



PROPOSED S.R. 3 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN DELAWARE COUNTY

INDOT DES 2003080

INDOT is proposing an improvement project at the intersection of S.R. 3 and Eaton-Wheeling Pike/W. Indiana Avenue near Eaton in Delaware County.

INDOT has completed a draft Categorical Exclusion 2 Environmental Document under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Purpose and Need

The purpose of the project is to reduce or eliminate right-angle and turning crashes, therefore reducing injury crashes at the intersection, and to maintain good intersection mobility. This project is needed because of the above-average number of recurring injury crashes, especially for vehicles turning onto or crossing S.R. 3.

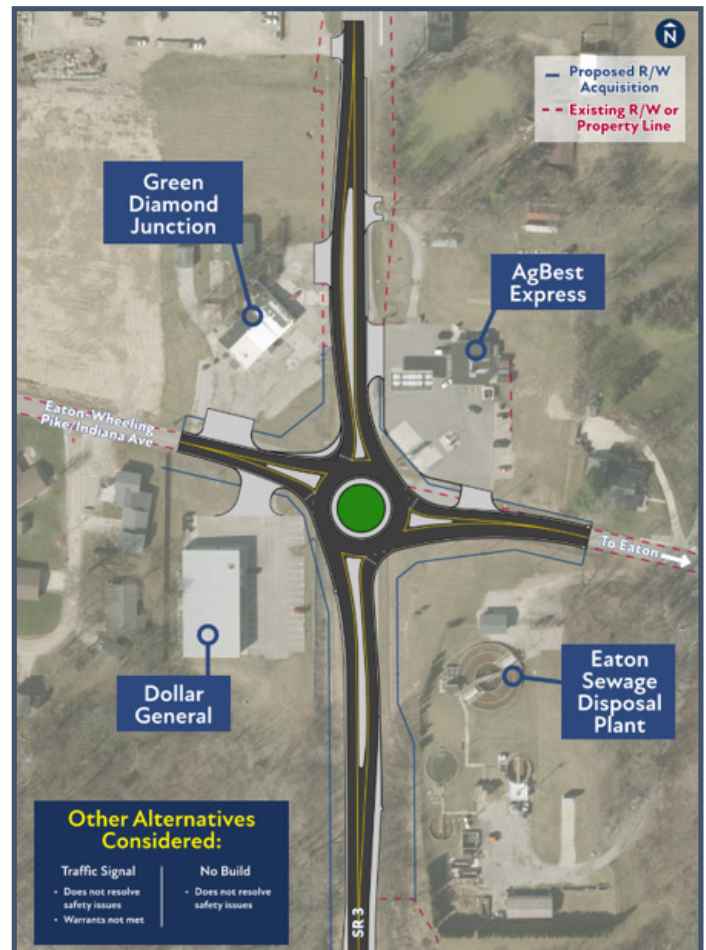
Proposed Improvement Alternatives

Each day, approximately 7,000 vehicles travel through this intersection, which is a four-way stop.

The preferred alternative for this project will convert the existing intersection into a single-lane roundabout. Proposed roadway elements include 12-foot travel lanes with a mix of open and curbed shoulders. The roundabout will include raised concrete islands, a center truck apron, and outside truck aprons to accommodate school buses, semi-trucks, and farm machinery. The project will install new curbs and gutters, a stormwater system, new roadside ditches, and improve sight distance.

Also as part of this contract, INDOT will replace a drainage structure replacement on S.R. 3 located 0.42 miles north of S.R. 28.

INDOT also considered installing a traffic signal at the intersection, despite current traffic counts not meeting INDOT's thresholds for a signal. While a traffic signal would decrease total intersection crashes, it would not eliminate right-angle crashes or left-turn crashes, resulting in this alternative not meeting the purpose and need for the project.



Schedule



Right-of-Way Impacts

The project will require approximately 1.275 acres of permanent right of way (ROW), and approximately 0.192 acre of temporary ROW. The project will disturb approximately 1.75 acres of terrestrial habitat due to construction of the single-lane roundabout. Disturbed areas will be re-seeded after construction to return the site as close as possible to pre-construction conditions. No trees are anticipated to be removed.

Estimated Costs

The costs associated with this project are approximately \$3.4 million; which includes preliminary engineering, ROW acquisition, and construction with both federal and state funds anticipated to be used. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and INDOT have agreed that each of these projects falls within the guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 2 environmental document.

Maintenance of Traffic

The maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan will include a full closure of S.R. 3, utilizing a detour that includes S.R. 26, I-69, and U.S. 35. Additionally, a full closure of Eaton-Wheeling Pike will be required with a detour that includes N. Walnut Street, E. 1000 N. Road, and S. Rony Street. No pedestrian MOT is planned due to the absence of existing pedestrian facilities at the intersection. The detours will occur in phases, each lasting between one month and one and a half months. Construction is scheduled to occur in 2028.

Project Resource Locations

View project materials, this presentation, and Draft CE Document at <https://bit.ly/3QtUUPu>.

Paper copies of Draft Environmental Document and project plans can also be reviewed until May 22, 2026, at:

- Eaton Town Hall, 107 E. Harris St., Eaton, IN 47338
- INDOT Greenfield District Office, 32 South Broadway, Greenfield, IN 46140

COMMENTS – Please comment by May 22, 2026.



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