

INDOT Long-Range Plan Development Coordination Meeting Notes
Meeting with the Ft. Wayne District and Region 3A RPO
Conducted at the Ft. Wayne District March 26, 2010
1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

In Attendance: Steve Smith, Manager, INDOT Long-Range Transportation Planning
Roy Nunnally, Manager, INDOT, Manager Office of Modeling
Jerry Halperin, INDOT Long-Range Transportation Planning
Frank Baukert, INDOT, Long-Range Transportation Planning
John Leckie, Ft. Wayne District
Ben Schaeffer, Ft. Wayne District
Jason Kaiser, Ft. Wayne District
Joyce Newland, FHWA
Dave Gee, Region 3A
David Koeing, Region 3A

Steve Smith began the meeting with a short review of the meetings' agenda. The three areas of emphasis of the meeting were noted for developing the update of 2010 to the INDOT Long Range plan. Projects being shown in the plan for after 2020 will not be listed as specifics, rather as long range needs.

1. Discuss the Long Range Plan needs from the Transportation Demand Model and the MPO model.
2. Review Major Move Project Listing resulting from updating of project listing.
3. Open discussion of Long Range Plan needs .

The RPO reviewed the travel demand maps of the Ft. Wayne District. Overall the statewide travel demand model did not show significant future congested traffic conditions.

SR 5 Shpshewana: From US 20 to CR 345N (Shpshewana)/SR 5, the purpose of this project is to increase roadway capacity and reduce conflicts and enhance operational safety for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians. This project has been moved beyond 2020 with a TBD date.

I 69 and US 20: Interchange Modernization at US 20 in Steuben County, pavement replacement with ramp and lane reconfiguration and improvement as well as signal modernization. This project was completed in 2009.

US 6 Kendallville: From West junction w/SR 3 to E junction w/SR 3/SR 6. This project upgraded 1.27 miles of two-lane highway with a wide continuous Two Way Left Turn Lane, intersection improvements, new signs and signals, and drainage improvements. This project was completed.

SR 8 Auburn to Garrett: From Just west of I-69 to CR 15 in Garrett, the project was originally scoped as added travel lanes to increase capacity to 5 lanes. Recently the scope has been reduced to widen the section to 3 lanes and add curb & gutter, also a traffic signal will be placed at SR 8 and CR 15.

Possible future needs discussed:

US 6: added travel lanes from end of current project to Rogers St. in Kendallville

Shipshewana: keeps requesting direct access to I80/90 via extension of SR 5

US 20 & US 127: intersection issues,

US 224 & I 69: replacement of paving at intersection

Angola US 20 Bypass: The RPO noted the community is not requesting a US 20 bypass and is looking at improvements to adjoining county roads.

Rural Planning Program: The RPO noted it was proceeding on its transportation planning work funded by INDOT, conducting traffic counts, providing support to the community and INDOT District planning needs.