The Pima County Department of Transportation held two informational workshops for the La Cañada Drive: River Road to Ina Road and Ina Road to Calle Concordia improvement projects. The workshops were held on Monday, June 23, 2008, and Wednesday, June 25, 2008, at the Tucson Chinese Cultural Center located at 1288 W. River Rd. Tucson, AZ 85704 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The workshops followed an open house format with no formal presentation. The purpose of the workshops was to provide residents with information about noise walls, barrier walls, retaining walls, screening, landscaping, property access and other mitigation methods. Project representatives were available to discuss individual concerns, and attendees were encouraged to complete comment forms and to add project-specific information to the aerial photos on display.

Materials Distributed:
- Orientation Sheet
- Noise Analysis Summary for North and South Segments
- Comment Forms
- Regional Transportation Authority Pamphlets

Public Attendance:
- Ninety people attended the first workshop.
- One hundred and fifteen people attended the second workshop.

Public Comments:
- Thirty-nine comment forms were received at the first workshop on June 23, 2008.
  - Sixteen individuals live in the southern segment, between River Road and Ina Road.
  - Twenty-three live in the northern segment, between Ina Road and Calle Concordia.
  - Seventeen requested a response to their comment.
- Twenty-five comment forms were received at the second workshop on June 25, 2008.
  - Thirteen individuals live in the southern segment, between River Road and Ina Road.
  - Twelve live in the northern segment, between Ina Road and Calle Concordia.
  - Nine requested a response to their comment.
- Additional comments received after the workshops through e-mail, fax and mail.

Public Comment Issues:
- Monday, June 23, 2008
  - Would like sound walls/noise barriers – 28
  - Would not like sound walls/noise barriers – 2
  - Would like retaining walls – 2
  - Drainage/washes – 10
  - Concerned about raising the roadway – 3
  - Aerial photos of property are not to scale – 1
  - Concerned about side roads being used as through-way – 1
  - Property and street access – 9
  - Right-of-way issues – 3
Lighting – 1
Typical section (road width, sidewalks, medians, fencing, curbs) – 4
Equestrian use – 2
School zones, school traffic and pedestrians – 2
Safety – 2

Wednesday, June 25, 2008
Would like sound walls/noise barriers – 14
Would not like sound walls/noise barriers – 2
Construction material/aesthetic look of noise walls – 1
Per signed petition: “Actively protesting the widening of La Cañada from a two lane road to a four lane road without sound barriers being placed along the east side of La Cañada, north of Orange Grove.” – 20
Drainage/washes – 5
Validity of traffic study results – 1
Rubberized asphalt – 1
Property and street access – 6
Right-of-way issues – 4
Typical section (road width, sidewalks, medians, fencing, curbs) – 3
Safety – 5
Signage – 1
Property value – 6
Tree and vegetation removal/planting – 1
Construction start date – 1
Proposed changes look fine – 2