I-65 Interchange Modification at SR 267 and I-65 Proposed New Interchange at Boone County CR 550 South DES# 1400071

Tuesday, April 23, 2019
Whitestown, Indiana
6:00 p.m.

Please silence electronic devices at the start of the hearing.
Agenda

• Welcome & Introductions
• Formal Public Hearing
  • Presentations
  • Public Statements for the Record
  • Adjourn Formal Hearing

Invited to the display area for Q & A with the project team
National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

- Conducted as requirement of NEPA
- Federal funding
  - NEPA Environmental Assessment (EA)
    - Used when impacts to the environment are not clearly established.
      - Wetlands and streams
      - Section 106 historic properties
      - Section 4(F) properties
      - Right of Way and Relocations
      - Noise
      - Public Involvement
EA Environmental Document

- Released for Public Involvement on March 14, 2019
- Published Legal Notice
  - Indianapolis Star
  - Lebanon Reporter
  - April 8th & 15th, 2019
  - April 9th & 16th, 2019
- Announcing the public hearing and the document is available for viewing
National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

• Public Involvement
  • Community Advisory Committee (CAC) - April 2018
  • Public Information Meeting - May 2018
  • Kitchen table meetings (KTM) for some projects
  • Public Hearing – April 2019
  • Project web page (https://www.in.gov/indot/3729.htm)
    • Simply search “INDOT Crawfordsville”
How Can You Participate?

- Verbally as a Public Statement
  - Statements are recorded
- Comment Form
  - Submit via mail, fax, or drop box
- Email - mwright@indot.in.gov
- Comment Period ends
  - Thursday, May 9, 2019

Please feel free to use any and all methods.
SR 267 Interchange Modification

• Environmental Impacts
  • 9.3 acres of new right-of-way
  • Wetland impacts
  • No stream impacts
  • No Section 4(f) impacts to Boone’s Pond
  • No Section 106 historic impacts
  • Preliminary noise analysis complete – noise barrier not warranted
CR 550 S New Interchange

- Environmental Impacts
  - 56.0 acres of new right-of-way
  - One relocation
  - Wetland impacts
  - Impacts to Etter Ditch
  - No Section 4(f) or Section 106 historic impacts
  - Preliminary noise analysis complete – noise barrier not warranted
Real Estate Acquisition Process

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/real_estate/uniform_act/acquisition/real_property.cfm
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
Relocation Assistance Program

• One Relocation
  • Basic process for those persons or properties that may be relocated as a result of the construction of a project.
  • Ensures those individuals are compensated for replacement and moving expense.

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/real_estate/publications/your_rights/
Project Scope

- I-65 at SR 267 Interchange Modification Des. No. 1400071
- I-65 at Boone CR 550 S New Interchange Des. No. 1702147
- I-65 at Whitestown Parkway N.B. Exit Ramp Modification Des. No. 1801826
- I-65 at I-865 S.B. Exit Ramp Modification Des. No. 1801825
SR 267 Interchange Modification

- Preferred Alternative – Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)
- Other Alternatives Considered
  - Partial Cloverleaf (Parclo) with Slip Ramp
  - DDI with Grade Separation
  - Single Point Urban Interchange (SPUI)
SR 267 Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)

Preferred Alternative
DDI – Example Operations Video
DDI – SR 267 Traffic Simulation
CR 550 S Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)

Preferred Alternative
CR 550 S New Interchange

• Preferred Alternative – Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)

• Other Alternatives Considered
  • Tight Diamond Interchange (TDI)
  • Single Point Urban Interchange (SPUI)
  • Conventional Diamond Interchange
Southbound I-65 Exit Ramp

Eastbound I-865

Existing Condition

Proposed Improvement
Maintenance of Traffic (MOT)

- Can build CR 550 S interchange with minimal impact to traffic
- Can build northern (new) SR 267 bridge and some of SR 267 interchange with minimal impact to traffic
- Potential to make CR 550 S interchange operational prior to reconstruction of existing portions of SR 267 interchange
- Special concerns for holiday traffic
MOT Plan for I-65 at SR 267 (Phase 1)
What is next?

- After Public Hearing and Public Comments
  - Environmental Document Approval
    - Anticipate a Finding of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)
    - Legal Notice published to formally announce the conclusion of the environmental assessment phase.
    - All comments are addressed in the FONSI
- Right-of-way Acquisition 2019
- Permitting and Mitigation 2019
- Tentative Construction 2020
Comment Session

• No responses at this time.
• Statements are for the official public hearing transcript.
• First speakers are from the sign-in sheet.
• Open for additional public statements from the floor.
• Please come forward to the podium so that we may accurately record your statements.
• We encourage and appreciate your comments.
Public Comments

• Statements recorded at public hearing.
• Written Statements
  • Mary Wright
    IGCN Room N642
    100 North Senate Avenue
    Indianapolis, IN 46204
  • E-Mail  mwright@indot.in.gov
• Respectfully request comments to be postmarked by Thursday, May 9, 2019

All comments will be reviewed and evaluated and given full consideration before final design decisions.
Thank You

• Please visit with project officials following the public comment session.
  • View displays and preliminary plans.
  • Informal questions and answers
  • Informal comments are always welcome, however, please note general conversations are not part of the official record.

Thank you for your attendance this evening.

Formal public hearing is adjourned.