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Legal Notice of Planned Improvement

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is planning to proceed with a Hot Mixed Asphalt (HMA) overlay and small structures project along SR 42 in Morgan County, Indiana. Specifically, the project will begin at the north approach of the SR 142/SR 42 intersection in Eminence and extend to 0.06 mile east of the SR 39 west junction in Monrovia.

The need for this project stems from the deteriorated pavement condition, which is experiencing a moderate amount of fatigue cracking in the wheel path, edge cracking (severe in some locations) and longitudinal cracking down the center of the roadway. The overall pavement is considered to be in marginal to poor condition. The purpose of the project is to address the deteriorated pavement condition) and eliminate all cracking to extend the useable service life of the pavement by 12-15 years. In addition, the purpose of this project also seeks to provide hydraulically adequate structures.

The project involves a Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) minor structural overlay with partial depth patching as required within the town limits of Monrovia and Eminence. Outside of the town limits, throughout the remainder of the project area, an HMA minor structural overlay with full depth patching will be required except at all small structure replacement locations where full depth HMA pavement replacement will occur. The profile grade will match the existing grade throughout the project limits. Within the town limits of Monrovia and Eminence, the roadway will be milled down approximately 2 inches and 2 inches of new HMA will be placed. Outside the city limits, except where the small structures are located, the existing pavement will be milled down approximately 4.5 inches and 4.5 inches of new HMA will be placed. All pavement markings will be removed and replaced within the project limits. The roadway geometry will match the existing throughout the project area. Existing drives/roadway approaches located within the project area will either be reconstructed or receive a wedge and level to tie into the existing profile grade. Existing sidewalks will not be replaced or upgraded as part of this project. Within the town limits of Monrovia, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps will be upgraded as necessary to current ADA standards. The project includes 41 culvert replacements and 2 culverts that will be lined. Out of the 43 structures, 14 of the culverts have assigned Des Nos. and those are Des Nos.: 2001548, 2001549, 2001550, 1800121, 2001551, 2001552, 2001553, 1701593, 2001554, 2001555, 2001557, 2001558, 1800122, and 2001559. The roadside ditches present along the area of the small structures to be replaced will be regraded. The drainage structures in the town of Monrovia will not be modified as part of the project, as they are part of a storm sewer network.

A total of 2.11 acres of permanent right-of-way will be required and 0.05 acre of temporary right-of-way will be required to accomplish the small structure replacements/liners. No relocations will occur as a result of this project.

The Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) plan for this project will consist of a road closure with a detour route. The official detour route will use SR 142 and SR 39, for a total length of 15.6 miles. This detour route will add approximately 2.58 miles for motorist utilizing the detour route when compared to the straight-line distance (13.06 miles) of SR 42 within the project area. Access to all properties along the project area will be maintained



during construction. This project is expected to span two construction seasons. Construction is anticipated to begin in the Spring of 2023 and end in 2024.

This project will likely require stream mitigation as permanent impacts to jurisdictional waterways will exceed 300 linear feet. The total cost to construct this project will be approximately \$11,000,000 and includes both state and federal funds. This project is being processed as a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 2 document due to the amount of right-of-way required and stream impacts.

The preliminary design plans and the CE-2 are available for review at the following locations:

- INDOT, Crawfordsville District Website: Crawfordsville.indot.in.gov
- Morgan County Public Library: Located at 145 S. Chestnut Street, Monrovia IN, 46157

All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or submit comments to the attention of Harlan Ford, RQAW NEPA Lead, at 8770 North Street, Suite 110, Fishers, Indiana, or at 317-588-1716, or hford@rqaw.com and/or Lisa Casler, RQAW Project Manager, at lcasler.graw.com or at 317-588-1737. All comments must be submitted on or before August 06, 2022. In addition, project information, including the environmental document, may be mailed to interested persons upon request.

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 for arrangement and coordination of services. Please contact the INDOT Project Manager, Kaitlyn McDaniel at kamcdaniel@indot.in.gov or at 765-361-5610. Additionally, accommodations can be made for any interested persons with Limited English Proficiency. 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 Kaitlyn McDaniel (contact information above).

This notice is published in compliance with: 1) Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CFR 771.111(h)(1) stating, "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program."; 2) 23 CFR 450.210(a)(1)(ix) stating, "Provide for the periodic review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all interested parties and revise the process, as appropriate."; and 3) The INDOT Project Development Public Involvement Procedures Manual approved by the Federal Highway Administration on July 7, 2021.