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Results of On-line Transportation Survey



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Executive Summary

The purpose of this survey was to gather initial input regarding transportation issues in unincorporated Sumner County. This information along with other multiple public input opportunities will assist in developing a transportation plan that is mindful of residents' desires and concerns. This survey is not a scientific survey and was available on the Kwiksurveys.com website from May 12 to May 31, 2010. A total of 58 responses were received.

Those polled felt that there were three transportation corridors for focused improvements: completion of SR 109 widening from Interstate 65 to Interstate 40; widening of US 31E/SR 6 from Gallatin to the Kentucky State Line; and widening of SR 386/Vietnam Veterans Boulevard. The development of mass transit and non-motorized infrastructure were important issues.

Congestion, connectivity, expansion of bicycle, pedestrian, and transit infrastructure, safety, and economic growth were cited by respondents as issues that future transportation decisions and funding should address. A number of traffic safety issues were mentioned particularly along heavier traveled roadways such as SR 386/Vietnam Veterans Boulevard, US 31E/SR 6, and SR 109. The responses were not aggregated together since many respondents mentioned specific locations with termini.

Most respondents mentioned the need for a mass transit system. Some expressed concern about the feasibility because of cost and land use decisions made in the past. Those surveyed also expressed a need for the expansion of bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Some surveyed felt these were not as needed as in cities or there were better use of funds. Dedicated funding for both mass transit and bicycle and pedestrian facilities were mentioned.

In summary, Sumner County's transportation system must expand beyond its role of moving traffic. Moving people must include mass transit and non-motorized travel options for Sumner County to be seen as part of a major metropolitan area with a robust transportation system. Improvement of existing corridors is still important and should not be overlooked by the Tennessee Department of Transportation since these highways are state facilities. Funding is a major issue in addressing some of the important needs in Sumner County such as congestion, connectivity, expansion of non-motorized infrastructure, safety, and economic growth.



Question 1

What do you think are the top three (3) transportation issues in Sumner County? These can be specific projects, locations, issues, or ideas.

The following are the top five locations or projects described:

1. Complete widening of SR 109.
2. Develop mass transit to Nashville and within Sumner County.
3. Expand or develop alternate routes to Nashville and within Sumner County.
4. Widen US 31E/SR 6 from Westmoreland to Kentucky State Line.
5. Widen SR 386/Vietnam Veterans Boulevard.

The following are the top five issues or ideas described:

1. Expansion of non-motorized facilities (bicycle & pedestrian infrastructure).
2. Traffic congestion.
3. Need for mass transit.
4. Maintenance of facilities and infrastructure.
5. Driver behavior.

Responses received:

	Projects or Locations
1	PASSENGER RAIL Gallatin,Hendersonville to Downtown Nashville (Music City Star)
2	Completed TRUCK ROUTE around Gallatin
3	Completion of 109
4	Building bicycle, pedestrian, and transit amenities
5	Rail and additional bus transportation to and from Nashville
6	Public Mass transit to Nashville
7	HWY 109 to I-40 completion
8	HWY 386 Widening
9	East/West connector north of Vietnam Vets and South of Long Hollow.
10	Improved access and signalizatio at Vietnam Vets exit 7.
11	Indian Lake Road Stop Sign Removal - Indian Lake Rod Extension through vacant land south of Berry Hill Subdivision
12	finishing 109 widening
13	109 Portland by-pass
14	Hwy 52 by-pass in Portland
15	Greenways
16	Dedicated Bike lanes
17	The major arteries traversing Sumner County need expanded to four lanes.
18	Rail to Nashville from Gallatin and Hendersonville
19	Northbound access to I-65 from SR-386
20	Four Lane New Shackle Island Rd. to Long Hollow Pk.
21	109 from Gallatin to Wilson County is most urgent with new bridge
22	mass transit asap

23	Mass transit access to Nashville. It is the state capital, and a large percentage of the population work there, live here.
24	End of Viet Nam Vets to the center of town
25	Mass transit to and from Nashville.
26	Highway 109 going to I-40
27	train or light rail to Nashville
28	Hwy. 31E from Gallatin to Westmoreland needs to be 4 lanes.
29	Hwy 109 widening/construction should have been done years ago
30	A route from Dobbins pike to 109
31	Increase lanes on Vietnam Vets from 4 to 6 or 8
32	Add lanes to 25 from 31 to 109
33	Make Hwy 31 a bike route.
34	Highway 109 -- construction of a 4 lane highway from I-40 to I-65
35	Bridge from Hendersonville to Old Hickory
36	4-lane thru Westmoreland
37	4-lane from Gallatin to Ky line
38	Add turn lanes to 31-e north to ky line
39	Four lane Highway 109 from Gallatin to Interstate 40.
40	New bridge across Cumberland River on Highway 109.
41	Vietnam Veterans from 65 to Indian Lake. There needs to be at least one more travel lane available.
42	Another E/W thoroughfare through Hendersonville that would lessen impact of incidents on 31E or 386.
43	Train transport to nashville
44	I-386 needs to be 3 lanes- I guess nobody thought of growth when they planned this highway!!
45	Deschea Creek Intersection needs a turning lane
46	Mt Vernon road intersection reduce speed limit
47	386 Drakes Creek Rd needs stop light
48	Commuter rail to Nashville
49	Need for reliable bus/van transportation throughout the county and its cities
50	Need bus transportation to nashville and around town and side walks
51	highway 386 need more lanes
52	Indian Lake and Vietnam Vets Bypass.
53	Being able to get from I-65 to Vietnam Vets from the north side.
54	Sanders Ferry Road in Hendersonville should be 5-laned, a bridge built over Old Hickory Lake connecting to Old Hickory Boulevard after Lakewood and a 3-lane connector built through Hunters Trail to intersect with an improved Old Shackle Island Road at Volunteer Drive.
55	Extending Molly Walton Drive to create an entrance/exit ramp with Vietnam Veterans Boulevard.
56	Highway 109 widening
57	New Portland Interstate Access with connector and West Portland Bypass
58	Highway 109 Bridge
59	Traffic (HWY31e) from Westmoreland to Gallatin. Widen the road.
60	Traffic on HWY109 widen the road.

61	passenger trains
62	Hendersonville Bypass is already clogged - it needs to be widened from 65 through H'ville.
63	31E CORRIDOR from Gallatin north to Westmoreland
64	Vietnam Vets Exit 7 onto Indian Lake Blvd.
65	Hwy 25 (Red River Rd) in Gallatin - where Long Hollow Pike intersects
66	VVets, between New Shackle & Center Point
	Issues or Ideas
1	Safety and speed along Vietnam Vets
2	Need additional lanes on major roads
3	Educating motorist - slow (less than speed limit) traffic move to the right, etc
4	Lack of mass transit
5	Driving while using a cell phone
6	bad air quality due to gas engines
7	city congestion, walking and biking paths needed
8	Improved connectivity
9	Commute to Nashville
10	Pedestrian/bicycle friendly spaces
11	Improved traffic flow on the by pass
12	Subdivisions being built without Traffic Impact Studies to identify necessary infrastructure improvements and determine the developer's responsibility to make or pay for those improvements.
13	Traffic congestion when driving thru Gallatin to get to and from Hiway 386.
14	rt 109 bridge over the Cumberland into Wilson County not safe for bicycle or pedestrian traffic.
15	rumble strips not placed correctly and shoulders not swept after strips are layed down. debris causes injuries and damage to equipment and discourages walking and biking.
16	connectivity and truck routes need to be considered if we want to encourage commerce, increase the movement of durable goods, prevent unneeded traffic jams and wasted fuels.
17	more intense planning and help from law enforcement during congestion
18	Crowdedness of Vietnam Veterans Blvd.
19	Everyone drives everywhere because there is not enough public transportation available.
20	Though we can't do anything about it, it's too bad we have to wait until 2035 to get light rail or whatever the terminology is.
21	condition of roads
22	no mass transit such as city buses
23	lack of signage
24	Connecting county with greenways where possible. This desired around the country and will be found if affluent areas around the country. It makes the county desirable to hard workers and job creators to relocate to.
25	Sidewalks and bike lanes. Again, when looking for places to live, these are considered. They are quality of life issues and safety issues.
26	Bike routes
27	Rural road congestion
28	Lack of public transportation

29	Increasing number of driveways onto major thoroughfares such as 31E
30	Congestion in rural areas of the county
31	Only one main artery to Nashville
32	Heavy development leading to greater congestion
33	Lack of planned development creates traffic issues throughout the county.
34	No public transportation
35	Too few direct connections across Hendersonville and Gallatin.
36	Speeding on back roads.
37	Not enough non automobile facilities
38	Sumner county needs bike lanes on roads that actually go some where.
39	Removal of all rumble strips.
40	More public transportation from Hendersonville to Downtown, airport, and other locations
41	Share the road with cyclists.
42	Wider lanes and/or separate bicycle lanes.
43	Smart rumble strips that don't penalize cyclists.
44	No public transportation in rural area's.
45	No sidewalks for walking. Safety issues. We would love to walk to school but it's not possible.
46	Lack of completed Greenway's for many areas.
47	Traffic
48	Maitenance
49	Brush and drainage along roads
50	Keep the speed limit on Highway 348 at 70 mph
51	Development and building without planning/building/upgrading the roads for increased traffic count. This causes a negative impact on what existing users are accustomed to and increases accidents.
52	Many of our narrow country lanes have clogged ditches and cause loose gravel to washout even in moderate rains.
53	Too many careless and speeding drivers. Distracted drivers, especially around shopping areas have come the closest to hitting my car.
54	Need more bicycle lanes on the backroads.Sumner Countys cycle community has increased greatly over the past few years and through no fault of anyone,someone will get hurt.
55	More patrolling for speeding
56	Public awareness of pedestrian and bicycle rules and laws
57	Bike lanes / routes - roads with shoulders are great like long hollow and gallitan. I wish that some of the debris (rocks, glass, organic matter) would be removed periodically. This debris can cause a cyclist to swerve to avoid and inadvertently into traffic. The debris can also cause a flat tire
58	Main street Hendersonville - why not time the lights for rush hour traffic?
59	Alternatives to metro: mass transportation, parkway or toll road from 31E/386 to Briley
60	safety ammenities for pedestrians and cyclists in communities: crosswalk signals, speed humps, caution signs, side walks and greenways.
61	Lack of Public Transportation/Alternatives to Cars
62	Lack of Sidewalks
63	Lack of bicycle facilities
64	Identification and signing of bicycle routes than interconnect with one another.

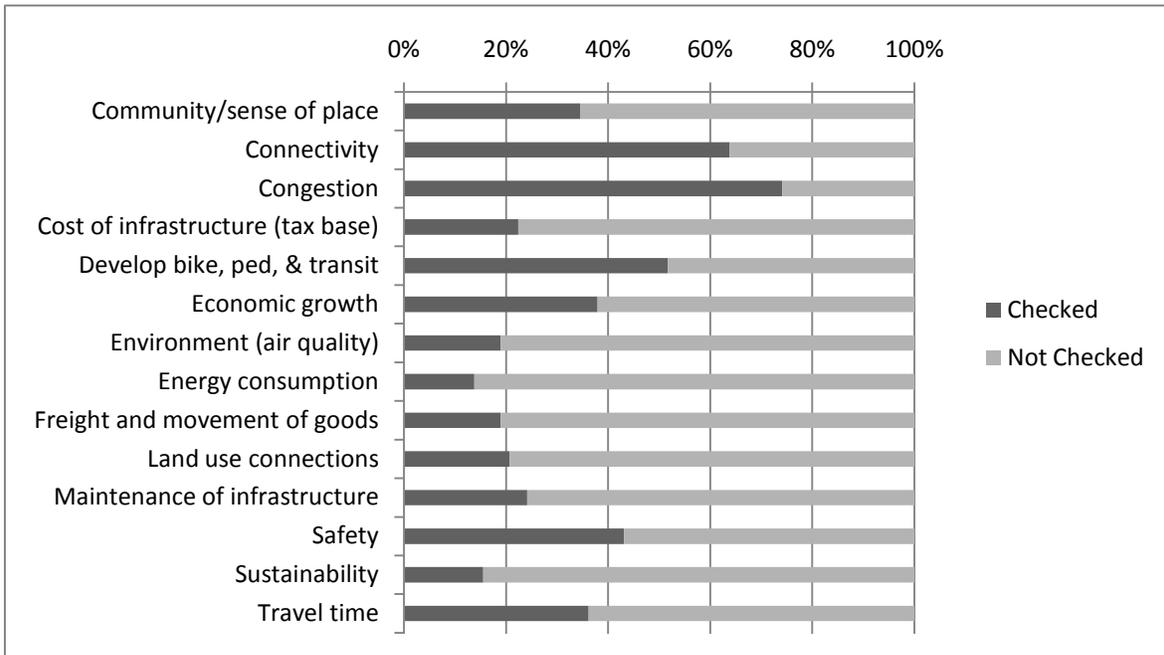
65	Plausible bicycle route(s) from Gallatin to downtown Nashville.
66	Planning now for increased public transportation which will be needed as gasoline price increase inevitably substantially.
67	need alternative way to get to nashville than 386 highway or main street gallatin road
68	The daily back up of I-65 NB from Long Hollow to 31W in the evening.
69	traffic along Main St/ Gallatin Road of Hendersonville
70	Traffic back up on Vietnam Vets exiting IL Blvd at rush hours
71	Back up of traffic on Indian Lake Blvd turning onto Anderson Lane - turn lane not long enough to accomodate traffic turning
72	Better timing/coordination of traffic lights on Gallatin Road in Hendersonville, especially between Anderson Lane and Cherokee Road.
73	Lack of public transportation.
74	Lack of adequate infrastructure in the Indian Lake corridor in Hendersonville.
75	Difficult access to major interstate corridors.
76	connectivity
77	bicycle paths
78	Traffic lights out of sync on Indian Lake Blvd. This wastes huge amounts of the residents time.
79	Safe roads for bicycles and no shoulders or sidewalks. I live on the indian lake penninsula and it is very dangerous to try and get anywhere from here. I can't let my kids ride on the roads as there is no shoulders.
80	Bypass conjestion from I-65 to Centerpoint Road in the afternoons. I think if the merge lane was leanghtened to Center point from Conference drive that would eliminate much of the daily backup.
81	No rail to downtown - Are you kidding me? This area does want to grow - right?
82	Poor planning - mostly by the cities. H'ville is great example. They barely had Walmart in and they were having to rip out newly poured concrete because they underestimated the traffic. If you get paid to estimate traffic, then you should do your job. Check out Frisco TX (Suburb of Dallas) if you want to see great growth planning.

Question 2

There are a variety of positive and negative impacts that are caused by the way we travel today. What are the most important impacts you think transportation infrastructure should address in Sumner County? Check the five (5) most important to you.

The following were the top impacts selected:

1. Congestion
2. Connectivity
3. Develop bicycle, pedestrian, and transit infrastructure
4. Safety
5. Economic growth



	NUMBERS			PERCENTAGES		
	Checked	Not Checked	Total Survey Respondents	Checked	Not Checked	Total Survey Respondents
Community/sense of place	20	38	58	34%	66%	100%
Connectivity	37	21	58	64%	36%	100%
Congestion	43	15	58	74%	26%	100%
Cost of infrastructure (tax base)	13	45	58	22%	78%	100%
Develop bike, ped, & transit	30	28	58	52%	48%	100%
Economic growth	22	36	58	38%	62%	100%
Environment (air quality)	11	47	58	19%	81%	100%
Energy consumption	8	50	58	14%	86%	100%
Freight and movement of goods	11	47	58	19%	81%	100%
Land use connections	12	46	58	21%	79%	100%
Maintenance of infrastructure	14	44	58	24%	76%	100%
Safety	25	33	58	43%	57%	100%
Sustainability	9	49	58	16%	84%	100%
Travel time	21	37	58	36%	64%	100%

Question 3

Where do you feel there are traffic safety issues in Sumner County? Name specific locations if possible.

Responses received:

1	386
2	31E north of Gallatin (Side View, BETHPAGE, Bransford
3	Big Station Camp Blvd.;
4	Drakes Creek Rd. north of Stop Thirty Rd. area of Knox Doss @ Drakes Creek Middle School
5	Entrance/Exit to "new" Kroger @ Cages Bend, TREES/Foliage block SAFE view to south on Cages Bend !!!
6	Vietnam Vets,
7	rural roads with no shoulder
8	Stop 30 at New Shackle and Drakes Creek Roads
9	When police officers park on SIDEWALKS for speed radar. Outrageous!
10	Remove photo lights. They CAUSE accidents. Have actual police officers or none at all. I HATE Gallatin because of the egotistic police force. Am ready to move.
11	Vietnam Veterans from Gallatin to I-65. Additional lanes needed for better traffic flow.
12	Exit 7 at Indian Lake. People entering onto the bypass do not use turn signals. There is no traffic light. People exiting from the bypass and needing to turn left are turning right to immediately turn around in a small driveway to head toward the Streets to avoid waiting in the long line in the mornings.
13	mass transit to nashville
14	Hwy 25 (Red River Rd) in Gallatin - where Long Hollow Pike intersects
15	Sharp curves on Vietnam vets
16	Hwy 109 & Hwy 76
17	Hwy 109N. north of Portland
18	VVet between New Shackle & Center Point Road --- curves are off
19	The by pass and Gallatin road
20	Turning onto and off of the major roads in Sumner County is becoming exceedingly dangerous due to the increase in traffic and the lack of infrastructure improvements.
21	Any and all roads without adequate shoulders. With the current and foreseeable economy more people need to take to the streets using alternative methods such as walking and biking. Some might be motivated by health others will have no other form of transport that's affordable.
22	SR-386 eastbound curve prior to New Shackle Island Rd.;
23	New Shackle Island Rd.
24	109 most urgent rush hour congestion
25	Hendersonville exits that host shopping centers adjacent to Vietnam Veterans Blvd (dangerous egress/ingress);
26	Vietnam Vets at Centerpoint and Conference Drive (crowded).
27	Hwy 109 N., Portland, Westmoreland, White House
28	Over the railroad tracks by the Sumner Co-op.
29	31E from the part near the half rotary to the entrance of 386 past Publix
30	Desha and Hwy 31E north

31	Increasing number of blind driveways leading onto 31E south of Deshea Creek and north of Albert Gallatin Avenue
32	Vietnam Veterans Pkway - high volume of people speeding excessively
33	Getting onto Hwy 31N from Deshea Creek;
34	accessing Dobbins Pike from Phosphate Lane
35	intersection near Auto Zone where traffic merges from different directions.
36	Where 31 and North Water meet
37	386 bypass speed limit too high traffic on secondary roads continues to drive like they were on an interstate.
38	Traffic signals not timed to promote smooth through transit and encourage racing from signal to signal.
39	Almost every county road has no appropriate side to ride bikes safely.
40	1) Hwy 386 merging into I-65S at Rivergate
41	2) Hwy 109 in the Portland area on the "ridge"
42	3) 109 Bridge
43	Narrow bridges like the one on Long Hollow near Upper/Lower Station Camp Creek.
44	Intersection at Main St and Walton Ferry in Hendersonville.
45	Secondary roads with 35 mph speed limits, but vehicles commonly traveling over 40 mph.
46	31-e from Gallatin to ky line especially thru Westmoreland
47	109 grade between Portland and Gallatin.
48	Along 76 going west towards the 31w intersection
49	New Shackle and Hwy 386. This area probably needs a clover leaf, better sooner than later!
50	Drakes Creek Road
51	New Shackle Island Rd
52	Tyree Springs Rd.
53	Make old Calender Ln access over railroad available,
54	Old Thirty Stop Rd. bridge available. It would be nice to have wider or bike lanes for these areas.
55	New shackle/new hope from Main street Hendersonville. This road needs to be wider, and include a shoulder. This is heavily travelled, and acts as a major link from gallitan road, vietnam vets, and long hollow
56	Drakes Creek Road at Stop 30
57	Drakes Creek at 386
58	Stop 30 at New Shackle Island,
59	386 between Center Point and New Shackle Island,
60	109 between Cumberland River and Airport Road.
61	The traffic cameras that are in our city that give tickets out. And when the police pull someone over they are always half way in the lane.
62	Generally people that have no courtesy such as using blinkers, pulling over for faster traffic, and just plain common sense. Really who teaches people to drive in this state?
63	There are safety issues all over Sumner County in terms of pedestrian travel.
64	Desheea creek intersection
65	Mt venron Road intersection
66	386 and Drakes Creek Road
67	Posting of bicycle route signs on Gallatin Pike throughout Hendersonville where it is not safe to

	bicycle.
68	main street to gallatin road.
69	highway 386 needs to be widen
70	Indian Lake at Vietnam Veterans Bypass,
71	Drakes Creek from Stop thirty to New Shackle.
72	N/A
73	With regard to transportation, the biggest safety concern is not at a certain location but rather too few ways to access the county. Coming from Nashville, the only options are I-65 to Vietnam Veterans and/or Long Hollow Pike, Gallatin Road from East Nashville or I-40 to Highway 109. In the event of an emergency or natural disaster, considering our population size it's almost criminal there's not another route coming from Davidson County.
74	Highway 109 from Interstate 40 through Portland to Interstate 65
75	Westmoreland hill road slide,
76	Airport road in Gallatin at the railroad tracks
77	Hwy. 109 N.to Portland.
78	Long Hollow Pike
79	Yellow lights are not long enough.
80	Deshea Creek Road & 31 E Need dedicated left turn lane onto Deshea Creek Road
81	H'ville Bypass needs to be widened.
82	Need I-840 loop to from 40 to 65 around the north side (convenience more than safety).
83	Widen 109 Bridge ASAP.
84	No police cars sitting in half the lane of traffic (are you kidding me?). Overall not bad, but seriously - check out Frisco TX if you want to see A++ traffic planning. Probably the best in the country and I travel everywhere.

Question 4

What are your thoughts about mass transit service in Sumner County?

The majority of the responses received indicated that mass transit was needed in Sumner County and/or connecting to Nashville. Some expressed concerns over a mass transit system not being feasible because of density and current land uses and because of the cost to implement a system.

Responses received:

1	Rail would be helpful, Good start with " Relax & Ride".
2	It is desperately needed!
3	STAR is needed. People need to reduce personal traffic if possible.
4	The bus was a huge success. Rail services for daily commuting is greatly needed.
5	What's to discuss? It's needed, and needed badly.
6	absolutely necessary for economic and communality development, environmental effects are a good side effect
7	Good idea to connect us to Rivergate/Goodlettsville areas - However, I am unsure how much our middle class & up would utilize it other than commuter purposes.
8	Buse are too Costly with little benfit. Light rail to nashville would be helpful.
9	We should have a rail system into Nashville
10	A nice thought but not praticale to my business.
11	I'm retired and don't have a need for mass transit at this time.
12	I'd like to see a limited program in place for the elderly and shut ins.
13	Mass transit service is needed to Nashville, but not necessarily within Sumner County
14	needed asap
15	Love the idea. Too bad the Nashville MSA is just now thinking about it versus what they should have been thinking about in the early 1980s. That is how close-minded the politicians were in those days.
16	There should be some.
17	Needed. Obviously trains are expensive, but the sooner we get started the sooner we'll get there. It is a service desired.
18	Needed
19	Would love mass transit to Nashville and other key areas.
20	I hope that some type of mass transit will come. I hope it will be bus service. I think railway system would be too costly.
21	I think there is none. It would be good for some reliable form to move people amongst population centers, but without other ways to travel at the end of the trip you are stranded unless you wind up within walking distance.
22	In the cities, it's a great idea; in rural areas, it would encourage overdevelopment
23	I think it could be beneficial in the future but I'm not sure how we would pay for it.
24	Good idea.
25	It's a good thing to plan for now, as we will need to address this in the near future.Trains / Railway travel should be examined for local/state/use.
26	Looking at the amount of traffic on the bypass and interstate it should be needed. It would have to be more frequent and more convenient than anything I've seen proposed to get most of us out of our cars.

27	I don't believe enough people will use mass transit to make it cost effective.
28	There needs to be mass transit services especially into downtown Nashville for commuters. The continued growth in traffic can only be helped with a mass transit service.
29	Would like to see a viable mass transit service that will reduce the volume of vehicle traffic.
30	Extending thru RTA/MTA for all Sumner county cities
31	Please do this, it is needed and will be used!!!
32	Good idea and should be used
33	At this time, Sumner County is not of a size that mass transit will work.
34	Any "mass" transit improvements face the difficulty of addressing how the individuals can seamlessly get to a wide range of areas to be most effective. For now the park and ride bus seems to work well since small groups are easiest to move and accommodate. The bus service through Rivergate addresses the needs of those who don't have a car. Personally I carpool about three days a week. It would be nice if the HOV lanes weren't clogged with single drivers.
35	That would be a good idea if funded correctly
36	This would be awesome! I think that a route into nashville's core would be nice. I think that a link to the airport would be equally beneficial
37	Our air quality really suffers due in part to the lack of practical mass transit in the metro area. Mass transit cannot just go to downtown and stop, and only operate in morning and late afternoon. To gain ridership, the service areas and schedules must provide convenience.
38	I think having a train service to Nashville and beyond would be great
39	I think that mass transit service, while a great idea, is difficult for Sumner County due to the lack of density. Also, convincing commuters who travel to Nashville for work to give up their cars will be very difficult, if not impossible.
40	We need bus service to Gallatin from Madison
41	Public education needed. Government budgets will not always be this tight. Let's continue to plan now for opportunity which will occur.
42	It is needed to get Sumner County residents to Nashville as well as travel among our cities
43	it would be great to have bus services or train services
44	to rural wont work.
45	Any sort of rail or bus service would be a complete waste of money. We don't have the population density to allow people to completely forego owning an automobile; if they have to drive to get a transfer station, they'll simply drive the entire way to their destination. Even more of a consideration should be that fewer and fewer people work a set 9-5 schedule at a set location anymore. Mobility is key. Absent a 24-hour completely functional system, something (again) Middle Tennessee doesn't have the population density to sustain, mass transit would be a disaster. If existing and new/improved roads can't handle the growth, stop issuing building permits.
46	Mass transit will come back around as a transportation option as funds are available. BRT might be a better way for smaller communities to re-introduce the mass transit concept.
47	Divided. If it was to Nashville, that would be a good thing but if it was just for in county traffic, no.
48	We need to develop a plan now and begin to find funds for the completion and sustaining of a system.
49	We need to lead in moving ahead quickly with mass transit to stay ahead of an inevitable rise in gas prices, reduce pollution and noise, decrease motor vehicle accidents, and establish Sumner County as progress and desirable

50	like to think it would work but It is not practical for me. I would rather see a bridge across the dam.
51	like to think it would work but It is not practical for me. I would rather see a bridge across the dam.
52	Should have been here 10-years ago. The longer you wait, the harder it gets.

Question 5

What are your thoughts about bicycle & pedestrian travel in Sumner County?

The majority of responses received felt it was needed. Safety was a concern both in describing its need and for reasons why one may not currently bike or walk in Sumner County. A small number of responses felt that money could be better spent in other places. On the other hand, some felt dedicated funding was needed.

Responses received:

1	Greenway construction in Gallatin a great addition, glad it is moving forward.
2	We need more infrastructure, especially sidewalks in existing areas.
3	There are many places without sidewalks. I see this as a priority over bicycle paths. Both provide an alternative, and a better quality of life.
4	Have concerns about pathways being built in flood areas, bicycle and pedestrian travel is mainly limited to weekend pleasure, money could be better spent elsewhere.
5	At this time, I believe that you are risking life and limb if you try to do either.
6	Beautiful and useful.
7	Love the idea of bicycle travel - especially since I have pre-teens - they would like to be able to explore our immediate city more on their own.
8	There are more important things that need attention right now.
9	We need bicycle/pedestrian friendly travel in sumner.
10	It should be encouraged and promoted
11	Bicycle and pedestrian travel in Sumner County looks to be a very dangerous undertaking at this time. The county needs to look at adding areas to the current infrastructure to make riding and walking a safer activity.
12	I think we have a lot of work to do to be viewed as a bicycle/pedestrian friendly community. Work needs to be sensitive from the inception not reacted to as an after thought. I read an article today about cycling in Belgium. They actually have more bikes on the roads than vehicles and the infrastructure to support it! Imagine, less serious accidents, less pollution, less road rage, lower insurance costs, a healthier populace, less sick time from work which leads to higher productivity. Just a thought:)
13	None
14	needed and easy...let's do it
15	Very much needed.
16	It would be nice if there was a safe way to do it.
17	I am a casual cyclist. I can't stand to ride in Sumner, as there is no room. There isn't even signage alerting motorists to the presence of cyclist. I'm a realist, bike lanes cant be put of every single road (though it's a good to consider for future construction and repaving). I think a small sum put towards posting abundant signage about the three foot passing rule to raise public awareness would be well spent.
18	Luxuary
19	bicycle travel would be great but so many roads in Sumner County don't even have shoulders.
20	I, for one, do not care about bicyle or pedestrian travel.
21	I think there are few sideways in rural areas for either.
22	It should be encouraged

23	I think it needs to be improved; we need more sidewalks and riding trails. I hope the greenway provides that as I am concerned about the safety of the bicyclist I see riding on a number of the highways.
24	They seem to be useful in cities.
25	I think studies should be done to see if bike lanes are needed.
26	We have decent infrastructure now but the roads will not accommodate cars and non cars unless road improvements are made commensurate to land development. There are gaps in connectivity that need addressing.
27	Sumner county is among the worst places in the USA for bicycle and pedestrian travel. We need bike lanes on roads that will actually take people to places they want to go.
28	If there were safe places to ride and walk, there would be more people riding and walking! Sidewalks need to be implemented in areas were walking can be encouraged...not down Main Street.
29	We need safer bicycle and pedestrian routes. Several of my neighbors have listed unsafe roads as the reason they do not ride a bicycle for short trips and exercise.
30	Ok but not prority roads first
31	What an incredible way to promote health and help our enviroment and road congestion. We may all be headed here quicker than we think.
32	Safety issue people and vehicles because of narrow roads
33	None
34	Having lived in Sumner for over 30 years there is little for pedestrian use. Gallatin and Hendersonville really have no where for children and other walkers to go aside from the downtown areas. Roads from the nearby neighborhoods always have a few children walking. Many times there isn't even a shoulder so they walk the street. For bicycles it's the same but adding that those cycling for better health are trying to use the few safe roads to leave congested areas. These roads are getting little improvement even though traffic is added. The Indian Lake extension is a prime example. Why were no bike lanes added there?! Are we waiting for someone to be seriously injured before this is addressed?
35	Both have increased by leaps and bounds over the past 2 years. It would be awesome to have more lanes available and other areas connected like Calendar Ln access.
36	Need more designated routes. Those routes need to be maintained to a level that promotes safe travels. Walking paths are not the same as bike paths
37	Very unsafe for pedestrians in communities. Current and upcoming infrastructure is woefully behind the growing demand. Hendersonville in particular has failed to act despite over 10 years of various plans and proposals.
38	A waste of money, Sumner couty is rural and there is plenty of places for bicycles to travel.
39	It is difficult and dangerous. There should be more attention paid to pedestrians and alternative forms of transportation.
40	Pedestrian travel is not encouraged nor safe at some intersections; e.g., Belvedere and Gallatin Pike. (Absence of walk/don't walk signs.)
41	As long as it is in designated safe areas
42	need sidewalks access to stores around town
43	There nice around the creek areas in each town but thats about all they are good for.

44	Greenways, bike paths and sidewalks are nice amenities and something we need more of in Sumner County; Murfreesboro's greenway is a great community asset, for instance. However, they should not be considered a transportation system and dollars should not be diverted from transportation budgets to construct them. These are Parks or Public Works items.
45	For recreation and health. Currently most of our communities do not have the infrastructure to accommodate to and from work everyday by walking or bike riding. We should continue to strongly consider infrastructure improvements that will allow us to do so.
46	Should be considered but a dedicated section of the road and if possible, separate space.
47	More people who are moving here expect this amenity and it will help our environment, health and reduce the need for asphalt miles over the long term.
48	Most roads, as elsewhere in Tennessee, are narrow, heavily traveled, and dangerous. Existing bike routes do not connect well or provide access to commercial areas.
49	We have a beautiful county to ride in but very dangerous. We need better shoulders and to promote bicycle safety.
50	I think if there is already mondy budgeted for this that is one thing, if not perhaps it should be addressed later and should only be considered in areas where safety of pedestrians or bicyclists is foremost.
51	Bike lanes are needed on some of the larger roads. Still don't get why they aren't required in new subdivisions, roads, etc - especially around parks and recreation areas. Sidewalks are kinda of a joke since most of them outside of downtown don't connect to anything.

Question 6

Do you have any additional concerns about transportation in Sumner County that you would like to share with us?

Responses received:

1	Consider EXTENSION of Gallatin/Sumner Co. runway to accommodate heavier/larger traffic to enhance commerce and tourism.
2	No
3	Just fix 109, vietnam vets termination, and railroads through city.
4	I was enjoying riding the bus to Nashville. However, I am often required to work beyond 6:00 and found myself without transportation back to Nashville.
5	Maintain infrastructures first. the extensive and costly flooding would not have been as drastic if the storm water systems were functional and updated. This is unexcused ignorance and purposely ignoring maintaining basic infrastructure issues.
6	Safety & the number of red lights.
7	Just want to say thanks for taking the time to ask and listen to the people.
8	I fear the lack of courage of local officials to implement the Plan.
9	Would rather not see the powers-that-be tear down every available tree and greenfield to put in a new commuter system. The Denver, Colorado alternative looks like something Nashville MSA should parallel somewhat.
10	Sumner is a great county. We have a limited budget, and decisions to make. I think seeking input like this demonstrates open mindedness and a desire to spend limited funds well. Thanks.
11	ALL proposed new developments need a traffic impact study BEFORE anything gets developed.
12	People need to slow down and watch were they are going and NOT be using a cell phone in any form.
13	Don't allow new population concentrations without an approved traffic survey to PREPARE for additional persons.
14	I'm concerned about additional development being approved without requiring traffic studies to determine (and mitigate) impact in rural areas. If a developer wants to build a subdivision, then the developer - NOT THE PRIOR RESIDENTS - should bear the cost of mitigating traffic issues.
15	think we need to do transportation studies before we develop subdivisions. Many of the roads are not designed to handle the number of cars we put on them; and the additional traffic is a safety hazard to farmers and hampers the agricultural producers.
16	I would like to see more studies on the impact of future growth in Sumner county and how it will affect the congestion on our roadways before the development begins. I think these are issues that planning boards in major cities like Atlanta, Nashville, and others were short-sighted on when it came to this and it's one of the reasons why people dislike traveling to or through them. I also think many people who live in Sumner county work in Nashville and would take advantage of a mass transit system if available.
17	Rumble strips are useless on roads where the speed limit is less than 55mph, so quit wasting tax payers money and stop installing rumble strips on county roads.
18	I'm willing to pay higher taxes for more bicycle and pedestrian access.
19	Our roads need 4 laned and upgraded as a priority

20	Please help us connect better within our own communities. Being able to travel by walking/biking etc to school, store or possible work would be wonderful. We forget how nice that was years ago when sidewalks and walk ways were used to get around.
21	No
22	More patrol of backroads. Several issues with people harassing cyclists and also speeding. Too many redneck thoughts.
23	Speed and volume of truck traffic on 109 between Gallatin and Portland.
24	I-386 when it ends is terrible. Extremely poor planning. I moved out here because of the rural atmosphere. Please keep it that way.
25	people passing on shoulder when cars are turning left
26	None. I appreciate the effort and thought of this survey.
27	none at this time.
28	Whether it's federal, state or local tax dollars being used, government does not have a dime unless it first comes through individuals' back pocket. Good stewardship and a healthy degree of skepticism should accompany any transportation plan. Potentially good ideas should not be given priority over ideas that have been proven to work. It would be far better to do nothing than to develop a grandiose transportation plan that doesn't fit our county.
29	There needs to be a better understanding county-wide concerning the impacts the Highway 109 improvements will provide for Sumner County, especially Upper Sumner. There are side effects that must be addressed for the development of this project to benefit the county as a whole.
30	Cell connectivity and wireless should be considered for attracting businesses. Fiber connectivity should be laid with all new projects for that connectivity so that when the businesses do come, we do not have dig the road up.
31	only that we can't continue to bury our heads in the sand and think we can build more and more roads.
32	Act now before a transportation crisis develops
33	Thanks for asking. Personally speaking I live in the Ballentrae Subdivision and would love to see our road repaved, it is in very bad shape.
34	Overall not bad, but build the roads before you sign off on new developments (Kroger's at Cages Bend). Also make subdivisions connect - See Long Hollow Pointe and Drakes Creek Subdivisions - they back to each other, but don't connect - why? EVERY development should connect to the other for easier flow of traffic.

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