

S.R. 32 Proposed Improvement between Cicero Creek and S.R. 38 West Junction

Public Hearing

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Welcome

- Purpose/explanation of public hearing
- Public hearing format
- Visit our sign-in table
- Informational handouts
- Participate during public comment session
- Submit written public comments
- Project display area



Welcome

- **Introduction of INDOT Project Team**

- Project Management
- Public Involvement
- Greenfield District – INDOT Regional Office
- Environmental Services
- Crawford Murphy & Tilly
- Engineering, Design & Environmental Analysis Team

- **Recognition of elected and local public officials**

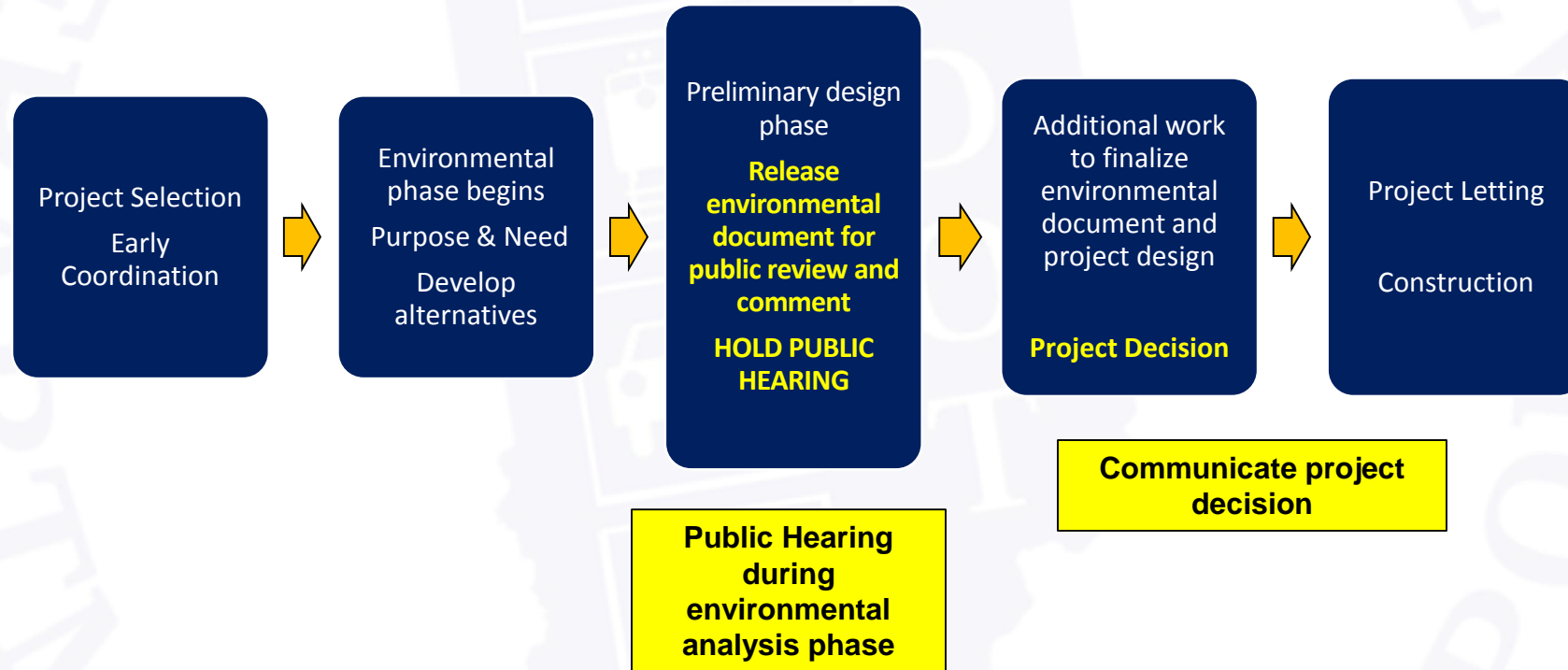
- Sign-in at attendance table to be added to project mailing list
- Legal notice of public hearing was published in the Noblesville Times and Indianapolis Star on 12/22/17, 12/27/17 & 1/3/18
- A notice of the public hearing was mailed to known property owners within project area
- Announcement of this hearing was posted to INDOT website. A media release was also issued
- A copy of presentation and project documentation are available for review on-line via INDOT website

Project Stakeholders

- Indiana Department of Transportation
- Indiana Division Federal Highway Administration
- Hamilton County
- City of Noblesville
- Elected & Local officials
- Residents & citizens
- Commuters
- Businesses
- Emergency services
- Schools
- Churches
- Community Organizations
- Trucking Industry



Project Development



Environmental Document

- **National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)**
 - Requires INDOT to analyze and evaluate the impacts of a proposed project to the natural and socio-economic environments
 - NEPA is a decision-making process
 - Purpose and Need
 - Alternatives Screening
 - Preferred Alternative
- **Impacts are analyzed, evaluated and described in an environmental document**
 - What are the impacts this project might have on the community?
 - How can impacts be avoided?
 - Can impacts be minimized?
 - Mitigation for impacts?
- **Draft environmental document released for public involvement**
 - December 2017
 - Available for review and comment via public repository

Environmental Document

- **Environmental Analysis Process**

- Establish Purpose and Need
- Develop a number of possible alternatives
 - The “Do Nothing” alternative is a baseline for comparison
- Evaluate and screen alternatives
- Identify a preferred alternative
- Solicit public comment on environmental document and preliminary design plan
- Address and consider public comment as part of decision-making process
- Finalize and approve environmental document

Environmental Document Evaluates Impact

- Right-of-way
- Streams, Wetlands, and Other Waters
- Floodplains
- Endangered Species
- Farmland
- Cultural Resources (Historic/Archaeological)
- Parks and Recreational Lands (Trails)
- Residential development
- Air Quality
- Noise
- Community Impacts
- Environmental Justice
- Hazardous Materials
- Permits
- Mitigation
- Public Involvement
- Commercial Development

Purpose and Need

- **Purpose**

- Improve safety within the project corridor
- Reduce number of crashes
 - Corridor experienced 147 crashes between January 2013 and December 2015
 - Most crashes occurred at intersections
 - 96 crashes at the SR 38 intersection
 - 44 crashes at the River Road intersection
- Reduce congestion
- Provide safe pedestrian mobility throughout the corridor

- **Need**

- Enhance safety and capacity
- Reduce crash rate within corridor
- Address Level of Service (LOS) within corridor

Crash Data

Crash Data for SR 32 (2013-2015)

SEVERITY		TYPE	
Crash with no Injury	106	Rear End	52
Non-Incapacitating Injury	29	Right Angle	34
Incapacitating Injury	11	Sideswipe	23
Fatal	1	Left Turns / Right Turns	16
		Other	21
TOTALS	147	TOTALS	147

Alternatives Considered

- **No Build**

- Retains existing State Road 32 four-lane cross section
- Does not improve traffic signals at the River Road and SR 38 intersections
- Does not meet project's purpose and need to reduce congestion and improve safety

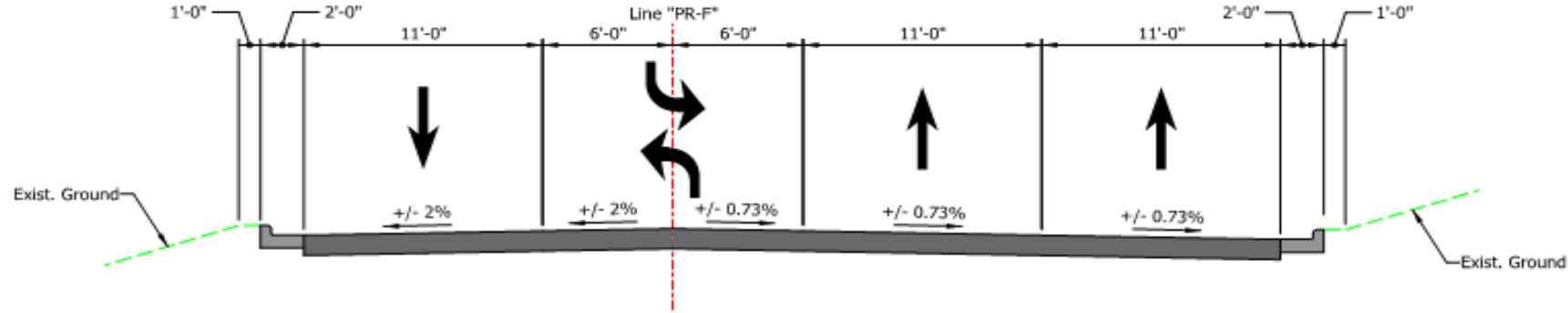
- **Added Travel Lane with Traffic Signal Modernization**

- Add a second westbound travel lane on SR 32 to match existing five-lane section east of the project
- Five-lane section from just west of River Road to extend through signalized intersections with River Road and SR 38
- Widen existing lanes to accommodate high number of trucks traveling through corridor
- Enhance road drainage; new closed storm sewer between River Road and SR 38
- New sidewalks along both sides of SR32
- Traffic signals to be fully replaced
 - SR 32 at River Road
 - SR 32 at SR 38

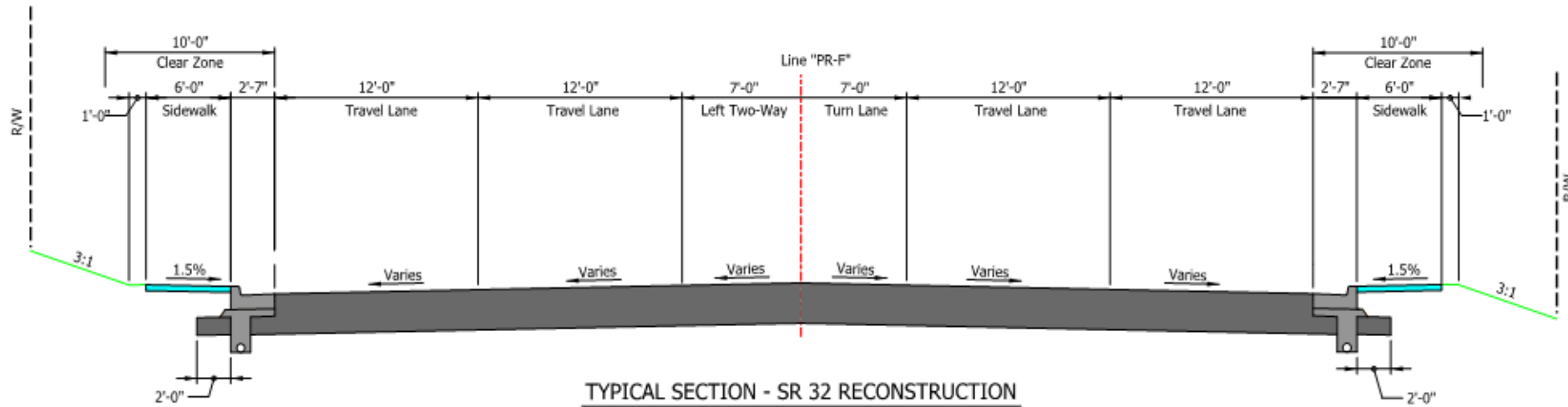
Project Location



Proposed Improvements

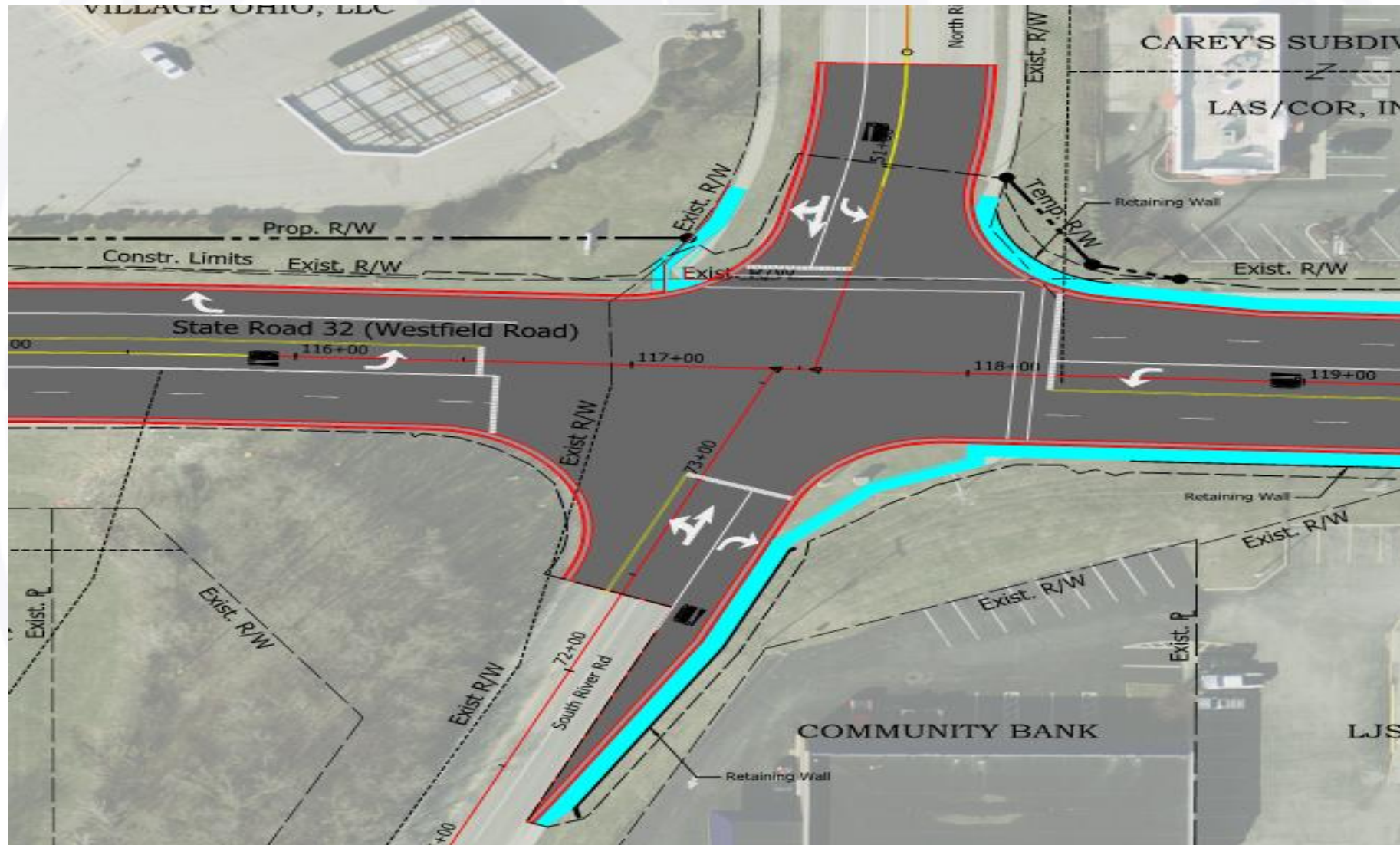


EXISTING TYPICAL SECTION - SR 32
END PROJECT

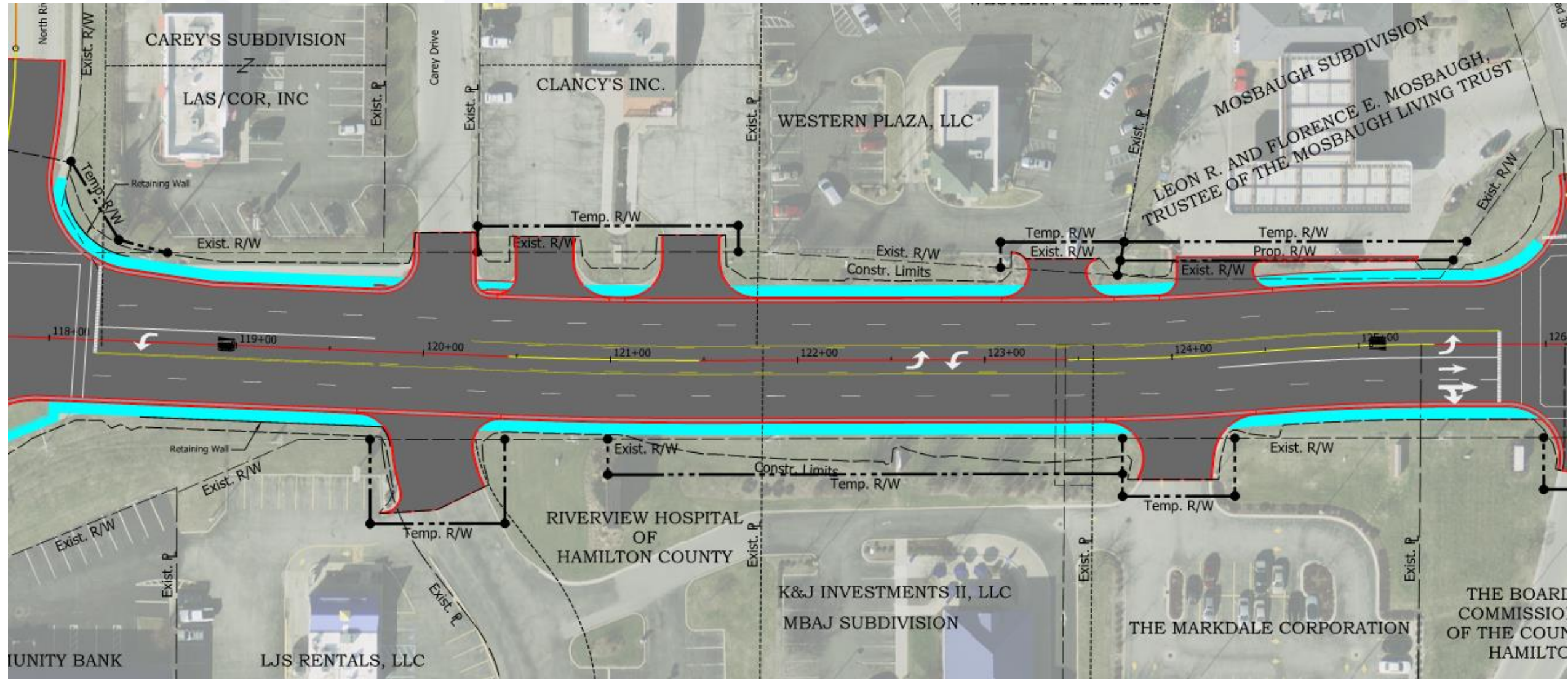


TYPICAL SECTION - SR 32 RECONSTRUCTION
STA. 111+30.00 "PR-F" TO STA. 126+14.00 "PR-F"

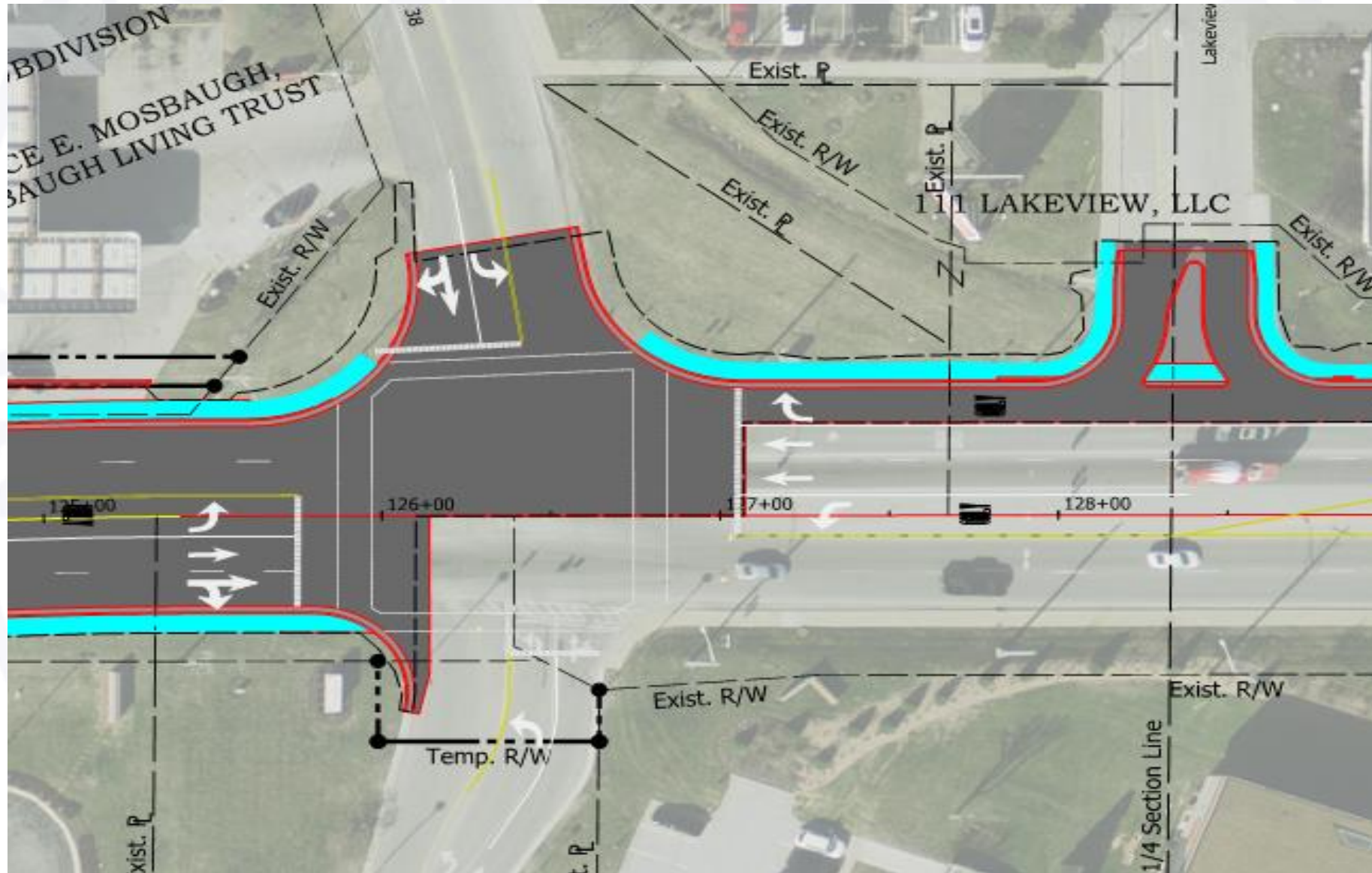
Proposed Improvements – SR 32 at River Road



Proposed Improvements – Between Intersections



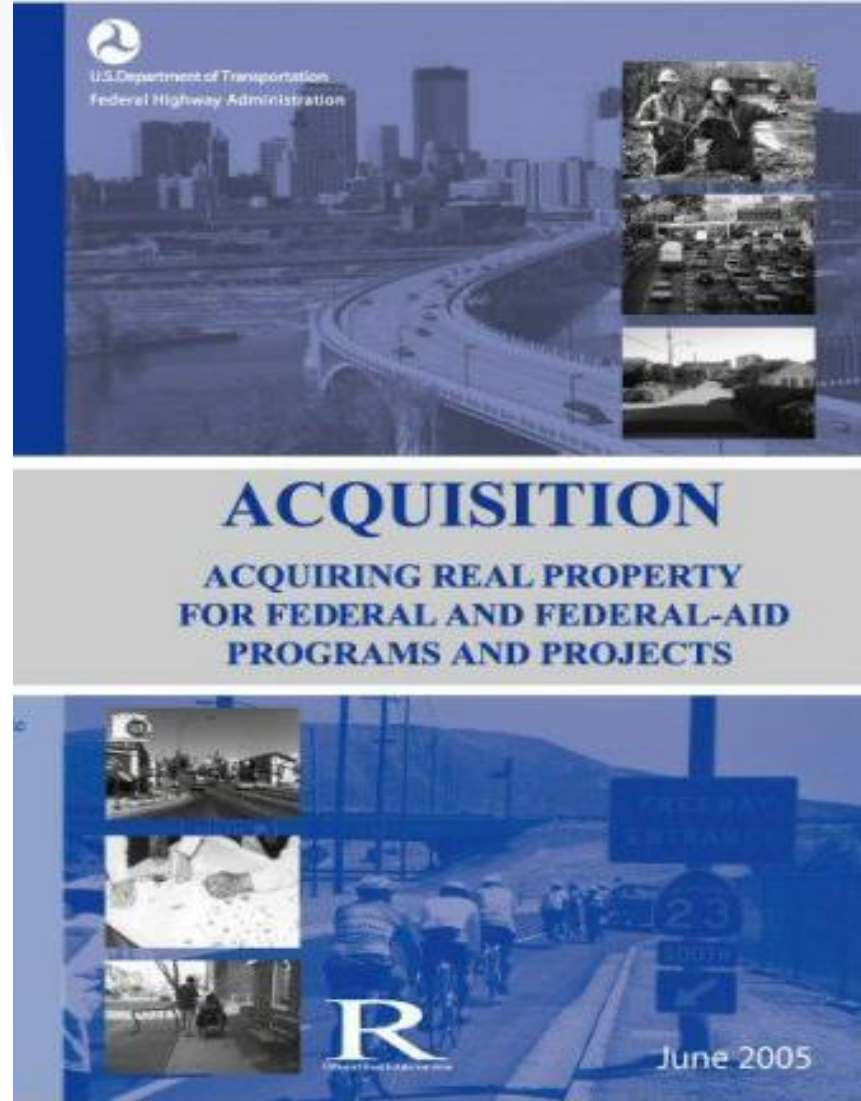
Proposed Improvements – SR 32 at SR 38



Maintenance of Traffic (MOT)

- Project to be constructed under traffic
- Requires lane closures during construction
- No detours of SR 32 traffic will be required
- Phased construction to allow traffic to shift to one side while work continues on the other
- Access to local businesses and Riverview Hospital will be maintained at all times

Real Estate



Real Estate Acquisition Process

- **"Uniform Act of 1970"**
 - All federal, state and local governments must comply
 - Requires an offer for just compensation
- **Acquisition Process**
 - Appraisals
 - Review Appraisals
 - Negotiations
- **INDOT Real Estate Team to work with impacted property owners**
- **Right-of-way**
 - Permanent ROW: 0.1 acre
 - Permanent ROW is land, once purchased by INDOT from legal land owner, becomes ROW owned by INDOT
 - Temporary ROW: 0.5 acre
 - Temporary ROW is land required during the construction of a project and is used for the purposes of construction-related activity
 - INDOT pays legal land owner a fee for land use during construction

Project Schedule

- Environmental document released for public involvement – December 2017
- Public Hearing – January 2018
- Finalize environmental document and design – 2018
 - Communicate project decision - 2018
- Real estate acquisition – 2018 thru 2019
- Proposed construction - 2020

Submit Public Comments

- Submit public comments using the options described in first page of information packet:
 - Public Comment Form
 - Via e-mail
 - Participate during public comment session following formal presentation
- **INDOT respectfully requests comments be submitted by Friday, January 26, 2018**
- All comments submitted are included in the public hearings transcript and made part of the public record
- Comments are reviewed, evaluated and given full consideration during decision-making process

Next Steps

- **Public and project stakeholder input**
 - Submit comments via options described on page 1 of information packet
- **INDOT review of public comments**
 - All comments are given full consideration during decision-making process
 - Finalize/approve environmental document, complete project design
- **Communicate a decision**
 - INDOT will notify project stakeholders of decision
 - Work through local media, social media outlets, paid legal notice
 - Make project documents accessible via repositories
- **Questions? Contact Public Involvement Team**

Project Resource Locations

- **INDOT Greenfield District Office**

32 South Broadway, Greenfield, IN 46140

Toll Free: 1-855-463-6848

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<http://www.in.gov/indot/2704.htm>

Planning, Project Development/Delivery, Construction,
Maintenance for East Central Indiana

- **Hamilton East Public Library**

1 Library Plaza, Noblesville, IN 46060

Phone: (317) 773-1384

- **INDOT Office of Public Involvement**

100 North Senate Avenue, Room N642, Indianapolis, IN 46204

Phone: (317) 232-6601

rclark@indot.in.gov

<http://www.in.gov/indot/2366.htm>

Thank You

- Please visit with the INDOT design team and project officials following the presentation and comment session
- Project Open House
 - Project maps, displays, INDOT project team and informal Q & A
 - INDOT Greenfield District webpage: <http://www.in.gov/indot/2704.htm>