

Cool-Pilot Hill Advisory Committee hosts speaker on Hwy. 49 realignment

At its regular meeting on Nov. 5, the Cool-Pilot Hill Advisory Committee will hear an update on the State Highway 49 Realignment from Coloma to El Dorado. The speaker will be Dan Bolster of the El Dorado County Transportation Commission.

Comments from the various communities have been solicited and received through six Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) meetings, the project website and during the first public open house in April 2009.

The comments identified 52 potential alternative alignments of SR49 between the towns of Coloma and El Dorado. Through a

three-tiered screening process, the 52 potential alternatives were narrowed down to a group of 11 and from there down to a final list of three potential alternatives that are being analyzed during the remainder of the study, which is scheduled to conclude in March 2010.

While many on the Divide may not travel to Placerville or Highway 50 often, it is important to know how this realignment will affect personal travels and have local voices heard. Plan to attend this important meeting on Thursday, Nov. 5, 7 p.m. at the Northside School Library.