

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 14, 2007
TO: PPACG Board of Directors
FROM: Jennifer Young, Policy and Communications Manager
THROUGH: Robert MacDonald, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Community Advisory Committee Meeting Report
Wednesday, February 28, 2007

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

Chairperson Francine Hansen will present the report of the Community Advisory Committee (CAC), which held its regular monthly meeting on February 28, 2007 and discussed the following items:

1. *Draft Small Area Forecast:*

CAC members voted to recommend approval of the draft 2035 Small Area Forecast on the condition that PPACG address all public comments.

The CAC had a lengthy discussion regarding the public comment phase for the draft 2035 Small Area Forecast. Members felt that public comments received to date had raised legitimate concerns about the forecasting results, including the amount of growth projected for K-8 schools on the west side of Colorado Springs. Staff responded that due to the fact that future school locations are unknown, future school enrollment forecasts were allocated to existing school sites. This results in existing school locations receiving higher than expected enrollment. The alternative is to have staff decide where future schools should be located. Staff also explained to the committee that all comments would be addressed before presentation to the PPACG Board of Directors for adoption.

2. *Military Impact Planning: A Closer Look at Fort Carson:*

PPACG staff presented an inside look at Fort Carson and its command structures. CAC members then discussed effective strategies for presenting and disseminating information produced through the Fort Carson Regional Growth Coordination Plan.

3. *Orientation:*

CAC members received an orientation to PPACG, its programs, and its planning process.