



# INDOT Public Involvement Procedures 2009

Indiana Department of Transportation

## Public Involvement Criteria

For CEs (not involving a historic bridge), INDOT offers the opportunity to request a prior to the completion of NEPA, when a project meets any of the conditions listed below.

- a. The proposal requires significant amounts [interpreted by INDOT to be more than one-half acre] of permanent right-of-way (r/w). *(Note: Any proposal resulting in the increase in right-of-way due to the factors listed below would be exempt from this requirement).*
  - (1) *The proposal does not involve NEW r/w impacts but rather reacquiring past prescriptions (i.e. existing or apparent existing r/w)*
  - (2) *The proposal involves the acquisition of donated r/w from property owner*
  - (3) *Acquiring r/w presently within INDOT apparent r/w to establish legal documented ownership*
  - (4) *Additional R/W needed for mitigation purposes, for projects where original R/W impacts as described in the environmental document were less than 0.5 acre*
- b. The proposal substantially changes the layout or functions of connecting roadways or the facility being improved.
- c. The proposal may have a substantial adverse impact on abutting property.
- d. The proposal may have a significant social, economic, environmental or other effect.
- e. The proposal is determined by the Federal Highway Administration to warrant a public hearing in the public's interest.
- f. The proposal is for a plan for the location of a Federal-aid highway project involving the bypassing of, or going through, any city, town, or village either incorporated or unincorporated or the proposal is for an Interstate System project<sup>1</sup>.

*\*A change in project scope may require additional formal public involvement.*

*\*A public hearing must be held for all EA and EIS projects.*