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MEDIA ADVISORY

Rebuilding of I-94 South From Mitchell Airport Concerns Citizens

The rebuilding of I-94 south from Mitchell International Airport to the Illinois state line continues to worry residents on the south side, especially those who might lose their homes to the proposal.

In order to provide as much information as possible to interested citizens and residents about the project, the 13th District Neighborhood Association will hold a freeway expansion meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at Walker's Maple Grove, 3555 S. 13th St. Guests will include Ald. Terry L. Witkowski and a representative of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Members of the media are also invited to attend.

Preliminary design work prepared by the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) and the state Department of Transportation for the rebuilding of I-94 south to the Illinois border includes a redesign of the Mitchell Interchange and the Airport Spur that would bulldoze 44 existing City of Milwaukee homes.

“A representative of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation will announce upcoming workshops for citizen input on the future design of the freeway and make a presentation on their real estate policies,” said Ald. Witkowski. “The DOT representative will answer questions about the project, and I will bring the audience up to date on three prior meetings that have been held on this project.”

The eight-year I-94 project, slated to get underway in 2008 after the completion of the massive Marquette Interchange reconstruction project, would cost about \$1 billion.