

**On-Site Meeting with Public at 29<sup>th</sup> St.**

May 7, 2014

**29th St. River Access**

Neighbors and river users gathered at the 29th St. Put-In to review three options presented by DHM Design. There was group discussion at the site and it was decided to create a hybrid option based on input.

**Physical Improvement Comments from the Public**

**Option #1**

- Need warning strip or different material where river access meets trail to let people know they are crossing the trail.
- Like controlled access from loading area to river. Fence could help control this. Openings to walk-in access should be about 12' wide to accommodate people carrying a raft on both sides.
- Like separation between river access and parking lot.
- Limit backing.
- Could we have a gate?
- Narrow trailer parking area. More staging for private boaters.
- More access walk-in points to the north along length of park.
- Don't like more access points to the north.
- Like this option because it has more parking.
- Would like more park space in all the options.
- General agreement that a permanent/plumbed restroom/changing room was better at this location.
- Some neighbors suggested that there is no parking problem based on monitoring lot throughout the year.
- Not sure people will use drop-off in parking lot.
- Kayakers will use that drop-off.
- Look at diagonal parking if there is a one-way loop.
- Like the through circulation in the parking lot.
- Like grass pavers for pedestrian access to walk in ramps.
- Avoid access to site aligning with the alley.

**Option #2**

-Option 2 was eliminated because it allowed space for backing up, which was not desirable. It was also eliminated because it had the highest number of trees that needed to be removed.

**Option #3**

- Prefer Option #3.
- Could do Option #3 without making a connection to the river access area.
- Keep green space.
- Like less parking.
- Like definition of this option to tell people what is expected. Loading, trailer parking, etc.
- Like bike spur trail in Option #3.
- Like narrower access points across trail.
- Ok with this amount of parking but need through circulation in-case someone with a trailer accidentally pulls in.

**Management Suggestions**

- One attendee said don't change anything else at 29<sup>th</sup> and consider Fairgrounds option.
- The Fairgrounds put-in was not a priority in the Animas River Management Plan.
- Bus noise and diesel fuel are an issue that needs to be addressed.
- Restrict buses to specific streets.