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LEGAL NOTICE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT

DES. # 2200507

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) is developing plans for proposed State Road (SR) 227 Small Structures Improvement Project, 4.60 miles north of SR 121 to approximately 7.86 miles north of SR 121, in Wayne County, Indiana, with a total work length of 3.24 miles (DES 2200507). Nineteen small structures will be replaced, and ditch work will be completed along this section of SR 227. Linear grading will occur to tie in existing roadside ditches along SR 227 and riprap will be placed at small structure ends for scour protection. Small Structure replacement and drainage corrections will require between 1 to 10.5-foot depth of excavation.

The maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan proposes phased construction partially closing sections of SR 227 during small structure work. Phased closures will begin at the southern terminus of the project area and move north along the roadway. An official state route detour utilizing I-70, US 27, and US 36 will be used during construction. Local roads may be used by local traffic. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction. School corporations and emergency services will be notified of closures prior to construction. The proposed timing of construction is from Spring 2027 to 2029.

Construction of the project will require approximately 3.526 acres of permanent right-of-way (ROW), of which 1.290 acres will be new permanent ROW and 2.236 acres will be reacquisition of the apparent existing ROW. Approximately 0.052 acre of temporary ROW will be required for site access. No relocations are required. The cost associated with this project is approximately \$4,250,800 which includes preliminary engineering, ROW, 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. Morrisson-Reeves Library, 80 North 6th Street Richmond, Indiana 47374
2. INDOT Greenfield District Website: <https://www.in.gov/indot/about-indot/central-office/welcome-to-the-greenfield-district/greenfield-district-current-projects/>

All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or express their concerns by submitting comments to the attention of Macy Trotter at American Structurepoint by phone at (317) 547-5580 or email at mtrotter@structurepoint.com **on or before April 15, 2026**. In addition, project information, including the environmental document, may be mailed to interested persons upon request.

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 Greenfield District for the arrangement and coordination of services. Please contact Nathan Riggs by phone at (317) 467-3986 or email at nriggs@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 Nathan Riggs, nriggs@indot.in.gov, 32 S Broadway St, Greenfield, IN 46140.

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.