

US 50 Community Advisory Group Ground Rules

IDOT thanks you for agreeing to serve on the US 50 Community Advisory Group (CAG). We appreciate your taking the time to help us develop an improved facility for you and your neighbors. We look forward to developing a strong relationship with you as we move this very important project forward.

This CAG is composed of various stakeholders who have an interest in the US 50 project. Members include people who reside or work in the area as well as individuals who represent affected governments, organizations and agencies.

The proposed CAG ground rules are:

- All input from all participants in the process is valued and considered.
- All participants will come to the process with an open mind and participate openly and honestly.
- All participants in the process will treat each other with respect and dignity.
- The project must progress at a reasonable pace based on the original project schedule.
- All decisions by IDOT must be made in a clear, transparent manner and stakeholders should agree that their input was duly considered.
- We ask that you try and attend all of the meetings – if you should miss a meeting and decide to send a substitute in your place, please apprise this person of the details of all previous meetings so the group can continue to make progress.
- Serve as a two-way conduit of information by keeping your organization, or neighbors, informed of the CAG's work.
- Because we respect your time, all meetings will start on time and finish on time.

Please note that these ground rules apply to everyone, including the IDOT project team.

The IDOT project team will distribute material, including an agenda, in advance of meetings. We respectfully ask that you read the material beforehand and come prepared to contribute to the discussions.

While the CAG meetings are open to the general public, these sessions are intended to focus on the discussions of the Advisory Group. Other opportunities such as small group meetings or public meetings are available for the general public to offer their input to the IDOT team.

Decision Making

IDOT has the responsibility of making final decisions related to the US 50 project. As its name implies, the CAG is advisory to IDOT as they relate to the proposed improvements.