



GLENN HIGHWAY & HILAND ROAD INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS STAKEHOLDER MEETING MOA SOLID WASTE SERVICES

July 29, 2026, 10:00-10:30 a.m.

Microsoft Teams

Project Team Attendees

Galen Jones, P.E., Project Manager, Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

Kelly Kilpatrick, P.E., Project Manager, DOWL

Sam Tyler, P.E., Project Engineer, DOWL

Morgan McCammon, Public Involvement, DOWL

James Armstrong, P.E., Manager of Engineering and Planning (Outgoing), Anchorage Solid Waste Services

Keith Baltozer, Manager of Engineering and Planning (Acting), Anchorage Solid Waste Services

Russ Porter, P.E., Anchorage Regional Landfill Gate Replacement Project Manager, Steph Engineering

Meeting Summary

Members of the project team held a stakeholder meeting with representatives of Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) Solid Waste Services (SWS) via Teams on Wednesday, July 29, 2026, from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Project Status

Galen Jones, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) project manager shared an update on the meeting purpose and project status.

- Glenn-Hiland Interchange design has reached the 95% review milestone.
- DOT&PF expects certification and funding obligation by late November/early December 2026, with advertisement for construction bids in January 2027 and construction beginning summer 2027.



- Meeting also served as a transition discussion as James Armstrong hands off responsibilities to Keith Baltozer.

Gate Replacement Coordination

- SWS has tasked Stephi Engineering with developing gate replacement design information that can be incorporated into the DOT&PF project. Russ Porter is the project manager for this project.
- Current scope is limited to:
 - Replacing the existing gate.
 - Specifying gate equipment and controls.
 - Electrical requirements and associated infrastructure.
- Russ requested:
 - AutoCAD base mapping.
 - Existing conditions and proposed improvement drawings.
 - Clarification on how gate plans should be incorporated into the DOT&PF contract documents.
- The draft gate design is expected by mid-to-late August 2026.

Open Decision: How the Gate Will Be Delivered

- Team has not finalized whether:
 - The gate replacement will be included in the DOT&PF construction contract, or
 - SWS will procure/manage it separately through municipal procurement.
- Galen recalled previous discussions indicating DOT&PF and Right-of-Way (ROW) staff were leaning toward including the gate work in the DOT&PF contract.
- Concerns were raised that treating the gate as a contractor-developed work package could create schedule delays due to long equipment lead times. A defined gate pay item may better support the project schedule.

ROW Updates

- DOT&PF ROW staff are preparing the parcel plat needed for the project.
- The acquisition strategy has shifted from full acquisition to a permanent easement, allowing the MOA to retain ownership while DOT&PF gains rights for construction, operations, and maintenance.
- Once finalized, the parcel documents will be transmitted to MOA staff to begin the formal process.



SWS Facility Projects

- Russ clarified that previous discussions around larger landfill improvements have been split into separate efforts:
 - The tipping building replacement is moving forward.
 - Scale house/customer service improvements remain on hold pending the interchange project and ROW decisions.
 - The current effort being discussed is only the gate replacement project.

Drainage and Stormwater Concerns

- DOT&PF is experiencing design challenges associated with runoff originating from the Anchorage Regional Landfill (ARL) property flowing into the project area.
- DOT&PF must manage and infiltrate stormwater under MS4 requirements, making the additional off-site water a concern.
- The team discussed:
 - Potential grading or berming strategies to keep ARL runoff on ARL property.
 - Whether future SWS projects could incorporate infiltration facilities.
 - Constraints posed by an existing 20-inch gas main, which limits grading options.
- Additional infiltration testing will be completed before determining next steps.

Fence Coordination

- Team reviewed previous discussions regarding fence modifications near the gate area.
- Some fence removals or adjustments appear acceptable to SWS.
- DOT&PF plans to include fencing modifications as project pay items and provide draft layouts for review.

Action Items

- Galen to:
 - Review previous discussions and emails regarding gate procurement and delivery strategy.
 - Continue coordination with DOT&PF ROW staff.
- Kelly/Sam to:
 - Send AutoCAD base maps, proposed geometry, and draft fence layouts to SWS.
 - Review gate requirements and determine plan-sheet approach (likely electrical sheets).



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Interchange Improvements

- Russ/SWS to:
 - Continue coordination on gate requirements and future drainage considerations.
- Geotech Team to:
 - Coordinate access and perform infiltration testing on landfill property.