

*Below is a summary of twelve Community Advisory Group (CAG) members Community Context Audit (CCA) forms collected during a meeting held November 9th 2022. A collection of comments and responses (shown in *Italic*) along with a tally count is presented below.*

The Community Context Audit is intended to be a guide to identify various community characteristics that make each transportation project location unique to its residents, its businesses, and the public in general. This information will help to define the purpose and need of the proposed transportation improvements based upon community goals and local plans for future development. The audit is designed to take into account the community's history or heritage, present conditions and anticipated conditions. As you complete this audit, please consider the interaction of persons and groups within your community when considering factors such as mobility and access (vehicular, non-vehicular and transit modes), safety, local and regional economics, aesthetics, and overall quality of life.

Community Characteristics	Yes	No	Not Sure or left blank
<p>Are there any important social and/or community features or events that represent the community within the project area? If yes, list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Pedestrian access to and across the new bridge. This would include cyclists as well.</i> <i>There are no grocery stores / shops in the area and residents must travel across the bridge to access shops.</i> <i>Local Schools. EMS.</i> <i>Fishing, boating.</i> <i>Walking trail.</i> <i>School transportation / local business. Emergency transportation / mutual aid.</i> <i>School transportation annual cost, who pays?</i> <i>Many fund raisers on both sides of the bridge for community groups and volunteer organizations, school events, and religious events.</i> 	8	1	3
<p>Are there any important cultural features or identifiers that convey information about the community within the project area? If yes, list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Fayetteville is essentially the gateway to the "wild" upstream reaches of the Kaskaskia River. Everything downstream has been altered by man / development.</i> <i>Indian campsites.</i> <i>Could be ancient artifacts (Indian).</i> <i>A safe alternative for village citizens to get across the river. The displacement of village citizens is a concern.</i> <i>Ancient artifacts.</i> <i>Fayetteville is the gateway to the Kaskaskia.</i> 	5	2	5
<p>Are there important architectural features within the project area? If yes, list and describe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Truss bridges have stood at this location for decades, it seems fitting to replace with another truss bridge.</i> <i>The width of the bridge. Almost impossible for a combine to go across safely.</i> <i>Farm equipment traveling to each side of river.</i> 	3	2	7
<p>Do you think there are important places or objects that need to be preserved and/or promoted within the project area? If yes, please list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Indian sites.</i> <i>Wetlands.</i> <i>The wetlands are important. Do not disturb the habitat that is there.</i> <i>Okaw Indian campsites.</i> 	4	2	6

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Is redevelopment underway or planned for the project area that you are aware of? If yes, what is the redevelopment or planned development: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Port Authority and if infrastructure is built on east side of river, would additional residential or commercial development follow for Fayetteville? And on the east side of the river too? Kaskaskia River Port. 	2	3	7
Do you and your community rely upon Emergency Services that would be affected by a bridge closure? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ambulance and fire 	9	3	0
Do you and your community rely upon mail services that would be affected by a bridge closure? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comments 	8	3	1
Do you or a member of your community rely on frequent access across the bridge for your business activities? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Districts. Family activities throughout the year. Daily commute to and from work. 	11	0	1

Infrastructure Assessment	Importance		
	High	Medium	Low / or left blank
Please provide information on how important the various modes of transportation are to you or your neighbors within the project area?			
- Public Transportation	4	1	7
- Bicycle	2	4	6
- Walking	2	4	6
- Automobile	12	0	0
- Agricultural	10	1	1
What is the importance of sidewalks in your community?	6	5	2
What is the importance of bicycle lanes/paths to be incorporated into the project?	3	6	3
Does your community experience frequent flooding or drainage issues?	4	1	7
How do your children or children in your community get to school? If other, please list.	Bus	Auto	Other
Must they cross the bridge to get to school? Yes or No. Yes – 8, No - 1, Blank - 3	9	7	2
General			
What is important to you from a visual aspect for this project? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade lighting and better signage. Stick with truss structure. Safe vision for safety when crossing the bridge. That the bridge be wide enough, and vision is not obstructed when approaching and crossing. Blend in. Timely manner. The visual design of the bridge has no impact on me. Would love to see project ideas. Just worried about emergency personnel / mutual aid. Visual is not important. Not closing is important. 			

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	High	Medium	Low / or left blank	
What is your biggest transportation concern in the project area? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Delays in traffic with trucking companies and combines.</i> ○ <i>Closing the bridge for an excessively long time.</i> ○ <i>Working with businesses – especially farmers.</i> ○ <i>Bus transportation across the river.</i> ○ <i>The ability to receive EMS services. The ability for farmers to do their jobs. The ability to get to work on both sides of the river.</i> ○ <i>Trucks and agricultural equipment.</i> ○ <i>Farming</i> ○ <i>Schools, Public Safety Responders.</i> ○ <i>Mutual aid on fire districts / Emergency ambulance routes.</i> ○ <i>Getting the kids to school on time.</i> ○ <i>Emergency Services are a huge issue. EMS, Police, Fire, access to my community is a must.</i> ○ <i>Limited closure time.</i> 				
For what purpose do you cross the bridge? If other, please list. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Pleasure and school events.</i> ○ <i>Church</i> ○ <i>Everything we do. Completely viable for us to exist.</i> ○ <i>Work / Pleasure.</i> ○ <i>I also own a towing business that crosses the bridge several times a day for emergency and non-emergency tows on both sides.</i> 	Work 9	School 3	Farm 5	Other 5
General Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>If bridge closes what are alternate routes planned for members of St. Libory?</i> ○ <i>As the St. Libory Fire Chief, keeping the bridge open is crucial. We rely on Fayetteville Freeburg, and Mascoutah a lot. These same communities rely on us. Medstar ambulance transports patients from St. Libory about 80-90 times per year. I also own a towing company and have to cross the bridge several times daily, many times for police and IDOT emergencies.</i> ○ <i>Fire District – Significant portion of district on east side of bridge, firehouse in Fayetteville. District also provides EMS service in district.</i> ○ <i>Fire Mutual Aid – Mascoutah fire providers for St. Libory and vice versa.</i> 				