



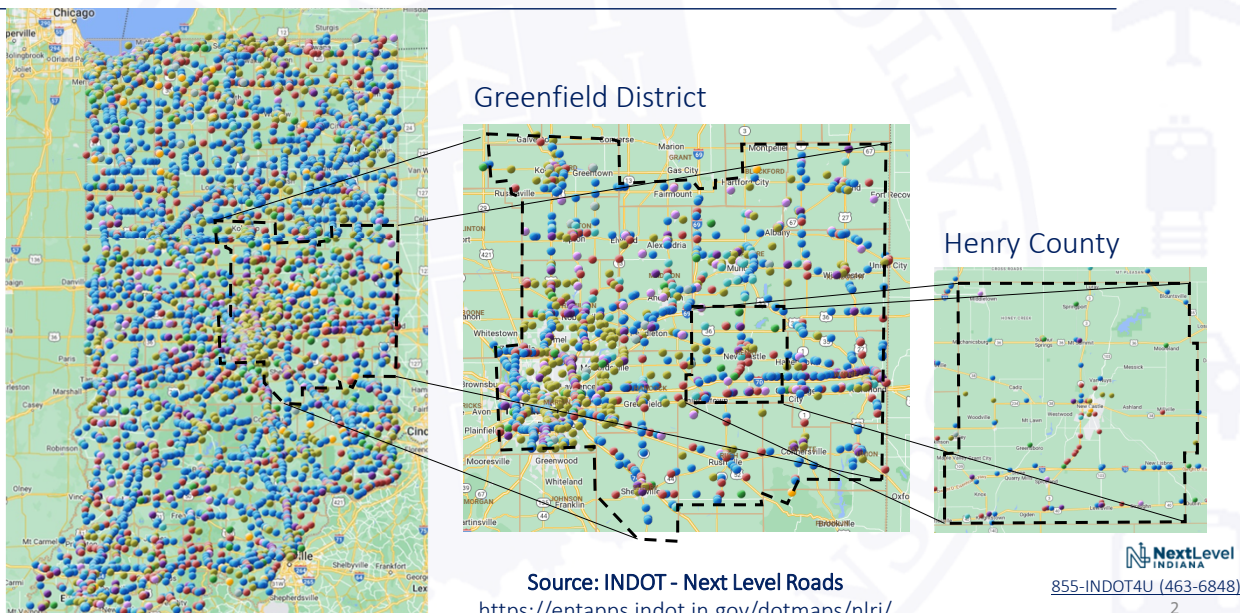
## SR 3: Road Rehabilitation

New Castle, Henry County, IN  
DES. 1593230 and 2003091  
Public Hearing - Wednesday, October 11, 2023  
Bundy Auditorium, New Castle, Indiana


  
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## Welcome and Project Resources

- **Purpose of meeting**
- **Meeting format**
  - Formal Presentation
  - Formal Public Comment Period
  - Adjourn Formal Hearing

- **Public Hearing Meeting Location:**
  - Bundy Auditorium: 601 Parkview Drive, New Castle, IN 47362, on the campus of the New Castle Middle/High School
- **Project Information can be found online at:**  
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## SR 3 Rehabilitation Project Team



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## SR 3 Rehabilitation Project Stakeholders

### Agency Stakeholders

- Indiana Department of Transportation
- Indiana Division Federal Highway Administration
- City of New Castle and Henry County
- Elected and Local Officials

### Public and Private Stakeholders

- Residents and Citizens
- Commuters
- Business Community
- Emergency Services
- Schools
- Churches
- Community Organizations



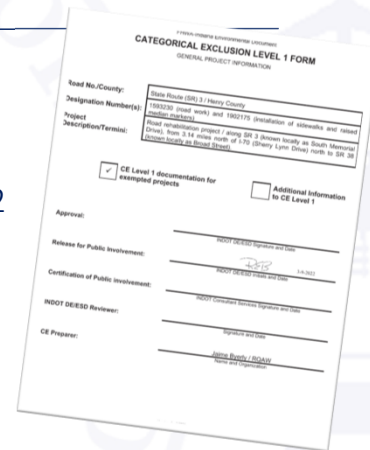
## Why a Public Hearing?

- **Conducted as a requirement to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)**
  - NEPA requires evaluation of potential impacts to surrounding natural, cultural, and social environments.
  - Impacts are described in an environmental document.
  - Requires opportunity for the public to be involved and comment in the decision-making process of said impacts
- **Share project information with you, including modifications to some traffic movements**
- **Official feedback**



## Environmental Document

- **National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)**
  - Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required
- **Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 1 under development**
  - Released for Public Involvement on March 9, 2022
  - Published Legal Notice
    - The Courier Times
    - September, 26 and October 3, 2023
- **Legal Notice announces the public hearing and provides notification that the CE is available for viewing.**



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## How Can You Participate?

- **Verbally**
  - Formal Public Hearing Session
    - All formal comments will be recorded for the record.
- **Comment Form**
  - Submit via mail, email, or place in comment box at welcome table.
- **Online**
  - [www.INDOT4U.com](http://www.INDOT4U.com), Attention Nathan Riggs
- **Email**
  - Jeff Brechbill (First Group) [jbrechbill@firstgroupengineering.com](mailto:jbrechbill@firstgroupengineering.com)
- **Mail**
  - First Group Engineering, Attn: Jeff Brechbill, 5925 Lakeside Blvd, Indianapolis, IN 46278
- **Comment Period Ends**
  - October 26, 2023



## How Are Comments Addressed?

- All comments will be addressed in the Final Environmental Document as a result of:
  - The public statements recorded at a public hearing.
  - All written comments such as letters and emails received during the comment period.
- Informal comments during the open house portion of the meeting are always welcomed; however, please note that general conversations are not part of the official record.

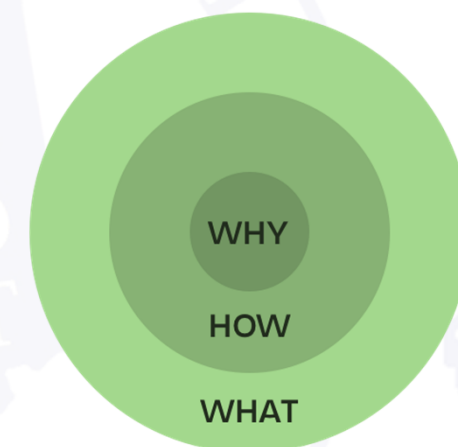
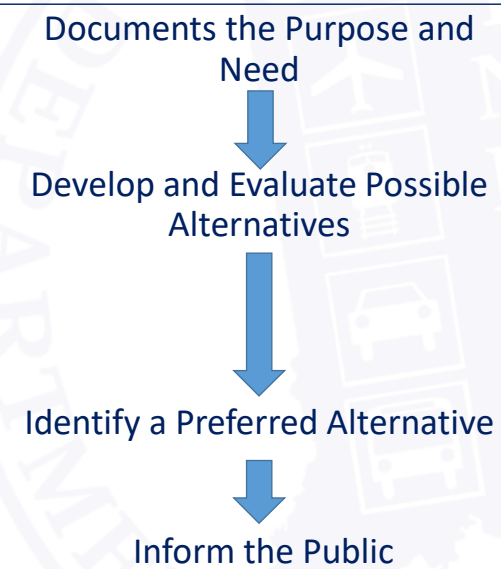
## Project Location



## Purpose and Need

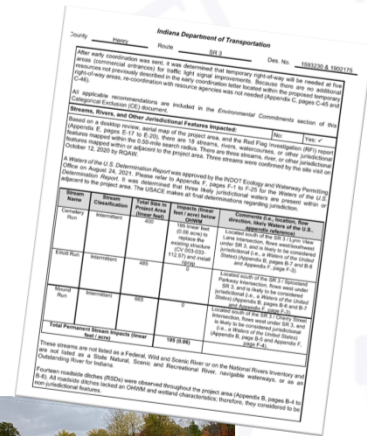
- The primary need for this project is due to the condition of the existing pavement and number of injury crashes.
  - Secondary needs include poor condition of existing storm water drainage system and lack of pedestrian facilities along SR 3.
- The primary purpose of this project is to improve the pavement condition and reduce right-angle vehicle crashes.
  - Secondary purpose is to improve the condition of the drainage infrastructure and provide pedestrian facilities.

## Environmental Process



## Elements of Environmental Documentation

- Right-of-way
- Streams, wetlands, and floodplains
- Threatened & endangered species
- Historic & Archaeological
- Air quality & Noise
- Environmental Justice
- Hazardous materials
- Others



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## Alternatives Studied

- No Build
  - Does not meet purpose and need
- Reconstruct two outside travel lanes in each direction and patch and overlay center lanes
  - Would not satisfy the primary purpose
- Reconstruct two outside travel lanes in each direction and raised center median with no new storm sewers or pedestrian facilities
  - Would not satisfy the secondary purpose



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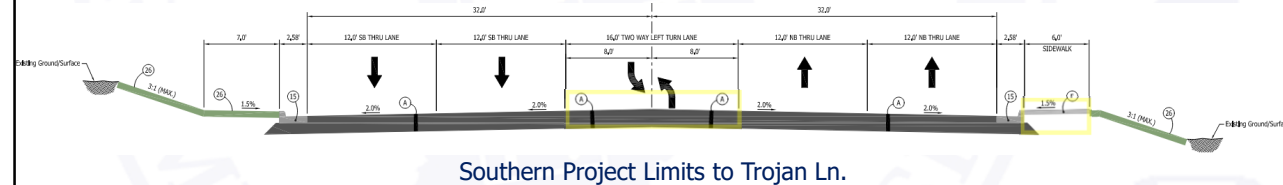
## Project Scope of Work for the Preferred Alternative

### Roadway Reconstruction

- Replace existing concrete with full depth asphalt
- Two 12-foot-wide lanes in each direction

### Southern Project Limits (Sherry Lynn Dr.) to Trojan Lane

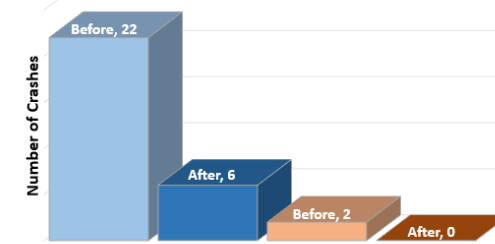
- Two-way left-turn lane (TWLTL)
- New 6-foot-wide sidewalks along the east side back of the curb



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## SR 9 – Raised Median Case Study

### SR 9 Total Crashes Between Intersections By Type 18 Months Before and After Construction



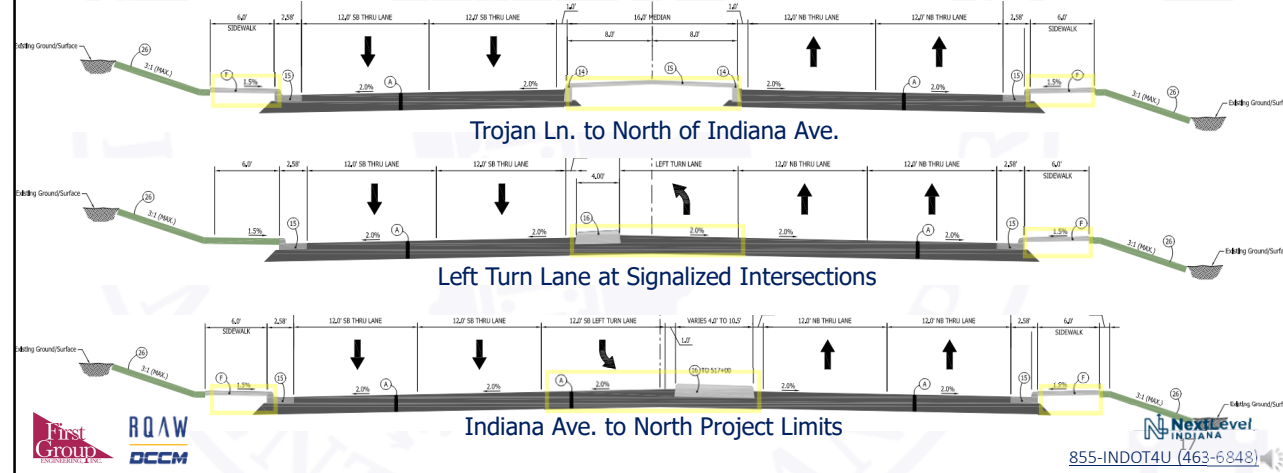
\*Right angle, left turn and rear-end crashes



## Project Scope of Work for the Preferred Alternative

### Trojan Lane to Northern Project Limits (SR 38)

- Curbed median will allow left turns at signalized intersections only
- New 6-foot-wide sidewalks along both sides



## Project Scope of Work for the Preferred Alternative

### Roadway Reconstruction

- Replace, line, or no change to existing drainage culverts/pipes
- New storm sewer, inlets, and manholes
- Add pedestrian crosswalk signals and push buttons to existing traffic signal equipment



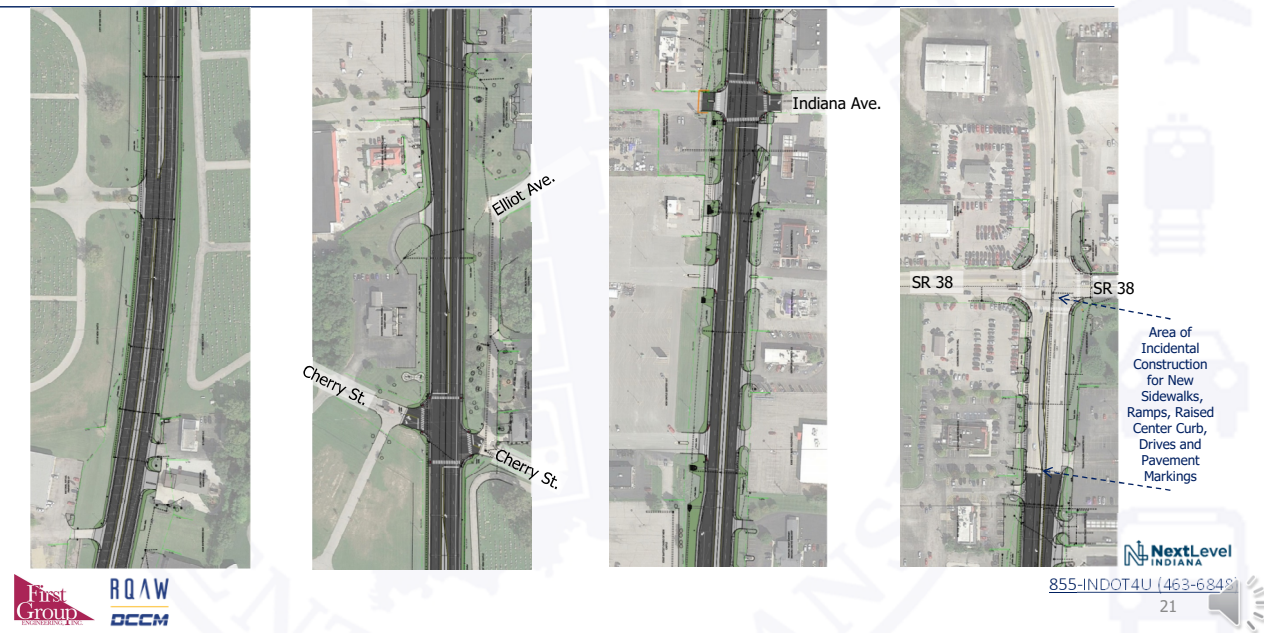
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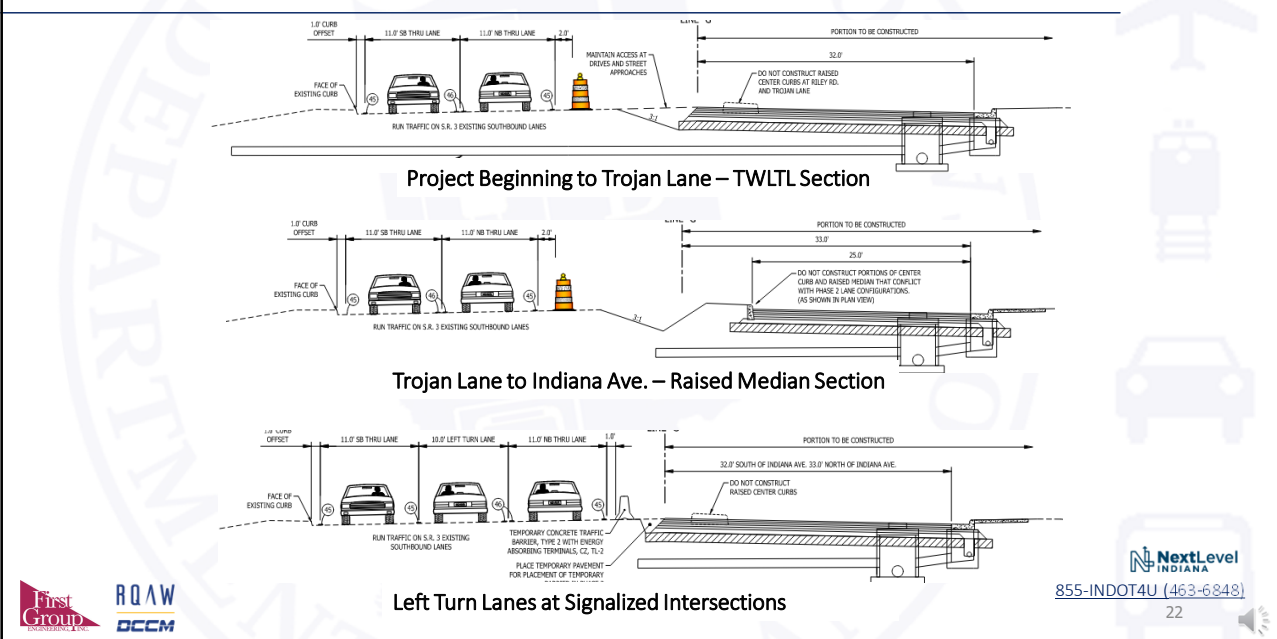


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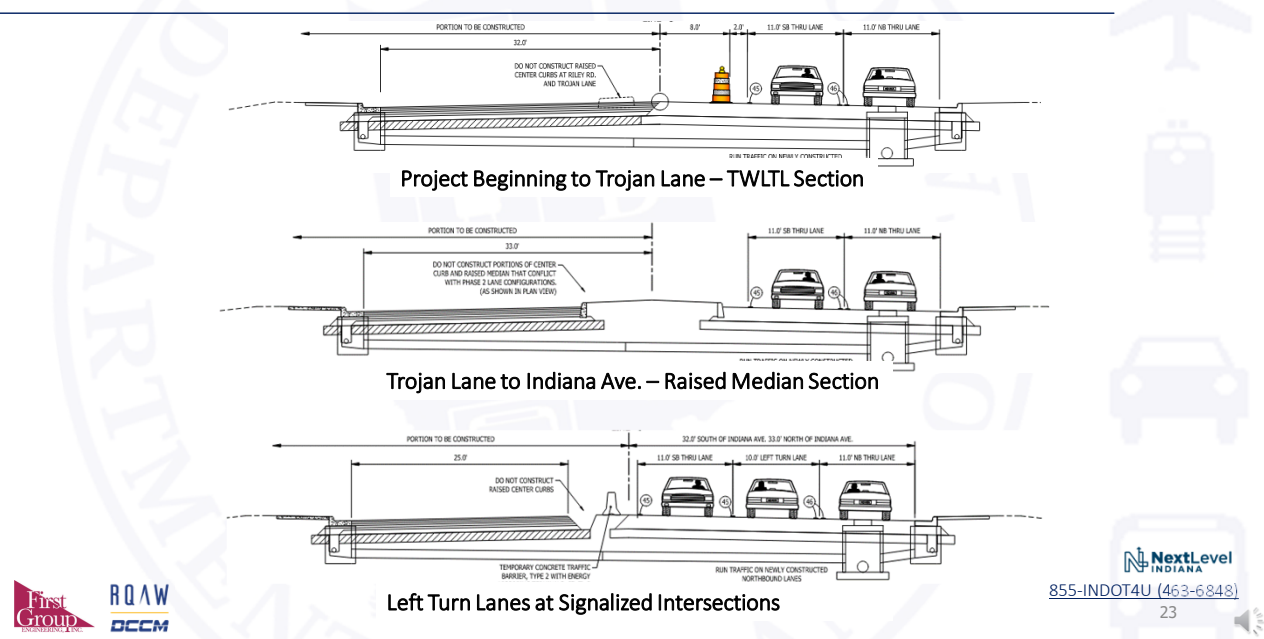
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## Maintenance of Traffic – Phase 1



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## Maintenance of Traffic – Phase 2



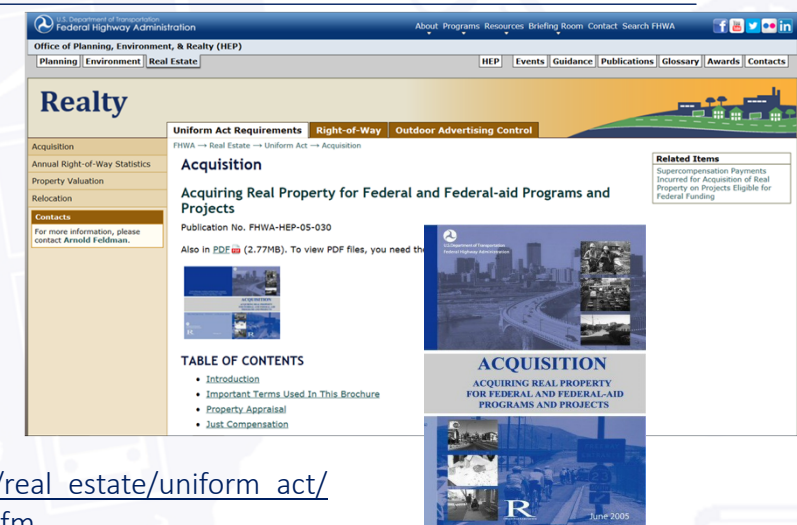
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## Land Acquisition

- No Relocations
- Proposed Permanent right-of-way
  - 0.10 acre
- Proposed Temporary right-of-way
  - 0.15 acre

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## Real Estate Acquisition Process & Project Costs

### Real Estate Acquisition Process

- Uniform Act” of 1970
  - All federal, state, and local governments must comply by requiring just compensation.
- Acquisition Process
  - Appraisals
  - Review appraisals
  - Amount of compensation cannot be less than fair market value
  - Offer will be made in writing
  - No agreement
    - Mediation
    - Condemnation

### Estimated Project Cost

- Engineering
  - \$1,500,000
- Right-of-way
  - <\$150,000
- Construction
  - \$34,500,000
- Total Estimated Cost
  - \$36,150,000



## Project Schedule and Construction Communication

- Final Environmental Document Approval – late 2023
  - Notice of Project Advancement will be distributed to inform the public that the approved environmental document is available for viewing.
- Right-of-Way Acquisition Complete – Summer 2024
- Letting –late 2024/early 2025
- Begin Construction Season – Spring 2025



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## Thank You!

Thank you for attending.

We will now perform the formal comment time.

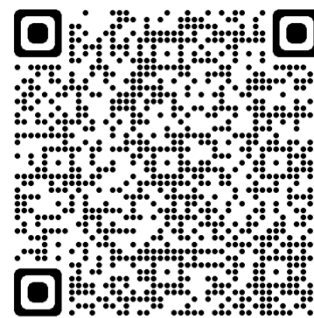
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