

Press release

Presentation of Transport Survey Report “Nord-Süd-Straße”

Neighbouring Firms Demand Rapid Implementation

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The Transport Survey Report for Nord-Süd-Straße was presented on Tuesday, 5 October 2021, at the Mobility Committee of Stuttgart municipal council. The firms LAPP, DEKRA, SCHARR, TRELLEBORG and STOLLSTEIMER have now written to the municipal councillors, urging them to resolutely press ahead with the plans that have been presented for upgrading Nord-Süd-Straße and expanding it to a four-lane road. “This is the only way we can avoid looming gridlocks. I would like to thank the municipal administration and the new Lord Mayor that expedient solutions have been presented at long last, and I trust that the municipal council will support them as well” says Andreas Lapp, Chair of Lapp Holding AG.

The report was prepared by Obermeyer in Munich, a well-known transport planning company, commissioned by the neighbouring firms and Stuttgart city. Its purpose was to analyse additional traffic impacts resulting from more companies setting up at Synergiepark, including Daimler and Allianz. The reason: By 2030 the number of employees in the industrial zone is expected to double to around 40,000. The firms are concerned that without the upgrade once promised by the city, greater traffic chaos on the only access road – Nord-Süd-Straße – is inevitable. This will impact not just employees, customers and suppliers, but also the residents of Vaihingen and Möhringen.

Even now, the daily traffic jams are an imposition on motorists and local residents. In the 2020 analysis the transport experts noted significant tailbacks in the mornings between Heilbrunnenstraße and the A8 offramp and ahead of the Hengstäcker tunnel going South. In the evenings, traffic jams occurred between Industriestraße and Vaihinger Straße onramp (heading North) and between Heilbrunnenstraße and Breitwiesenstraße (heading South). The transport experts concluded that upgrading individual transport nodes was not enough. The experts also recommend a rapid upgrade of Nord-Süd-Straße towards the motorway and a 200-metre extension of the merging lane for traffic turning left from Industriestraße.

According to Helmut Ammerl, Head of the Transport Planning/Traffic Technology Institute of Obermeyer, this is only a stopgap, however. “In terms of traffic, we don’t expect things to be idyllic on Nord-Süd-Straße in the years to come. The proposed measures only ensure minimum performance.” The transport expert defines the missed construction of a multi-lane tunnel pipe in the Hengstäcker tunnel as a major bottleneck. “We must not stop thinking ahead” says Ammel “taking a holistic view of performance I recommend, as a next step, a subsequent study of Nord-Süd-Straße towards Leinfelden-Echterdingen or the B27.”

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