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## Gold Line EIS Contact Report

**Date of contact:** August 15, 2006  
**Contact initiated by:** GBSM  
**Contact method:** Presentation at the Jefferson Economic Council Transportation Board Meeting  
**Attendees:** Liz Telford, Andy Mountain, Megan Lane and 13 attendees  
**Purpose:** To engage the board in the Gold Line EIS

### Meeting Summary/Key Issues

Andy Mountain gave a 10-minute presentation introducing the Gold Line EIS. Liz Telford and Andy Mountain then engaged the group in a 15-minute Q&A.

### Specific Comments:

- Two committee members questioned why RTD is doing an EIS instead of an EA. Some of the members felt that the EIS process could be a waste of money. Liz Telford responded by explaining that NEPA requires that RTD evaluate all significant impacts. When any significant impacts are anticipated (like noise) an EIS is required.
- Another member mentioned that she has concerns about noise levels in the proposed BNSF/UP alignment, specifically near Garrison Street.
- The committee expressed an interest in pursuing quiet zone regulations.
- One committee member was interested in learning the differences in speed between the different types of technology.
- The concern of safety at grade crossings, particularly near schools, was raised.
- One committee member asked about grade separations at Wadsworth and which areas, if any, would require grade separations.

### Action Items:

- Add all members who signed up for the mailing list into the database.
- Log specific comments in TrackVia.

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