

# We **CAN** Stop The **ORANGE ROUTE!** CABOL Needs Your **HELP NOW**

This road is *not* a “done deal.” No dirt has been dug, and no money has been appropriated for construction. This is a crucial time in the decision process – **CABOL needs your help to *continue*** our opposition to the Orange Route.

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## **IMPORTANT CABOL MEETING JUNE 22**

Plan to attend a CABOL meeting Thursday, June 22, 2006, 7 p.m. at Pellissippi State Community College in the Goins Administration Building Cafeteria Annex. CABOL team members will update you on current strategies to stop the Beltway and our future plans. We also will answer your questions, and we'll have maps to show you the latest proposed route. We'll be asking for donations to help fund environmental and other expert reports and to cover legal fees. We also will be electing the CABOL Board of Directors for the next term.

## **Tell Nicely How You Feel At the TPO Meeting June 19**

TDOT Commissioner Nicely will appear before the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) at their meeting June 19 at 10 a.m. We anticipate that he will announce his decision about the final alignment for the Orange Route. This does *not* mean the Orange Route will be built, only what TDOT is *proposing* to build. It is very important to have as many people attend this meeting as possible to speak out against the Orange Route. We must show the commissioner that there is still substantial opposition to the Orange Route and that we are a force to be reckoned with. **You must sign up to speak by 10 a.m.** The meeting will be held in the City County Building small assembly room. If you need a ride or want to carpool, call us: 523-0300.

## **With Your Help, We **WILL** STOP the Orange Route!**

If you have any questions, call us: 523-0300  
or e-mail us: noonorange@aol.com

## **SPEAK OUT! WRITE LETTERS! TAKE A STAND!**

As always, CABOL urges you to use your own words and speak your own mind. For those who have requested “talking points,” here are some issues that continue to be of concern to all of us:

- Knoxville already has one of the worst air pollution problems in the nation. The Beltway largely will be used by heavy diesel trucks that give off a dangerous pollutant known as Particulate Matter PM 2.5. PM2.5 particles are so small they bypass the body's natural filters, resulting in serious health problems. The route goes directly through Hardin Valley and transits Bull Run Valley, Raccoon Valley and Wolf Valley. The valleys will trap the pollutant and cause it to settle in the valleys resulting in serious health consequences such as:
  - **Aggravated asthma**
  - **Chronic bronchitis**
  - **Lung cancer**
  - **Premature deaths**
  - **Increase in respiratory problems**
  - **Decreased lung function in children**
  - **Increase in cardiovascular problems**

Go to [www.nobeltway.com](http://www.nobeltway.com) for more pollution-related information.

- Our children will face continuous exposure to this dangerous pollutant as they attend the many schools located along the route. We are putting our children in harm's way!
- Seven community members of TDOT's own Design Resource Team signed a minority report criticizing the process and the selection of the Orange Route. Has TDOT ignored their recommendations?
- TDOT's own surveys show 6 to 1 *against* the Orange Route in the Heiskell, Powell, Karns, Solway, Hardin Valley and Loudon County communities. Why does the state of Tennessee continue to oppose the wishes of its citizens?
- The route is way too close to Knoxville. If a road must be built, it should be farther north and west.
- Special interest groups say we need the road for “economic development.” Where is their plan for this economic development? We are tired of ugly low-wage burger joints and gas stations cluttering up our beautiful valleys.
- Run-off from the construction will pollute our watersheds including Beaver Creek and Bull Run Creek.
- The original cost of the Orange Route was \$287 million, and has now ballooned to \$600 million! By the time the route is built, it could cost more than a billion dollars due to lawsuits, property acquisition, construction overages, environmental abatement and inflation.
- Don't “throw good money after bad.” Much money already has been spent in planning this road, but it hasn't all been wasted. Stop it now, cut your losses and build an outer, more northwestern route that will stand the test of time.
- For more information, research and documentation, go to our web site: [www.nobeltway.com](http://www.nobeltway.com).