

Highlights from the City of Windsor's Presentation

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Historical Context:

- Five year Historical Context
 - January 1998, Council resolution re: NAFTA Superhighway Coalition
 - April, June and August 1999 Resolution re: WALTS
 - July 2002 resolution re: Short Term Corridor Improvements

Problems and Issues:

- Border Capacity
- Provincial Highway Void
- Lack of controlled access connection
- Multiple road Authorities (n.b. Planning)

Short Term Alternative Concepts and Regional Now Solutions:

- Non-infrastructure
 1. Customs and Immigration Staffing
 2. High Technology Processing
 3. Operational strategies (e.g. VMS, Queue management, Video monitoring, EMO, etc)
 4. Public Agency to review Border Crossing Operation Strategies
- Infrastructure
 - (a) On site improvements (non-EA or Scoped EA)
 1. Bridge Plazas
 2. Rail Tunnel
 - (b) Planned Roadway improvements (expedite EA)
 1. Within existing ROW
 2. Within Master Plan; single jurisdiction
 3. Avoid obvious impacts such as costly Property acquisition, impacts on built up areas, etc
 4. E.G. E.C. Row/Lauzon Parkway, vs. HCR/Hwy 3

Concluding Remarks:

- Now Solutions may have Forever Implications
- Unwise to short-circuit a proper Public Planning Process
- Need for Vision, not knee-jerk reaction