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SR 163 over Brouilletts Creek Bridge Project Public Information Meeting Scheduled for June 15, 2023, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

June 1, 2023

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will host a public information meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023, at the South Vermillion High School – 770 Wildcat Drive, Clinton, IN 47842. The purpose of the public information meeting is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to comment on the revised preferred alternative for the State Road (SR) 163 over Brouilletts Creek Bridge Project (Des. # 1701589) in Vermillion County. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and a presentation will begin at 6:00 p.m. Project team members will be available before and after the presentation to answer questions.

INDOT is proposing a revised preferred alternative due to the community's comments that expressed concerns regarding the one-lane preferred alternative presented at the January 17, 2023, public hearing. Public concerns were related to safety concerns, potential economic impacts, increased travel time for motorists, and increased response time for first responders. The environmental document is being updated to address the revised preferred alternative and information from the public will be used in the project development process.

The revised preferred alternative will rehabilitate the existing bridge and maintain two travel lanes. The bridge will have two 11-foot-wide travel lanes with 10-inch-wide shoulders. The primary elements of the rehabilitation include increasing the load capacity to HS-15 (27-tons), replacing the bridge deck, replacing all bridge railing, and placing riprap at both abutments. The SR 163 bridge approaches will have two 11-foot-wide travel lanes, 4.5-foot-wide shoulders, and guardrails.

Written comments may be submitted prior to the public information meeting and within the comment period to Richard Gilyeat, INDOT Project Manager, Crawfordsville District Office, 41 W. 300 North, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 or email: RGilyeat@indot.IN.gov. INDOT requests comments be postmarked by Wednesday, June 30, 2023, to be included as part of the public information meeting record.

This notice is published in compliance with: 1) Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CFR 771.111(h)(1) stating, "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program."; 2) 23 CFR 450.210(a)(1)(ix) stating, "Provide for the periodic review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all interested parties and revise the process, as appropriate."; and 3) The 2021 INDOT Project Development Public Involvement Procedures Manual approved by the FHWA.

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