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NOTES from attendance at the **Kenai Peninsula Borough's Comprehensive Safety Action Plan** presentation

<https://kpb-ss4a-comprehensive-safety-plan-kpb.hub.arcgis.com/>

- Cooper Landing and the existing Sterling Hwy between MP 45-56 rated #6:20 projects that were selected borough-wide to be included in the KPB Safety Action Plan.
 - Each included stretch of roadway/community will be examined in further detail and a plan will be developed for each. We are to wait for their further contact.
 - The “working group” for SS4A continues to meet and work on these plans. The group includes a DOT Planner, Joselyn Biloon. She will be replaced by Romo Marisignan when she retires in July, 2025.
 - KPB is considering development of “complete streets” plans for each of the 20 areas.
 - They are considering a “safety corridor” pilot program.
 - We made suggestions including that they include MP 44.3-MP 45 in their efforts given the safety issues that exist or will develop with the new Sterling Hwy alignment but are not addressed by MP 45-60 Project.
 - A draft of the Safety Action Plan (SAP) will be ready by April and public comment will be sought at that time. They will make presentations to local Advisory Planning Commissions too.
- There was presentation about safety across the region and a few things of note were mentioned:
 - The Eastern Peninsula Highway Services Area is being considered to expand the cooperation between communities to include fire safety response in hopes of bringing fire insurance rates down throughout the region. (Recall Mayor Micciche spoke to our community about this.)
 - KPB is considering putting an emergency response station at the Y (Sterling/Seward highway interchange) with some paid, some volunteer staffing.
 - Phase 1b of the MP 45-60 Project is back in the STIP.
 - One of the members of R&M Engineering that is working on the MP 45-60 Project Phase 1b was also working on this SAP. He said, pathway with the frontage road MP 44.3-45 of the Sterling Hwy as put forward in CLAPC meetings with KPB Planning Department was considered and some planning effort was made but this section of road is outside the scope of the MP 45-60 Project so they had to let go of it.
 - The rock wall near MP 47 where the new safety path will end is being considered for action by the MP 45-60 Project. They may cut it back so users of the new safety path don't end up risking injury as they negotiate that rock face interface with the highway.

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