## +C = Pi<sub>@</sub> 80%

## Why is 80% acceptable?

# How do we get to 80%?

# Invest Time in a Public Involvement Plan

#### **Public Involvement Components**

- Consult with someone in public relations/communications
- What's your objective/outcome?
- What are your key points?
- Who are your key audiences/stakeholders?
- What tactics work for this audience?
- Who is responsible for each?
- What's your timeframe?
- Will it cost anything? If so, how much?



Above Images: William, circa 1967

William Hoag, Joel Hoag and Craig Dowell

#### April 19, 2006 @ 3:30 p.m.



#### April 20, 2006 @ 10 a.m.

#### Our strategy...

Be transparent in our communications and findings and delay the project as little as possible, yet show compassion to the public for the missing boys.

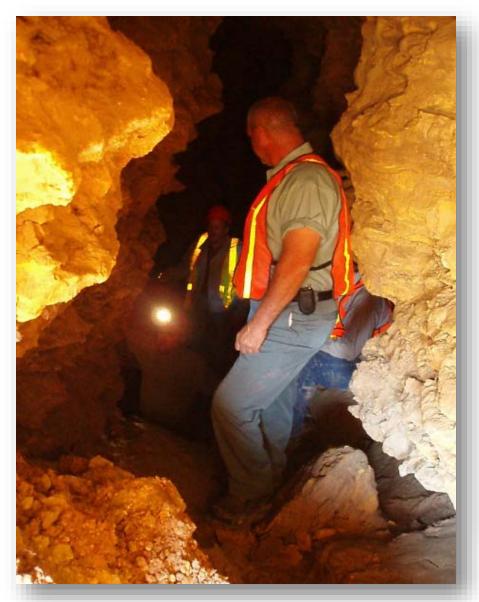
#### Our objective/key message...

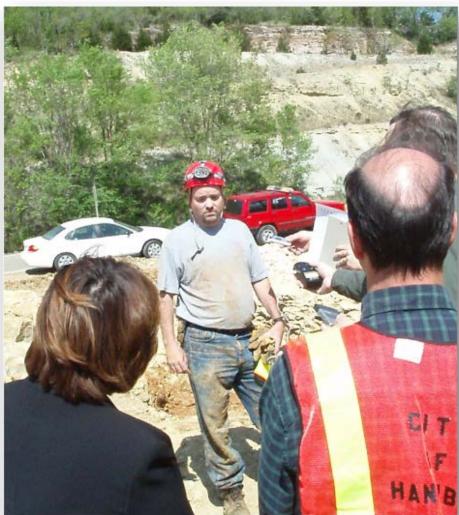
 We understand there is desire to at least look for any signs of these boys in this area, and we will do this as quickly and efficiently as possible.

#### April 21, 2006 @ 10 a.m.



**Press Conference** 





#### July 1, 2006 @ 7 a.m.



# Credibility

#### Listen. Respond

- Stay focused.
- Use open-ended questions.
- ALWAYS Respond. But don't react.
- Be respectful.
- Be mindful of tone (verbal or written).
- Reference past successes.
- Keep your words simple.

#### **Credibility Destroyers**

- Bad information source
- Don't take concerns seriously
- Be defensive
- Be unavailable/don't respond
- Be dishonest . . . pretend . . . insincere



#### **Exercise**

Customer: Closing the media crossover will create a safety hazard for me and other drivers, because I now have to drive my tractor on a four-lane, busy, high speed highway to get to the interchange, cross it, then go back the other way, only to get to the other part of my farmland. Why would you do that?

#### What Tools Can You Use?

- Traditional Face-to-face, phone calls, hang out at the coffee shop
- Social media Facebook, website, e-mail lists, personal e-mails
- Texting
- Speaker's Bureau
- Area meetings
- Employer cafeterias; employee newsletters

### Sample Communication Plan

Communication Plan w/ Hannibal Public School Let's Get Moving on McMaster's construction project Summer 2018

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Target audience: Parents, students, faculty, staff of Hannibal Middle and High Schools; secondary audience: parents, students, faculty, staff of Hannibal public school system, including Holy Family School.

#### Key points:

- Bross Construction is the contractor
- Project awarded for \$5.2 million
- Resurfacing 4.2 miles all lanes of U.S. 61/McMaster's Avenue from just north of MO 168 intersection to Warren Barrett Drive
- Intersection improvement at Stardust/Pirate Pride Drive these streets will be closed at intersection to make improvements which include a fully functional crosswalk on all corners – Closure starts June 18 and could go up to August 6
- Replacing sidewalk and curb and gutter along east side of highway between Stardust Drive and I-72 interchange; reconstructing some driveway entrances
- There will be no left turns on McMaster's Avenue between Stardust/Pirate Pride Drive and I-72 interchange to do curb and gutter work up to 80 days.
- New sidewalk between Stardust Drive and Long John Silvers
- There will be 2 northbound and 2 southbound open lanes for traffic; no center turn lane
- Work will begin in spring and project completed in fall 2018
- Details online at http://www.modot.org/northeast/LetsGetMovingonMcMastersAvenue.htm

Tool to Use	Implementation	Responsibility	Timeline
Middle School open	Table with information	Rich/MoDOT	March 15
house			
Board meeting	Staff will update	Susan/Staff	March 21
PTO meetings	After board meeting and when we	Rich/Marisa/MoDO	March/April
(middle and high	know construction will begin	T	
schools)			
School Messenger	Hannibal Public School and Holy	MoDOT/Rich	Ongoing - begin
(voice, text, email)	Family School - identify		when we know
	benchmarks and changes in		project will start
Send link to video	project: beginning construction;		
	closure of turn lane; closure of		
	Stardust intersection; work		
	completed. This, in addition to		
	any other messages the school		
	sends out about programs, games,		
	etc., reminding people about the		
	construction		
Flyers for	Provide enough flyers for each	MoDOT will	March??
elementary students	elementary student outlining	prepare/school will	
	project - to go home with them in	insert	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter grade card		
Board meeting	Update	MoDOT/Susan	April 18
Presentation to		MoDOT/Rich/Scott	April
school bus drivers			
Include link to		Rich/MoDOT	April
video and QR code			
on school web sites			
Notify Rich when	Share on School District FB page	Lissie/Rich	Ongoing
MoDOT posts on			
Facebook			
School TV - show	Provide video to school-run	Lissie/Rich	April/May
video	often as soon as we know when it		
	begins	11.00	
Kindergarten		MoDOT	April
Screening	B 1 // 10 /		
Information on	Develop "ad" for marquee	Lissie/Rich/Ted	April
Porter Stadium			
marquee			155
	Coordinate message with school	Lissie/Rich/Ted	April??
school marquee out	messenger messages		

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