



# West Dowling Road Phase II Frequently Asked Questions

DOT&PF project #51030

## **What is the West Dowling Road Connection?**

The purpose of the project is to provide a continuous east-west arterial road between the Old Seward Highway and Minnesota Drive. Identified as a high priority project in Anchorage's Long Range Transportation Plan, the connection aims to decrease congestion and improve accessibility.

## **What is Phase II?**

West Dowling Road will be upgraded in two phases. Phase I, conducted by Dowl HKM, includes the portion of West Dowling Road from Old Seward Highway to C Street. Phase II will be completed by HDR Alaska, Inc., and includes a new road section between C Street and Minnesota Drive.

## **How will this project help me?**

The extension will improve the east-west flow of traffic, decrease congestion on Tudor Road, improve accessibility for area residents and businesses, and help develop a more connected roadway system for Anchorage.

## **What is the project schedule?**

West Dowling Road Phase II is currently in the design phase. The Design Study Report will be completed and environmental permits obtained by 2010. Final design will be completed in late 2011, and construction is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2012.

## **Which alternative was selected?**

The Rovenna concept was selected from five build alternatives and a No Action alternative considered in the Environmental Assessment published in 2007. The Rovenna concept features a four-lane roadway, consisting of two lanes in each direction with a raised-center median. Additional improvements include a new intersection at Raspberry Road and 68th Avenue, street lighting, a 6-foot sidewalk, and a 12-foot separated pathway.

## **Will construction affect my neighborhood?**

The majority of the Phase II project area is bounded by commercial businesses. Traffic is projected to increase along 68th Avenue as a result of the new intersection at Raspberry and 68th Avenue. No homes will be directly impacted by the project.

## **How can I participate in this project?**

DOT&PF will keep the public informed about the project throughout the design and construction stages. The project Web site ([www.dowlingroad.com](http://www.dowlingroad.com)) will provide up-to-date information about the project. Meeting announcements, project updates, and construction information will be sent to individuals via electronic and hard copy mailings.

Public meetings will be held at major stages to update the public on the project's progress. Comments are encouraged throughout the project, but to be included in the Design Study Report, please submit them by July 31, 2009. Comments may be submitted:

- Through the project Web site ([www.dowlingroad.com](http://www.dowlingroad.com))
- Through e-mail ([Julie.Jessen@hdrinc.com](mailto:Julie.Jessen@hdrinc.com))
- By fax (644-2022)





**New Bridge**  
Alaska Railroad Tracks and Arctic Blvd

**Connect to Phase I**  
at C Street

**Extend Road**  
Rovenna to Raspberry

**Roadway Realignment**  
Raspberry to 68th Ave.

Legend

-  Proposed Center Line
-  Bridge
-  Alaska Railroad
-  Study Area
-  Lake
-  Park

**Proposed Action**

