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INDOT to host Public Information Meeting for State Road 7 roadway improvement project

Public invited to learn more about the project at Jennings County High School (Des #2000230)

BARTHOLOMEW/JENNINGS COUNTY, Ind. — The Indiana Department of Transportation will hold a public information meeting on Wednesday, June 25, for the planned State Road 7 roadway improvement project in Bartholomew and Jennings counties.

The meeting will take place at Jennings County High School (800 West Walnut Street, North Vernon, IN) and will provide an opportunity for the public to interact with the project team and receive the latest updates on the project. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. to allow attendees time to view displays and talk with project personnel prior to a presentation that will begin at 6 p.m.

The project aims to improve safety and mobility, as well as reduce crashes on S.R. 7 by widening the roadway to install shoulders and a middle turn lane at specific locations along the corridor. The contract is currently scheduled to let in fall 2028.

The Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) plan for the project requires single lane closures on S.R. 7. Additional project information will be presented at the meeting. INDOT will coordinate with emergency services, local school corporation officials, state and local agencies and project stakeholders to ensure potential disruptions are minimized.

Questions can be submitted to Alyssa Kern with American Structurepoint, Inc. at (317) 547-5580, or via email at akern@structurepoint.com.

Project information, including the presentation will be available online at bit.ly/SR7Bartholomew-JenningsCounty.



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INDOT is responsible for planning, constructing, maintaining, and operating the State of Indiana's more than 29,000 highway lane miles and 5,700 bridges, and providing support for 4,500 rail miles and 127 aviation facilities throughout the Hoosier State. With six district offices and over 3,500 employees, INDOT works to ensure safe, efficient, and reliable transportation infrastructure while supporting the state's economic vitality. The department is committed to fostering innovation, sustainability, and safety

in transportation planning and development, in addition to collaborating with local governments and private sector partners to meet the state's transportation needs. For the eighth consecutive year, Indiana has placed in the top ten in the nation for infrastructure in CNBC's "America's Top States for Business" rankings. Learn more at in.gov/indot.

About Buckle Up Phone Down

Buckle Up Phone Down is a safety initiative adopted by the Indiana Department of Transportation in late 2023. Unrestrained motorists and passengers, as well as distracted driving continue to be contributing factors in fatal and serious injury crashes on Indiana roadways. Buckle Up Phone Down is one of many efforts to change driver behavior and improve roadway safety across Indiana.

The actions are simple: when you get into a vehicle, buckle up. If you are the driver, put the phone down. Every trip. Every time. Learn more and accept the challenge at BUPDIN.com.

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