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## **PLANK ROAD INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETS**

ALTOONA (May 23) – PENNDOT Engineering District 9 held the first Community Advisory Committee meeting for the Plank Road Interchange Improvement Project, Thursday evening at St. John's Grade School in Lakemont. The project focuses on improvements to Plank Road and the Plank Road Interchange of Interstate 99, Exit 31.

The purpose of the committee is to provide a comprehensive and orderly means of involving local community interests in the project. The committee will meet at regular intervals throughout the life of the project to exchange information between the community and the PENNDOT project team. The advisory committee is one aspect of the public involvement process PENNDOT uses to share information. Additional outlets will include newsletters, the project website, and public meetings.

The committee has a diverse membership consisting of residents, business owners and operators, municipal and planning officials, and local agencies with an interest in the Plank Road Interchange Improvement Project. The purpose of last night's meeting was to initiate the committee, introduce the project, and gather feedback concerning the major issues in the project area.

The Plank Road Interchange Improvement Project will evaluate transportation improvements for the Interstate 99 (I-99) interchange with Plank Road (Exit 31), as well as:

- Plank Road from the Sheraton/Ramada intersection to the Toys R Us/Kmart intersection.

- Goods Lane between Plank Road and the Kaufmann's entrance to the Logan Valley Mall.
- Orchard Avenue between Plank Road and the entrance to Park Hills Plaza/Orchard Plaza.

The first public meeting for the Plank Road Interchange Improvement Project has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 11 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. John's Grade School in Lakemont.

Visit the project website, [www.plankroadinterchange.com](http://www.plankroadinterchange.com) for up to date information. Anyone interested can be added to the project mailing list to receive meeting announcements and project newsletters on the *Public Involvement* page of the website.

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