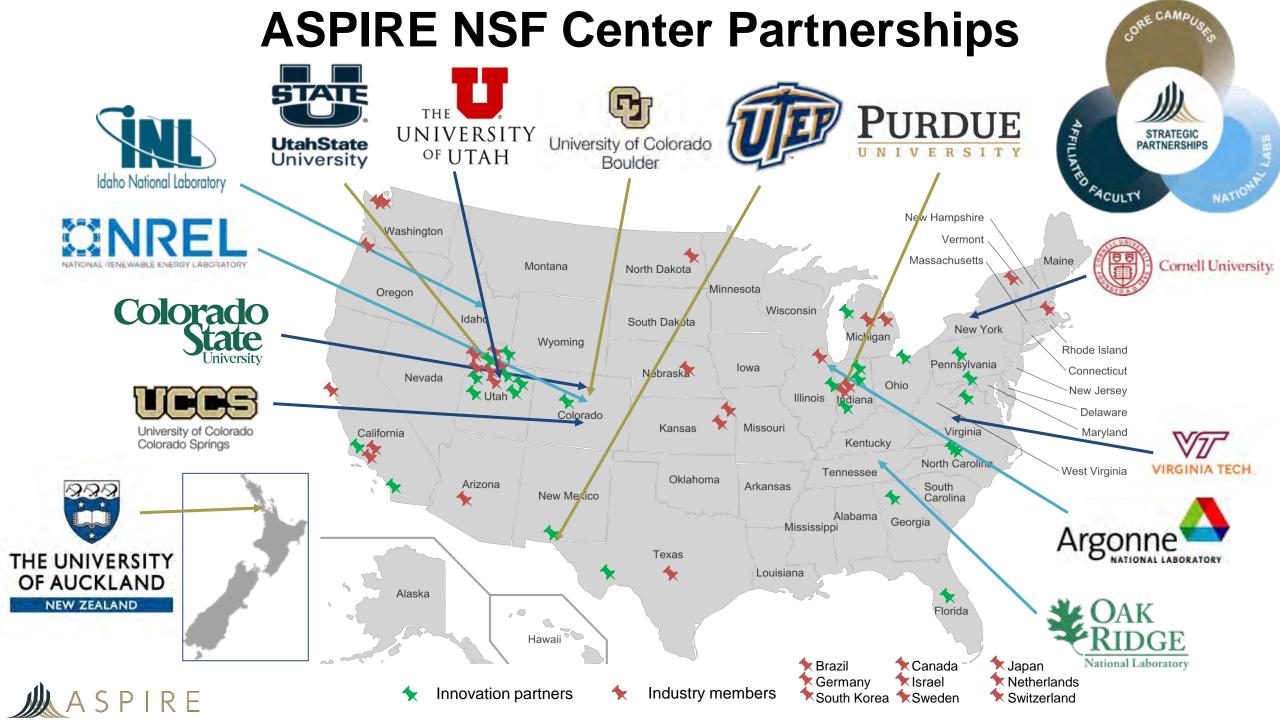


Dynamic Wireless Power Transfer Pilot Project

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What is Dynamic Wireless Power Transfer (DWPT)?

- Wireless charging in motion
- Energy transferred using electromagnetic induction between two coils



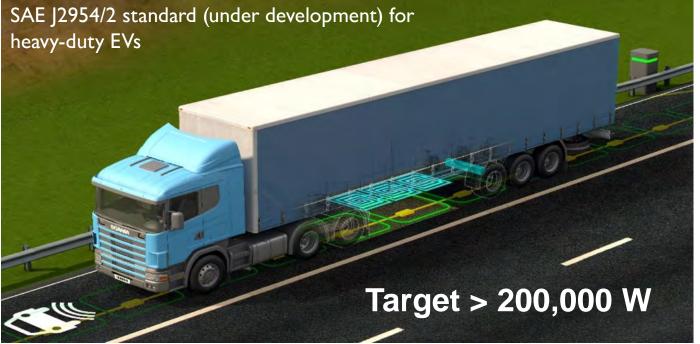
Qi (chee) standard for inductive charging. (Source: HP)

SAE J2954 standard for light-duty EVs (<11,000 W)



Ground Assembly (GA)

Source: WiTricity







Our Goal: make transportation cheaper, safer, and more reliable

Can heavy-duty electric vehicles (HDEVs) reduce TCO for fleet operators?

- Key advantages:
 - Much higher efficiency → lower fuel cost
 - Universal energy user → energy independence
- However,
 - Batteries are expensive and heavy
 - Range is limited/variable



DWPT could reduce battery needs by up to 90%







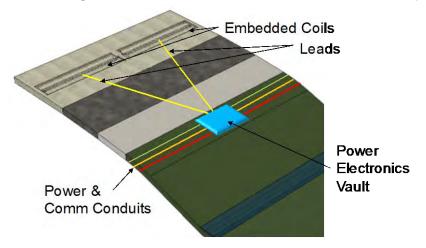
How electrified roadways would work

- Electrify main corridors, all interstate and major highways (~3% of total road network)
- Keep on-board battery energy for 50–100 miles range
- Add DWPT receiver assembly underneath vehicle
- Use in-pavement DWPT charging coils to power vehicles/charge batteries

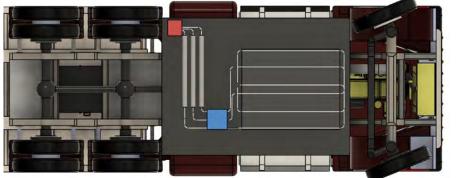
Questions Purdue/INDOT are addressing:

- Is it financially feasible?
- Is it technically feasible?

Transmitting components placed in roadway



Receiver assembly placed underneath vehicle







Initial Financial Feasibility Study



The **capital cost** is the component, construction, and installation cost of the electric roadway.



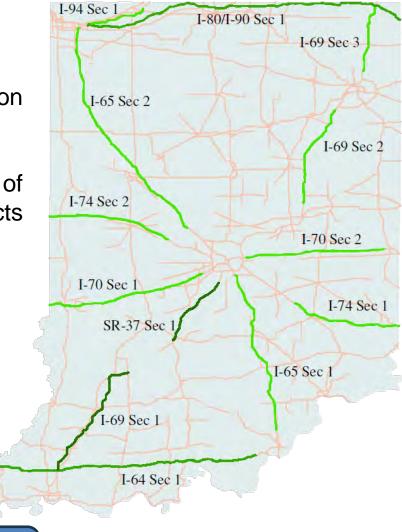
The levelized cost of roadway (LCOR) is the minimum cost of electricity delivered to EVs to break even on investment. It reflects the cost of equipment installation, maintenance, and more.

Estimated DWPT costs on Indiana Interstates

Capital Cost	LCOR
\$3.53-3.65 million / mile	23-31¢ / kWh

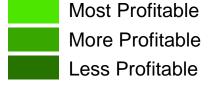


Compare with estimated fleet operators' TCO breakeven fuel cost (electricity price at which diesel and DWPTelectric HDV TCO is equal): 32¢/kWh



If LCOR < 32¢/kWh, electrified roadway is a win-win

D. Haddad et al., "Economic Feasibility of Dynamic Wireless Power Transfer Lanes in Indiana Freight Corridors," 2022 IEEE Power and Energy Conference at Illinois (PECI), 2022, pp. 1-8, doi: 10.1109/PECI54197.2022.9744037





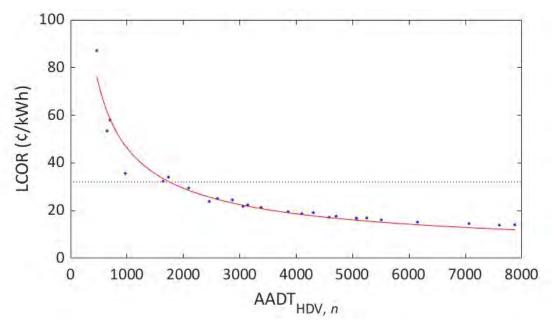




Key Takeaways from IN Financial Feasibility Analysis

- Electrified roadways could be a win-win in Indiana:
 LCOR 23–31¢ / kWh < TCO breakeven fuel cost 32 ¢/kWh
- Strong correlation between LCOR and HDV penetration

Electrified infrastructure must focus on HDVs (first)



T. Konstantinou *et al.*, "Feasibility Study and Design of In-Road Electric Vehicle Charging Technologies," FHWA/IN/JTRP-2021/25, Jun. 2021. doi: 10.5703/1288284317353.

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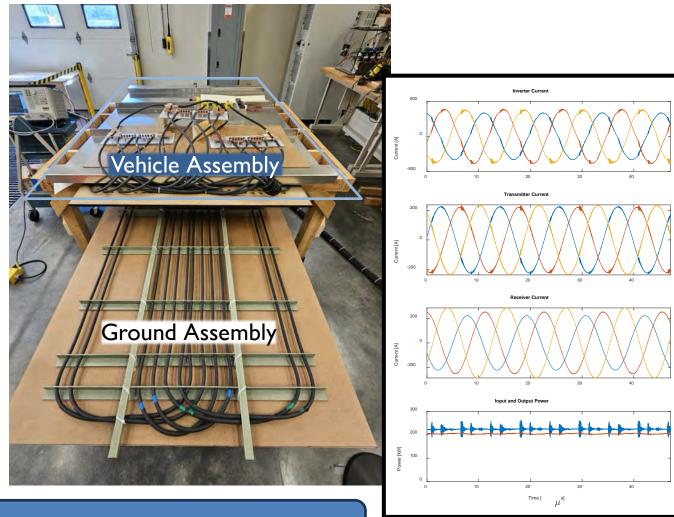




Purdue Heavy Duty 3-Phase Design (patent pending)

- Designed for
 - Low power ripple
 - Balanced phase currents and reduced current/voltage ratings (lowest cost)
- Simple in-road installation
- No ferrite in roadway
- Meets international standards for field emissions (safe)
- Readily scaled across vehicle classes: change rx length
- Interoperable with static topologies

Lab Prototype Gen 2 (220 kW)



Safe, high power, simple install, interoperable





Testing: Structural and Thermal Assessment

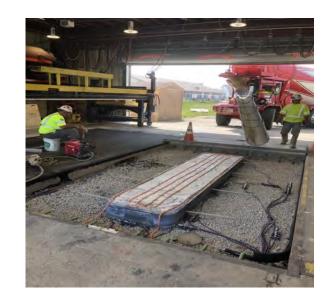
 Constructed two small-scale pavements (flexible and rigid) with embedded DWPT components in the Accelerated Pavement Test (APT) facility

Investigated the mechanical and thermal interaction of

the pavement with an embedded DWPT system

 Full-scale APT testing used to assess the pavement performance due to embedded DWPT components

No performance degradation due to DWPT coil











Indiana DWPT Pilot Project



Validate model predictions



Establish/demonstrate construction techniques



Demonstrate safety of technology



Supports modeling of grid/transportation coupling



Demonstrate interoperability across vehicle classes



Explore health of pavement with embedded coils



Advance community understanding of technology



Pilots motivate standards alignment



Advance Indiana business, health, environment



U.S. 231/52 between Lindberg Rd. & Cumberland Ave. - West Lafayette

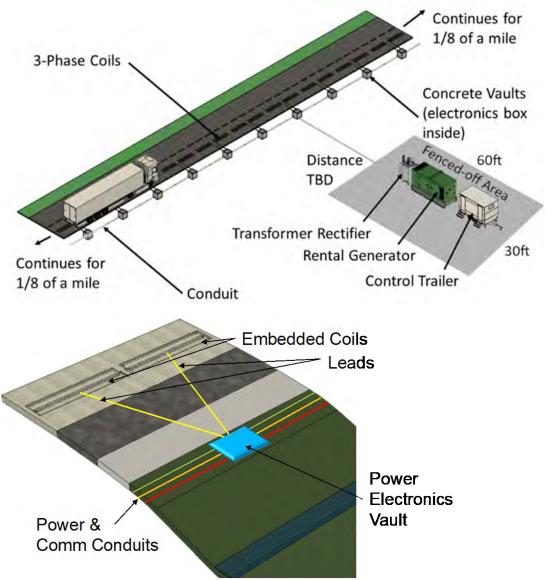








IN DWPT Pilot Parameters





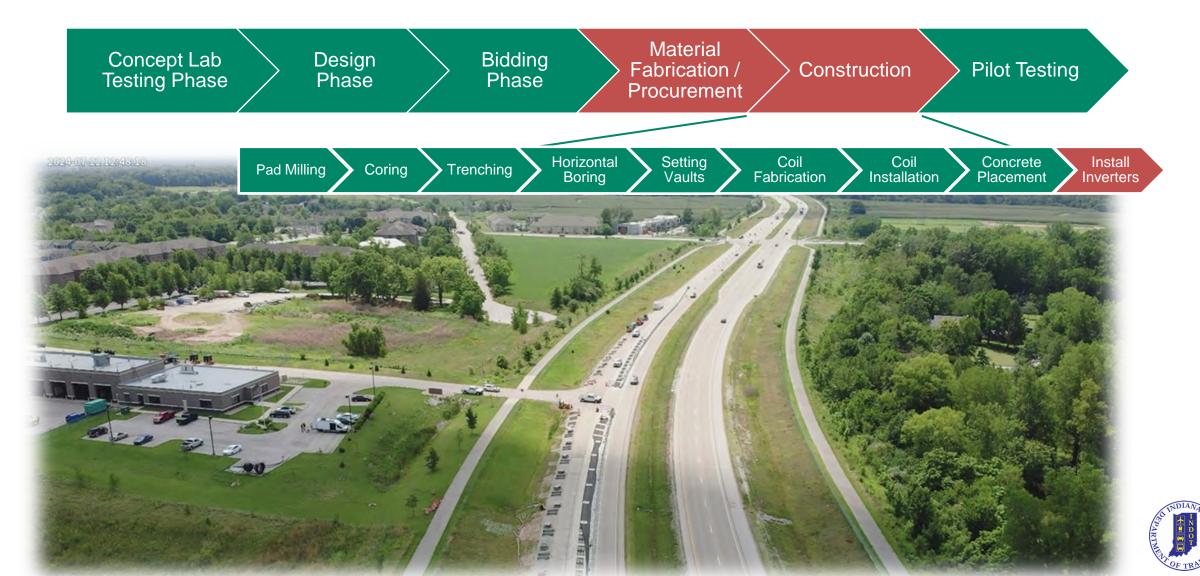
- Cummins Class-8 E-Truck
- Delivers up to 230 kW per Tx coil
- DC power distribution (750 V)
- CAT6 & MMF communications
- Uniqueness: Design and construction by Indiana-based organizations (Purdue, White Construction, PCKA, Cummins)







IN DWPT Pilot Construction Overview







Milling (Concrete Pavement): early April 2024



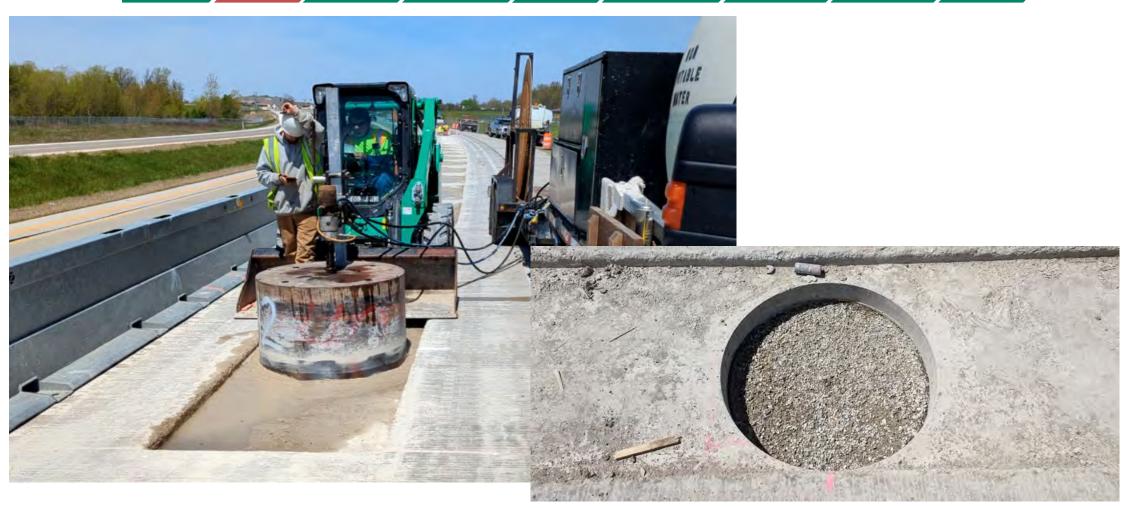








Coring: late April 2024









Trenching for Conduits: late April 2024











Horizontal Boring: early May 2024

Pad Milling Coring Trenching Horizontal Setting Vaults Coil Coil Installation Concrete Placement Inverters

















Vault Setting: early June 2024





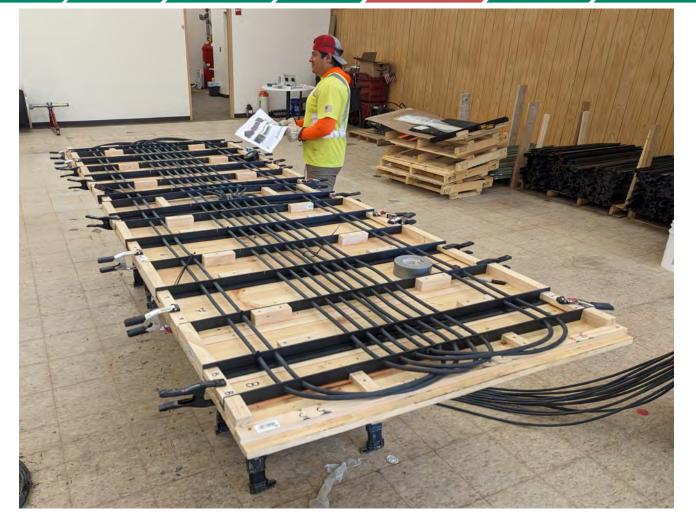






Build Coils: mid June 2024

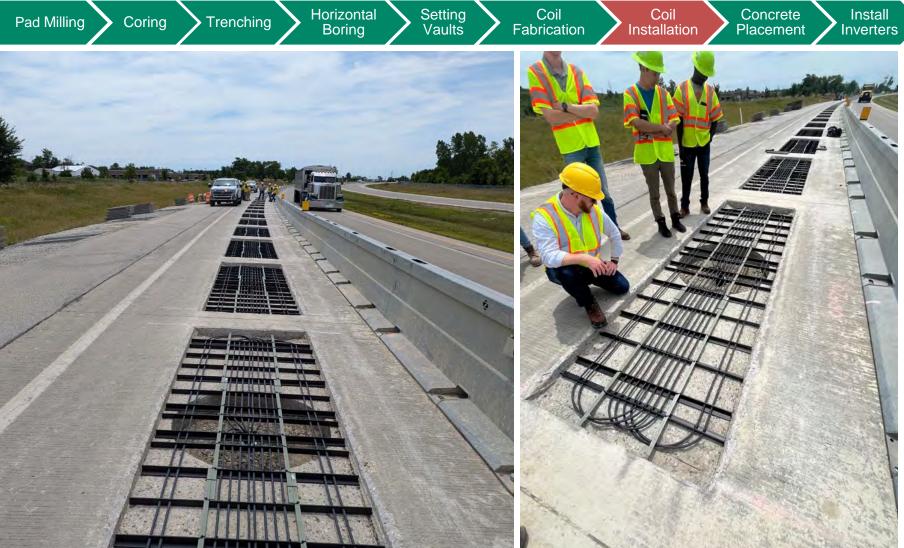
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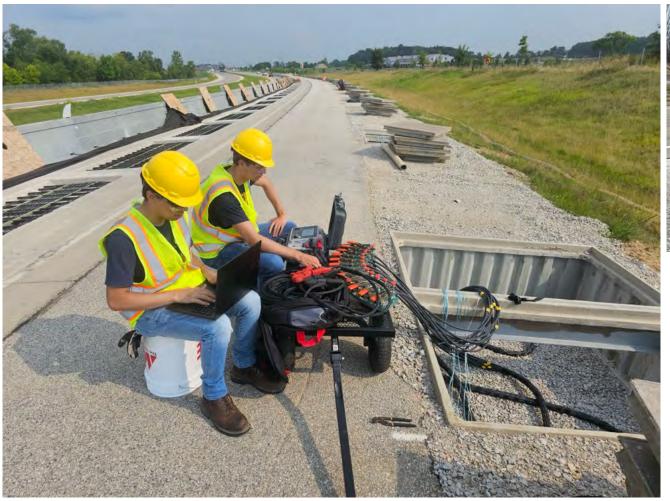
Install Coils: early July 2024







Test Coils: July/August 2024





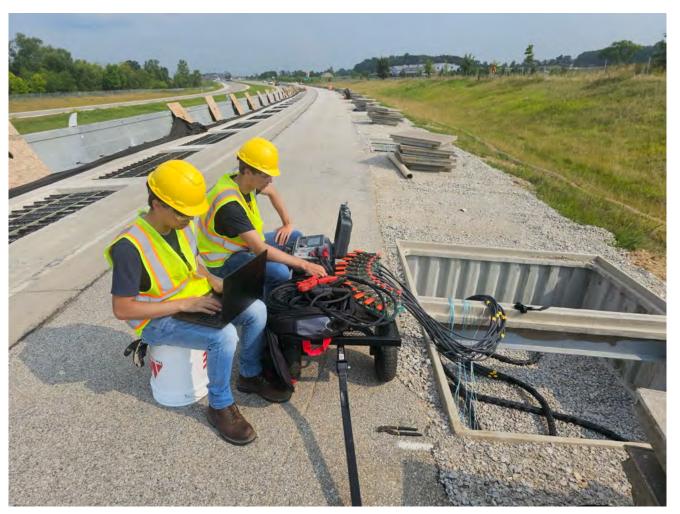
- Coils characterized twice before concrete – July 2024
- Again after concrete Aug. 2024
- Again after winter early March 2025
- Again after final cut late March 2025





Test Coils: Results

Pad Milling Coring Trenching Horizontal Setting Vaults Coil Coil Installation Concrete Placement Inverters



- No coil failures
- No change over winter
- All 85 coils meet balance specification (5% SCF) and within ±10% of target inductance
- 72/85 meet strict balance target (<1% SCF)
- 78/85 within ±5% target inductance





Pour Concrete: early August 2024

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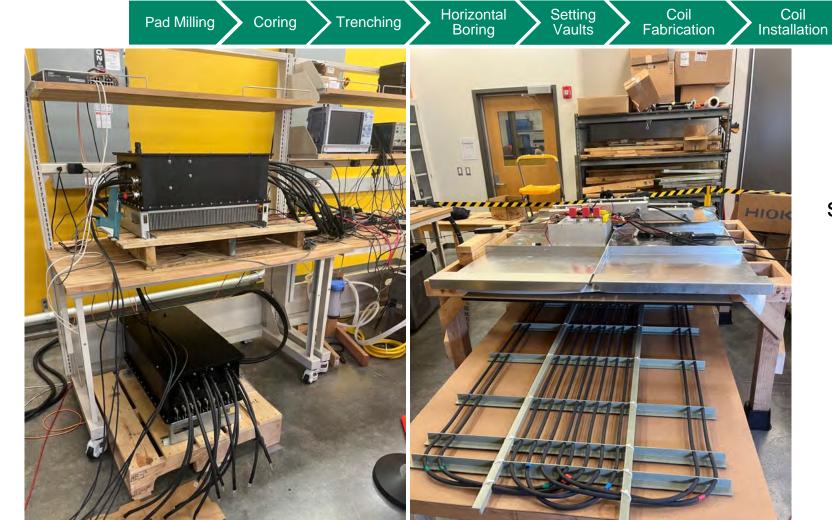


Roadway construction completed ahead of schedule





Inverter First Article Testing: August 2024





Install

Inverters

Concrete

Placement

First article inverters passed specifications and cleared for production



Manufacturing of inverters is nearly complete

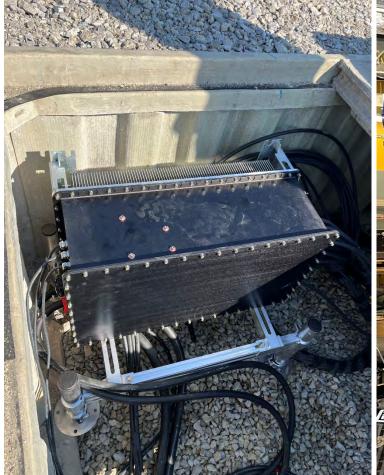






Inverter Installation/Testing: March 2025 – Present











Final Thoughts

- INDOT, ASPIRE, and IN businesses are global and national leaders in this technology
- INDOT and Purdue are pursuing a market-based approach
 - Standards engagement
 - Cost reduction
- Unlimited range: a transportation system for the 21st century

