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LEGAL NOTICE PLANNED IMPROVEMENT

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The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has developed preliminary plans for a proposed State Road (SR) 26 small structure replacement with a bridge over Goose Creek, 4.98 miles west of US 52/231, located in Tippecanoe County. The project extends 825 feet west and 200 feet east of the structure center. The project purpose is to replace the twin concrete box structures with a precast concrete 3-sided bridge. This project will also include, but is not limited to, constructing a paved access road down the existing fill slopes to provide future access for maintenance and inspection of the replacement structure.

The Maintenance of Traffic plan for this project is to be a road closure at SR 26 during the construction period. The official detour will be SR 55, SR 352, US 52, and US 231. The detour length is 24.5 miles. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction. Project stakeholders including local school corporation(s) and emergency services will be notified of potential closures and/or detours prior to any construction. The proposed start of construction is Spring 2024.

Construction of the project will require approximately 0.63 acre of new permanent right-of-way. An estimated cost of the project is \$4,803,368.00. Federal and state funds are to be utilized for the construction of the project. The Federal Highway Administration and INDOT have agreed that this project falls within the guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) 2 environmental document with no significant impacts to stream resources. Preliminary design plans, along with the CE are available for review at the following locations:

1. Tippecanoe County Public Library-Klondike Branch (3062 Lindberg Rd., West Lafayette, IN 47906)
2. INDOT Crawfordsville District Office (41 W. 300 N, Crawfordsville, IN 47933)
3. On the INDOT website: <https://www.in.gov/indot/2701.htm>

All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or submit comments to the attention of Rachel Pluckebaum, Corradino, LLC, 200 S. Meridian Street, Suite 330 Indianapolis, IN 46225, or rpluckebaum@corradino.com on or before Thursday, January 27, 2023. In addition, project information, including the environmental document, may be mailed to interested persons upon request.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in alternative formats are encouraged to contact the INDOT Crawfordsville District for the arrangement and coordination of services. Please contact Crawfordsville District Project Manager, Jessica Konkright, at 765-361-5243 or jkonkright@indot.in.gov. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in another language are encouraged to contact the INDOT Crawfordsville District Office.

This notice is published in compliance with: 1) Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CFR 771.111.(h)(1) stating, "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program."; 2) 23 CFR 450.210(a)(1)(ix) stating, "Providing for the periodic review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all interested parties and revise the process, as appropriate."; 3) The *INDOT Project Development Public Involvement Procedures Manual* approved by the Federal Highway Administration on July 7, 2021.