lobby of the community center, 851 E. William St.

The public will be encouraged during the first hour to review the exhibits and talk with staff from the city, NDOT, GROW and project consultants, to share their ideas and ask questions.

A formal presentation will be offered in the Sierra Room during the second hour, with the

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final hour devoted to more informal conversations, said Krahn.

"We wanted to make it a convenient format so people would have lots of different opportunities to come in at different times," he said. "These are conceptual ideas, and we hope the public will respond positively, but we also hope that they will help us prioritize what's most important and least important as we move forward — what are their favorite elements and what they could live without."

Plans include a combination of steel sculpture cutouts, wooden structures, berms, paintings, boulders and landscaping. Native or drought-tolerant vegetation will be used in the landscaped areas, and all plantings will be drip-irrigated.

Mary Fischer, president of GROW, said the vision for creating aesthetic surroundings for the freeway started in 1997.

"What we have now is so much more than we ever dreamed when we thought about rocks and native vegetation," Fischer said. "We're very, very excited. The designer was so interested in Carson City history and this project has so much history in it. Nobody ever believed this would happen."

Fischer said it is critical that the community attend the Tuesday meeting and offer input.

"We hope an awful lot of people turn out for this," she said. "We've got some neat concepts, and all the comments people make are important to us, good or bad. It's a true community project with so much history in it that it's the kind of thing where tourists could get a map showing all interchanges with the history of our community."

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"Without these monies, we wouldn't be doing this," Krahn said. "It was not in the original plans for the freeway. This is a chance to come back and take another run at it."

Looking into the future, Krahn said funding is not yet available for the Highway 50 East Interchange, but plans call for a V&T theme. NDOT has received stimulus money for the Fifth Street Grade Separation and the Fairview Interchange, which will be the next step.

"Think of it as a history book, with each chapter having its own theme within that book," Krahn said.

After the public meeting, the concepts will be refined and a detailed design process will be completed between March and June. Final design is scheduled from July through mid-October, and the project could go to bid in December with work starting in early 2011.

Exhibit H

To download a PDF of the project overview with photos and drawings, go to www.carson-city.nv.us and click under "What's New."

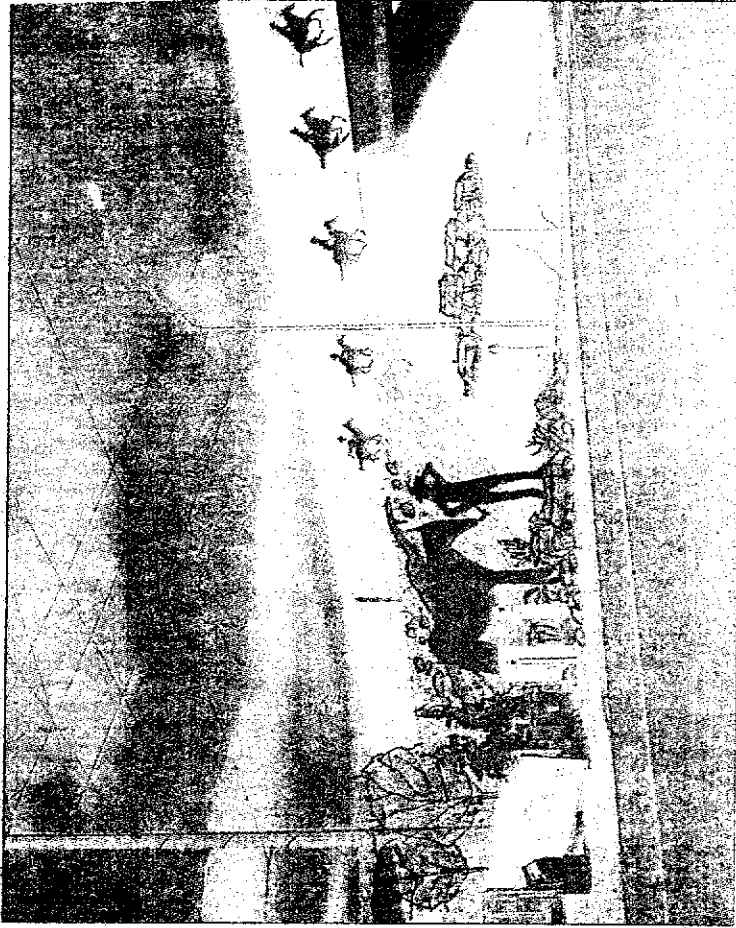
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For more information, call Krahn at 887-2262, ext. 30343.

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Proposals for History in Motion project

- **NORTH CARSON INTERCHANGE** — Eagle Valley Concept: Creates a gateway to the Eagle Valley and Carson City, portraying its character prior to settlement, as well as wildlife in motion through steel cutouts of a soaring eagle, casting a shadow on concrete and deer herds running through native pines, junipers and boulders.
- **ARROWHEAD DRIVE INTERCHANGE** — 1919 Transcontinental Motor Convoy Concept: Commemorates the U.S. Army's test to drive military vehicles cross-country. The convoy traveled through Carson City and included a young Dwight Eisenhower and ultimately led to the present interstate highway system. The interchange would depict a cutout of a truck in quicksand with soldiers pulling it out, a large coast-to-coast map of 1-80, convoy images, and cutouts around a timber bridge with a truck ready to cross.
- **NORTHGATE LANE AND EMERSON DRIVE GRADE SEPARATIONS** — Pony Express Concept: Celebrates the Pony Express' brief but colorful history with sculptural steel horse trails meandering up slopes, galloping Pony Express riders on sound walls with workers erecting telegraph poles, possibly travelers watering horses at Sam Davis
- Ranch ponds, a Pony Express recruiting poster being read by steel cutout of a cowboy with saddle, a Pony Express station as a shade shelter with two benches, Sand Springs inspired rubble foundation, steel corral with a horse being shod, mail pouches hanging from a column and a hitching post.
- **COLLEGE PARKWAY INTERCHANGE** — Comstock Lode Concept: Portrays the equipment and mining activities that were an essential part of the silver boom that helped Nevada gain statehood and spurred Carson City's growth. It will depict ore carts on railroad tracks in the median, ore spilling out rocks, a painted tunnel with forced perspective showing a mule emerging with an ore cart, a railroad track running through mine tailings, ore veins on a slope, steel cutouts of miners working around a tunnel and square-set timber frames.
- **CARMINE/NORTHBRIDGE GRADE SEPARATION** — Stagecoach Concept: Features the colorful characters and events associated with travel by stagecoach with a bouncing steel stagecoach and horse cutouts traveling through a boulder-strewn landscape and mural images of Hank Monk and Horace Greeley along with a line from the story sandblasted into the slope paving.



A conceptual image of the proposed landscape and aesthetic treatments at the Northgate Lane and Emerson Drive grade separation depicts a Pony Express theme. Residents will get an opportunity Tuesday night to review and comment on Carson City's History in Motion.

COURTESY CARSON CITY

IF YOU GO

WHAT: Public Forum for the Carson City Freeway Landscape Project
WHEN: 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday
WHERE: Carson City Community Center, 851 E. William St.
PHONE: 887-2262, ext. 30343

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**Opinions about Carson
landscape sought**

Remember when:

1997: NDOT said no to landscap-
ing the freeway and GROW -
Gardeners Reclaiming Our
Waysides — was formed?

2002: Carson City supervisors
approved a landscape plan for the
freeway which would be built if and
when money was available?

2005: GROW and NDOT were
awarded a grant in the
Transportation Equity Act - H.R.3
for the Enhancement of the Carson
City Bypass?

Now, a dream is becoming a real-
ity. You, the residents of Carson
City, have supported this effort
through the years. Now, you are
needed to give your opinions on the
landscape, hardscape, visual and
aesthetic treatments being pro-
posed for Phase I of the Carson City
Freeway. The implementation of
final design will be funded by the
2005 Transportation grant and a
NDOT community match grant.

On Tuesday, Jan. 19, the design
proposals for the gateways and
interchanges of Phase I will be pre-
sented at an information meeting
at the Carson City Community
Center from 5:30-8:30 p.m.,

At 6:30 p.m. a presentation by
Winston & Associates (the design
consultants) will be given. Open
discussion, questions, and com-
ments are encouraged throughout
the evening.

Come and spend as little or as
much time as you wish. Everyone's
comments will be considered and
appreciated. The designs are excit-
ing and have a historical trans-
portation theme. Your input is
needed. The finished project will be
an asset and a source of pride for
Carson City in the years to come.

MARY FISCHER

President GROW

Carson City

NEW APPEAL

**Freeway project
cost unbelievable**

It's unbelievable to me to see an
article for artwork for our freeways
in the amount of \$2 million plus.
This will become the new target for
graffiti artists, and we will be paying
for constant cleanup also.

And, this coming at a time when
state workers are being considered
for yet another furlough day and no
overtime during the furlough pay
period.

And, our education system is
being asked to sacrifice even more
in the lives of our children and our
future. Unbelievable.

NORMA SOMMERS

Carson City

1-23-10
NEW
APPEAL

**The slight odor 1-31-10
of a boondoggle**

I'm a little confused. Are we
proposing to spend nearly \$3 mil-
lion on cosmetic improvements to
the already completed portion of
the Carson bypass? Has anyone
noticed that the bypass ends at
Fairview? Correct me if I'm wrong,
but I thought it was supposed to
connect to Highway 50 going up
Spoooner Summit.

Wouldn't that \$3 million be bet-
ter spent actually extending the
bypass? Talk about shovel ready.
Hasn't this thing been on the plan-
ning boards for 20 years? I know
that \$3 million is a trifling amount
these days but wouldn't it pay for
some grading or something? I
thought the state was broke.

Don't get me wrong, anything
that improves our town is fine by
me but aren't we painting the deck
chairs on the Titanic here? How
much has the planning already cost
us? Seems like we need to get our
priorities straight on this one. This
has more than a slight odor of
boondoggle.

PATRICK MCGUIRE

Carson City

NEW
APPEAL

Public Forum

Carson City Freeway Landscape Project

January 19, 2010

Carson City and Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides (GROW)

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Public Forum Comments

Public Forum Date: January 19, 2010, 5:30 to 8:30 PM
Carson City Freeway Landscape Project
(Notes Compiled by the Design Team)

Open House

The first hour of the public forum was conducted as an open house. This allowed the public forum attendees to review presentation boards that illustrated concept plans for each interchange / grade separation in the project area as well as their supporting graphics and illustrations. Meeting attendees also had the opportunity to ask questions and make comments and suggestions to City Staff and the Design Team.

Some of the comments from this portion of the public forum included:

- Use expanded metal for cutouts.
 - Cost Savings
 - Wind Resistance
 - Graffiti Resistance
- Prefer rocks and vegetation over cutouts.
- Likes deer, eagle, and motor convey.
- Likes Pony Express concept.
- Likes Pony Express concept but feels that that concept is more suited to Highway 50, since Highway 50 is closer to the actual route.
- Include Joann Skelly (Cooperative Extension Office) in the plant selection process.

Public Presentation

Introductions

Vern Krahn and Mary Fisher opened the public presentation with introductions of both the Design Team and GROW members present, including Marie, Jan, and Jim Kiley.

Power Point Presentation by the Design Team

Paul Kuhn of Winston Associates presented the following:

- Purpose of Tonight's Meeting
- Freeway Landscape Project History
- Freeway Landscape Project Area
- Progress to Date
- Design Process Status
- Next Steps: Design Refinement
- Freeway Corridor Concept (NDOT's Vision)

- North Segment Design Charrette
- Stakeholder Points of Consensus
- Design Parameters

Paul followed this with an explanation of each interchange and grade separation using the color plan views and illustrative graphics.

Participants were encouraged to follow up the meeting by submitting additional questions or comments on the NDOT or Carson City Websites, or to submit their comments to Vern Krahn.

Key Points of the Presentation

- Made it clear that the concept plans *intentionally* showed more improvements than could be constructed within the current budget. The Design Team and Stakeholders (GROW, City Staff, and NDOT Staff) did not want to 'presuppose' the preferred design elements or scope of the landscape enhancements. One of the purposes of this public forum was to solicit comments (both positive and negative) from the public and gather feed back on their priorities.
- Noted that there was strong support for the overall concept for the Freeway Corridor -- which was based on Carson City's history. This aspect of the design was not 'likely' to change, unless major objections were raised by the public or decision-makers.
- Emphasized that the physical environment of the Freeway Corridor-- (road maintenance chemicals, high winds, poor soils, slopes, and a need for reduced water usage) created a constraint for intensive landscape plantings.
- Described on-going maintenance costs as a major concern the plans for the Freeway needed to address and could limit the scope of irrigated landscaping within the corridor.
- Mentioned how the Bike Path is slated to follow the entire corridor.
- Explained that a theme based on the V&T Railroad was suggested for the Highway 50 interchange
- Explained that an alternate idea for the north side of Northgate/Emerson grade breaks could be to base a theme on the historic Sam Davis Ranch and traveler's use of its watering holes.
- Acknowledged that the concepts included regional interpretations in some cases. For example, while the Comstock boom was not actually based in Carson City, the city served as a gathering place for materials and processing.

Question & Answer Period

- 1Q: Who is going to be responsible for maintenance and is money set aside?
- Paul: A one-year maintenance period is included in the \$2.2 million that has been budgeted for construction.
- Vern: RTC Gas Tax Funds will be used to fund subsequent maintenance and would be administered by City staff or contracted out.

- 2Q: There has been similar work in the Las Vegas area. What has been the experience with graffiti and vandalism?
- Lucy: Research and NDOT's experience has shown, that these types of treatments tend to be viewed as an enhancement of the quality of life by the residents in the area and they experience less vandalism and graffiti as a result.
- 3Q: Just wanted to say that these ideas weave a harmonious tapestry of wildlife, plants and history.
- 4Q: What might not be included in the final product? Can you tell us?
- Paul: The Design Team will work to apply the scope of the final improvements even-handedly across the north segment and eliminate as few key elements as possible. May cut back on quantity of boulders, or the number/size of talus slope treatments, but the Design Team did not want to make those choices without public input. Let us know if there is something you want us to leave in or take out. The allocation of the budget over the north segment is a general number at this time, which is consistent with the nature of conceptual-level design.
- 5Q: Comment about the timeline theme? Who is your audience; side streets or highway users? Any thought about the highway side?
- Paul: Because of the 12' sound walls along most segments of the highway, it's hard to take the theme to the highway user. No resources have been dedicated to the highway viewer at this point.
- Vern: We are sensitive to that idea, but we have an elevated freeway for the North segment, level (at grade) in the middle segment, then a drop below grade, and then back up into the canyon on the south end. A variety of opportunities will eventually be provided, for the highway user, especially in subsequent phases. The multi-use path also gives us a lot of opportunity for exposure.
- Paul: Valid comment though. We will look at other options for getting enhancements to extend above the sound walls. It may be able to get imagery on the highway side of the sound wall, but only if these are painted images since the sound walls are also crash barriers.
- Mary: We have talked about this and it may be possible to develop a brochure later to explain these nodes along the highway – similar to the Blue Line walk in Carson, where the brochure tells you about historic homes. Brochures about the Freeway could be made available at local lodging or visitor centers.
- 6Q: Historically, many races/ethnicities were involved in this area (Chinese, Basques, etc.) but it might be too complex if we tried to drag everything into the north segment. There was a Chinese Museum proposed near Mound House about which there was great excitement. During the course of your discussions was there any consideration of Chinese participation? If Chinese businessmen were coming here; would they notice dedications to the Chinese, acknowledging their back breaking contributions?
- Paul: We discussed using Chinese miner images at College Parkway. We could include a Chinese laborer in that group. There are opportunities to include Chinese imagery in the Comstock concept, the V&T Railroad theme proposed the Highway 50 interchange, or Fairview Drive.

Other: Good to consider Basque, Chinese inclusion.

Lucy: Ample opportunity to still do that, especially with the Basque and Chinese on other areas of the freeway.

Public Comments (Written on Comment Sheets Included with the Handouts)

From January 19, 2010 Public Forum

Comments recorded are verbatim per the comment, except those items in brackets ([text])

Comment 1.

I'm excited about these proposals. I love the sculpture ideas. I think that's very creative, especially incorporating history into the presentation. Native plants are the answer whether they need supplemental irrigation to get started or long-term irrigation to support incense cedars and Jeffrey Pine.

Thanks to GROW for their long-time commitment to this project. Why shouldn't CC have beauty and interest along its roadways? Thank you for all the hard work! Well done!

Comment 2.

The weaving of history, wildlife, inactive recreation and landscape is perfect for our area. As for people represented, we should see cowboys, express riders, Native Americans, Asian miners and rail workers and sheep herders. Perfect presentation!

Comment 3.

Historic theme is appropriate – Carson City is “proud of its history...confident in its future.”

Regarding the pony express display...I suggest only 1 or 2 riders, otherwise it looks like a horse race. The job of a rider was lonely and dangerous. Instead of a horse being shod, perhaps an express shelter with a horse being saddled.

No vines in the mines!! Nothing grows in the mines. [sic: Referring to the proposal to plant vines at the base of the square set framing at College Parkway)

Very exciting ideas!

-Jan Miller

[phone number provided]

Comment 4.

I think the long-term maintenance costs and who will be responsible should be nailed down.

I know a lot of time and effort has been spent on this issue, it just wasn't clear to me about the costs and just who will be responsible years down the road. -

Comment 5.

In your research of Carson City, did you find any references to people with disabilities?

-Jane Richards
[phone numbers provided]

Comment 6.

How exciting and enlivening for CC! BRAVO! This is terrific! We've recently traveled to Albuquerque NM and were very impressed with their freeway aesthetics and enhancements. It does impress a tourist. CC has many good impressions to give its residents and tourist

-Kate [last name illegible]

Comment 7.

Maintenance on slopes?
Highway side? Can't see much of design
Timeline idea is lost because can't see from highway.
Why do all interchanges? 99% of community will not see
Safety in islands?
Corten [sic: Steel]— lagging?

Comment 8.

Gentlemen,
We support the historical display of the Pony Express display on the freeway.
However – it would be more appropriate at the Highway 50 intersection since that is the incoming and outgoing route of the Pony Express activity.

Sincerely,
Dale and Bonnie Ryan
[phone number provided]

From: Vern Krahn
To: Ronni Hannaman
CC: Jim Gallegos (E-mail); Lucy B Joyce; Mary Fischer; Roger Moellendorf;...
Date: 1/27/2010 4:28 PM
Subject: College Parkway - Landscaping Concerns

Ronni.....

As always, nice to hear from you !!!

The short answer to your question is:

- 1) As currently proposed there will be no landscaping at the College Parkway Interchange.
- 2) We are aware of Tom's concerns regarding the reduction of landscaping throughout the entire project area and in particular, the elimination of landscaping College Parkway Interchange.

The thinking behind this decision is:

1) The College Parkway Interchange is different than the other freeway interchanges or grade separations in the project area and it is difficult site for plant materials for the following reasons:

a) Snow plowing and sanding activities at the interchange will harm or kill most, if not all the plant material in the throw zones. Typically, snow plows move through this interchange quickly tossing snow and sand great distances behind the sidewalk. I was just over there this afternoon and you can see the distribution patterns.

b) The concern underneath the bridge structure is too much shade for the establishment and healthy growth of the plant materials. In addition, shade tolerant plant materials are typically more delicate and the above activities (snow plowing and sanding) could put the City's park maintenance crews into a "no win" scenario by having to replace plants every spring caused by damage snow removal and sanding. As a result, it would increase the City's maintenance costs. The bridge creates a wind tunnel effect under the structure and could lead to plant desiccation (plant water loss / drying out the leaves) by the wind during both the summer and winter months.

c) Under the bridge structure the areas between the concrete slope paving and the sidewalks act as storm water conveyance channels. Once again, I was over there today and there is a lot of standing water in these areas. Could the grades in these areas be re-contoured to drain better ??? Yes, but the plant material in these areas could still get too much water to thrive. (for a plant too much water is just as bad as not enough)

d) Due to traffic safety factors (sight distances and clear zones limitations) in a high speed area, including the above mentioned snow plowing and sanding activities there was very little area to landscape in the traffic islands, specifically for trees. In addition, putting park maintenance workers out in these islands presents safety concerns for the City.

If my above arguments haven't convinced you, Scott and I would be glad to drive out to the interchange, meet you, and walk through it with you..... Of course, Tom is welcome to join us !!!

VERN

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>>> "Ronni Hannaman" <director@carsoncitychamber.com> 1/27/2010 1:45 PM >>>
no plants at College Parkway interchange? Is this really true?
When I was at the meeting, the discussion centered on plants here.
That has changed? What is the thinking here?

Got a call from Tom Henderson of Healthy Trees who is appalled about this.

Ronni Hannaman
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(2/10/2010) Vern Krahn - Carson City Freeway Project

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From: "Ronni Hannaman" <director@carsoncitychamber.com>
To: "shelly Aldean" <shelly@tristatecommercial.com>, "Vern Krahn" <VKrahn@ci...>
CC: "Jim Smolenski" <1smolenski@att.net>
Date: 2/8/2010 1:19 PM
Subject: Carson City Freeway Project

I regret that due to a heavy schedule this Wednesday and the lateness of the notice to appear before your committee, the Chamber must show the support of the Carson City Freeway Project via e-mail. This unique proposal to make our interchanges more attractive to locals and motorists is a fine idea and fully supported by the Chamber. We do, however, have a reservation about the College Park interchange and hope that something can be worked out satisfactorily to soften the look of this interchange. We do understand the challenges posed but urge you to talk with experts on how this interchange can utilize a tree or two that would thrive in what seems to be a hostile environment.

We congratulate you on making Carson City even more beautiful!

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Project to blend history, art along 395

BY SANDI HOOVER

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1-20-10

A small but enthusiastic group turned out Tuesday night at the community center to get a closeup look at plans for landscaping along the north leg of the Carson City Freeway.

History in Motion is a proposed plan to blend landscape, art and history. The themed idea builds on the Nevada Department of Transportation's vision for the entire Highway 395 corridor, and is intended to celebrate Carson City's history through motion and travel.

Becky Mabray said she was excited about the project.

"It has expanded much more than they talked about years ago with just shrubs and things. I like that all the interchanges will have different themes," Mabray said.

"I remember when Mary Fischer of GROW (Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides) came over to our neighborhood and talked about plantings and rocks, but telling a little of the history here — I think that's nice," she said.

Her husband Bill also said he was impressed with the concepts but had a few concerns.

"One of the big concerns I have is being able to follow



CATHLEEN ALLISON/NEVADA APPEAL

Becky Mabray looks at one of the proposed landscaping plans for the Carson City Freeway interchanges on Tuesday at the Carson City Community Center.

through with it, and I'm concerned about the possible vandalism," Bill Mabray said. "It will also be interesting to me to see which they do first. If they put a feature in everyone's neighborhood, people can start to see that it's going to happen."

Dale Ryan, past president of the Nevada and the National Pony Express Association, said he attended to point out a problem.

"I'm concerned because the location of the Pony

Express went through Carson on Highway 50 or near there, so that location would be more apropos," Ryan said.

Otherwise, he said he was all for the plan.

"I'm for anything that will spruce up that freeway. It was like digging a river through Carson City, and I think this will make it more palatable to everyone," he said.

Work could start in early 2011 and is expected to take about a year.

Carson City received

about \$2.2 million for improvements to the freeway corridor with \$1.7 million secured through federal funding. The city also received \$500,000 through the Nevada Department of Transportation's Community Match Program.

Final design could be completed by October, with the project expected to go to bid in December.

The meeting was sponsored by Carson City and GROW.

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NEVADA
APPEAL

Wednesday, February 10, 2010

Revised highway project on view tonight

BY SANDI HOOVER

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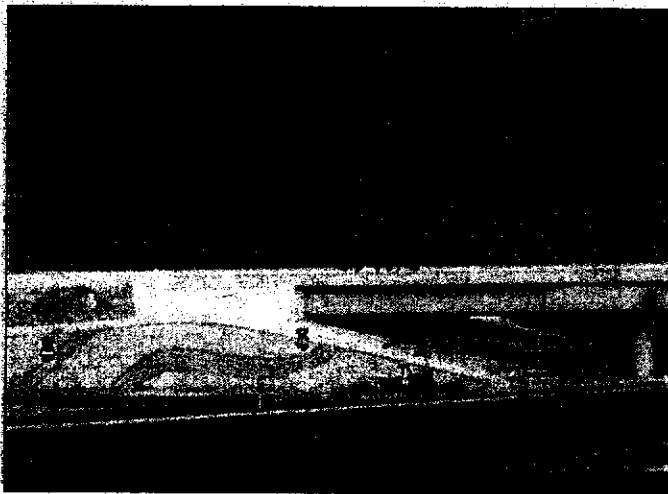
A revised Carson City Freeway Landscape Project will be presented to the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission today.

"The images have been modified based on the public comments the city received at the public information meeting on Jan. 19," said Park Planner Vern Krahn.

"The biggest changes are at the College Parkway Interchange with the addition of a mine head structure between the freeway bridges, and at Northgate and Emerson grade separations with the addition of images from the Sam Davis Ranch," he said.

Carson City's History in Motion is a plan to blend landscape, art and history into the six interchanges and grade separations of the north leg of the Carson City Freeway. Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides was heavily involved in the project.

The themed idea builds on the Nevada Department of Transportation's vision for the entire Highway 395 corridor, which is intended to celebrate Carson City's history through motion and travel.



Changes to the Carson City Freeway Landscape Project include the addition of a mine head structure at the College Parkway Interchange, left, and more images from the Sam Davis Ranch at Northgate Lane, above.

ARTIST RENDERINGS

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Those who have not yet seen the designs or those who want to see the changes

that have been made, are invited to attend the meeting.

The RTC meeting starts immediately following the 5:30 p.m. Carson Area Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting in the Sierra Room of the Community Center.

January 26, 2010

Carson City is seeking public comments on the proposed Carson City Freeway Landscaping Project. Could your department for the next seven to ten days set out the enclosed project information packets in a public location for the public to pick up ??? On the last page of the packet there is a comment sheet for the public to provide the City with comments on the project.

It would certainly assist the Parks and Recreation Department and Public Works Department in the City's informational and outreach efforts.

Thanks for your assistance in advance !!!

Vern L. Krahn
Park Planner



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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Carson City Freeway Landscape Project

Carson City and Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides (GROW)
RTC Presentation: February 10, 2010



Goal for the Carson City Freeway Landscape Project: To design and implement landscape and aesthetic enhancements for the three interchanges and three grade separations that make up the north leg of the Carson City Freeway in order to improve the visual experience for residents, motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians and to celebrate Carson City's distinctive history and character.

Design Process: The following steps are envisioned to complete the design process for the Freeway Landscape Project (all time frames shown are approximate).

- **Concept Plan Design:** Develop the concepts and themes for each of the six areas -- the current phase of work -- which continues through the end of February, 2010
- **Preliminary Design:** Refine the concepts and begin the detailed design process (March through June, 2010)
- **Final Design:** Finalize the construction documents for the physical implementation (July through early fall, 2010)
- **Bidding and Contractor Selection:** Late fall through end of 2010
- **Construction:** Work to commence late 2010 or early 2011

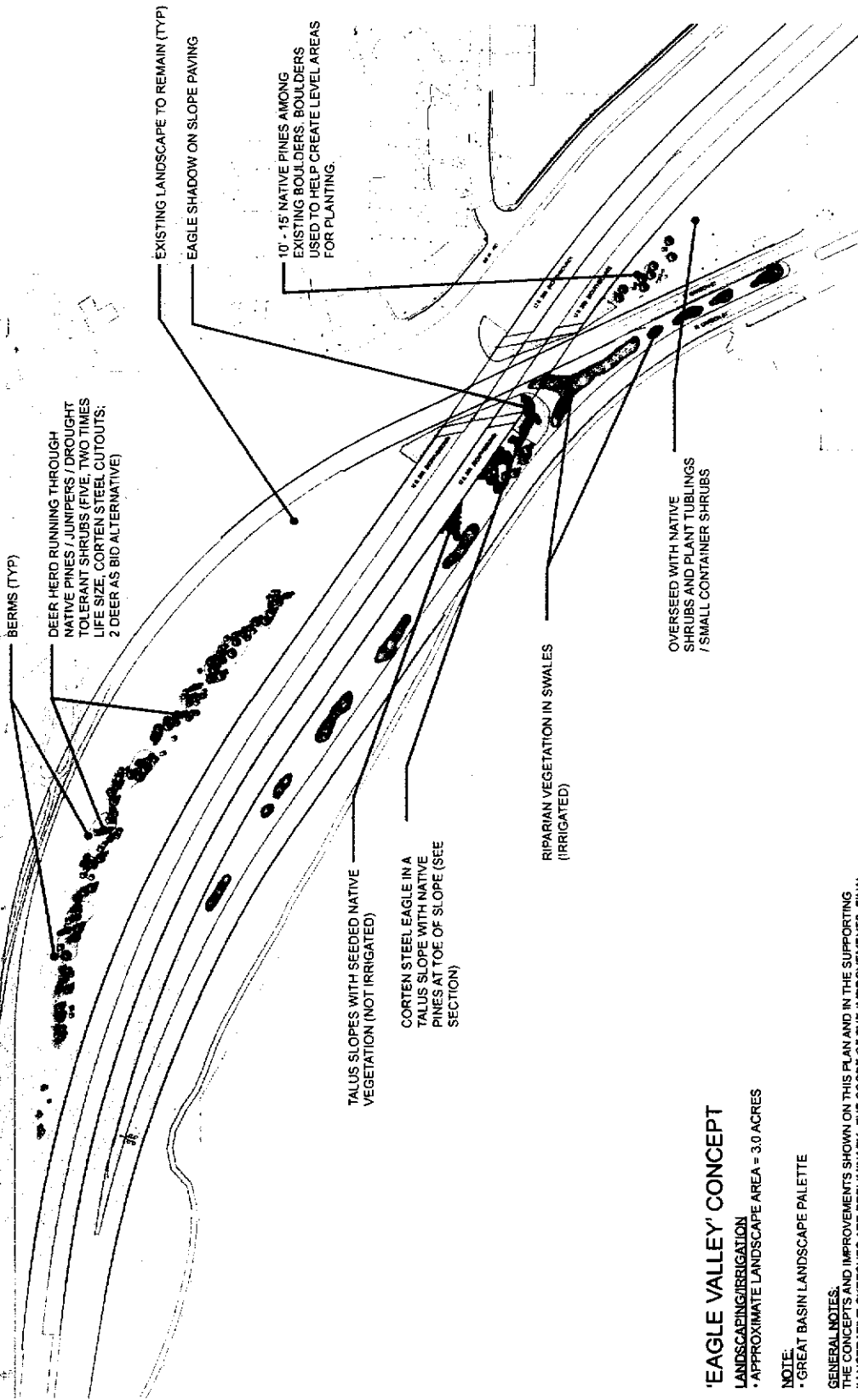
Funding: Total funding for the project is approximately \$2.2 million and is already in place. Funding is from a combination of Federal funds and the NDOT Community Match Program. The design work has been funded by the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission.

Concept Plans and Themes: The current plans are **conceptual** and intended to convey the overall approach for each area. The scope, extent, locations, and materials used for the improvements shown will change in response to design refinements, available funding, as well as safety and maintenance concerns.

Design Theme: "Carson City's History in Motion". This idea builds on NDOT's vision for the entire 395 corridor, which will celebrate Carson City's history when complete. Conveying the city's history through motion and travel is a central element of the north segment's theme.

- **North Carson Interchange: Eagle Valley Concept.** Creates a gateway to the Eagle Valley and Carson City and portrays its character prior to settlement as well as wildlife in motion.
- **Arrowhead Drive Interchange: 1919 Transcontinental Motor Convoy Concept.** Commemorates the US Army's test to drive military vehicles cross-country, which traveled through Carson City. The convoy included a young Dwight Eisenhower and ultimately led to the development of the current interstate highway system.
- **Northgate Lane and Emerson Drive Grade Separations: Pony Express Concept.** Celebrates the Pony Express' brief but colorful history as well as the Sam Davis Ranch.
- **College Parkway Interchange: Comstock Lode Concept.** Portrays the equipment and mining activities that were an essential part of the silver boom that helped Nevada gain statehood and spurred Carson City's growth.
- **Carmine / Northridge Grade Separation: Stagecoach Concept.** Features the colorful characters and events associated with travel by stagecoach, including a race between competing stagecoach lines.

BID ALTERNATIVE
OPTION FOR TWO
ADDITIONAL DEER
NORTH OF HIGHWAY



'EAGLE VALLEY' CONCEPT

LANDSCAPING/IRRIGATION
• APPROXIMATE LANDSCAPE AREA = 3.0 ACRES

NOTE:

• GREAT BASIN LANDSCAPE PALETTE

GENERAL NOTES:

THE CONCEPTS AND IMPROVEMENTS SHOWN ON THIS PLAN AND IN THE SUPPORTING ILLUSTRATIVE SKETCHES ARE PRELIMINARY. THE SCOPE OF THE IMPROVEMENTS, FINAL DESIGN, MATERIALS, AND PLACEMENT WILL CHANGE IN RESPONSE TO THE FUNDING THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR CONSTRUCTION AS WELL AS SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS.

NATIVE OR ADAPTED DROUGHT-TOLERANT PLANT MATERIAL WILL BE USED IN THE LANDSCAPE AREAS. ALL PLANT MATERIAL WILL BE DRIP IRRIGATED (NO SPRAY IRRIGATION).

NORTH CARSON INTERCHANGE

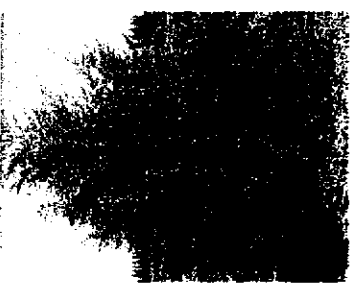
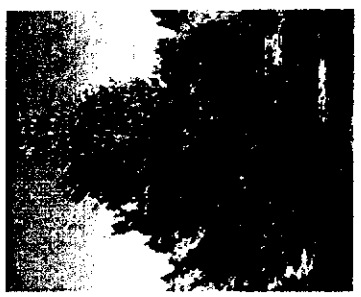


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NORTH CARSON INTERCHANGE

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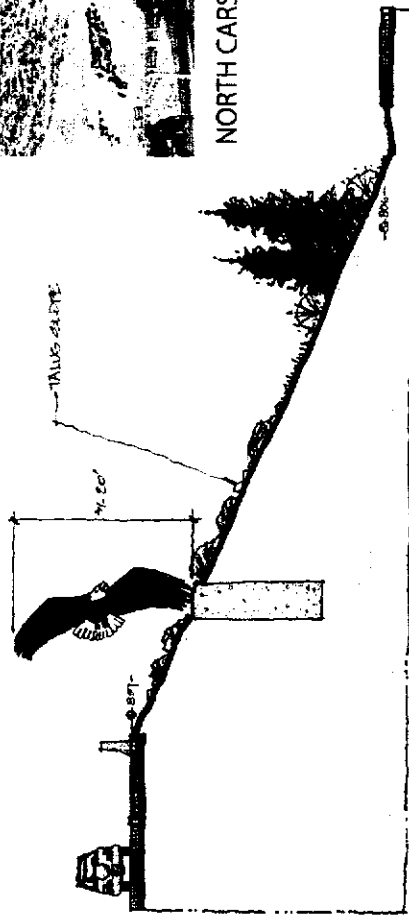
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MULE DEER HERD RUNNING THROUGH NATIVE PINES / JUNIPERS

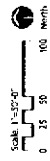


NORTH CARSON STREET LOOKING NORTH



CORTEN EAGLE SOARING TOWARD THE VALLEY

ARROWHEAD DRIVE INTERCHANGE



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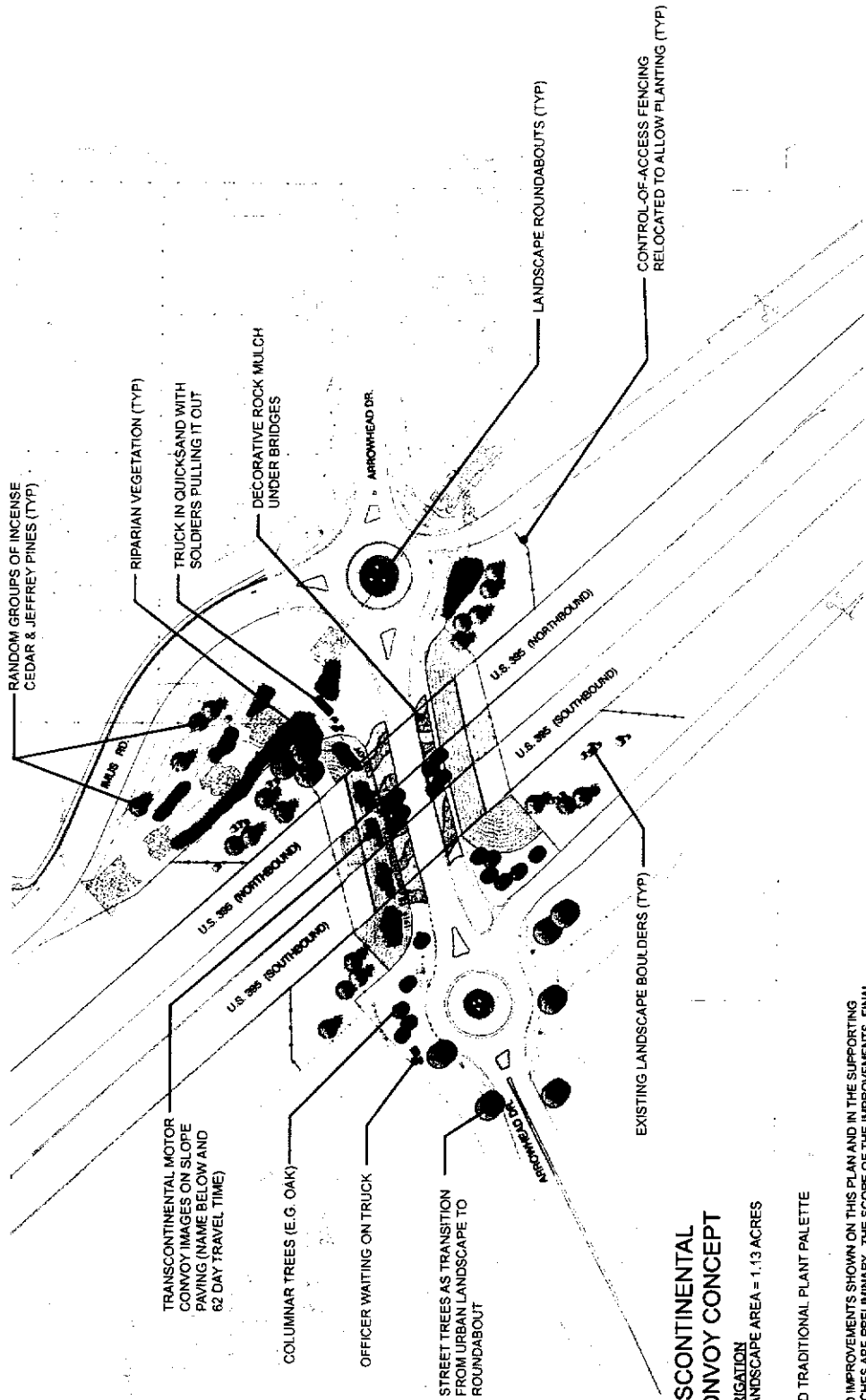
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1919 TRANSCONTINENTAL MOTOR CONVOY CONCEPT

LANDSCAPING/IRRIGATION

• APPROXIMATE LANDSCAPE AREA = 1.13 ACRES

NOTE:

• GREAT BASIN AND TRADITIONAL PLANT PALETTE

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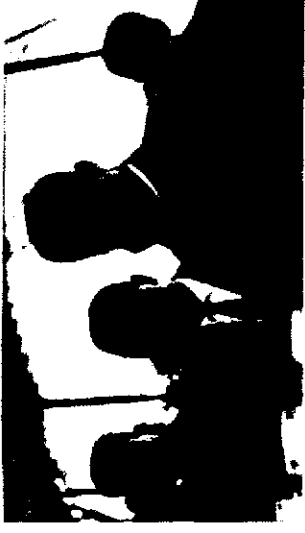
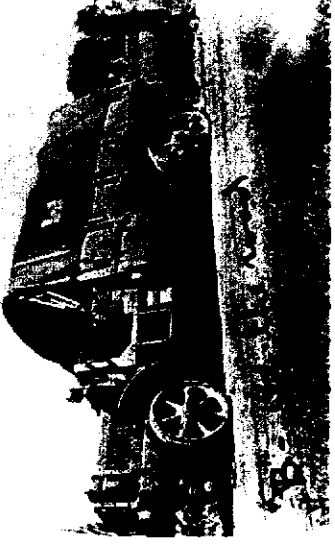
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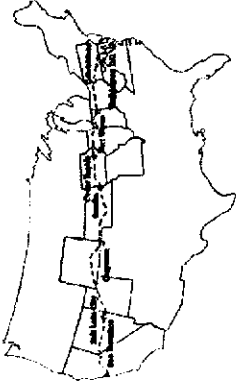
TRUCK IN QUICKSAND WITH SOLDIERS PULLING IT OUT (LOCATED ON EAST SIDE OF OVERPASS)



OFFICER WAITING FOR SOLDIERS TO PULL TRUCK OUT OF QUICKSAND (LOCATED ON WEST SIDE OF OVERPASS)



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ARROWHEAD DRIVE INTERCHANGE

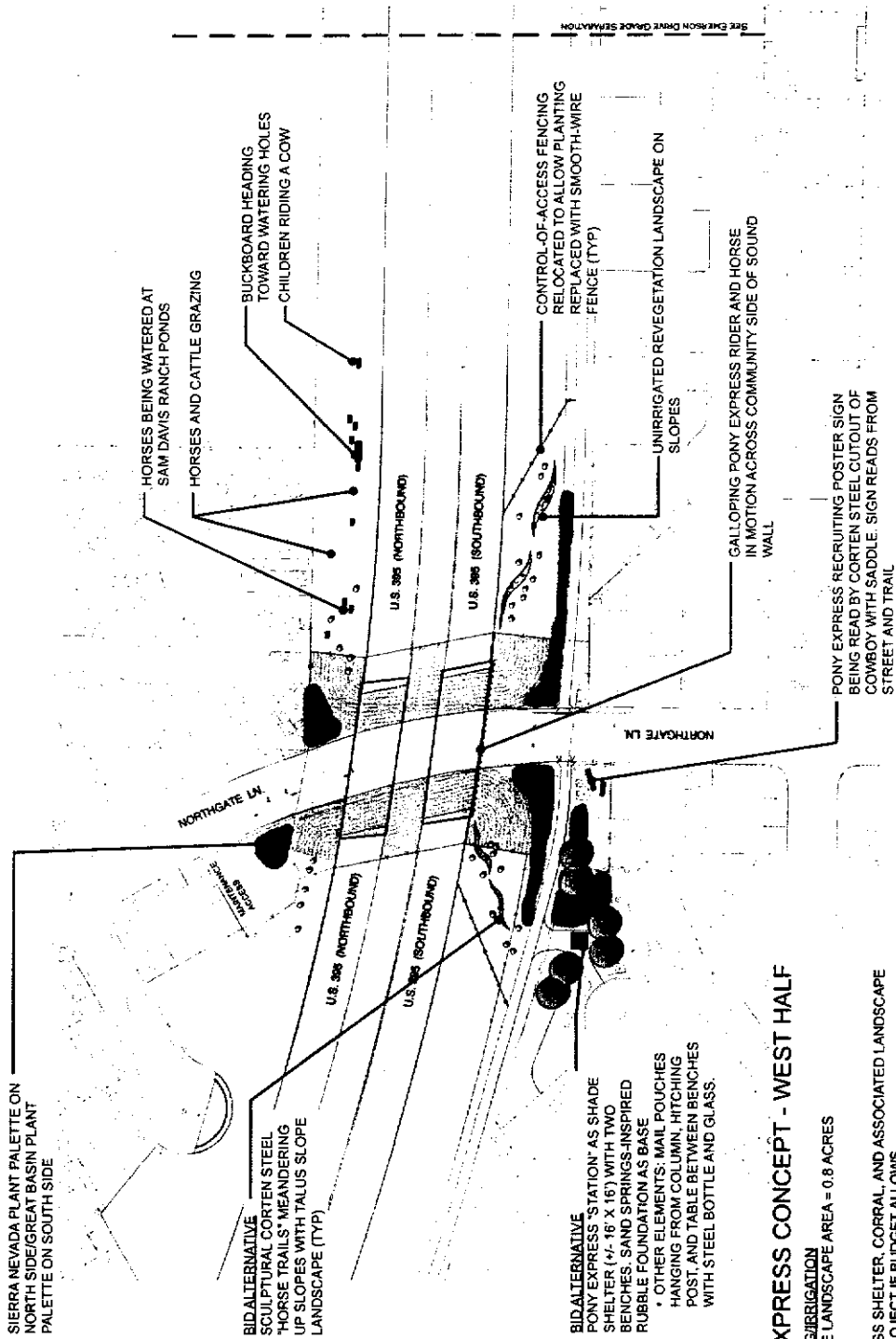
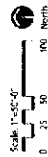
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PONY EXPRESS CONCEPT - WEST HALF

LANDSCAPING/IRRIGATION
APPROXIMATE LANDSCAPE AREA = 0.8 ACRES

NOTE:
PONY EXPRESS SHELTER, CORRAL AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE
ADDED TO PROJECT IF BUDGET ALLOWS

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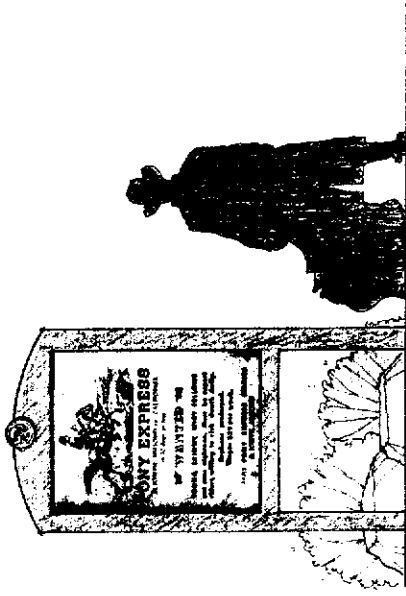
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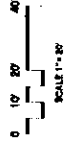
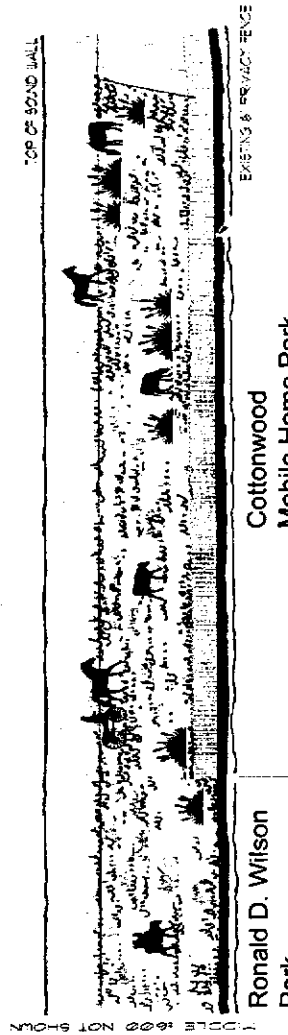
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PONY EXPRESS RECRUITING POSTER SIGN BEING READ BY CORTEN STEEL CUTOUT OF COWBOY WITH SADDLE. SIGN READS FROM STREET AND TRAIL



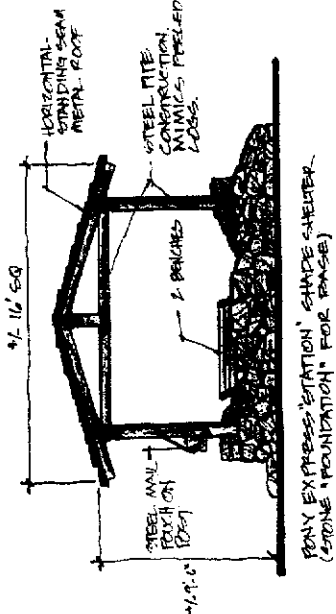
GALLOPING HORSE INSPIRATION (SEE EMERSON DRIVE ILLUSTRATION)



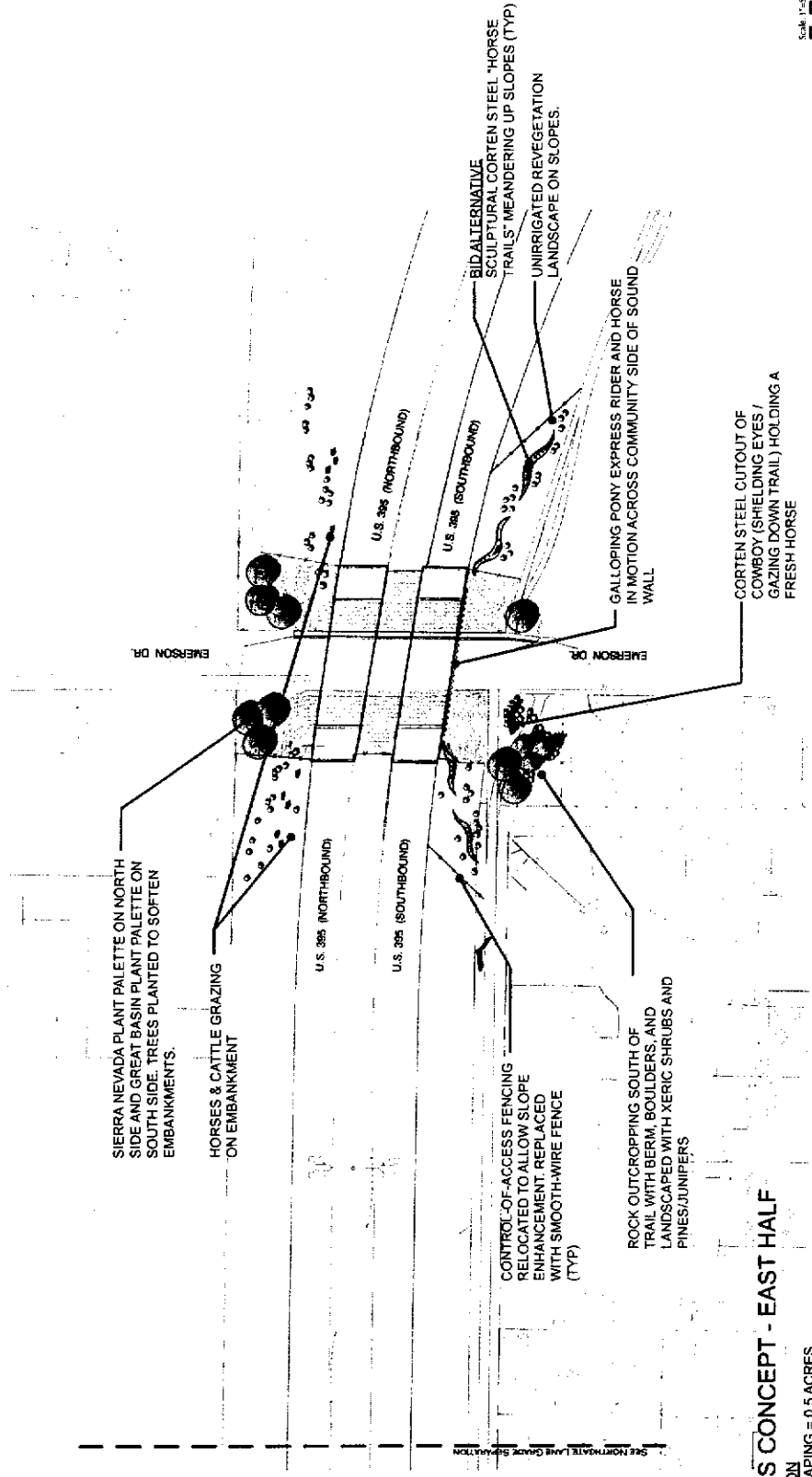
SAM DAVIS RANCH INSPIRATION FOR NORTH-FACING SLOPE AT NORTHGATE LANE



HISTORIC COLD SPRINGS PONY EXPRESS STATION FOUNDATION



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PONY EXPRESS CONCEPT - EAST HALF
 LANDSCAPING/IRRIGATION
 • APPROXIMATE LANDSCAPING = 0.5 ACRES

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CORTEN STEEL CUTOUT OF COWBOY HOLDING A FRESH HORSE WHILE GAZING DOWN TRAIL. PONY EXPRESS RIDER "GALLOPING" ALONG SOUND WALL.



SILHOUETTES OF HORSES AND CATTLE GRAZING

Scale: 1 inch = 20 feet
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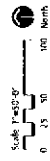


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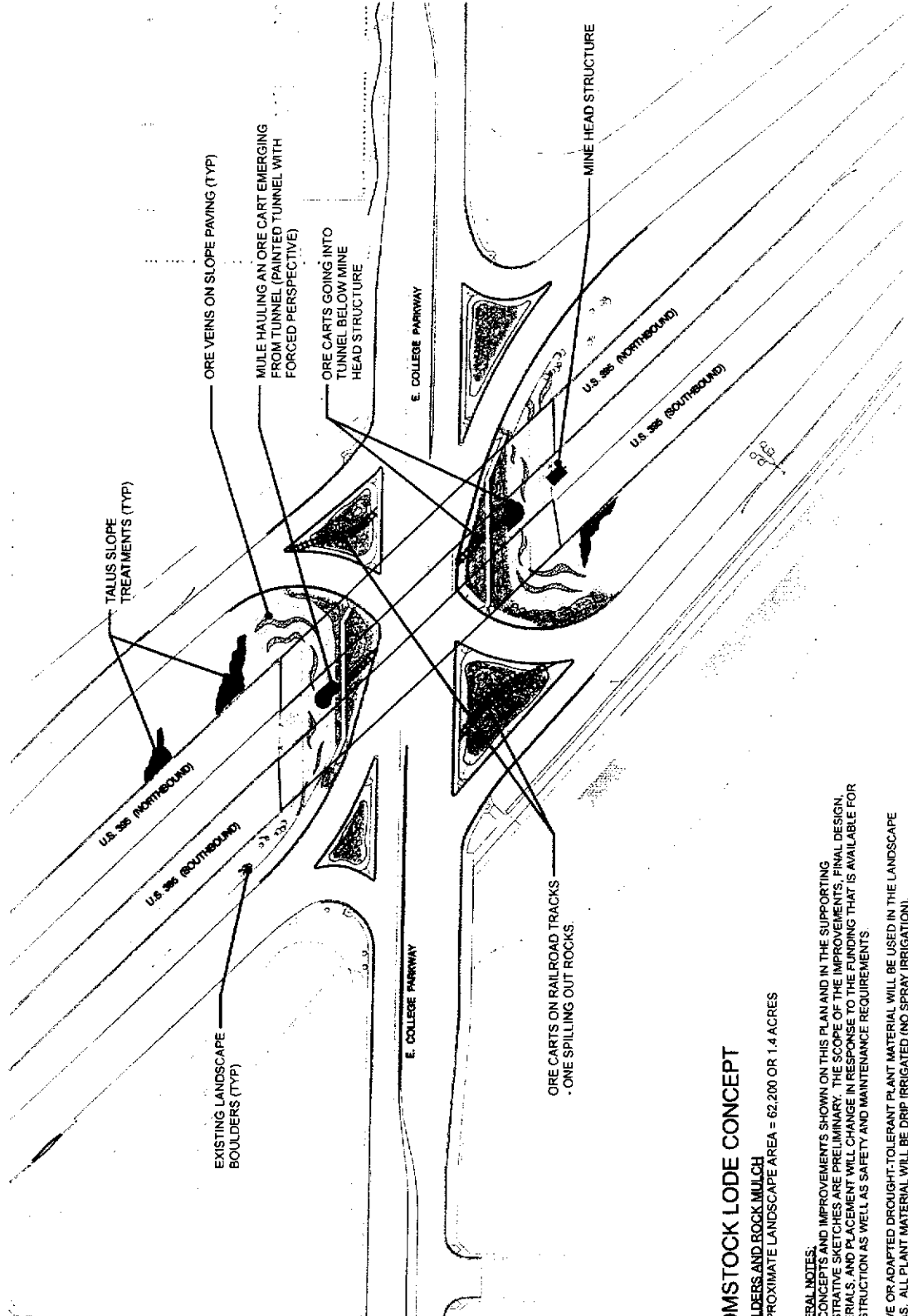
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COMSTOCK LODGE CONCEPT

BOULDERS AND ROCK MULCH

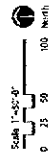
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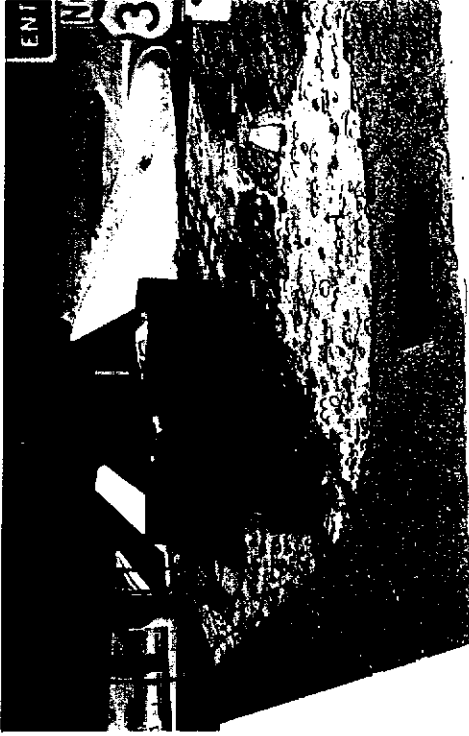
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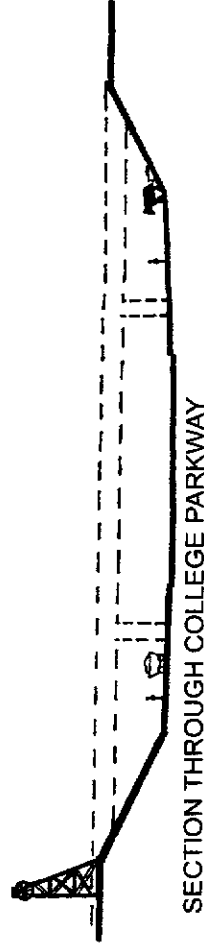
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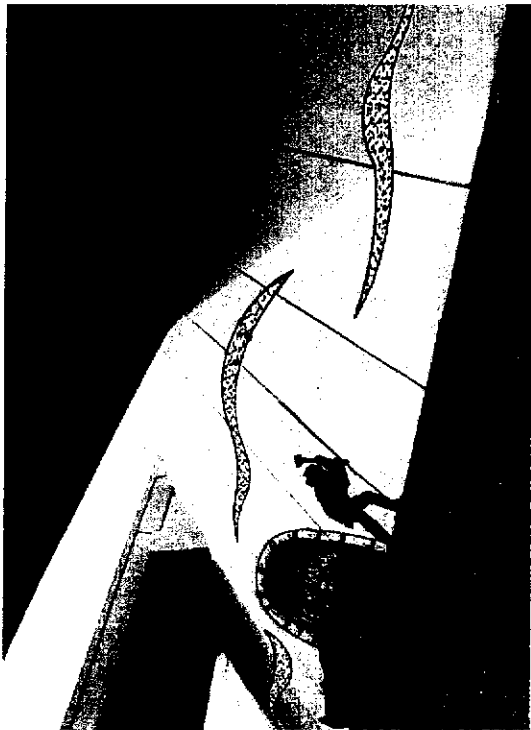
ORE CARTS ON RAILROAD TRACKS IN MEDIAN



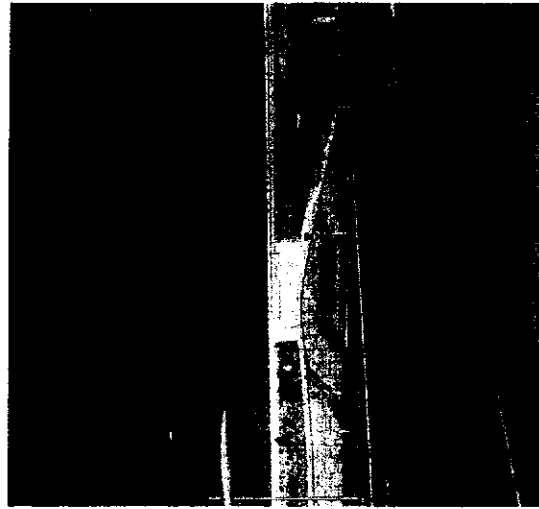
SECTION THROUGH COLLEGE PARKWAY



MINE HEAD

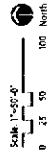


MULE PULLING ORE CART EMERGING FROM TUNNEL WITH "SILVER ORE VEINS ON SLOPE PAVING"

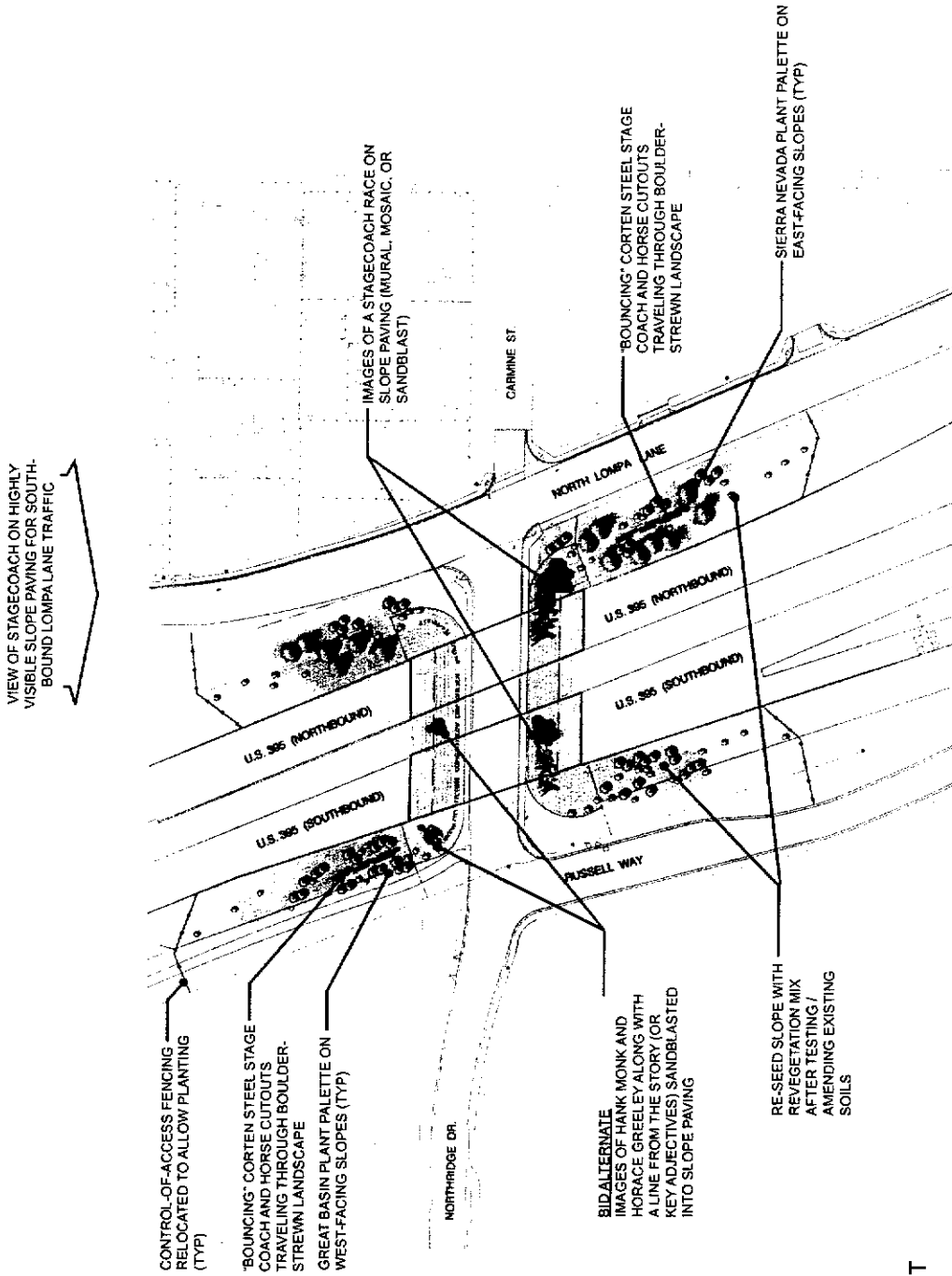


MINE HEAD STRUCTURE AND SILVER ORE VEINS VIEWED FROM COLLEGE PARKWAY

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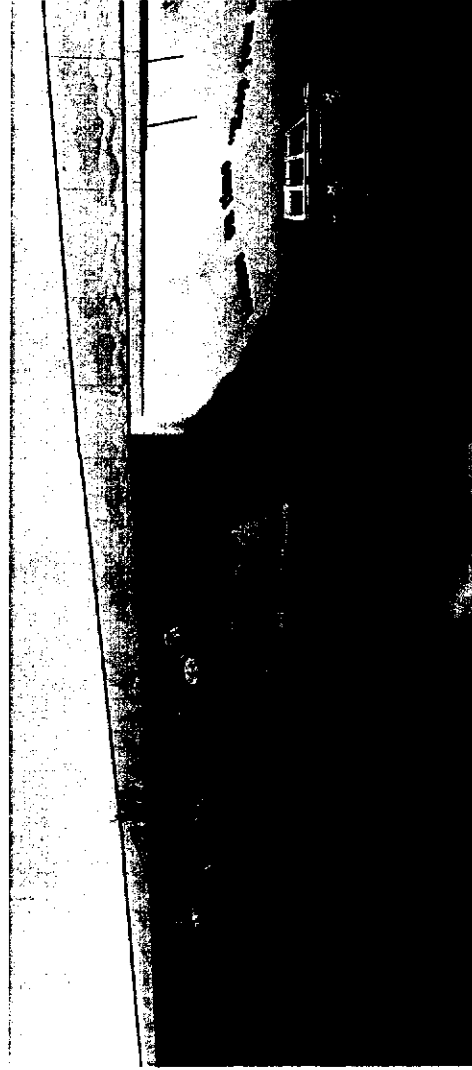
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