



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DES. # 2000154

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Improvement SR 9 at SR 234 in Hancock County

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will host a public hearing on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at Maxwell Intermediate School (102 North Main Street, Maxwell, IN 46154). The hearing will begin at 5:30 PM. Presentation shall commence around 6:00 PM and the event will end at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the public hearing is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to comment on current preliminary design plans to install a roundabout at this intersection in Hancock County. The purpose of the project is to reduce the traffic queues that can develop at the intersection and improve safety.

As proposed, the project involves the construction of a single-lane roundabout at the intersection. The work will extend approximately 300' in each direction of SR 9 and approximately 500' in each direction of SR 234 from the center of the intersection. Along with the roundabout, new drainage ditches will be graded, and street lighting will be added.

The Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) plan for the project involves reducing SR 9 to one-lane and using temporary traffic signals for alternating one-way operation. SR 234 will be closed at the intersection and detoured using US 36, SR 38, and SR 109. MOT details will be presented during the public hearing. Access to all properties will be maintained during construction. INDOT will coordinate with emergency services, local school corporation officials and project stakeholders to ensure potential disruptions and impacts are minimized as much as possible. The project will require approximately 1.89 acres of permanent new right-of-way, in addition, 0.24 acre of temporary right-of-way needed during construction. There are not expected to be any displacements, although that will be made final during the project's appraising.

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 minimal impact to natural environment. A Categorical Exclusion (CE) environmental document has been prepared for the project. The environmental documentation and preliminary design information is available to view prior at the following locations:

1. Greenfield-Central Administration Center – 110 West North Street, Greenfield, IN 46140
2. Hancock County Public Library – 900 West McKenzie Road, Greenfield, IN 46140
3. INDOT Greenfield District Office – 32 South Broadway, Greenfield, IN 46140
4. Document should be made available on-line via agency/project sponsor's website

A project webpage will be created prior to the public hearing to ensure project information is available on-line via the INDOT Greenfield District page (<https://www.in.gov/indot/about-indot/central-office/welcome-to-the-greenfield-district/greenfield-district-current-projects/>).

Public statements for the record will be taken as part of the public hearing procedure. All verbal statements recorded during the public hearing and all written comments submitted prior to, during and for a period of two (2) weeks following the hearing date, will be evaluated, considered and addressed in subsequent environmental documentation. Written comments may be submitted prior to the public hearing and within the comment period to Nick Batta, Project Manager, 8790 Purdue Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268 or sent via email to NBatta@cmtengr.com. **INDOT respectfully requests comments be submitted by November 28, 2025.**

With advance notice, INDOT will provide accommodations for persons with disabilities with regards to participation and access to project information as part of the hearings process including arranging auxiliary aids, interpretation services for the hearing impaired, services for the sight impaired and other services as needed. In addition, INDOT will provide accommodations for persons of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) requiring auxiliary aids including language interpretation services and document conversion. Should accommodation be required please contact Nick Batta at NBatta@cmtengr.com or 317-492-9162.

This notice is published in compliance with Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CFR 771.111(h)(1) states: "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program." 23 CFR 450.212(a)(7) states: "Public involvement procedures shall provide for periodic review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all and revision of the process as necessary." approved by the Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation on July 7, 2021.