



Spectacular Aerial Footage Shows Off I-69

(Posted Nov. 24, 2015) Dramatic aerial video footage of I-69 Section 4 wowed attendees at an I-69 regional summit Nov. 19. The new 12½-minute video, filmed completely by drone, evokes a graceful aura, as if Superman were floating over the 27-mile project. To watch the video, click [here](#).

I-69 Section 4, from Crane to Bloomington, is scheduled to open later this year. The video was filmed in late October, from south to north, when final elements of construction were not complete. For instance, portions of the roadway aren't striped, and construction vehicles occasionally drive against the normal flow of traffic. Also, the video's time-lapse feature sometimes makes it appear that work vehicles are traveling at a high rate of speed.



Sleek yet powerful columns support the Harmony Road Bridge, which rises nearly 100 feet above the mainline roadbed in Monroe County.

A drone was used because I-69 Section 4 is being built in areas inaccessible to the public. The video includes majestic shots of the Black Ankle Creek Bridge, a nearly half-mile-long structure that spectacularly spans Greene County Road 600 East, Black Ankle Creek and the valley below; and the Harmony Road Bridge, which towers nearly 100 imposing feet above the mainline roadbed in Monroe County.

The video spotlights rolling terrain and steep grades.

The I-69 regional summit, which took place in Bloomington, explored how I-69 can drive economic opportunities from Canada to Mexico. Themed "Driving the Future," the summit featured breakout sessions and workshops on interchange development, regional marketing strategies, and infrastructure funding options.

More than 200 stakeholders representing communities, regions and companies attended the conference. Commissioner Brandye Hendrickson presented an overview of all six sections of I-69 and also reviewed steps taken to identify future funding options for transportation infrastructure.

Other dignitaries who spoke included Canada Consul Douglas George; Subaru of Indiana Automotive Executive Vice President Tom Easterday; and keynote speaker Jeff Davis, a senior fellow at the Eno Center for Transportation.

I-69 Sections 1-3, totaling 67 miles between Evansville and Crane, were opened to traffic in

November 2012. I-69 Development Partners is currently rehabilitating and upgrading 21 miles of State Road 37, which will constitute Section 5 from Bloomington to Martinsville. Five potential routes for the 27 miles of Section 6, stretching from Martinsville to Indianapolis, are currently being evaluated.