### **APPENDIX G**

**Public Involvement Documentation** 

### **US 31 Limited Access Upgrade in Hamilton County**

Des. Nos. 1900096 (lead/bridge), 1900097 (road) and 1901797 (276th Street Interchange)

#### **Record of Public Meetings**

Type of Meeting	Date(s)/Time(s)	Location
Public Information Meetings / Open Houses	September 1, 2020; 3:00-7:00 p.m.  April 21, 2021; 4:00-7:00 p.m.	East Union Christian Church East Union Christian Church
Community Advisory Committee (CAC)	July 10, 2020; 9:00-10:00 a.m. (Hamilton County CAC)	Virtual via GoToMeeting
	July 10, 2020; 1:00-2:00 p.m. (Tipton County CAC)	Virtual via GoToMeeting
	April 15, 2021; 1:00-2:00 p.m. (Tipton County CAC)	Virtual via GoToMeeting
	April 15, 2021; 3:00-4:30 p.m. (Hamilton County CAC)	Virtual via GoToMeeting
Resource Agencies	April 23, 2021; 10:00-11:00 a.m.	Virtual via GoToMeeting
Section 106 Consulting Parties	June 7, 2019; 10:00-10:45 a.m. (276 <sup>th</sup> Street Interchange only) November 13, 2020; 1:00-2:30 p.m.	Red Bridge Park and Marina Community Building Virtual via GoToMeeting
Public Hearings	TBD	TBD





Certified MBE, State of Indiana; City of Indianapolis

**INDOT Certified DBE** 

Job #19SU067

#### NOTICE OF SURVEY

September 26, 2019

RE: PROJECT: 226<sup>th</sup> Street

Road Improvement Project

Cicero, Indiana

Dear Property Owner:

Our information indicates that you own or occupy property near this proposed Road Improvement Project. Our employees will be doing a survey of the project area in the near future. It may be necessary for them to come onto your property to complete this work. This is allowed by Indiana Code IC 8-23-7-26. They will show you their identification, if you are available, before coming onto your property. If you have sold this property, or someone else occupies it, please let us know the name and address of the new owner or current occupant so we can contact them about the survey.

At this stage we generally do not know what effect, if any, our project may eventually have on your property. If we determine later your property is involved, we will contact you with additional information.

The survey work will include mapping the location of features such as buildings, trees, fences, and drives, and obtaining ground elevations. This work is necessary for the proper planning and design of the Road Improvement Project. Please be assured of our sincere desire to cause you as little inconvenience as possible during the survey. If any problems do occur, please contact our field crew or contact me at the phone number or address shown below.

We do appreciate your input regarding any issues that this project may encounter during the design phase. Included with this notice is a short questionnaire that you can fill out and return to us in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. Thank you, in advance, for your participation in this process.

Sincerely,

SJCA P.C.

Christopher H. Phillips, PLS

ChrisP@sjca-pc.com

Christopher W. Willips



- 4275 North High School Road, Indianapolis, IN 46254
- 317.293.3542
- www.vsengineering.com

#### NOTICE OF SURVEY

March 1, 2020

RE:

US 31 & 276th Street

Hamilton County, Indiana

#### Dear Property Owner:

Our information indicates that you own or occupy property near this proposed highway project. Our employees will be doing a survey of the project area in the near future. It may be necessary for them to come onto your property to complete this work. This is allowed by law by Indiana Code IC 8-23-7-26. They will show you their identification, if you are available, before coming onto your property. If you have sold this property, or it is occupied by someone else, please let us know the name and address of the new owner or current occupant so we can contact them about the survey.

At this stage we generally do not know what effect, if any, our project may eventually have on your property. If we determine later that your property is involved, we will contact you with additional information.

The survey work will include mapping the location of features such as trees, buildings, fences and drives, and obtaining ground elevations. The survey work may also include the identification and mapping of wetlands, archaeological investigations (which may include excavation of small shovel test probes), and various other environmental studies. The survey is needed for the proper planning and design of this highway project. Please be assured of our sincere desire to cause you as little inconvenience as possible during this survey. If any problems do occur, please contact our field crew or contact me at the phone number or address shown herein.

Sincerely,

VS Engineering, Inc. Matthew R. Healy, P.S.

Project Surveyor 317-293-3542, x-140

Des. No. 1901797



#### INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Driving Indiana's Economic Growth

100 North Senate Avenue Room N642 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2216 (317) 232-5348 FAX: (317) 233-

Eric Holcomb, Governor Joe McGuinness, Commissioner

Date: July 7, 2020



Re: Des Nos. 1900096 & 1900097, US 31 Limited Access Conversion Study, Hamilton and Tipton Counties

Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation July 7, 2020

Dear Property Owner,

Our information indicates that you own property near the above proposed transportation project. Representatives of the Indiana Department of Transportation will be conducting environmental surveys of the project area in the near future. It may be necessary for them to enter onto your property to complete this work. This is permitted under Indiana Code § 8-23-7-26. Anyone performing this type of work has been instructed to identify him or herself to you, if you are available, before they enter your property. If you no longer own this property or it is currently occupied by someone else, please let us know the name of the new owner or occupant so that we can contact them about the survey.

Please read the attached notice to inform you of what the "Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation" means. The survey work may include the identification and mapping of wetlands, archaeological investigations (which may involve the survey, testing, or excavation of identified archaeological sites), and various other environmental studies. The information we obtain from such studies is necessary for the proper planning and design of this highway project. It is our sincere desire to cause you as little inconvenience as possible during this survey.

If any problems do occur, please contact Jennifer Beck at (317) 525-4995 or jbeck@indot.in.gov. You may also call or write to Ron Bales (317-234-4916 / rbales@indot.in.gov) at INDOT Environmental Services. Their address is: Environmental Services, Indiana Department of Transportation, Indiana Government Center North, Room 642, 100 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, IN, 46204.

Please be aware that Indiana Code § 8-23-7-27 and 28 provides that you may seek compensation form INDOT for damages occurring to your property (land or water) that result from INDOT's entry for the purposes mentioned above in Indiana Code § 8-23-7-26. In this case, a basic procedure that may be followed is for you and/or and INDOT employee or representative to present an account of the damages to one of the two above named INDOT staff. They will check the information and forward it to the appropriate person at INDOT who will contact you to discuss the situation and compensation.

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In addition, you may contact the INDOT Greenfield District Real Estate Manager (855-463-6848). Their address is: INDOT Greenfield District, 32 South Broadway, Greenfield, IN 46140. The District Real Estate Manager (DREM) can provide you with a form to request compensation for damages. After filling out the form, you can return it to the DREM for consideration, and the DREM may be contacted if you have questions regarding the matter, rights, and procedures.

If you are not satisfied with the compensation that INDOT determines is owed you, Indiana Code § 8-23-7-8 provides the following: The amount of damages shall be assessed by the county agricultural extension educator of the county in which the land or water is located and two (2) disinterested residents of the county, one (1) appointed by the aggrieved party and one (1) appointed by the department. A written report of the assessment of the damages shall be mailed to the aggrieved party and the department by first class United States mail. If either the department or the aggrieved party is not satisfied with the assessment of damages, either or both may file a petition, not later than fifteen (15) days after receiving the report, in the circuit or superior court of the county in which the land or water is located. It our sincere desire to cause as little inconvenience as possible during our work, and we thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Ronald Bales Environmental Policy Office Environmental Services Division

Attachment

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Eric Holcomb, Governor
Joe McGuinness, Commissioner

## Indiana Department of Transportation Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation Indiana Department of Transportation

If you have received a "Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation" from INDOT or an INDOT representative, you may be wondering what it means. In the early stages of a project's development, INDOT must collect as much information as possible to ensure that sound decisions are made in designing the proposed project. Before entering onto private property to collect that data, INDOT is required to notify landowners that personnel will be in the area and may need to enter onto their property. Indiana Code, Title 8, Article 23, Chapter 7, Section 26 deals with the department's authority to enter onto any property within Indiana.

Receipt of a Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation does not necessarily mean that INDOT will be buying property from you. It doesn't even necessarily mean that the project will involve your property at all. Since the Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation is sent out in the very early stages and since we want to collect data within AND surrounding the project's limits more landowners are contacted than will actually fall within the eventual project limits. It may also be that your property falls within the project limits but we will not need to purchase property from you to make improvements to the roadway. Another thing to keep in mind is that when you receive a Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation, very few specifics have been worked out and actual construction of the project may be several years in the future.

Before INDOT begins a project that requires them to purchase property from landowners, they must first offer the opportunity for a public hearing. If you were on the list of people who received a Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation, you should also receive a notice informing you of your opportunity to request a public hearing. These notices will also be published in your local newspaper so interested individuals who are not adjacent to the project will also have the opportunity to request a public hearing. If a public hearing is to be held, INDOT will publicize the date, location, and time. INDOT will present detailed project information at the public hearing, comments will be taken from the public in spoken and written form, and question and answer sessions will be offered. Based on the feedback INDOT receives from the public, a project can be modified and improved to better serve the public.

So, if you have received a "Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation", remember:

- 1. You do not need to take any action at this time. It is merely letting you know that people in orange/lime vests are going to be in your neighborhood.
- 2. The project is still in its very early planning stages.
- 3. You will be notified of your opportunity to comment on the project at a later date.

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100 North Senate Avenue Room N642 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2216 (317) 232-5348 FAX: (317) 233-4929

Eric Holcomb, Governor Joe McGuinness, Commissioner

Date: July 24, 2020

Re: Des Nos. 1900096 and 1900097, US 31 Limited Access Conversion Study, Hamilton and Tipton Counties

#### **Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation**

Dear Property Owner,

Our information indicates that you own property near the above proposed transportation project. Representatives of the Indiana Department of Transportation will be conducting environmental surveys of the project area in the near future. It may be necessary for them to enter onto your property to complete this work. This is permitted under Indiana Code § 8-23-7-26. Anyone performing this type of work has been instructed to identify him or herself to you, if you are available, before they enter your property. If you no longer own this property or it is currently occupied by someone else, please let us know the name of the new owner or occupant so that we can contact them about the survey.

Please read the attached notice to inform you of what the "Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation" means. The survey work may include the identification and mapping of streams and wetlands, and various other environmental studies. The information we obtain from such studies is necessary for the proper planning and design of this highway project. It is our sincere desire to cause you as little inconvenience as possible during this survey. If any problems do occur, please contact Jennifer Beck at (317) 525-4995 or jbeck@indot.in.gov.

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#### INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

100 North Senate Avenue Room N642 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 PHONE: (317) 234-5168

Eric Holcomb, Governor Joe McGuinness, Commissioner

October 29, 2020

RE: NOTICE OF ENTRY FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION; US 31 Corridor between State Road 38 and State Road 931 (Des. Nos. 1900096, 1900097, and 1901797); Tipton and Hamilton Counties, IN

Dear Property Owner,

The Indiana Department of Transportation-Greenfield District (INDOT), with funding from the Federal Highway Administration, proposes to proceed with the conversion of US 31 to a limited access highway between State Road 38 and State Road 931 in Tipton and Hamilton counties, Des. Nos. 1900096 (Lead, bridge), 1900097 (road), and 1901797 (276<sup>th</sup> Street Interchange).

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires federal agencies to take into account the effects of their undertakings on historic and archaeological properties. As part of the Section 106 review process for this project, all potential areas of impact must be reviewed for the identification of potential archaeological sites. To that end, it has been determined that your property requires field reconnaissance investigation. This investigation consists of archaeologists walking your property on foot and, if necessary, performing shallow shovel probes in approximately 45-foot intervals. Shovel probes are approximately 1-foot in diameter and 1.5 feet deep. After visual inspection, the archaeologist will set the soil sample back to its original position in the ground. Please note that your property will be treated with respect, and you are welcome to accompany the archaeologist during the investigation.

Please find enclosed a pre-addressed, pre-stamped postcard that we request be completed and returned. Please indicate on the postcard if you will allow property access for completion of the archaeological field reconnaissance. In addition, please provide your contact phone number, where indicated, if you would like to be contacted by the archaeologist prior to field work being initiated.

Questions regarding this request may be directed to the below signed at <a href="mailto:recott@bfsengr.com">recott@bfsengr.com</a> or 317-713-4615, or Jennifer Beck, INDOT Project Manager, at <a href="mailto:jbeck@indot.in.gov">jbeck@indot.in.gov</a> or 317-525-4995.

Sincerely,

Ryan L. Scott

Director of Environmental Services Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.

Enclosures:

Property Access Questionnaire (Postcard)





#### Hamilton County Limited Access Conversion -Preliminary CAC Committee list

Organization/affiliation	First name	Last name	Title	Email	Contacted? Y or N	Agreed to participate? Y or N
Adams Township Trustee	Michelle	Junkins	Adams Township Trustee	michelle@adamstownship.net	Y	
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Cicero Street and Utilities Department	Теггу	Cooper	Utility Director	tcooper@townofcicero.in.gov	Y	
Cicero Town Council	Dan	Strong	President	dstrong@townofcicero.in.gov	Y	Y
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Cicero/Jackson Township	C.J.	Taylor	Planning Director	ctaylor@townofcicero.in.gov	Y	
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City of Westfield	John	Nail		jnail@westfield in.gov	N	Y
City of Westfield Government	Andy	Cook	Mayor	acook@westfield.in.gov	Y	Y
City of Westfield Government (various)	Kristen	Sparks	Director of Guest Services	ksparks@westfield.in.gov	Y	
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21	Hamilton County Highway Department	Brad	Davis	Highway Director	bradley.davis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov	Υ	Υ	
22	Hamilton County Parks Department	Patterson	Allen	Director of Parks and Recrea ion	hamilton.parks@hamiltoncounty.in.gov; allen.patterson@hamiltoncounty.in.gov	Υ		
23	Hamilton County Plan Commission	Chuck	Kiphart	Director	chuck kiphart@hamiltoncounty in.gov	Y	Υ	
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25	Hamilton County Surveyor's Office	Andy	Conover		Kenton.ward@hamiltoncounty.in gov	Υ	Υ	
26	Hamilton Heights School Corporation	Chris	Franklin	Transportation Director	cfranklin@hhschuskies.org	Υ	Υ	
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29	Indiana State Police	Lt. Jeffrey	Payne	Indianapolis District 52 Commander	jpayne@isp.in.gov	Y		
30	Jackson Township Fire Department	Jeff	Muszar		firechief@jacksonfire.us	Υ	Υ	
31	Jackson Township Trustee's Office	Heather	Souder	Interim Trustee	trustee@jacksontownshiptrustee.com			
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33	Noblesville Schools	Brian	Zachery	Transportation Director	transportation@nobl.k12.in.us	Υ	Υ	
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36	Riverview Hospital	Seth	Warren		info@riverview.org	Υ	Υ	
37	Sheridan Community Schools	Eric	Gifford	Transportation Director	egifford@sheridan.k12.in.us	Υ		
38	Sheridan Fire Department	Travis	Stern	Fire Chief	tstern@sheridan.in.gov	Υ		
39	Sheridan Street Dept	Darryl	Waters	commissioner	dwaters@sheridan.in.gov	Υ		
40	Tipton County Highway Department	Bret	Morris	Superintendent	b.morris@tiptoncounty in.gov	Υ	Υ	

41	Town of Arcadia	Steve	Smith	Street Dept.	arcadiawwtp@msn.com	Υ		
42	Town of Arcadia Police Department	Todd	Uhrick	Police Marshal	todd.uhrick@arcadia.in.gov	Υ	Υ	
43	Town of Arcadia Town Council	Maurice	St. Louis	Council President				
	Town of Cicero Fire Department				PIO@cicerofire.org	Υ	Υ	
	Town of Cicero Police Department	James	Hunter	Chief	cpd@townofcicero.in gov	Y		
46	Town of Cicero Town Council	Chris	Lutz	Town Council President	clutz@townofcicero.in.gov	Υ		
47	Wallace Grain Company	Craig	Wallace	President	cw-wallace@sbcglobal.net	Υ		

### WELCOME!

# US 31 Limited Access Study Hamilton County Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Meeting No. 1 Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 9 AM





## **AGENDA**

- MEETING FORMAT / GROUND RULES
- OPENING STATEMENT
- PROJECT TEAM OVERVIEW
- COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
  - Purpose
  - · Rolls
  - Invitees





## **AGENDA**

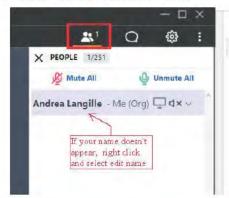
- PROJECT OVERVIEW
  - Project Location/Limits
  - · Purpose and Need
  - Current Activities
  - Existing Corridor
  - · Preliminary Proposed Corridor
  - · Project Schedule
- FEEBACK / COMMENTS / Q&A
- NEXT STEPS
- AJOURNMENT





# MEETING FORMAT / GROUND RULES

- · Virtual meeting with PowerPoint Presentation- GoToMeeting
- Organizer will Mute All Participants during presentation
- · Include your name in the attendee box

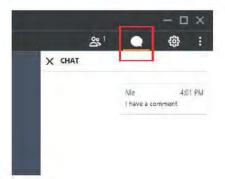






## MEETING FORMAT / GROUND RULES

- After the presentation, CAC participants be given an opportunity to comment
- If you would like to comment, use the <a href="mailto:chat function">chat function</a> to let us know and we will call upon you

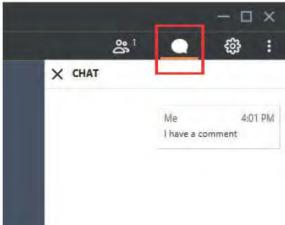






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## PROJECT TEAM OVERVIEW

#### INDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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## PROJECT TEAM OVERVIEW



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# COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETINGS

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings are meant to provide an open platform in which community stakeholders can review information at different stages of project development, and share input and concerns directly with INDOT.

**Note:** There are two (2) CAC groups associated with this project: Hamilton County CAC and Tipton County CAC. Each county will have some level of representation at the other's CAC meetings.





## **ROLL OF THE CAC MEMBERS**

- Attend scheduled CAC meetings
- Provide valuable local information to be used in the planning process
- · Provide feedback regarding the project
- Provide project information and updates to your organizations
- Keep an open mind
- · Be kind and respectful to others





## **CAC MEMBER-INVITEES HAMILTON COUNTY**

Adams Township Trustee

Arcadia Town Council

Arcadia Street Department

Arcadia Police Department

Atlanta

**Becks Superior Hybrids** 

Cicero Community Development

Cicero Fire Department

Cicero Police Department

Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission

Cicero Town Council

Cicero Street and Utility Department

Cicero Township Volunteer Fire Department

**Grand Park Sports Campus** 

**Hamilton County Commissioners** 

Hamilton County Council

Hamilton County Economic Development

Hamilton County Emergency Management

Hamilton County Health Department

Hamilton County Highway Department

Hamilton County Parks Department

Hamilton County Plan Commission

Hamilton County Sheriffs Office

Hamilton County Surveyor's Office

Hamilton Heights School Corporation

Indiana Mills & Mfg. Inc

Indiana Rubber and Plastics Company

Indiana State Police

Jackson Township Fire Department

Jackson Township Trustee's Office

Noblesville Chamber of Commerce

Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department

Noblesville Schools

Northern Hamilton County Chamber of Commerce

Reynolds Farm Equipment

Riverview Hospital

Sheridan Community Schools

Sheridan Fire Department

Sheridan Street Department

**Tipton County Highway Department** 

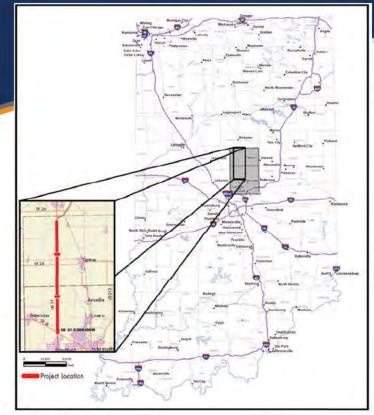
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Westfield

## **PROJECT LOCATION**

**US 31 LIMITED ACCESS** SR 38 - Hamilton County to SR 931-Tipton County

Approximately 20 miles









State Map
US 31 Corridor from SR 38 to SR 931
Hamilton County and Tipton County, Indiara
ESections, Townships and Ranges - See Qoad Maps for Details





## **PURPOSE AND NEED**

The **purpose** of the project is to improve safety by converting US 31 from SR 38 in Hamilton County to SR 931 in Tipton County to a limited access facility by:

- · Removing at-grade intersections along US 31
- Providing access to US 31 at interchanges
- Constructing overpasses to maintain cross community connectivity
- The need for the project derives from the high rate of accidents occurring near intersections along this stretch or US 31.

## **CURRENT ACTIVITIES**

- Developing Environmental Document
  - following the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- Reviewing alternatives
- Evaluating impacts
- · Gathering stakeholder feedback

## **Existing Condition**

#### Hamilton County

- US 31 Limited access from I-465 to SR 38
- Proposed project limits US 31 from SR 38 to 296th Street
  - · approximately 9 miles
  - 1 signalized intersection (236<sup>th</sup> Street)
  - · 10 unsignalized intersection
  - · 27 residential drives
  - 7 business accesses

## **Existing Condition**

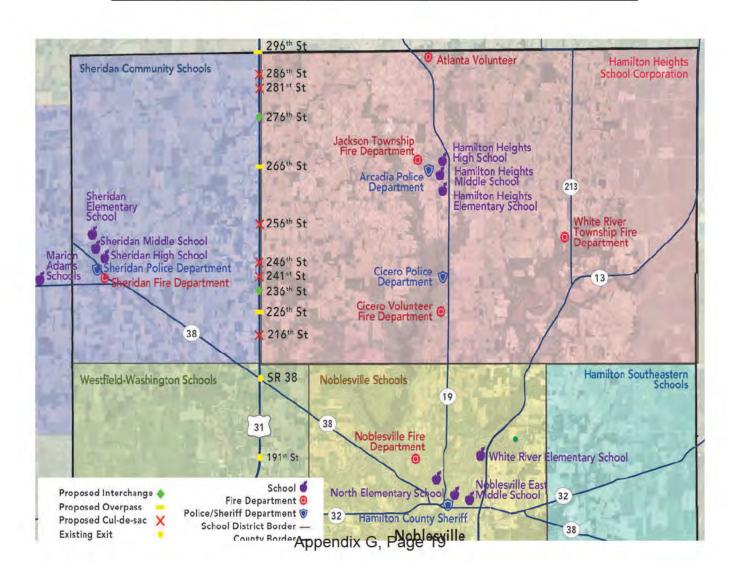
#### **Tipton County**

- US 31 Limited access from SR 931 in Tipton County to CR 450 N in Howard County
- Proposed project limits US 31 from CR 600 S to SR 931
  - approximately 11.5 miles
  - 1 interchange (SR 28)
  - 1 signalized intersection (Division Road)
  - 12 unsignalized intersection
  - · 1 at-grade railroad crossing
  - · 60 residential drives
  - · 3 business accesses

# Preliminary Proposed Condition HAMILTON COUNTY

- · 2 proposed interchanges
- 3 proposed overpasses
- · 6 proposed cul-de-sacs

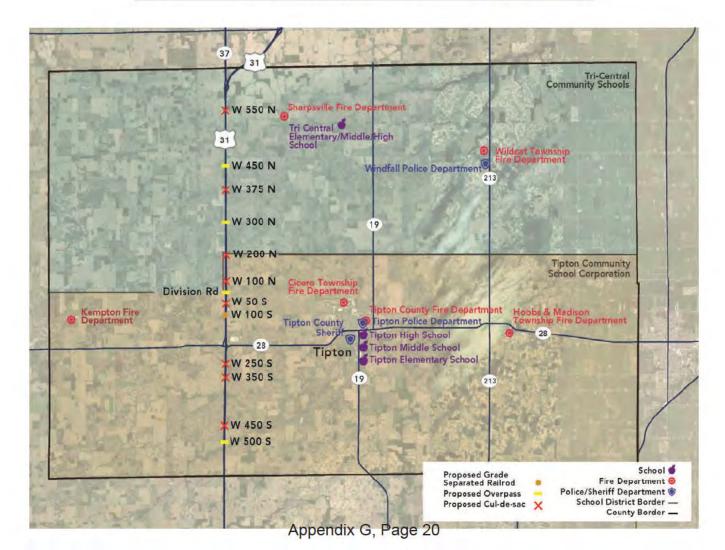
Intersecting Roadway	Intersection Treatment	Approx. Miles from previous intersection	Quantity of Cul-de-sac
SR 38	Existing Interchange		
216th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	2
226th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	
236th Street	Proposed Interchange	1	
241st Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	1
246th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	1
256th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
266th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	
276th Street	Proposed Interchange	1	
281st Street	Poposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	1
286th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	2
296th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	



# Preliminary Proposed Condition TIPTON COUNTY

- · 0 proposed interchanges
- · 1 grade separated railroad crossing
- · 5 proposed overpasses
- · 8 proposed cul-de-sacs

Intersecting Roadway	Intersection Treatment	Approx. Miles from previous intersection	Quantity of Cul-de-sac
W. 500 S.	Proposed Overpass	1	
W. 450 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	2
W. 350 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
W. 250 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
SR 28	Existing Interchange	0.5	
W. 100 S.	Grade Separated RR	1	
W. 50 S.	Poposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	1
Division Road	Proposed Overpass or RI/RO	0.5	
W. 100 N.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
W. 200 N.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
W. 300 N.	Proposed Overpass	1	
W. 375 N.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.75	2
W. 450 N.	Proposed Overpass	0.75	
W. 550 N.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
W. 600 N.	Exising overpass	0.5	
SR 26	Existing Interchange	2.75	



## ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEDULE

BEGAN ENVIRONMENAL STUDY	SUMMER	2019
RED FLAG INVESTIGATION	SPRING	2020
SECTION 106 AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL REVIEWS	UNDERWAY / ONG	OING
WATERS OF THE U.S. INVESTIGATIONS	SUMMER	2020
HIGHWAY TRAFFIC NOISE ANALYSIS	FALL	2020
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS -Round 1	SUMMER	2020
CAC MEETINGS – Round 2	FALL/WINTER	2020
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS -Round 2	FALL/WINTER	2020
PUBLIC HEARING OPPORTUNITY	SUMMER	2021
ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL	WINTER	2021

## CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

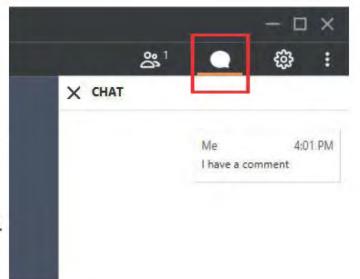
#### Construction dependent on funding

- US 31 from SR 38 to 236<sup>th</sup> Street FY 2023
- 236th Street interchange FY 2021
- 276th Street interchange FY 2022
- Railroad grade separation at CR 100S FY 2022
- Division Road FY 2025
- Remainder will be constructed as funding becomes allocated

## **COMMENT SESSION**

#### **REMINDERS**

- Please use the <u>chat</u>
   <u>feature</u> to let us know you have a comment
- · We want to hear from you
- Be respectful of others



## **NEXT STEPS**

- Review comments and feedback
- Continue with Environmental Study and Documentation
- Schedule and hold Public Information Meetings
- Hold CAC Meeting #2
  - In-person and virtual option

## **THANK YOU**

Additional Questions and Comments??

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 To:
 Robyn Cook

Cc: Andrea Langille; Benjamin Butz; Ryan Scott; Mark Heirbrandt; Victoria Spartz; State Representative Tony Cook;

Jeff Muszar; Mitch Russell; Jennifer S. Pickett; Jeff Roberts; Glen Schwartz; Randy Hill; Phillips, Jacob

Subject: RE: U.S. 31 Project Hamilton County
Date: Friday, July 10, 2020 12:59:17 PM

Yes, sorry for that typo! 266<sup>th</sup> is what I meant.

#### Jennifer Beck, PMP

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Thank you for the quick reply. To clarify we are discussing 266th not 226th as your email references, correct?

### Robyn Cook

Jackson Township Trustee



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On Fri, Jul 10, 2020 at 12:16 PM Beck, Jennifer < <a href="mailto:JBeck@indot.in.gov">JBeck@indot.in.gov</a>> wrote:

Robyn,

Thank you very much for reaching out and I apologize that you had not received any earlier communication on this project. I will clarify that the portion of US 31 Limited Access Upgrade between 236<sup>th</sup> and 276<sup>th</sup> is not yet funded so it wouldn't show up as a construction project in our 5 year plan which may contribute to the confusion of what is or is not happening at 226<sup>th</sup>.

We appreciate and agree with your concerns regarding emergency response times, as this project was created out of the need to improve safety along this corridor. We look forward to receiving more information from Chief Muszar so we can dig into these concerns and find appropriate solutions.

Regarding the full access concerns, I hear you. This is a similar concern we've heard for all of the towns along this corridor. We are still evaluating these impacts and are open to any and all ideas. We have a number of competing interests involved here and finding that balance will require a good amount of collaboration with all of our project stakeholders. I will say that we have been working directly with the County Highway Department for the phases of this project that are in design to determine appropriate opportunities to partner and make simultaneous INDOT and Local improvements so that the impact to county connectivity is overall reduced. We would hope as we move further north with design that we can continue to find these types of opportunities to maintain an acceptable level of connectivity for the local networks and communities, as well as improving the safety of US 31.

The proposal for 226<sup>th</sup> to be an overpass was presented to our Consulting Parties a few months back in April which, again, I apologize for whatever happened that caused you not to receive that notification. This was our first meeting with local stakeholders on the project development side so you have no missed any opportunities that other stakeholders have had.

I understand the importance this has for Jackson Township and we will continue to look into the concerns you have noted below. I look forward to further discussions as we work to find solutions to these tough problems.

Thank you!

Jennifer Beck, PMP

Senior Project Manager

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**Sent:** Friday, July 10, 2020 10:49 AM

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**Subject:** U.S. 31 Project Hamilton County

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Good Morning All,

At the Chamber luncheon on March 12th I had the opportunity to speak to Hamilton County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt and Senator Spartz regarding the 266th Street interchange at U.S. 31.

At that time they both informed me that 266th Street will remain accessible to U.S. 31. The meeting today indicated that we will not have this access.

When seconds can make a difference between life and death, we have serious concerns regarding emergency service response times in our area. Our fire department is on 266th Street and just minutes away from U.S. 31. Closing access for our department will add a significant amount of time and delay our ability to reach those we service. Chief Muszar will also send an email detailing these concerns specific to our emergency services.

In addition, 266th Street is the main corridor to our small community.

The Arcadia Town Council has taken a proactive approach to economic development and is starting to see the results of their hard work come to fruition by way of new local businesses. Cutting of direct access from U.S. 31 would be a permanent setback for the community.

I'm seeking some clarification regarding this and would also like to know when the proposed overpass was determined?

Aside from the email yesterday, I have received no communication regarding meetings for this project. Yesterday's email indicated that there were others sent out. I'm not pointing fingers as spam folders and imperfect technology could be the culprit but I want to convey that this project is very important to my office, my fire department, and my community and we want to remain updated and involved.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our opinions and concerns.

## Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Hamilton County Meeting Summary July 10, 2020

#### **CAC Attendees**

Name	Title	Representing		
Sonny Beck	CEO	Becks Superior Hybrids		
Dan Strong	President	Cicero Town Council		
Jeremy Lollar	Director of Public Works	City of Westfield		
John Nail	City Engineer	City of Westfield		
Carol Sergi	Marketing Director	Hamilton County Economic Development		
Bradley Davis	Highway Director	Hamilton County Highway Department		
Jeff Muszar	Chief	Jackson Township Fire Department		
Andy Reitz	Store Manager	Reynolds Farm Equipment		
Bret Morris	Superintendent	Tipton County Highway Department		
Todd Uhrick	Police Marshal	Town of Arcadia Police Department		
Robyn Cook	Trustee	Jackson Township		
William Knox	Director	Grand Park Sports Campus		
Non-CAC Members				
Jennifer Beck	Project Manager	Indiana Department of Transportation –		
		Greenfield District		
Jacob Phillips	Capital Program Director	Indiana Department of Transportation –		
		Greenfield District		
Andrea Langille	Project Manager and Road Design	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.		
Ben Butz	Bridge Design	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.		
Ryan Scott	Environmental Services Manager	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.		
CAC Members -Not in a	attendance			
Michelle Junkins	Adams Township Trustee	Adams Township		
Andy Cook	Mayor	City of Westfield		
Ken Alexander	Council Member	Hamilton County Council		
Captain Tom Logan	Captain	Hamilton County Sheriff's Office		
Chris Franklin	Transportation Director	Hamilton Heights School Corporation		
Brian Zachery	Transportation Director	Noblesville Schools		
Lance Overholser	Fire Chief	Town of Cicero Fire Department		
Chuck Kiphart	Director	Hamilton County Plan Commission		
Seth Warren		Riverview Hospital		
Andy Conover/Gary Duncan		Hamilton County Surveyor's Office		

#### I. Presentation and General Discussion

- a. The agenda and format were reviewed to provide the group with the basic groundwork for the meeting. This included a review of basic controls within the GoToMeeting platform and how attendees could notify the design team when they had comments/questions to share with the group.
- b. An overview of the project team members was provided.
- c. Jennifer provided a review of her role in this project as the INDOT Project Manager, her professional background, and her familiarity/history with the subject project corridor. She also informed the attendees that she is available at any time to discuss the project and address questions/concerns as they arise throughout the development of the project.
- d. The definition and roles of the CAC were reviewed.
- e. A list of all Hamilton County CAC invitees was shared, and attendees were encouraged to provide the project team with recommendations for any additional community members that should be invited to participate in future CAC meetings.
- f. The project location, purpose and need, existing conditions, and preliminary scope and intersection treatments for both Hamilton County and Tipton County were shared with the group.
- g. Current schedules for environmental studies, CAC and public meetings, and construction dates for various segments of the US 31 Corridor were shared with the group.

#### II. Q&A / Comment Session

- a. Jeff Muszar, Chief, Jackson Township Fire Department
  - i. Indicated that he will provide more detailed concerns in writing after the CAC meeting.
  - ii. Voiced concerns over limiting access to US 31 between 236<sup>th</sup> Street and 276<sup>th</sup> Street, and the effect it will have on response times to accidents along US 31. Estimates a 5-8-minute delay in response to some areas.
  - iii. Jennifer asked if their fire department coordinates responses along this section of US 31 with other adjacent municipalities.
    - 1. Jeff noted that their department does coordinate emergency responses along US 31 with the Town of Sheridan Fire Department.
- b. Andy Reitz, Store Manager, Reynolds Farm Equipment
  - i. Questioned the location of the proposed US 31 Ramps intersection with 276<sup>th</sup> Street and expressed potential concerns with drive access.
    - 1. Jennifer indicated that the exact locations is still under review and will continue to be investigated as design progresses.
- c. Dan Strong, President, Cicero Town Council
  - i. Questioned what the design/dimensions of a cul-de-sac would look like at the preliminarily scoped locations.
    - 1. Andrea responded that the cul-de-sac designs will likely vary depending on the location and adjacent land use conditions. Added that future CAC meetings will contain more details with regards to cul-de-sac locations, dimensions, etc.

- ii. Questioned what the current plan is with regards to new frontage road construction along the corridor.
  - Jennifer responded that INDOT, in the spirit of partnership, is engaged in ongoing communication with local governments to determine if there are frontage road or access road needs. One such location currently under consideration is east of US 31 between 226<sup>th</sup> Street and 236<sup>th</sup> Street.
- d. Bradley Davis, Highway Director, Hamilton County Highway Department
  - i. Asked if there is a deadline for the CAC members to submit comments to the project team.
    - Andrea explained that comments can be submitted at any time, but that it would be appreciated if any current comments could be submitted within the next two weeks for inclusion in the record for CAC Meeting No. 1.
- e. Robyn Cook, Jackson Township Trustee
  - i. Submitted via email following the meeting. Noted that she had heard about an interchange being constructed at 266<sup>th</sup> Street and US 31, at a chamber meeting in March. She expressed concern about maintaining access at 266<sup>th</sup> Street specifically related to emergency response times with their fire station being located on 266<sup>th</sup> Street.
    - 1. Jennifer responded that we appreciate and agree with the concerns regarding the emergency response times, as this project was created out of a need to improve safety along the corridor. As we receive additional information from Chief Muszar we will dig into the concerns further and find appropriate solutions.
  - ii. Noted that the Arcadia Town Council has taken a proactive approach to economic development and starting to see results. Expressed concern of a permanent setback for the community if direct access from US 31 is cut off.
    - 1. Regarding the full access, this is a similar concern that has been expressed for all the towns along the corridor. These impacts will be further evaluated. There are a few competing interests and finding a balance will require a good amount of collaboration with all the project stakeholders. INDOT has been working with County Highway Department for the phases of this project that are in design to determine appropriate opportunities to partner and make simultaneous INDOT and Local improvements so that the impact to county connectivity is overall reduced. We would hope as we move further north with design that we can continue to find these types of opportunities to maintain an acceptable level of connectivity for the local networks and communities, as well as improving the safety of US 31.

#### III. Meeting Closure / Next Steps

- a. Andrea explained that the project team will:
  - continue to review comments and feedback received.
  - continue to move forward with necessary environmental studies and documentation
  - schedule and hold Public Information Meetings and CAC Meetings, while adhering to state and local guidelines for social distancing related to COVID-19 (in-person and virtual options will be considered)
- b. Jennifer and Andrea thanked the CAC Attendees for their involvement and encouraged the group to continue to reach out to the project team as new comments/questions arise.



#### Tipton County Limited Access Conversion -Preliminary CAC Committee list

Organization/affiliation	First name	Last name	Title	Email	Contacted? Y or N	Agreed to participate ? Y or N	Note
1 Beck's Superior Hybrids	Sonny	Beck	CEO	sonny@beckshybrids.com	Υ	Υ	
2 Bottcher	Jeff	Hoover	Director of Manufacturing	jeff.hoover@boettcher-systems.com	Y	Υ	
3 BRS Mechanical	Timothy	Schroeder	President	tls@brsmechanical.com	Y		
4 Cargill	Don	Camden	Commercial Leader, East Region	Don Camden@cargill.com	Y		
5 Cicero Township	Korey	Henderson	Trustee	CICEROTWPTRUSTEE@TDS.NET	Υ	Υ	
6 Cicero Township Fire Department	Jeff	Sowders	Chief	j.sowders1285@gmail.com	Υ		
7 Co-Alliance	Kevin	Still	President and CEO	coainfo@co-alliance.com	Υ		
8 Corteva	Jeremy	Mugge	Plant Operations Manager	jjmugge@dow.com	Y		
9 FCA	Mike	Carter	Plant Manager-Tipton Transmission Plant	michael.carter2@fcagroup.com	Y	Y	
10 FCA	Nial	Olling		niall.olling@fcagroup.com	N	Υ	
Hamilton County Highway 11 Department	Brad	Davis	Highway Director	bradley.davis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov	Y	Y	
12 Jefferson Township	Nancy	Cline	Trustee	ncline0415@gmail.com	Υ	Υ	Funeral to attend Friday, Won't be able to make it.
13 Kelley Farms	Jane	Harper	Vice President and Co Director of Kelley Agricultural Historical Museum	jane.f.harper@hotmail.com	Y	Y	

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14	Kelley Farms	Chris	Kelley	Kelley Agricultural Historical Museum	cmcakelley@gmail.com	Y	Υ	
					Lancata (COO @ mare!)			
15	Kempton Fire Department	Matt	Floyd	Chief	kemptonfr30@gmail.com	Υ	Υ	
	Governmental Coordinating							
16	Council	Tammy	Corn	Executive Director	tcorn@cityofkokomo.org	Y		
10		ranning	Com	EXCOUNT BITOGOT	toom waxyomenome.org			
17	Liberty Township	Matthew	Deckard	Trustee	libertytrustee19@yahoo.com	Υ		
18	Prairie Township	Gary	Stroup	Trustee		Υ	N	
19	Red Gold	Steve	Austin	Government Affairs	saustin@REDGOLD.com	Υ		
					handrawa@ratrananart.com			
20	RG Transport	Hue	Andrews	Chief Operating Officer	handrews@rgtransport.com	Υ		
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	Sharpsville Fire Department	Paul	Kingery	Chief	paulkingery-svfd@comcast.net	Υ	Υ	
	Tipton Community School							Son is graduating at 1. Invited him to
21	Corporation	Ryan	Glaze	Superintendent	rglaze@tcsc.k12.in.us	Y	Υ	attend Hamilton County Session
	Tipton County Board of Commissioners							
22	Commissioners	Mark	Manier	Commissioner	mmanier@tiptoncounty.in.gov	Y		
23	Tipton County Commissioners	James	Mullins	President	mullins.jn@comcast.net	Υ		
24	Tipton County Council	James	Ashley	President	jimashley@tds.net	Υ	Υ	
25	Tipton County Farm Bureau	Jenny	Mundell	Board President	pzrqqf@bluemarble.net	Υ		
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26	Tipton County Foundation	Mark	Baird	Executive Director	exec@tiptoncf.org	Y	Υ	
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27	Tipton County Health Department	Lindsey	Ogden	Emergency Prepardness Director	logden@tiptoncounty.in.gov	Υ		
	Tipton County Highway							
28	Department	Bret	Morris	Superintendent	b.morris@tiptoncounty.in.gov	Υ	Υ	
	Tipton County Sheriff's							

30	Tipton County Surveyor's Office	Jason	Henderson	Tipton County Surveyor	tipton.surveyor@tds.net	Y		
31	Tipton Fire Department	Jeff	Ogden	Chief	firechief@tipton.in.gov	Y		
32	Tipton Police Department	Jeff	Stout	Chief	jstout@tipton.in.gov	Y		
33	Total Seed Productions	Aaron	Conaway	President	aaron@totalseedproduction.com	Υ	Υ	
34	Town of Kempton	Alice	Book	Town Board President	redhothoosier@centurytel.net	Υ	Y	
35	Town of Sharpsville	Linda	Smeltzer	Board President	smeltzer195@gmail.com	Y		
36	Tri-Central Community Schools	Dave	Driggs	Superintendent	ddriggs@tccs.k12.in.us	Υ	Υ	

### WELCOME!

# US 31 Limited Access Study Tipton County Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Meeting No. 1 Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 1PM





## **AGENDA**

- MEETING FORMAT / GROUND RULES
- OPENING STATEMENT
- PROJECT TEAM OVERVIEW
- COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
  - Purpose
  - · Rolls
  - Invitees





## **AGENDA**

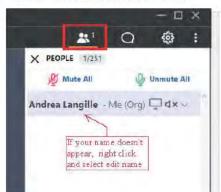
- PROJECT OVERVIEW
  - Project Location/Limits
  - · Purpose and Need
  - Current Activities
  - Existing Corridor
  - · Preliminary Proposed Corridor
  - · Project Schedule
- FEEBACK / COMMENTS / Q&A
- NEXT STEPS
- AJOURNMENT





# MEETING FORMAT / GROUND RULES

- · Virtual meeting with PowerPoint Presentation- GoToMeeting
- Organizer will <u>Mute All Participants</u> during presentation
- · Include your name in the attendee box

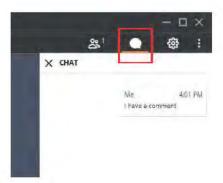






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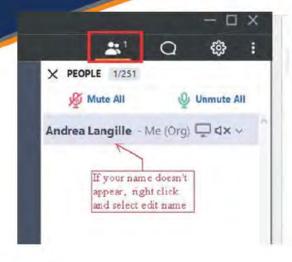
- After the presentation, CAC participants be given an opportunity to comment
- If you would like to comment, use the <a href="mailto:chat function">chat function</a> to let us know and we will call upon you

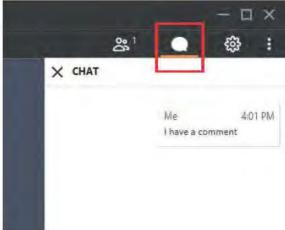






# SYSTEM TEST









## PROJECT TEAM OVERVIEW



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# COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETINGS

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings are meant to provide an open platform in which community stakeholders can review information at different stages of project development, and share input and concerns directly with INDOT.

**Note:** There are two (2) CAC groups associated with this project: Hamilton County CAC and Tipton County CAC. Each county will have some level of representation at the other's CAC meetings.





# **ROLE OF THE CAC MEMBERS**

- Attend scheduled CAC meetings
- Provide valuable local information to be used in the planning process
- · Provide feedback regarding the project
- Provide project information and updates to your organizations
- · Keep an open mind
- · Be kind and respectful to others





# CAC MEMBER-INVITEES TIPTON COUNTY

Beck's Superior Hybrids

Bottcher

**BRS Mechanical** 

Cargill

Cicero Township

Cicero Township Fire Department

Co-Alliance Corteva

FCA

Hamilton County Highway Department

Jefferson Township

Kelley Agricultural Historical Museum

Kempton Fire Department

Kokomo Howard County Governmental

**Coordinating Council** 

Liberty Township

Prairie Township

Red Gold

**RG Transport** 

Sharpsville Fire Department

**Tipton Community School Corporation** 

**Tipton County Board of Commissioners** 

**Tipton County Commissioners** 

**Tipton County Council** 

Tipton County Farm Bureau

**Tipton County Foundation** 

Tipton County Health Department

Tipton County Highway Department

Tipton County Sheriff's Department

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**Tipton Fire Department** 

**Tipton Police Department** 

**Total Seed Productions** 

Town of Kempton

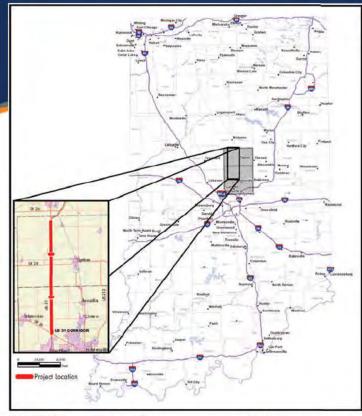
Town of Sharpsville

Tri-Central Community Schools

# PROJECT LOCATION

US 31 LIMITED ACCESS SR 38 - Hamilton County to SR 931-Tipton County

Approximately 20 miles













# **PURPOSE AND NEED**

The **purpose** of the project is to improve safety by converting US 31 from SR 38 in Hamilton County to SR 931 in Tipton County to a limited access facility by:

- Removing at-grade intersections along US 31
- Providing access to US 31 at interchanges
- Constructing overpasses to maintain cross community connectivity
- The need for the project derives from the high rate of accidents occurring near intersections along this stretch or US 31.

# **CURRENT ACTIVITIES**

- Developing Environmental Document
  - following the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- Reviewing alternatives
- Evaluating impacts
- Gathering stakeholder feedback

# **Existing Condition**

#### **Hamilton County**

- US 31 Limited access from I-465 to SR 38
- Proposed project limits US 31 from SR 38 to 296<sup>th</sup> Street
  - approximately 9 miles
  - 1 signalized intersection ( 236th Street)
  - 10 unsignalized intersection
  - 27 residential drives
  - 7 business accesses

# **Existing Condition**

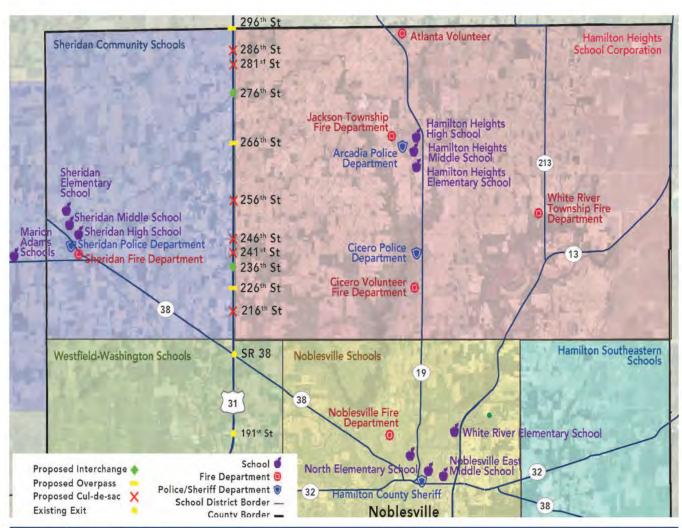
#### **Tipton County**

- US 31 Limited access from SR 931 in Tipton County to CR 450 N in Howard County
- Proposed project limits US 31 from CR 600 S to SR 931
  - approximately 11.5 miles
  - 1 interchange (SR 28)
  - · 1 signalized intersection (Division Road)
  - · 12 unsignalized intersection
  - · 1 at-grade railroad crossing
  - · 60 residential drives
  - · 3 business accesses

# Preliminary Proposed Condition HAMILTON COUNTY

- · 2 proposed interchanges
- · 3 proposed overpasses
- · 6 proposed cul-de-sacs

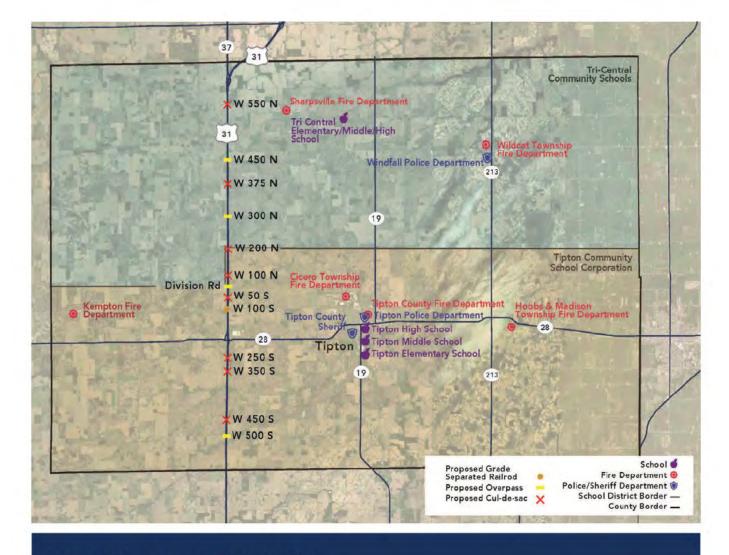
Intersecting Roadway	Intersection Treatment	Approx. Miles from previous intersection	Quantity of Cul-de-sac
SR 38	Existing Interchange		
216th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	2
226th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	
236th Street	Proposed Interchange	1	
241st Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	1
246th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	1
256th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
266th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	
276th Street	Proposed Interchange	1	
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286th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	2
296th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	



# Preliminary Proposed Condition TIPTON COUNTY

- · 0 proposed interchanges
- · 1 grade separated railroad crossing
- · 5 proposed overpasses
- 8 proposed cul-de-sacs

Intersecting Roadway	Intersection Treatment	Approx. Miles from previous intersection	Quantity of Cul-de-sac
W. 500 S.	Proposed Overpass	1	
W. 450 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	2
W. 350 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
W. 250 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
SR 28	Existing Interchange	0.5	
W. 100 S.	Grade Separated RR	1	
W. 50 S.	Poposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	1
Division Road	Proposed Overpass or RI/RO	0.5	
W. 100 N.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
W. 200 N.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
W. 300 N.	Proposed Overpass	1	
W. 375 N.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.75	2
W. 450 N.	Proposed Overpass	0.75	
W. 550 N.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	2
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SR 26	Existing Interchange	2.75	



# ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEDULE

BEGAN ENVIRONMENAL STUDY	SUMMER	2019
RED FLAG INVESTIGATION	SPRING	2020
SECTION 106 AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL REVIEWS	UNDERWAY / ONG	OING
WATERS OF THE U.S. INVESTIGATIONS	SUMMER	2020
HIGHWAY TRAFFIC NOISE ANALYSIS	FALL	2020
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS -Round 1	SUMMER	2020
CAC MEETINGS – Round 2	FALL/WINTER	2020
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS -Round 2	FALL/WINTER	2020
PUBLIC HEARING OPPORTUNITY	SUMMER	2021
ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL	WINTER	2021

# CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

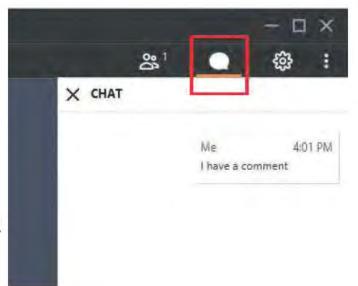
#### Construction dependent on funding

- US 31 from SR 38 to 236th Street FY 2023
- 236th Street interchange FY 2021
- 276th Street interchange FY 2022
- Railroad grade separation at CR 100S FY 2022
- Division Road FY 2025
- · Remainder will be constructed as funding becomes allocated

# **COMMENT SESSION**

#### REMINDERS

- Please use the <u>chat</u>
   <u>feature</u> to let us know you have a comment
- · We want to hear from you
- · Be respectful of others



# **NEXT STEPS**

- · Review comments and feedback
- Continue with Environmental Study and Documentation
- Schedule and hold Public Information Meetings
- Hold CAC Meeting #2
  - In-person and virtual option

# **THANK YOU**

Additional Questions and Comments??

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 From:
 Beck, Jennifer

 To:
 pzrqqf@bluemarble.net

 Cc:
 Andrea Langille

Subject: RE: Tipton County US 31 project
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2020 8:17:03 AM

#### Hi Jenny!

Nice to meet you via e-mail and hopefully at some point we will get to meet in person. I appreciate you sharing your concerns with the proposed projects. Many other comments echo your concerns and we are actively considering all of these and investigating solutions. Please feel free to reach out if anything else comes to mind or you have any questions. We are working on our first public meeting which will be similar to the CAC in that we will still be gathering input, but we will have some preliminary responses to the comments we've received to see if we're on the right track.

Thank you for taking the time to express your concerns and I look forward to ongoing discussions!

#### Jennifer Beck, PMP

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**From:** pzrqqf@bluemarble.net <pzrqqf@bluemarble.net>

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:19 AM **To:** Beck, Jennifer <JBeck@indot.IN.gov> **Subject:** Tipton County US 31 project

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Jennifer,

I would like to introduce myself. I am Jenny Mundell, I am with the county Farm Bureau, an area farmer and also a resident of the northern part of Tipton County. I was on the conference call this past Friday and felt the need to express my concerns for our county, if we don't receive the proposed overpasses or an on/off access point in the northern part of the county. Without overpasses the western part of the county would be isolated from our school systems, fire and emergency responders. Without another on /off point I fear our county roads would have a high volume of traffic, making travel unsafe with the farm equipment.

It would be my hope that the US 31 project through Tipton county could be postponed until it can be fully funded.

Also, thank you for providing meetings to listen to our concerns

# Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Tipton County Meeting Summary July 10, 2020

## **CAC Attendees**

Name	Title	Representing
Sonny Beck	CEO	Becks Superior Hybrids
Matt Floyd	Chief	Kempton Fire Department
Mark Baird	Executive Director	Tipton County Foundation
James Ashley	President	Tipton County Council
Jeff Hoover	Director of Manufacturing	Bottcher Systems
Jane Harper	VP and CO Director	Kelley Agricultural Historical Museum
Gary Duncan	Surveyor	Hamilton County Surveyor's Department
Kenton Ward	County Surveyor	Hamilton County Surveyor's Department
David Driggs	Superintendent	Tri-Central Schools Corporation
Bret Morris	Superintendent	Tipton County Highway Department
Paul Kingery	Chief	Sharpsville Fire Department
Niall Olling	Manager	FCA Group
Bradley Davis	Director	Hamilton County Highway Department
Phil Beer	County Engineer	Tipton County
Steve Niblick	Executive Director	Tipton County Planning Commission
Aaron Conaway	President	Total Seed Production
Tony Frawley	Sheriff	Tipton County Sheriff's Office
Non-CAC Members		
Jennifer Beck	Project Manager	Indiana Department of Transportation –
		Greenfield District
Jacob Phillips	Capital Program Director	Indiana Department of Transportation –
		Greenfield District
Andrea Langille	Project Manager and Road Design	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
Ben Butz	Bridge Design	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
Ryan Scott	Environmental Services Manager	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
CAC Members- Not in a	attendance	
Michael Carter	Plant Manager	FCA
Nancy Cline	Trustee	Jefferson Township
Ryan Glaze	Superintendent	Tipton Community School Corporation
Korey Henderson	Trustee	Cicero Township
Chris Kelley		Kelley Agricultural Historical Museum
Donnie Ross	Deputy Chief	Cicero Township Fire Department
Alice Book	Board President	Town of Kempton
Chuck Bell	Director of Emergency	Tipton County
	Management	

#### I. Presentation and General Discussion

- a. The agenda and format were reviewed to provide the group with the basic groundwork for the meeting. This included a review of basic controls within the GoToMeeting platform and how attendees could notify the design team when they had comments/questions to share with the group.
- b. An overview of the project team members was provided.
- c. Jennifer provided a review of her role in this project as the INDOT Project Manager, her professional background, and her familiarity/history with the subject project corridor. She also informed the attendees that she is available at any time to discuss the project and address questions/concerns as they arise throughout the development of the project.
- d. The definition and roles of the CAC were reviewed.
- e. A list of all Tipton County CAC invitees was shared, and attendees were encouraged to provide the project team with recommendations for any additional community members that should be invited to participate in future CAC meetings.
- f. The project location, purpose and need, existing conditions, and preliminary scope and intersection treatments for both Hamilton County and Tipton County were shared with the group.
- g. Current schedules for environmental studies, CAC and public meetings, and construction dates for various segments of the US 31 Corridor were shared with the group.

#### II. Q&A / Comment Session

- a. Mark Baird, Executive Director, Tipton County Foundation
  - i. Questioned if an overpass is what is currently planned for Division Road.
    - Jennifer confirmed that an overpass is currently planned for Division Road given the current funding that is available. She added that an Alternatives Analysis is being completed for this intersection and looking at the cost-benefit ratio of different alternatives at the Division Road intersection.
  - ii. Questioned if there is one (1) access point currently to US 31 via an interchange within Tipton County, and if there will continue to only be one (1) access point to US 31 via an interchange after the project is completed.
    - 1. Jennifer confirmed that the current proposed intersection configurations and current funding has only one (1) interchange along US 31 within Tipton County. This does not mean a second interchange cannot become funded in the future. She also noted that overpasses can be converted to interchanges if need and funding arise in the future.
  - iii. Questioned if a "right-in, right-out" turning movement design is a possibility for the Division Road intersection that is still being considered for northbound and southbound US 31.
    - 1. Jennifer noted that all considerations for the intersection treatment at Division Road and US 31 are still being evaluated as part of the Alternative Analysis.
    - 2. Andrea explained that a "right-in, right-out" design will entail cutting off median cross over access between NB And SB US 31, and that there would be additional cost and environmental impacts associated with acceleration and deceleration lanes that would be required north and south of Division Road.
  - iv. Asked what ability is there for emergency services to go from northbound to southbound side of US 31.

- 1. Jennifer and Andrea responded that median turn arounds from emergencies vehicles would be included along US 31 and that the exact locations would need to be determine in coordination with local emergency response agencies.
- v. Asked why is there a proposed overpass at 296<sup>th</sup> Street and then another 1 mile away at 500 S.
  - 1. From SR 38 and SR 26 there are 13 locations (proposed and existing) to cross US 31. Locations were determined based on conversations with local agencies, traffic, roadway classification, and cross community connectivity opportunities. Spacing of overpasses ranges from a minimum of 1 mile to a maximum of 3 miles.
- b. Sheriff Frawley, Tipton County Sheriff's Office
  - i. If traffic must be closed because of an accident, how can traffic be effectively rerouted.
    - 1. Andrea and Jennifer responded that traffic would need to be routed to local roads where access is available.
- c. Paul Kingery, Chief, Sharpsville Fire Department
  - Expressed concern over the proposed lack of access to US 31 in northern Tipton County (specifically, CR 200 N to CR 700 N), and how that will negatively impact response times.
    - 1. Jennifer asked if his department coordinates responses with other fire departments in the area.
      - a. Paul confirmed that they do coordinate with other departments.
    - 2. Additional information and coordination with response teams needs to be completed to mitigate concerns.
- d. Bret Morris, Superintendent, Tipton County Highway Department
  - i. Questioned how farmers will gain access to their fields once access to US 31 is cut off.
    - Jennifer and Andrea responded that land that will have access cut off an becomes landlocked because of this project will be purchased. Should the property owner desire to retain the remnant right-of-way from INDOT there will a few ways in which farmers will be able to access their fields including: seeking agreements with neighbors for access; opportunities to access fields from county roads; possible access points may be created by new frontage/access roads (if they are constructed)
  - ii. Noted the importance and uniqueness of Division Road as being one of the only roadways in the area that traverses the entire county and connects to Boone County (to the west) and Madison County (to the east).
- e. Steve Niblick, Executive Director, Tipton County Planning Commission
  - i. Asked if the adopted Tipton County Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Mobility Plan is being taken into consideration for the US 31 study.
    - 1. Andrea confirmed that the project team continues to consider and evaluate these plans. She added that the biggest demand for US 31 access according to those plans appears to be County Road 450 North, County Road 650 South and Division Road.
- f. Phil Beer, County Engineer, Tipton County
  - i. Asked if the planned overpasses, as described in the presentation, are fixed at those locations, or if they can be moved because of continued evaluation.
    - 1. Andrea confirmed that the preliminary overpass locations are not fixed and will continue to be evaluated.

- g. Aaron Conaway, President, Total Seed Production
  - i. Noted that the current schedule for construction at Division Road is slated for 2024/2025.
  - ii. Asked when funding for an interchange at Division Road would need to be secured in time for 2024/2025 construction.
    - 1. Jennifer indicated that funds for an interchange would need to be secured within the next two (2) years to fit the current construction schedule.
    - 2. Jennifer added that the current environmental studies would cover the land area needed for an interchange at Division Road.
  - iii. Asked if an overpass is constructed at Division Road would that location be eligible in the future for an upgrade to an interchange with state monies?
    - 1. Jennifer responded that is a possibility, but that state monies for interchanges is very competitive and this intersection would be considered alongside many other potential interchange locations throughout the state (i.e. monies would go to locations where it is deemed that an interchange is needed the most).
- h. Jane Harper, VP and CO Director, Kelley Historical Agricultural Museum
  - i. Noted that discussions of the US 31 corridor and potential needs for overpasses and interchanges began in 2003, and that most county officials knew even at that time that multiple interchanges between SR 28/Division Road/Railroad/SR 26 was not realistic.
  - ii. Stated that serious discussions need to occur if the opportunity for new interchange arises as part of this study; adding that Division Road may not be the best location.
  - iii. Recommended that County Road 560 be considered as it is a potential truck route to keep trucks out of downtown Tipton.
- i. James Ashley, President, Tipton County Council
  - i. Stated that he, like many others, is disappointed at the prospect of there only being one (1) interchange along US 31 in Tipton County.
  - ii. Noted that the County Road 560 idea presented by Jane "looks good on paper" but is not a realistic truck route.
- j. Several comments were received about delaying the project until funding was available.
  - i. The environmental process allows for alternatives to be explored to determine a course of action. To get to a point that funding could be allocated to a specific treatment (i.e. interchange at Division) the studies first need to be completed. We will continue through the environmental documentation and evaluation of Division Road. Construction of the phases of US 31 would be complete as funding becomes available for the preferred alternatives.

#### III. Meeting Closure / Next Steps

- a. Andrea explained that the project team will:
  - continue to review comments and feedback received.
  - continue to move forward with necessary environmental studies and documentation
  - schedule and hold Public Information Meetings and CAC Meetings, while adhering to state and local guidelines for social distancing related to COVID-19 (in-person and virtual options will be considered)

b.	Jennifer and Andrea thanked the CAC Attendees for their involvement and encouraged the group to continue to reach out to the project team as new comments/questions arise.

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING / OPEN HOUSE – DES# 1900096 and DES # 1900097

#### U.S. 31 Limited Access Upgrade from S.R. 38 to S.R. 931, Hamilton and Tipton Counties

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will host a public information meeting / open house for the proposed project on <u>September 1, 2020</u> at the East Union Christian Church, 1711 East 296<sup>th</sup> Street, Atlanta, IN 46031. Two (2) sessions will be held in order to accommodate all interested persons while promoting current guidelines for social distancing. The first session will begin with an open house from 3-4PM, followed by a pre-recorded video presentation by INDOT and their hired design consultant from 4-4:30PM. The second session will begin with an open house from 4:30-5:30PM, followed by a re-showing of the pre-recorded video presentation from 5:30-6PM. INDOT and their design team will be available for informal discussions until 7PM. Attendees are advised that face coverings and adherence to CDC guidelines for social distancing are required. A limited supply of face coverings will be available for use upon entry.

The purpose of the public information meeting is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to review the current preliminary plans for the project, speak informally with INDOT and design consultant representatives, ask questions and provide feedback. The primary purpose of this project is to reduce traffic accidents along US 31 while maintaining local access by providing interchanges and overpasses at select locations.

The project proposes to analyze all existing cross streets to U.S. 31 along the corridor for conversion either to cul-de-sacs (east and west of U.S. 31), new overpasses, or new interchanges. Initial considerations for cross streets within the project area are provided in the tables below.

#### HAMILTON COUNTY

Intersecting Roadway	Initial Considerations for Intersection Treatments	Notes	Funding Year
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226th Street	Proposed Overpass	Part of Subject Study	FY 2023
236th Street	Proposed Interchange	Project of Independent Utility	FY 2021
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246th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	Part of Subject Study	TBD
256th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	Part of Subject Study	TBD
266th Street	Proposed Overpass	Part of Subject Study	TBD
276th Street	Proposed Interchange	Part of Subject Study	FY 2022
281st Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	Part of Subject Study	TBD
286th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	Part of Subject Study	TBD
296th Street	Proposed Overpass	Part of Subject Study; AKA County Line Road	TBD

#### TIPTON COUNTY

Intersecting Roadway	Initial Considerations for Intersection Treatments	Notes	Funding Year
W. 500 S.	Proposed Overpass	Part of Subject Study	TBD
W. 450 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	Part of Subject Study	TBD
W. 350 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	Part of Subject Study	TBD
W. 250 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	Part of Subject Study	TBD
W. 100 S.	Proposed Grade Separated Railroad	Project of Independent Utility	FY 2022
W. 50 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	Part of Subject Study	TBD
Division Road	Proposed Overpass or RI/RO	Part of Subject Study	FY 2025
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The proposed project area is approximately 23.4 miles long. Right-of-Way acquisition will be required, but the amount is not currently known. It is anticipated there will be some commercial and/or residential relocations.

Where new overpass bridges are proposed for construction, traffic will be detoured along cross streets where new overpass bridge construction is proposed. Cross streets that are to be turned into cul-de-sacs will experience a permanent traffic alteration. Proposed interchange areas will utilize phased construction to maintain traffic. Initial stages of construction expected to begin in Summer 2022.

Federal and state funds are proposed to be used for construction of this project. INDOT and the Federal Highway Administration have agreed that this project poses more than minimal impact to the natural environment. Therefore, an Environmental Assessment document is currently being prepared for this study.

A link to the video of the public information meeting presentation will be posted to the project website via the project sponsors web page <a href="https://www.in.gov/indot/4051.htm">https://www.in.gov/indot/4051.htm</a> on September 1, 2020. In addition, this web page contains project information, including frequently asked questions and responses.

Conversations will not be recorded as part of the public information meeting / open house proceedings. The public is encouraged to provide statements regarding the project utilizing one or more of the following methods: fill out the enclosed comment form and return it to the design consultant (contact information provided below); fill out a comment form at the public information meeting and leave it with the design consultant or INDOT staff members (at any of the project information stations); call or email Ryan Scott, Environmental Manager for the project, at 317-713-4615 or <a href="rescott@bfsengr.com">rescott@bfsengr.com</a>.

Please RSVP to Ryan Scott at the phone number or email address listed above if you plan to attend one of the public meeting sessions. An RSVP is requested for planning purposes in accordance with CDC guidelines, but is not required for entry.

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#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING / OPEN HOUSE - DES# 1900096 and

DES # 1900097 U.S. 31 Limited Access Upgrade from S.R. 38 to S.R. 931, Hamilton and Tipton Countie U.S. 31 Limited Access Upgrade from S.R. 38 to S.R. 931, Hamilton and Tipton Countie. The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will host a public information meeting / open house i posed project on Sentember 1, 2020 at the East Union Christian Church, 1711 East 296th Street, 48031. Two (2) sessions will be held in order to accommodate all interested persons while promoting cur lines for social distancing. The first session will begin with an open house from 3-4PM, followed by a jed video presentation by INDOT and their hired design consultant from 4-4:30PM. The second session with an open house from 4:30-5:30PM, followed by a re-showing of the pre-recorded video presentation 6PM. INDOT and their design team will be available for informal discussions until 7PM. Attendees a that face coverings and adherence to CDC guidelines for social distancing are required. A limited sup coverings will be available for use upon entry.

The purpose of the public information meeting is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to review preliminary plans for the project, speak informally with INDOT and design consultant representatives, ask and provide feedback. The primary purpose of this project is to reduce traffic accidents along US 31 w taining local access by providing interchanges and overpasses at select locations.

The project proposes to analyze all existing cross streets to U.S. 31 along the corridor for conversion et de-sace (east and west of U.S. 31), new overpasses, or new interchanges. Initial considerations for convention to the project area are provided in the tables below.

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296th Street	Proposed Overpass	Part of Subject Study; AKA County Line Road	TBD

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Federal and state funds are proposed to be used for construction of this project. INDOT and the Federal Federal and state funds are proposed to be used for construction of this project. INDO I and the Federal Administration have agreed that this project poses more than minimal impact to the natural envi Therefore, an Environmental Assessment document is currently being prepared for this study. A link to the video of the public information meeting presentation will be posted to the project website via ect sponsors web page <a href="https://www.in.gov/indot/4051.htm">https://www.in.gov/indot/4051.htm</a> on September 1, 2020. In addition, this web p tains project information, including frequently asked questions and responses. Conversations will not be recorded as part of the public information meeting / open house proceedings. It is a proping and the project utilizing one or more of the following method.

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Please RSVP to Ryan Scott at the phone number or email address listed above if you plan to attend or public meeting sessions. An RSVP is requested for planning purposes in accordance with CDC guideline not required for entry.

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# **Public Information Meeting**

# **US 31 Limited Access Project**

SR 38 Hamilton County to SR 931 Tipton County

Meeting No. 1 Tuesday, September 1st , 2020





# Agenda

- PROJECT TEAM
- WELCOME/ OPENING REMARKS
- PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING
- ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS
- PROJECT OVERVIEW
  - · Project Limits
  - Existing Corridor
  - Project Need and Purpose
  - · Preliminary Plan
- PROJECT SCHEDULE
- NEXT STEPS
- FEEBACK





# PROJECT TEAM OVERVIEW US 31 Limited Access

SR 38- SR 931



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# PROJECT TEAM OVERVIEW US 31 Segments -Design Lead

- US 31 and 236<sup>th</sup> Street Interchange
- US 31 and 276th Street Interchange



- US 31 and Norfolk Southern RR Grade Separation
- US 31 Limited Access Upgrade from SR 38 to 236th Street









# Welcome

Thank you for taking time out of your day to partner with INDOT on the US 31 Limited Access Upgrade. Your feedback is <u>valuable and critical</u> to the success of this project!





# US 31 Limited Access Public Information Meeting

- Purpose of Meeting
  - Share information about the project
  - Provide feedback
  - Ask Questions





# US 31 Limited Access Feedback

## Ways to provide feedback



• Fill out a comment form



· Email team member



· Call a team member



Visit INDOT website



Please Submit comments by Sept 30, 2020



# **US 31 Limited Access**

**Environmental Document** 

### NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act of 1970

- Required for all federally funded highway improvements
- · Level of review based on location and scope

#### Levels:

Categorical Exclusion < Environmental Assessment\* < Environmental Impact Statement

\*This project will be processed as an Environmental Assessment (EA)





# **US 31 Limited Access**

**Environmental Document** 

## **GENERAL PROCESS**

Verify Purpose and Need (P&N) of Project

Consider Alternatives to meet P&N

(including "Do Nothing")

## Assess resources present

· Social, economic, cultural and natural resources





## **US 31 Limited Access**

**Environmental Document** 

## **GENERAL PROCESS**

Coordinate with local/state/federal resource agencies

Form Community Advisory Committees & hold meetings

Schedule public information meetings & get feedback

Select Preferred Alternative





# **US 31 Limited Access**

**Environmental Document** 

# **GENERAL PROCESS**

- Design to avoid / minimize / mitigate for project impacts
- Hold Public Hearing for Preferred Alternative
- Finalize plans based on public hearing input
- Obtain Environmental Assessment (EA) approval from FHWA / "FONSI" - Finding of No Significant Impact

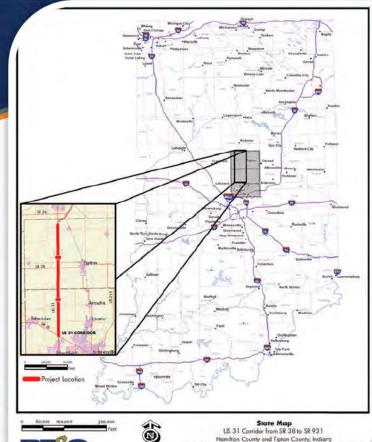




# **Project** Location

**US 31 LIMITED ACCESS** SR 38 - Hamilton County to SR 931-Tipton County

Approximately 20 miles









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## **Existing Condition US 31** SR 38- SR 931

- · Four Lane Principal Arterial
- Grass median
- Design Speed 60 mph
- AADT 25,000 32,000 VPD
- · 27 intersecting roadways
  - AADT 200-3000 VPD







## **Existing Condition Hamilton County**

- US 31 Limited access from I-465 to **SR 38**
- Proposed project limits US 31 from SR 38 to 296th Street
  - · approximately 8.5 miles
  - 1 signalized intersection ( 236th Street)
  - · 10 unsignalized intersections
  - · 27 residential drives
  - · 7 business accesses



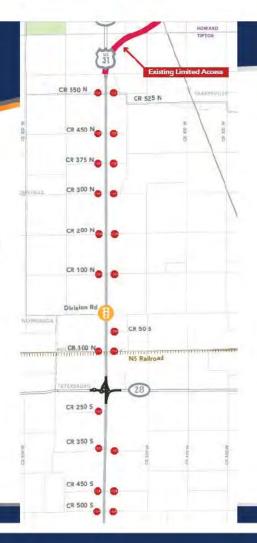


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## **Existing Condition Tipton County**

- Limited access from SR 931 in Tipton County to CR 450 N in Howard County
- Proposed project limits US 31 from CR 600 S to SR 931
  - · approximately 11.5 miles
  - 1 interchange (SR 28)
  - 1 signalized intersection
    - Division Road
  - 12 unsignalized intersection
  - 1 at-grade railroad crossing
  - 60 residential drives
  - 3 business accesses







## **Project Need**



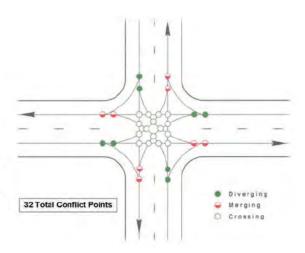
- The need for the project derives from the high rate of accidents occurring along the corridor.
  - · Accident data collected between 2014-2016 concluded:
    - · Hamilton County averages 5.96 accidents per mile per year
      - 152 crashes involving 244 cars and 21 trucks
      - · Resulting in 53 injuries
    - Tipton County averages 6.83 accidents per mile per year
      - 244 crashes involving 266 cars and 29 trucks
      - · Resulting in 72 injuries and 5 fatalities
    - 86 % of these crashes occurred within 1000 feet of an intersection





## **Project Need**

- Intersections are planned points of conflict in roadway systems.
- The Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) studies indicate 25% of traffic fatalities and roughly 50% of traffic injuries are attributed to intersections.







## **Project Purpose**

The **purpose** of the project is to <u>improve safety and reduce traffic</u> <u>accident</u> along the corridor by converting US 31 to a Limited Access Corridor and implementing other crash modification measures:

- · Removing at-grade intersections along US 31
- · Removing residential and commercial drives along US 31
- · Providing access to US 31 at interchanges
- Constructing overpasses to maintain cross community connectivity
- Closing unnecessary median opens
- · Installing median cable barrier





## Safety Benefits

- · Aligns with current treatments to north and south
  - · Providing more consistent driver expectations
- Limits the number of conflict points at intersections
  - · Reducing the frequency and severity of crashes
  - Improving the overall operation and mobility of US 31
- Eliminates the need for school buses to be on US 31





## Other Impacts

- New traffic patterns to access US 31
  - Additional travel to access US 31
  - · Additional traffic on local roads
- Potential increase in emergency vehicle response times
- Loss of access to residences and business along US 31





# Preliminary Proposed Condition Hamilton County

- 3 proposed interchanges
- 3 proposed overpasses
- · 6 proposed cul-de-sacs

Intersecting Intersection Treatment Roadway		Approx. Miles from previous intersection	
SR 38	Existing Interchange		
216th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	
226th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	
236th Street	Proposed Interchange	1	
241st Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	
246th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	
256th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1	
266th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	
276th Street	Proposed Interchange	1	
281st Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	
286th Street	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5	
296th Street	Proposed Overpass	1	







# Preliminary Proposed Condition Tipton County

- 1 proposed interchange
- · 1 grade separated railroad crossing
- · 5 proposed overpasses
- · 8 proposed cul-de-sacs

Intersecting Roadway	Intersection Treatment	Approx. Miles from previous intersection
W. 500 S.	Proposed Overpass	1
W. 450 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	0.5
W. 350 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1
W. 250 S.	Proposed Cul-de-sac	1
SR 28	Existing Interchange	0.5
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## **Typical Overpass Conceptual**







## Typical Cul-de-Sac Conceptual



## **Project Schedule**

#### **US 31 ANTICIPATED TIMELINE**







## **Construction Schedule**

#### CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE







## **NEXT STEPS**

- · Review comments and feedback
- Continue with reviewing alternatives
- Continue with Environmental Study and Documentation
- · Continue with plan development
- · Plan for second round of public meetings





## US 31 Limited Access Feedback

## Ways to provide feedback



• Fill out a comment form



• Email team member



· Call a team member



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 To:
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 Subject:
 RE: US 31 and 266th St Access

 Date:
 Tuesday, October 13, 2020 8:22:20 AM

Alex,

Thank you very much for reaching out and taking the time to provide your feedback on the US 31 Limited Access project. All of your comments are noted and we will continue to evaluate them in conjunction with all other feedback received and our next round of public information meetings should provide more clarity to these concerns. We expect our next Public Information Meeting sometime this winter. If you would like to discuss anything in the meantime just let me know and I would be happy to meet (virtual or in person).

Thank you again,

Jennifer Beck, PMP Senior Project Manager INDOT – Greenfield District 32 S. Broadway Street Greenfield, IN 46140

Cell: (317) 525-4995 Email: jbeck@indot.in.gov

From: Alex L <alexanderleer@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, October 12, 2020 6:05 PM

To: rscott <rscott@bfsengr.com>; Beck, Jennifer <JBeck@indot.IN.gov>

Subject: US 31 and 266th St Access

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Dear Ms. Jennifer Beck and Mr. Ryan Scott,

I saw the proposal for the US 31 limited access project. I understand the budget limits the number of access points. As someone who was a victim of a major wreck at 28 & 31 I also understand the benefits of a limited access system for high speed travel.

I saw one of the considerations is a potential increase in emergency vehicle response time. It should be noted the Jackson Township Fire Department is located on 266th. The risk of elongated response times in this section of road could be reduced by selecting 266th for the interchange over 276th.

Additionally 266 provides direct access to Arcadia and is frequently used to travel to SR 19, SR 213, and SR 13. It should be critically noted that 276th St. does not offer a direct route to these frequently traveled roads. 266th also has a greater number of businesses and residents located near or on the road. As you can see at <a href="mailto:change.org">change.org</a> many locals are concerned about access at this intersection. <a href="https://www.change.org/p/indot-state-of-indiana-save-256th-and-266th-street-access-to-us31?recruiter=1054535221&recruited\_by\_id=ed03cf90-690e-11ea-96fd-193f6a5d4b78&utm\_source=share\_petition&utm\_medium=copylink&utm\_campaign=psf\_combo\_share\_initial&utm\_term=psf\_combo\_share\_abj\_

276th St does have substantial traffic from Beck's Hybrids that is also important for the community, however the majority of locals use 266th. The Hamilton County Highway Department has a history of assisting Beck's in maintaining access to good roads. They have recently added access from 276th St to SR 19 to help accommodate Beck's Hybrids needs. Because of this new extension the need for access to 31 from 276th has been lowered because an alternate route via 19 has been provided by the addition of this recent project. This may not have been accounted for in the research phase of this project. <a href="https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/1175/276th-St-Extension">https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/1175/276th-St-Extension</a>

Since Beck's Hybrids will continue to need access to 31 I believe Hamilton County Highway Department will continue to help accommodate them like they have in the past (like the prior mentioned project). The Hamilton County Highway Department could make improvements to Devaney Road as access to 266th since 266th offers multiple advantages over 276th.

I look forward to your response and would be glad to discuss this further over the phone if you have the time available.

Thanks, Alex Leer 
 From:
 Wright, Dustin

 To:
 Ryan Scott

Subject: RE: Division Road Questions

Date: Friday, September 4, 2020 11:32:01 AM

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Ryan,

This information helped some. We didn't have any information before now so this has been helpful. As time progresses and you learn more about what is happening to division road please shoot an email if you think about it but again thank you for answering what you could.

Kind Regards, **Dustin Wright**Radar Integration Engineer



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From: Ryan Scott [mailto:RScott@bfsengr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 8:51 PM
To: Wright, Dustin <dustin.wright@aptiv.com>
Subject: EXT SENDER - RE: Division Road Questions

Hi Dustin,

INDOT is currently having an alternatives analysis completed at this intersection. The current (preliminary) layout includes an overpass, but that alternative is by no means a final decision.

I believe INDOT has offered voluntary acquisition for those directly on US 31 that are losing access as a result of the project. A parcel on an intersecting roadway may not require total acquisition - this would not be known until detailed design is started. If the construction year is 2025, design may not start until 2022-2023.

Sorry I don't have a better answer at this time.

Sincerely,
Ryan Scott
Director of Environmental Services

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From: Wright, Dustin < dustin.wright@aptiv.com> Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 1:10 PM

To: Ryan Scott < RScott@bfsengr.com > Subject: RE: Division Road Questions

Ryan,

Thank you, based on the information I have seen it shows that division road will now be worked on until FY 2025. That being said I live at 5945 West division road which is close to 31. I was curious at the likelihood that I would have my house bought from the state. I saw that they said division would be an overpass or a RI/RO. How do these plans effect my property? When will the decision be made to obtain my property/house or not? If we wanted to sell sooner should we contact the state first?

I understand that you may not have the answer to all these questions but these are some that have come up from talking with friends and family.

Kind Regards, **Dustin Wright** Radar Integration Engineer

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From: Ryan Scott [mailto:RScott@bfsengr.com] Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 12:08 PM To: Wright, Dustin < dustin.wright@aptiv.com > **Subject:** EXT SENDER - RE: Division Road Questions Hi Dustin.

You can reach out to me or any of the team members at any time with questions/comments. Email is probably the best so we can keep everything inventoried and in writing so there's no mis-interpretation about the questions/comments you have.

Other team members include:

Jennifer Beck, INDOT Project Manager (<a href="mailto:jbeck@indot.in.gov">jbeck@indot.in.gov</a>)

Andrea Langille, BF&S Road Engineer (<a href="mailto:alangille@bfsengr.com">alangille@bfsengr.com</a>)

Thank you,

Ryan Scott

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From: Wright, Dustin <<u>dustin.wright@aptiv.com</u>> Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 11:03 AM

To: Ryan Scott < RScott@bfsengr.com > Subject: Division Road Questions

Hello Ryan,

I will unable to come to the second session like I wanted. However, who would be the contact for questions about the plans for division road? Would that still be you?

Kind Regards, **Dustin Wright**Radar Integration Engineer

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From: LACash

To: <u>JBeck@INDOT.IN.Gov</u>

Cc: Ryan Scott; Tim.Knapp@hamiltoncounty.in.gov

Subject: Opinion: Replace 296th St/ US 31 Overpass with Cul-de-Sac

Date: Saturday, September 5, 2020 12:15:49 PM

First, thank you for the information INDOT and BFS provided during the US 31 access conversion meeting at East Union Christian Church on September 2, 2020. You and the engineers that I spoke with (Ryan, Ben) were all very helpful and receptive to feedback.

My interest in this project is profound as my daily life will be severely impacted by the decision on how to proceed with restricting direct access to US 31. Buildings and property that I frequent are located at or near the intersection:

- I'm a member of East Union Christian Church and visit it often
- Three generations of my paternal/maternal relatives are buried in Union Cemetery and my family and many others visit often for prayer and reflection
- I'm building a new multi-generational home about ¼ mile from the intersection and will occupy it soon with my 93 year old mom on her 35 acre farm

The prospect of dealing with an overpass while accessing the above properties – my home, church and even the graveyard where my ancestors are buried – is not welcome. My primary concern is not the overpass per se, but it is the nearly 20' high retaining walls that I learned would be constructed on 296<sup>th</sup> street alongside the church, Union Cemetery and at a lower grade in front of the existing church parsonage and my new home build at 1725 E 296<sup>th</sup> street. Plus, we were told that the new church parking lot entrance might require the church parsonage to be razed to make a new parking lot entrance. And an added personal concern is the difficulty I will have navigating entry into my new home build, particularly while pulling a horse trailer. While I was told that the state would pay for re-working all property entrances, we could never escape the negative impact of having an overpass and massive retaining walls looming around and alongside these cherished properties.

There seems to be a better and less costly way to solve INDOTs goal of safety and access – simply create a cul-de-sac at 296<sup>th</sup> street. If my odometer is correct, the planned full interchange at 276<sup>th</sup> street is only 1.8 miles away, so that would still provide easy cross-county access. And there is another planned overpass just a short distance away in Tipton county. So why construct an overpass at 296<sup>th</sup> street when doing so would be so destructive?

Also as a FYI, following INDOTs presentation about the project, I talked to a group of 7-8 people. And NO ONE SUPPORTED an overpass on 296<sup>th</sup> street once they understood that this approach would mean tall retaining walls in front of the church and cemetery, blocking street visibility and making access tricky.

I appreciate the opportunity to make my concerns known and now sincerely appeal to you to reconsider this proposal. I will keep in close tough with you about this project and hope to meet with all people copied on this email to discuss this issue before your final recommendation is made. From my discussion with other people, I suspect you will be getting other strong opinions opposed to this

proposed overpass before the end of September.

Thank you again for taking time to explain your preliminary plans last week and I look forward to discussing this further.

LouAnn Cash 1725 E 296<sup>th</sup> St 317-627-1240

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Glenn White
Cc: Ryan Scott

Subject: East Union Christian Church

Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 5:02:16 PM

My name is Glenn White, I am an Elder and congregant of East Union Christian Church at 296th on the 31 corridor. The 2 options available to East Union and Lou Ann Cash that is going to live east of the Church, are not good for the Church. I won't say a death nell for it but it's very bad.

The best option for the church is to put an interchange north of the Church. I'm sure a way off of 31 and a way on can be engineered on the west side to avoid the Historical home. Or just deassign it historical.

Next best is an overpass north of the Church, do the same deassign for the historical home and avoids the problems with an overpass for the Church the residence being built and the cemetery on the west side.

The present option of a overpass on 296th makes it hard (no entrance) to get to the Church, and very hard to tell someone how to get to it. It stunts growth.

A cald-de-sac will kill the Church

1st option mentioned above would be best, the 2nd ok.

The Church is put in a position of having to chose to stunt it's growth or commit suicide.

Thanks for your time, God Bless. Glenn White

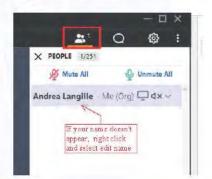
# WELCOME! US 31 Limited Access Study Hamilton County Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Meeting No. 2 Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 3PM



## MEETING FORMAT / GROUND RULES

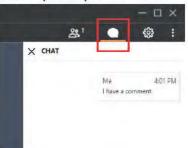
- Virtual meeting with PowerPoint Presentation- GoToMeeting
- Organizer will Mute All Participants during presentation
- Include your name in the attendee box





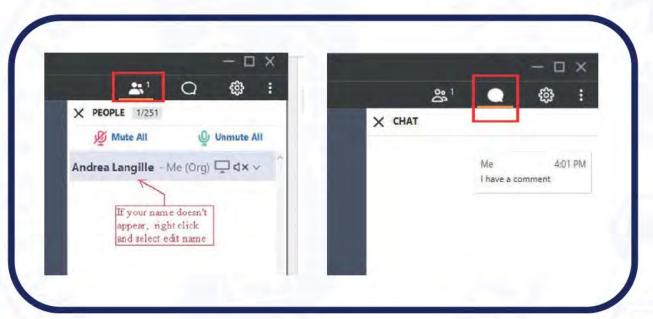
## MEETING FORMAT / GROUND RULES

- After the presentation, CAC participants be given an opportunity to comment
- If you would like to comment, use the chat function to let us know and we will call upon you





## SYSTEM TEST





## **AGENDA**

- Introduction/Welcome
- Project Updates
- Current Activities/Schedule
- Feedback/ Comments / Q&A
- Next Steps
- Adjournment



## WELCOME/THANK YOU

- Community Advisory Committee needs you
  - Your local community knowledge
  - Your feedback
  - Your assistance communicating with your organizations
- First meeting July 10, 2020



## CAC MEMBER-INVITEES

#### HAMILTON COUNTY

Adams Township Trustee
Arcadia Police Department
Becks Superior Hybrids
Cicero Fire Department
Cicero Town Council
Grand Park Sports Campus
Hamilton County Council
Hamilton County Economic Development
Hamilton County Highway Department
Hamilton County Plan Commission

Hamilton County Sheriffs Office
Hamilton County Surveyor's Office
Hamilton Heights School Corporation
Jackson Township Fire Department
Jackson Township Trustee's Office
Noblesville Schools
Reynolds Farm Equipment
Riverview Hospital
Tipton County Highway Department
Westfield



## PROJECT TEAM OVERVIEW





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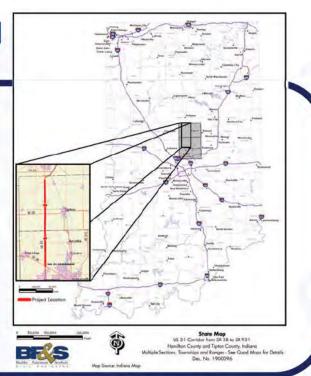


## PROJECT LOCATION

#### **US 31 LIMITED ACCESS**

SR 38 - Hamilton County to SR 931-Tipton County

Approximately 20 miles





### PURPOSE AND NEED

The <u>purpose</u> of the project is to improve safety by converting US 31 from SR 38 in Hamilton County to SR 931 in Tipton County to a limited access facility by:

- Removing at-grade intersections along US 31
- Providing access to US 31 at interchanges
- Constructing overpasses to maintain cross community connectivity

The <u>need</u> for the project derives from the high rate of accidents occurring along the US 31 Corridor.



## US 31 Crash Data

	2014-2016	2018-2020	Change
lamilton County	5.96 accidents per mile per year	10.98 accidents per mile per year	84% increase
Tipton County	6.93 accidents per mile per year	8.35 accidents per mile per year	22 % increase
		closely   the right-of-way   traffic signal/sign	



## SR 38 TO 286<sup>TH</sup> STREET



## 286<sup>TH</sup> STREET TO SR 931

- Shifted to Planning and Environment Linkage (PEL) Study
  - What is a PEL Study?
  - Why are is this section moving to a PEL?
  - What does this mean for Tipton County?



### WHAT IS A PEL STUDY?

- Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Study
  - INDOT's application of FHWA process
  - PEL implies sound and sensible transportation planning and analysis, public involvement, red flag environmental investigation, resource agency coordination, and high-level solutions to identified transportation challenges
- PEL carries forward into the NEPA process

https://www.in.gov/indot/4035.htm



## WHY IS TIPTON COUNTY MOVING TO A PEL

- Need for the project has been identified
- Project is yet to be funded
- Planning funds have been dedicated toward further refinement of the need and range of possible alternative solutions
- Feedback from local stakeholders
- Evolving landscape in Tipton County related to safety and mobility needs and economic development

https://www.in.gov/indot/4035.htm



#### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR TIPTON COUNTY

- Cleans the slate on alternatives
- Additional planning studies and analysis will be done to identify and develop alternatives
- New public involvement process

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## CURRENT ACTIVITIES/SCHEDULE

#### 286TH TO SR 931

INDOT Request for Proposal Process( RFP) for PEL Study

#### SR38 TO 286TH STREET

Design Phase Ongoing, various completion dates

**NEPA Process** 

Section 106 and Archaeological Review Anticipated completion May 2021
Water of the U.S Investigation Complete

Highway Traffic Noise Analysis In review
Draft NEPA Document Submittal April 2021

Public Information Meeting 2 April 21, 2021

Public Hearing Summer 2021

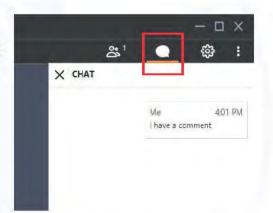
NEPA Process Complete Early 2022



#### **COMMENT SESSION**

#### **REMINDERS**

- Please use the <u>chat feature</u> to let us know you have a comment
- We want to hear from you
- Be respectful of others





#### **NEXT STEPS**

- Review comments and feedback
- Continue with Environmental Study and Documentation
- Hold Public Information Meeting April 21, 2021
- Complete transition of northern phase to PEL



## THANK YOU

#### Additional Questions and Comments??

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Or visit INDOT Project Website:

https://www.in.gov/indot/4277.htm



# Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Hamilton County Meeting Summary April 15, 2021

#### **CAC Attendees**

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Name	Title	Representing
CAC Members		
Kenton Ward	Hamilton County Surveyor	Hamilton County Surveyor's Office
Dan Strong	President	Cicero Town Council
Mark Baird	Executive Director	Tipton County Foundation
Nancy Cline	Trustee	Jefferson Township
Seth Warren		Riverview Hospital
Bradley Davis	Highway Director	Hamilton County Highway Department
Tracey Powell	Hamilton County Commissioner	Hamilton County Commissioner
Andy Reitz	Store Manager	Reynolds Farm Equipment
Tom Logan	Captain	Hamilton County Sheriff's Office
Todd Uhrick	Police Marshal	Town of Arcadia Police Department
Brian Zachery	Transportation Director	Noblesville Schools
Donna Steger		Indiana Golf Cart
Non-CAC Members		
Robert Dirks	Planning and Environmental	Federal Highway Administration-Indiana
	Specialist	Division
Jennifer Beck	Project Manager	Indiana Department of Transportation-
		Greenfield District
Ron Bales	Environmental Services Division	Indiana Department of Transportation
Andrea Langille	Project Manager and Road Design	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
John Speidel Jr.	Client Liaison	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
Ben Butz	Bridge Design	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
Neal Bennett	Environmental Services Manager	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
CAC Members- Not in	attendance	
Sonny Beck	CEO	Becks Superior Hybrids
Chris Franklin	Transportation Director	Hamilton Heights School Corporation
John Nail	City Engineer	City of Westfield
Jeremy Lollar	Director of Public Works	City of Westfield
Lance Overholser	Fire Chief	Town of Cicero Fire Department
Jeff Muszar	Chief	Jackson Township Fire Department
Chuck Kiphart	Director	Hamilton County Plan Commission
Michelle Junkins	Adams Township Trustee	Adams Township
Andy Cook	Mayor	City of Westfield
Ken Alexander	Council Member	Hamilton County Council
Bret Morris	Superintendent	Tipton County Highway Department
Robyn Cook	Trustee	Jackson Township

Ken Alexander	Council Member	Hamilton County Council
William Knox	Director	Grand Park Sports Campus

- I. Presentation and General Discussion (PDF of PowerPoint slides attached)
  - a. The agenda and format were reviewed to provide the group with the basic groundwork for the meeting. This included a review of basic controls within the GoToMeeting platform and how attendees could notify the design team when they had comments/questions to share with the group.
  - b. A list of Hamilton County Community Advisory Committee members was shared.
  - c. The project team was introduced.
  - d. A project status update was provided and included:
    - i. Updated project limits with SR 38 to 286<sup>th</sup> Street remaining as part of the project and current study and 286<sup>th</sup> Street to SR 931 moving to a Planning and Environmental Linkage Study.
    - ii. Reviewed the purpose and need for the project.
    - iii. Compared crash totals from the study period from 2014-2016 to the study period 2018-2020. Crash totals increased by 84% in Hamilton County and 22% in Tipton County between the two study periods.
    - iv. Provided update on status of various sections of the project.
  - e. Explained that a Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Study is. Explained why the northern portion of the project is moving to a PEL Study and what it means for Tipton County. Also provided link to INDOT website for additional information.
  - f. Reviewed Schedule moving forward.

#### II. Q&A / Comment Session

- a. Andy Reitz, Store Manager, Reynolds Farm Equipment
  - i. Stated that from the picture on slide 13, it looks like there are two different interchange designs for 236<sup>th</sup> Street and 276<sup>th</sup> Street, respectively. He asked if these proposed designs moving forward for each interchange.
    - 1. Jennifer responded that those locations do indeed have different interchange designs proposed. 236<sup>th</sup> Street is near final plans whereas 276<sup>th</sup> is still mid-development.
  - ii. Asked if there are throughs on temporary traffic lights during construction in the different areas, specifically 276<sup>th</sup> Street construction.
    - 1. Jennifer responded that currently maintenance of traffic plans do not propose the use of temporary traffic signals for 276<sup>th</sup> Street or other sections of the project.
- b. Todd Uhrick, Police Marshall, Town of Arcadia Police Department
  - Stated that Sheridan Fire is responsible for SB 31 from 216<sup>th</sup> Street to 296<sup>th</sup> Street. Jackson Township responds to NB US 31 lanes. Cable Barrier and no access at 266<sup>th</sup> Street will greatly delay emergency response times and risk public safety.
    - 1. Andrea responded the cable median barrier will have openings along the corridor for emergency vehicle use and indicated further coordination is required to determine the most appropriate locations for the median turn around locations. These conversations with the emergency response teams are forthcoming.

- 2. Jennifer added that alternatives are still being considered that could allow emergency vehicle access from side roads. Treatments still need to be investigated as this type of access would need to be secured to prevent the public from using them. The goal of the project is to reduce accidents on US 31, resulting in fewer calls, but understand that accidents will still occur. It is a matter of find the balance.
- c. Mark Baird, Executive Director, Tipton County Foundation
  - i. Asked if the overpass is still contemplated at 296<sup>th</sup> Street.
    - 1. All alternatives are still on the table for 296<sup>th</sup> Street and will be fleshed out as part of the PEL study. An overpass was being considered at this location prior to it being moved to the PEL. Because of the presence of the cemetery, historic property and a church that would all be impacted by an interchange, an interchange was not preferred at this location before the PEL.
- d. Tom Logan, Sheriff, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office
  - i. Stated that at one point there was a possibility of access at 266<sup>th</sup> as well as 276<sup>th</sup> and asked if that is no longer an option?
    - 1. Jennifer responded that for rural highways, the minimum interchange spacing is 2 miles, with these two roadways only 1 mile apart, it is not feasible to construct an interchange at both these locations.
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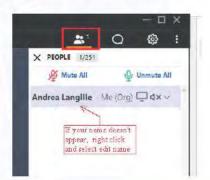
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Meeting No. 2 Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 1PM



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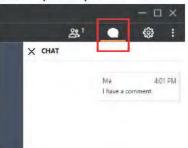
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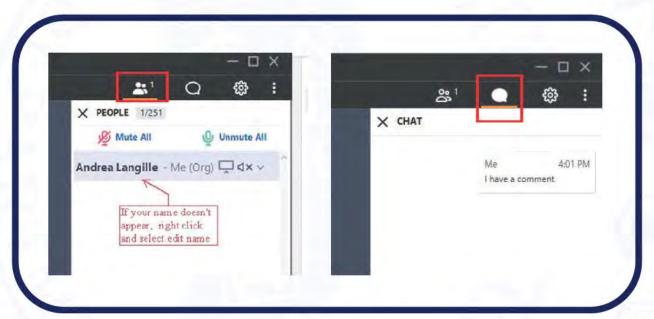
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- After the presentation, CAC participants be given an opportunity to comment
- If you would like to comment, use the chat function to let us know and we will call upon you





#### SYSTEM TEST





#### **AGENDA**

- Introduction/Welcome
- Project Updates
- Current Activities/Schedule
- Feedback/ Comments / Q&A
- Next Steps
- Adjournment



## WELCOME/THANK YOU

- Community Advisory Committee needs you
  - Your local community knowledge
  - Your feedback
  - Your assistance communicating with your organizations
- First meeting July 10, 2020



## CAC MEMBERS TIPTON COUNTY

Beck's Superior Hybrids
Boettcher
Cicero Township
Cicero Township Fire Department
Tipton County Emergency Management
FCA
Hamilton County Highway Department
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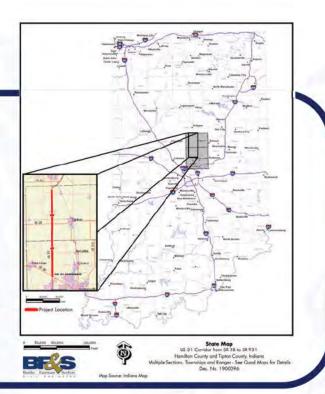


#### PROJECT UPDATES

#### **US 31 LIMITED ACCESS**

SR 38 - Hamilton County to SR 931-Tipton County

Approximately 20 miles





#### PURPOSE AND NEED

The <u>purpose</u> of the project is to improve safety by converting US 31 from SR 38 in Hamilton County to SR 931 in Tipton County to a limited access facility by:

- Removing at-grade intersections along US 31
- Providing access to US 31 at interchanges
- Constructing overpasses to maintain cross community connectivity

The <u>need</u> for the project derives from the high rate of accidents occurring along the US 31 Corridor.



## US 31 Crash Data

	2014-2016	2018-2020	Change
Hamilton County	5.96 accidents per mile per year	10.98 accidents per mile per year	84% increase
Tipton County	6.93 accidents per mile per year	8.35 accidents per mile per year	22 % increase
		the right-of-way traffic signal/sign	



## SR 38 TO 286<sup>TH</sup> STREET



## 286<sup>TH</sup> STREET TO SR 931

- Shifted to Planning and Environment Linkage (PEL) Study
  - What is a PEL Study?
  - Why are is this section moving to a PEL?
  - What does this mean for Tipton County?



#### WHAT IS A PEL STUDY?

- Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Study
  - INDOT's application of FHWA process
  - PEL implies sound and sensible transportation planning and analysis, public involvement, red flag environmental investigation, resource agency coordination, and high-level solutions to identified transportation challenges
- PEL carries forward into the NEPA process

https://www.in.gov/indot/4035.htm



#### WHY IS TIPTON COUNTY MOVING TO A PEL

- Need for the project has been identified
- Project is yet to be funded
- Planning funds have been dedicated toward further refinement of the need and range of possible alternative solutions
- Feedback from local stakeholders
- Evolving landscape in Tipton County related to safety and mobility needs and economic development

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#### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR TIPTON COUNTY

- Cleans the slate on alternatives
- Additional planning studies and analysis will be done to identify and develop alternatives
- New public involvement process

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## CURRENT ACTIVITIES/SCHEDULE

#### 286TH TO SR 931

INDOT Request for Proposal Process( RFP) for PEL Study

#### SR38 TO 286TH STREET

Design Phase Ongoing, various completion dates

**NEPA Process** 

Section 106 and Archaeological Review Anticipated completion May 2021
Water of the U.S Investigation Complete

Highway Traffic Noise Analysis In review
Draft NEPA Document Submittal April 2021

Public Information Meeting 2 April 21, 2021

Public Hearing Summer 2021

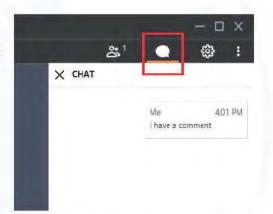
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#### COMMENT SESSION

#### **REMINDERS**

- Please use the <u>chat feature</u> to let us know you have a comment
- We want to hear from you
- Be respectful of others





#### **NEXT STEPS**

- Review comments and feedback
- Continue with Environmental Study and Documentation
- Hold Public Information Meeting April 21, 2021
- Complete transition of northern phase to the PEL Study



## THANK YOU

#### Additional Questions and Comments??

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https://www.in.gov/indot/4277.htm



# Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Tipton County Meeting Summary April 15, 2021

#### **CAC Attendees**

Name	Title	Representing
CAC Members		
Mark Baird	Executive Director	Tipton County Foundation
Jeff Hoover	Director of Manufacturing	Bottcher Systems
Jane Harper	VP and CO Director	Kelley Agricultural Historical Museum
David Driggs	Superintendent	Tri-Central Schools Corporation
Bret Morris	Superintendent	Tipton County Highway Department
Bradley Davis	Director	Hamilton County Highway Department
Phil Beer	County Engineer	Tipton County
Steve Niblick	Executive Director	Tipton County Planning Commission
Aaron Conaway	President	Total Seed Production
Ryan Glaze	Superintendent	Tipton Community School Corporation
Donnie Ross	Deputy Chief	Cicero Township Fire Department
Korey Henderson	Trustee	Cicero Township
Chuck Bell	Director of Emergency	Tipton County
	Management	
Nancy Cline	Trustee	Jefferson Township
Non-CAC Members		
Robert Dirks	Planning and Environmental	Federal Highway Administration-Indiana
	Specialist	Division
Cat Seely	Project Manager	Indiana Department of Transportation-
		Greenfield District
Andrea Langille	Project Manager and Road Design	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
John Speidel Jr.	Client Liaison	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
Ben Butz	Bridge Design	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
Neal Bennett	Environmental Services Manager	Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.
CAC Members- Not ir	n attendance	
Michael Carter	Plant Manager	FCA
Tony Frawley	Sheriff	Tipton County Sheriff's Office
Chris Kelley		Kelley Agricultural Historical Museum
Alice Book	Board President	Town of Kempton
Sonny Beck	CEO	Becks Superior Hybrids
Matt Floyd	Chief	Kempton Fire Department
James Ashley	President	Tipton County Council
Paul Kingery	Chief	Sharpsville Fire Department
Niall Olling	Manager	FCA Group

- I. Presentation and General Discussion (PDF of PowerPoint slides attached)
  - a. The agenda and format were reviewed to provide the group with the basic groundwork for the meeting. This included a review of basic controls within the GoToMeeting platform and how attendees could notify the design team when they had comments/questions to share with the group.
  - b. A list of Tipton County Community Advisory Committee members was shared.
  - c. The project team was introduced.
  - d. A project status update was provided and included:
    - i. Updated project limits with SR 38 to 286<sup>th</sup> Street remaining as part of the project and current study and 286<sup>th</sup> Street to SR 931 moving to a Planning and Environmental Linkage Study.
    - ii. Reviewed the purpose and need for the project.
    - iii. Compared crash totals from the study period from 2014-2016 to the study period 2018-2020. Crash totals increased by 84% in Hamilton County and 22% in Tipton County between the two study periods.
    - iv. Provided update on status of various sections of the project.
  - e. Explained that a Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Study is. Explained why the northern portion of the project is moving to a PEL Study and what it means for Tipton County. Also provided link to INDOT website for additional information.
  - f. Reviewed Schedule moving forward.

#### II. Q&A / Comment Session

- a. Mark Baird, Executive Director, Tipton County Foundation
  - i. Questioned if the definition of accident includes contact with animals? And if with the new configuration will reduce contact with animals and debris.
    - Andrea responded that crash data includes crashes involving animals and debris. The new
      configuration is not expected to have an impact on these types of crashes. The new
      configuration is expected to reduce accidents related to intersections. Accident Data
      containing more detailing had been requested but not received ahead of the CAC meeting.
      At the Public information meeting on April 21, 2021, there will be more detail on the crash
      data.
  - ii. Questioned if the Public Information Meeting planned for April 21, 2021 is intended to cover the whole project or just the Hamilton County portion.
    - 1. Andrea responded that the Public Information Meeting intends to provide an update on the new project limits with a portion moving to the PEL Study, but most of the discussion will be about the portion that will remain in the current study (SR 38 to 286<sup>th</sup> Street)
  - iii. Questioned if the area of study will be expanded under the PEL.
    - Cat responded that the full scope of the study has not yet been determined but the
      appropriate level of studies covering an appropriate area will be completed as part of
      the PEL.
  - iv. Noted that Division Road was targeted for FY 2024 (if memory served correctly) and questioned if there was a ballpark estimate on the timeframe of the delay?
    - 1. Andrea responded to that the delay is not known at this time. Construction for Division Road was planned for FY 2025 funding. Until INDOT completes the RFP process and a

consultant has been selected, the schedule to complete the PEL will not be known. A goal of the PEL is determined the preferred alternative, when this is known funding will be able to be programmed for the project. The PEL study will feed directly into the NEPA process and will ultimately shorten the overall timeframe for the NEPA process. Some of the time spent on the PEL study will be regained during the NEPA process.

- b. Korey Henderson, Trustee Cicero, Township
  - i. Asked if once the project is completed in both Hamilton and Tipton County, do you foresee the speed limit being increased from 60 mph as it currently is on US 31 around Kokomo to 65mph.
    - 1. Andrea responded that she did not know and had not heard about discussion about this. Andrea will follow-up with Jennifer Beck on this question. Generally, design speed would be 70 mph for a major arterial roadway of this nature, therefor it would likely be designed for the higher speed if there was a need or desire to have the speed limit changed.
- c. Aaron Conaway, President, Total Seed Production
  - i. Asked if there are any different metrics on determining interchanges with the PEL process?
    - The full scope of the PEL study has not yet been determined. But it would be a goal to cover a range of metrics needed to determine the preferred alternatives along the corridor.
  - ii. Asked if the stop light at Division Road will stay in place as is during the PEL Study?
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## **Public Information Meeting**

US 31 Limited Access Project SR 38 to 286<sup>th</sup> Street Hamilton County

Meeting No. 2 Wednesday April 21st , 2021



## Agenda

- Project Team
- Welcome/ Opening Remarks
- Public Information Meeting
- Environmental NEPA Process
- Feedback
- Purpose and Need
- Project Updates
- Project Schedule



## Project Team



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#### Welcome

Thank you for taking time out of your day to partner with INDOT on the US 31 Limited Access Upgrade. Your feedback is valuable and critical to the success of this project!



## US 31 Limited Access Public Information Meeting

- Purpose of Meeting
  - Share updated information about the project
  - Provide Feedback
  - Ask Questions



#### US 31 Limited Access Feedback

#### Ways to provide feedback



• Fill out a comment form



• Email team member



· Call a team member



Visit INDOT website

Please Submit Comments by May 05, 2021



#### US 31 Limited Access Environmental Document

#### NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act of 1970

- Required for all federally funded highway improvements
- Includes comments from agencies, the public, and analysis of impacts to the natural, cultural, and social resources
- Public Information Meeting
- · Public Hearing



## Summary of Key Feedback to Date

- Concerns about access to US 31
  - Specifically in Tipton County with only one interchange in 11.5 miles
- Concerns about impacts on Economic Development
- Concerns about increased emergency response times
- Concerns about specific intersection treatments
  - Division Road
  - · 296th Street
  - · 256th and 266th Streets
  - CR 550N
- · Concerns about schools
  - Bus routes
  - · Enrollment decreasing
- Concerns about impacts to local roads with additional traffic



## Project Purpose

The <u>purpose</u> of the project is to improve safety by converting US 31 to a limited access facility by:

- Removing at-grade intersections along US 31
- Removing residential and commercial drives along US 31
- Providing access to US 31 at interchanges
- Constructing overpasses to maintain cross community connectivity
- Closing unnecessary median openings
- Installing cable median barrier



## Project Need

The <u>need</u> for the project derives from the high rate of accidents occurring along the US 31 Corridor.

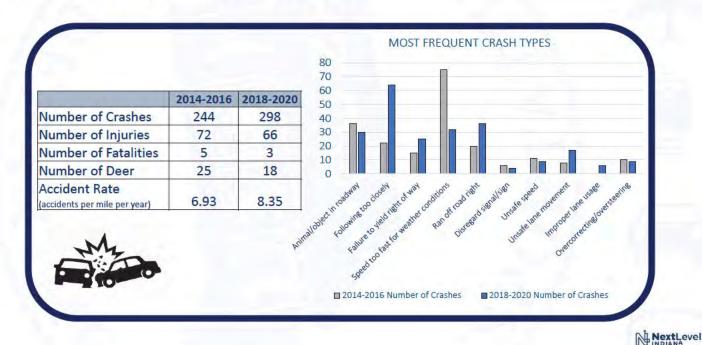
Accident causes that occur more frequently at intersections

- Following too closely.
- Failing to yield the right-of-way.
- Disregarding a traffic signal/sign

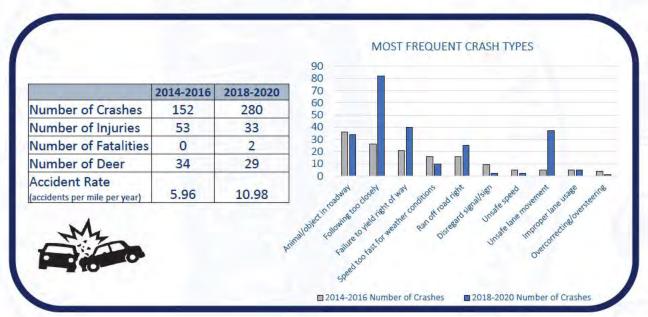
Percent of Accidents Related w/ these Common Causes		
	2014-2016	2018-2020
Tipton County	18%	31%
Hamilton County	37%	44%



#### Tipton County Accident Data



# Hamilton County Accident Data



#### Intersection Crashes

- Intersections are planned points of conflict in roadway systems.
- The Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) studies indicate 25% of traffic fatalities and roughly 50% of traffic injuries are attributed to intersections.

- **Eliminating Intersections** 
  - Reduces the number of conflict points
  - Reduces the frequency and severity of crashes
  - Improves the overall operation and mobility of US 31





#### Project Limit Update

- SR 38 to 286<sup>th</sup> Street, Hamilton County
  - · Remains in subject study
- 286<sup>th</sup> Street in Hamilton to SR 931 in
  - Moves to Planning and Environmental Linkage



#### What is a Planning and Environmental Linkage Study?

- INDOT's Application of a FHWA Process
- Approach to performing planning studies
- Identifies depth and range alternative analysis needed in anticipation determining one alternative
- Completes the needed studies and analysis
- PEL carries forward into the NEPA process

https://www.in.gov/indot/4035.htm



# When are PEL Study's Appropriate?

- Need for the project has been identified
- Planning funds have been dedicated toward further refinement of the need and range of possible alternative solutions
- Project is large in scale with complex potential impacts
- No construction funding has been committed

https://www.in.gov/indot/4035.htm



# What Does This Mean for Tipton County?

- · Cleans the slate on alternatives
- Additional studies and alternative evaluations will be done
  - Access to Tipton County
  - Economic Development
  - Intersection Treatments
- New public involvement process
- · Delay in construction of the improvements

https://www.in.gov/indot/4035.htm



#### SR 38 TO 286<sup>TH</sup> Street



- · SR38 to 236th Street
  - · Under design
  - Funded in FY 2023
- 236<sup>th</sup> Interchange (Independent Utility)
  - · In final stages of design
  - Funded in FY 2021
- 236th Street to 276th Street
  - · In early stages of project development
  - Funded in FY 2024
- 276<sup>th</sup> Street Interchange
  - · Under design
  - Funded in FY 2022



### 216th Street



# 226th Street



#### SR 38 TO 286<sup>TH</sup> Street



- SR38 to 236th Street
  - · Under design
  - Funded in FY 2023
- 236<sup>th</sup> Interchange (Independent Utility)
  - In final stages of design
  - Funded in FY 2021
- 236th Street to 276th Street
  - In early stages of project development
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- 276th Street Interchange
  - Under design
  - Funded in FY 2022



# 236th Street Interchange



# SR 38 TO 286<sup>TH</sup> Street



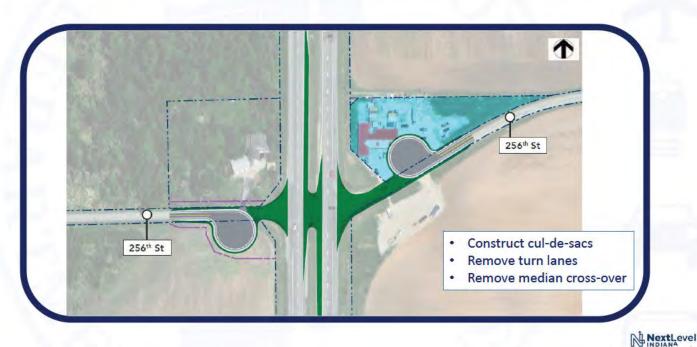
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  - In final stages of design
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- 236th Street to 276th Street
  - · In early stages of project development
  - Funded in FY 2024
- 276<sup>th</sup> Street Interchange
  - Under design
  - Funded in FY 2022

# NextLevel

#### 246th Street



### 256th Street



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# 266th Street



#### SR 38 TO 286<sup>TH</sup> Street



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- 236th Street to 276th Street
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  - Funded in FY 2024
- 276th Street Interchange
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# 276th Street Interchange



#### 281st Street



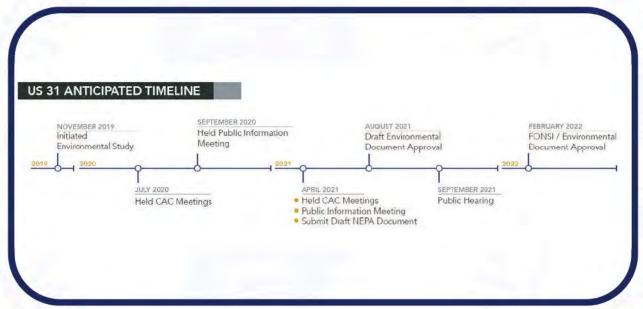


### Addressing Previous Comments

- 286<sup>th</sup> Street to SR 931
  - Concerns related to this section will be addressed with the PEL Study
- Access to US 31 between SR38 and 286th Street
  - 3 interchanges in 7.5 miles
- Intersection treatments 266th Street and 256th Street
  - · Minimum spacing for interchanges in rural areas is 2 miles
- · Concerns about increased emergency response times
  - Continued coordination needed to look at proposed median cross over locations
  - Will continue to look at alternate US 31 access for emergency vehicle use only
- · Concerns about schools
- · Concerns about impacts to local roads with additional traffic
  - · Continued discussions with local officials



### Project Schedule





#### Thank You

#### Comments and Feedback

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Or visit INDOT Project Website: https://www.in.gov/indot/4277.htm



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#### **APPENDIX H**

STIP/TIP Excerpts

Indiana Department of Transportation (IND T) State Preservation and Local Initiated Projects FY 2020 - 2024 SPONSOR CONTR STIP ROUTE WORK TYPE LOCATION DISTRICT MILES FEDERAL Total Cost of PROGRAM PHASE FEDERAL MATCH 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 ACT#/ CATEGORY Project\* LEAD DES Westfield ST 1073 Median Construction Greenfie**l**d 0 Safety \$92,570.00 Local Funds \$20,000.00 42283 / Midland Trace Trail Crossing on \$20,000.00 1901777 Carey Road (approximately 900 south of SR 32) \$7,557.00 ocal Funds \$7,557.00 Indianapolis MPO \$65,013.00 \$0.00 \$65,013.00 Performance Measure Impacted: Safety Comments:Resolution Number 19-IMPO-006 dated 5/22/2019 - new project Westfield ST 1073 Median Construction Greenfield 0 STBG \$102,712.00 Indianapolis MPO \$65,013.00 \$0.00 42283 / Midland Trace Trail Crossing on CN \$65,013.00 1901777 Carey Road (approximately 900 south of SR 32) \_ocal Funds \$17,699.00 Performance Measure Impacted: Safety Comments:PE FY20 - \$20,000 local PE FY20 \$0.00 Federal CN FY22 - \$17,699.00 local CN FY22 - \$65,013 Federal 90/10 split HSIP 42284 / Intersection 96th Street and College Avenue CMAQ \$3,038,750.00 Local Funds \$235,000.00 \$235,000,00 1901894 Improvement. roundabout Roundabout \$160,000.00 Local Funds \$160,000.00 ocal Funds \$528,750.00 \$528,750.00 ndianapolis MPO \$2,115,000.00 \$0.00 \$2,115,000.00 Performance Measure Impacted: Safety Comments:Resolution Number 19-IMPO-006 dated 5/2/2019 - New Project 0 CMAQ \$3,437,029.00 Local Funds 42285 / Intersection 106th Street and Westfield Greenfield \$0.00 \$270,778.00 \$270,778.00 1901895 Improvement Boulevard - roundabout Roundabout Local Funds \$120,000.00 \$0.00 \$120,000.00 \_ocal Funds \$609,250.00 \$609,250.00 Indianapolis MPO \$2,437,001.00 \$0.00 \$2,437,001.00 Performance Measure Impacted: Safety Comments:Resolution Number 19-IMPO-006 Dated 5/22/2019 - New Project \$7,480,000.00 Mobility Consulting \$544,000.00 \$136,000.00 Indiana Department 42397 / US 31 New Bridge, Other New Bridge over US 31 at 226t Greenfield 0 NHPP \$680,000.00 1900096 of Transportation h Street \$5,440,000.00 \$1,360,000.00 \$6,800,000.00 Mobility

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Indiana Department of Transportation	42188 / 1901797	A 04	US 31	New Interchange Construction	at 276th Street, 5.00 miles N of SR 38	Greenfield	1.04	NHPP	\$16,700,000.00	Mobility Construction	CN	\$12,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00			\$15,000,000.00		
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**Project Overview** 

Funding History | Amendment History

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#### **New Bridge Grade Separation (1900096)**

Des Number	1900096	Amendment	20-01.1 ADMIN MOD	Exempt Category	Exempt	Est Total Project Cost	\$680,000
Lead Agency	INDOT	Contact (ERC)		INDOT District	Greenfield	County	Hamilton
Project Type	New Bridge, Other	Letting Date		Functional Classification	Other Principal Arterial	Bike/Ped Component(s)	No

Title New Bridge Grade Separation

Bridge #: 10478 Limits

New Bridge over US 31 at 226th Street and Access Control from .46 mile North of State Route 38 to .6 mile south of 236th Street. Description

Phase	Fund Source	Prior SFY	SFY2020	SFY2021	SFY2022	SFY2023	SFY2024	Future SFY	Total
PE	FEDERAL - State STBG	-	\$544,000	-	-	-	-	-	\$544,000
PE	STATE - Other	-	\$136,000	-	-	-	-	-	\$136,000
	Total Preliminary Engineering	-	\$680,000	-	-	-	-	-	\$680,000
	Total Programmed	-	\$680,000	-	-	-	-	-	\$680.000

