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FYI

Had a call from Judy Swartwood today expressing concerns that 5 local opinion leaders (you can probably guess who)within the ORV caucus who according to Judy are doing all the planning, making all the decisions without involving the rest of the local members of the caucus in the pre-decisional discussion, then telling the group what the

Group decision is and stifling other points of view or ideas that come up after the fact. She said the opinion leaders do not seem to get or accept some of the assumptions (e.g., there need to be some year-round pedestrian areas), and still seem stuck on trying to have things go back to the old ways. She has some ideas she would like to express, like the need to make compromises and the value of exploring some of the enviro proposals to better understand what they want,, but feels she is not listened to by the opinion leaders and can't really break free of the peer pressure to speak up and challenge some of the positions being taken by the leaders.

She does not expect me to solve this issue for her. We talked a little about what she could do: talk with Carla within the caucus to see if Carla can help facilitate group involvement; or, talk with either of you two for advice or if she wants someone to help facilitate discussion about her concerns within the caucus.

She was able to ventilate and felt better. I tried to leave the ball in her court to think about the situation over the weekend and decide if she wants to follow-up with anyone.

Not asking either of you to do anything, especially since Judy did not ask me to ask you to do anything, but thought you should know about the conversation in case the issue surfaces some place else.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld