

**Houghton Road at Old Vail Road/ Mary Ann Cleveland Way Intersection Improvements  
Public Meeting; Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2009  
Empire High School  
Comment Summary**

Roadway/Traffic	Drainage	Environmental	Art and Landscape	Construction/ Time Phasing	General Comments
<b>Comments Received at the Public Meeting</b>					
		40 feet between roadway and homeowners' walls (with six lanes of traffic) seems to be relatively close. Are there plans to put sound buffers in place, i.e. trees and shrubs?			
		Lighting along the corridor: My feeling on this is to exclude the lighting. Whether or not the corridor is lit, bicyclists should be using headlights when riding at night (this may be required by current law). Thank you for your time and hard work.			
					Informative and helpful. Please let me know if I can be of assistance. Thank you!
		I would be in favor of keeping as few lights as possible off the Corridor. We like the rural feel; and it was an important reason we bought in Rita Ranch. Keep the big city feel out of our beautiful and unique east side, please! Keeping that feel is important to the appeal.			
It doesn't make sense to do this in non-consecutive chunks because you have people switching back and forth between six lanes and two lanes. This will cause bottle-necking and a higher possibility of accidents. This can be avoided if sections #7 and #9 are switched.					
I have a concern about drivers cutting across the gore at the last minute and causing a collision with a driver in the right-hand turn lane. I would like to see a temporary barrier until the gore becomes a traffic lane. My experience with Tucson drivers (Houghton Road and Valencia Road, Escalante Place and Kolb Road southbound) is that drivers ignore signage in order to gain a few car lengths on a driver that is following the rules of the road. I have gotten passed on the right and cut off so many times on Kolb Road southbound at Escalante Place, that I now move over to the left-hand lane prior to approaching this intersection to avoid these drivers that continue to pass on the right.		Instead of street lights or no lights along the bike path, have you considered post lights (3 feet tall) or ground level lighting to allow night time use, but reduce overall light levels?			