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Indiana Department of Transportation Construction Update

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Phase 1 work continues on U.S. 31 in Franklin, Phase 2 work to begin

JOHNSON COUNTY, Ind. - Indiana Department of Transportation contractor Milestone Contractors, L.P. is scheduled to begin Phase 2 of a six-phase intersection improvement project later this week on U.S. 31 in Franklin.

On or after Wednesday, April 23, embankment widening work will begin along northbound U.S. 31 between Nineveh Street and South Main Street in Franklin. Drivers can expect the following traffic restrictions during the initial portion of Phase 2 through early August, weather permitting.


- Northbound right shoulder closure between Nineveh Street and South Main Street.
- Intermittent lane closures between Nineveh Street and South Main Street (*information will be provided by INDOT Southeast via [Facebook](#) and [X](#) prior to any lane closures*).

As part of Phase 2, intersection modification work is anticipated to begin taking place on U.S. 31 in early August. Additional traffic impacts can be expected at that time. INDOT will provide additional information and updates at a later date. Overall work on Phase 2 of the project is expected to be complete in late November, weather permitting.

Phase 1 bridge rehabilitation and box culvert replacement work is still in progress over Canary Ditch located between Acorn Drive and Schoolhouse Road in Franklin and is expected to be complete in early August, weather permitting. Additional information on Phase 1 of the project can be found [here](#).


This work is part of a \$66.2 million intersection improvement contract awarded to Milestone in February 2025. Overall contract work is anticipated to be complete in 2028. INDOT will continue to provide information and updates as work progresses. Additional information about the overall contract can be found [here](#).

INDOT reminds drivers to slow down, use extra caution, and avoid distractions when traveling in and near work zones. All work is weather-dependent and schedules are subject to change.



**PHASE 1 WORK CONTINUES ON U.S. 31 IN FRANKLIN,
PHASE 2 WORK TO BEGIN**

- ON OR AFTER WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, CREWS WILL BEGIN PHASE 2 WORK OF A MULTI-PHASE PROJECT ON U.S. 31 IN FRANKLIN BETWEEN NINEVEH STREET AND SOUTH MAIN STREET. SHOULDER CLOSURES AND PERIODIC LANE CLOSURES CAN BE EXPECTED.



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- TrafficWise: 511in.org
- Mobile App: [iTunes App Store](https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/511in/id1041111111) and the [Google Play store for Android](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.indot.511in)

About the Indiana Department of Transportation

INDOT is responsible for planning, constructing, maintaining, and operating the State of Indiana's more than 29,000 highway lane miles and 5,700 bridges, and providing support for 4,500 rail miles and 127 aviation facilities throughout the Hoosier State. With six district offices and over 3,500 employees, INDOT works to ensure safe, efficient, and reliable transportation infrastructure while supporting the state's economic vitality. The department is committed to fostering innovation, sustainability, and safety in transportation planning and development, in addition to collaborating with local governments and private sector partners to meet the state's transportation needs. For the eighth consecutive year, Indiana has placed in the top ten in the nation for infrastructure in CNBC's "America's Top States for Business" rankings. Learn more at in.gov/indot.

About Buckle Up Phone Down

Buckle Up Phone Down is a safety initiative adopted by the Indiana Department of Transportation in late 2023. Unrestrained motorists and passengers, as well as distracted driving continue to be contributing factors in fatal and serious injury crashes on Indiana roadways. Buckle Up Phone Down is one of many efforts to change driver behavior and improve roadway safety across Indiana.

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