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LEGAL NOTICE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT

DES. NO. 2400088

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) Crawfordsville District, with funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), intends to proceed with an access control project along U.S. 41 at Dixie Bee (drive to Chick-fil-A and the Wabash Valley Dragway) and the entrance drive to Towne South Plaza. The project is located approximately 0.63 mile south of Interstate 70 (I-70) in Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana (Des. No. 2400088). The need for the project is due to the increased opportunities for crashes (48 conflict points) and the intersection not being in compliance with the current INDOT Access Management Guide. The purpose of the project is to reduce the number of conflict points at the intersection by at least 25% and bring the intersection into conformance with INDOT access management guidelines.

The project will reconfigure the intersection to prevent vehicles from crossing U.S. 41 from Dixie Bee or the drive to Towne South Plaza, and it will eliminate all left-turn movements except for northbound U.S. 41 onto Dixie Bee. To control access at the intersection, the project will install a 4-foot-wide raised concrete center curb to create a 14-foot-wide slotted left-turn lane for northbound U.S. 41 to Dixie Bee. The northbound U.S. 41 slotted left-turn lane to westbound Dixie Bee will be extended approximately 250 feet. The project will install a minor structural hot mix asphalt (HMA) overlay along approximately 367 feet of the existing pavement along U.S. 41 within the area of the slotted left-turn lane. Modifications will also be made to drainage structures within the median (underdrains, inlets, and drain pipes) due to the addition of the slotted left-turn lane. Pavement markings will be updated to reflect the modified traffic movements. The length of the project is approximately 780 feet (0.15 mile) along U.S. 41.

Traffic will be maintained on site during construction. The maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan will consist of phased construction occurring in two phases. Each phase is anticipated to last 30 days with a total estimated construction time of 60 days. Phase 1 will maintain all lanes of through traffic in both directions and the northbound U.S. 41 to Dixie Bee left turn movements. All right turns between U.S. 41 and Dixie Bee / Towne South Plaza will also be maintained. All other left turns and median crossing movements will be restricted. Phase 2 will require restricting all left turn and median crossing movements at the intersection. Through traffic on U.S. 41 and right turns between U.S. 41 and Dixie Bee / Towne South Plaza will be maintained during Phase 2.

The project will not require the acquisition of addition permanent or temporary right-of-way (ROW). No relocations will occur as a part of this project. The project will not impact any wetlands or waterways. No tree clearing is expected.

The project is anticipated to cost approximately \$525,000. Construction is anticipated to begin in Spring of 2026. This project is being processed as a Categorical Exclusion, Level 1 (CE-1) document due to the need for public involvement resulting from the proposed change in layout of connecting roadways.

All interested parties are hereby notified of the availability of the environmental document (CE-1) for review. Copies of Preliminary Plans and the Environmental Document are available at the following locations:

1. INDOT Crawfordsville District Website: <https://www.in.gov/indot/about-indot/central-office/welcome-to-the-crawfordsville-district/crawfordsville-district-projects/us-41access-control-at-dixie-bee/>



2. INDOT Crawfordsville District Office: 41 West CR 300 North, Crawfordsville, IN 47933
3. Vigo County Public Library: 680 Poplar Street, Terre Haute, IN 47807

All interested persons may request a public hearing or express their concerns by submitting comments to the attention of Chad Costa at Lochmueller Group, 3502 Woodview Trace, Suite 150, Indianapolis, IN 46268, telephone: 317-222-3880, or by e-mail at ccosta@lochgroup.com on or before **August 11, 2025**. Any person with limited internet access may request a hard copy of the project information and can contact Chad Costa using the contact information above. If a hearing is determined to be in the best interest of the public, additional notification will be prepared, and the public notified. Otherwise, any comment or materials received will be considered in the decision-making process.

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 INDOT for the arrangement and coordination of services. Please contact Jessica Massing at jmassing@indot.in.gov or at 765-978-1345. Additionally, 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 Jessica Massing using the contact information provided 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 FHWA on July 7, 2021.