

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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LEGAL NOTICE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has developed plans for a small structure project at an existing culvert structure along State Route (SR 58), approximately 3.82 miles east of SR 37 in Shawswick Township, Lawrence County, Indiana.

The purpose of this project is to provide a structurally and hydraulically sufficient crossing of SR 58, and to provide a structure with an overall culvert rating and scour critical rating of at least a 7 (good condition) out of 9. The need for this project is due to the deteriorating condition of the existing culvert structure CV 058-047-81.33.

The project proposes to remove and replace the existing structure with a 5-foot ID 86-foot-long CMP sumped 6 to 12 inches. Scour protection consisting of riprap on geotextiles (approximately 20 feet by 20 feet) will be placed at the outlet of the structure. New guardrail and a minimum 4-foot-wide shoulder will be installed within the project area. The roadway pavement will be patched at the structure, and pavement transition milling and overlay will occur approximately 210 feet east and 228 feet west of the structure.

The proposed construction of this project will require 0.649 acres of new permanent right-of-way. No temporary right-of-way will be required.

The maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan proposes a road closure during construction. SR 58 will be closed at the project area during construction and traffic will be detoured for a total of 15.1 miles. The official INDOT detour will utilize SR 58 / IN 37 for approximately 0.8-mile, 16th Street for approximately 3.1 miles, US 50 for approximately 7 miles, and SR 446 for approximately 4.2 miles. The detour is anticipated to be in place for approximately three months. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction. School corporations and emergency services will be notified of closures prior to construction. The proposed start of construction is Summer 2025.

The cost associated with this project is approximately \$903,000 which includes preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction with both federal and state funds anticipated to be used. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and INDOT have agreed 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 at the following locations:

- 1. INDOT Vincennes District Website: https://www.in.gov/indot/about-indot/central-office/welcome-to-the-vincennes-district/
- 2. INDOT Vincennes District: 3650 South U.S. Highway 41, Vincennes, IN 47591
- 3. Bedford Public Library: 1323 K St., Bedford, IN 47421

All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or express their concerns by submitting comments to the attention of Ron Szwiec, AZTEC Engineering Group, Inc., at 602-454-0402, or rszwiec@aztec.us on or before July 8, 2024. In addition, hard copies of the project information, including the environmental document, may be mailed to interested persons or persons with limited internet access upon request by contacting Ron Szwiec 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 Vincennes District for the arrangement



and coordination of services. Please contact Michael Thomas, at 812-582-2729, or MThomas1@indot.in.gov. 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 Vincennes District.

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* approved by the Federal Highway Administration on July 7, 2021.