NOTICE OF PROJECT ADVANCEMENT FOR THE S.R. 2 at C.R. 100S / C.R. 300 WEST ROUNDABOUT INTERSECTION IN PORTER COUNTY

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The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) held a public hearing on March 23rd of this year regarding a proposed roundabout intersection improvement project on S.R. 2 at C.R. 100 South / C.R. 300 West in Porter County. The purpose of the project is to improve safety at the intersection by improving sight distance and reducing speed at the intersection.

The purpose of this notice is two-fold. Firstly, this is an opportunity for INDOT to communicate with project stakeholders in regards to the status of this project. Secondly, this is an opportunity to formally announce the conclusion of the environmental analysis phase of the project and transition to the next phase of project development, the real estate acquisition phase.

INDOT’s Preferred Alternative proposes to convert the existing 5-way stop-controlled intersection into a 4-legged single lane roundabout. C.R. 300 West will then be realigned to “T” into S.R. 2 approximately 150 feet southwest of the intersection. All improved roadway will be surrounded by concrete curb and gutter, which will drain into a new storm sewer system and detention basin. The basin will be located west of S.R. 2, north of the intersection. Lighting improvements will include the addition of decorative light fixtures located along the roundabout approaches. The project will require the purchase of approximately 4 acres of new permanent right-of-way (land). During construction activity, traffic is proposed to be detoured onto the official state routes using portions of S.R. 8, S.R. 49 and U.S. 30, however local county roads may be used by local traffic.

Subsequent to reviewing and considering all comments and materials received as a result of the official INDOT public hearing held at the Boone Grove High School cafeteria in Valparaiso, INDOT will advance this project to the next phase of development (real estate acquisition) and anticipates construction to begin in 2019. Project documentation, including the resolution to public hearing comments, will remain available for public inspection during normal office hours at the Valparaiso Public Library, 103 Jefferson Street, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383; INDOT Office of Public Involvement, Room N642, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 Phone # (317) 232-6601; INDOT LaPorte District Office, 315 East Boyd Avenue, LaPorte, Indiana 46350, Phone # 1-855-464-6368. Visit the LaPorte District web page to view project documentation http://www.in.gov/indot/2705.htm.

INDOT sincerely appreciates the community’s participation and interest in this project and looks forward to continuing engagement as this project advances towards construction.

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