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Eastbound Borman Lanes Shift and More Ramps Close Tonight

New eastbound lane configuration features Express Lane for passenger vehicles through November

LAKE COUNTY, Ind. – The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announces eastbound I-80/94 (the Frank Borman Expressway) lanes between State Road 53 (Broadway) and Central Avenue will be shifted north into a unique configuration tonight through November 2009. Also, the following ramps will close: I-80/94 east to I-65 north, I-65 south to I-80/94 east and I-80/94 east to Central Avenue.

The westbound Borman lanes already have shifted north. Tonight's traffic shift and ramp closures will fully move the project into a configuration allowing reconstruction of the eastbound lanes. This configuration will remain in place through November 2009:

Special Eastbound Lane Configuration:

- Express Lane – EB left lane for passenger cars only (no trucks) separated by a barrier wall
- Two middle lanes for through traffic
- Ramp lane – far right lane for SB I-65 only

Ramp Closures:

Broadway (S.R. 53)

- Ramp from NB or SB Broadway to EB I-80/94
- Detour: WB I-80/94 to clover leaf ramps at Grant Street back to EB I-80/94

I-65

- Ramp from EB I-80/94 to NB I-65
- Detour: Continue on EB I-80/94 to NB S.R. 51 to WB U.S. 20 to I-65

- Ramp from SB I-65 to EB I-80/94
- Detour: NB I-65 to EB U.S. 12/20 to EB U.S. 20 to SB S.R. 51 to EB I-80/94

Central Avenue

- Ramp from EB I-80/94 to Central Avenue
- Detour: Continue on EB I-80/94 to SB S.R. 51 to Central Avenue

This work is in relation to the \$97 million Major Moves project widening the Borman from six to 10 lanes between State Road 53 (Broadway) and Central Avenue in Lake County. Scheduled for completion in summer 2011, this is the final contract of the I-65 and I-80/94 Interchange Modification.

During winter 2009-10, construction will focus on the middle of I-80/94 with no ramp closures. During the 2010 construction season, construction will focus on the westbound lanes with only the ramp from Central Avenue to westbound I-80/94 closed.

The work schedule is subject to change in the event of inclement weather. INDOT reminds motorists to use caution, drive the 45 mph construction speed limit and consider worker safety when traveling through this construction zone. For updated restriction and construction information about this project and the entire Borman Interchange Modification, please visit www.borman.in.gov.