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LEGAL NOTICE PLANNED IMPROVEMENT

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has developed preliminary plans for a proposed culvert replacement along State Route (SR) 157, 5.19 mi. south of SR 246 in Clay County. The project proposes to replace the existing structure with a reinforced concrete box structure, with the bottom of the box sumped 12 inches. The project also includes regrading the embankment and placement of riprap on both the upstream and downstream sides of the culvert. The need for the project is due to the culvert being hydraulically undersized and in poor structural condition.

The Maintenance of Traffic for the project will require the full closure of SR 157 for approximately 21 days. The proposed official detour will utilize SR 59 and SR 48. Local roads may be used by local traffic. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction. Project stakeholders including local school corporations and emergency services will be notified of closures and detours prior to any construction. The proposed start of construction is spring 2022.

Construction of the project will require approximately 0.69-acre of new permanent right-of-way. The estimated cost of the project is \$394,796. Federal and state funds are to be utilized for the construction of the project. The Federal Highway Administration and INDOT have agreed that this project falls within the guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 2 environmental document. Preliminary design plans, along with the CE, are available for review on the following website:

https://www.in.gov/indot/2701.htm

All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or express their concerns by submitting comments to the attention of Mathew Aldridge, 251 North Illinois Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or Mathew.Aldridge@burgessniple.com or (317) 237-2760 ext. 1022 on or before January 23, 2021. Persons with limited internet access may request project information be mailed by contacting Mathew Aldridge at the phone number or email above.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in alternative formats are encouraged to contact the INDOT Crawfordsville District office for the arrangement and coordination of services. Please contact Mathew Aldridge at (317) 237-2760 or Mathew.Aldridge@burgessniple.com. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in another language are encouraged to contact the INDOT Crawfordsville District Office.

This notice is published in compliance with: 1) Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CRF 771.111(h)(1)) stating, "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program."; 2) 23 CFR 450.210(a)(1)(ix) stating, "Provide for the periodic

review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all interested parties and revise the process, as appropriate."; and 3) The INDOT *Public Involvement Policies and Procedures* approved by the Federal Highway Administration on August 16, 2012.

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