



Welcome!

INDOT is continuing to move forward with the U.S. 50 North Vernon Bypass Project and wants you to be involved. The project is divided into two sections:

WEST In October 2011, INDOT published the U.S. 50 North Vernon Project Environmental Assessment, which detailed the selection of the preferred alternative to build the west half of a bypass around North Vernon. That project, which is currently under construction, will connect U.S. 50 from near the Base Road/CR 400W intersection to State Road 3 on the north side of town. The west half is expected to be open to traffic by the end of 2013.

EAST INDOT has identified funding to begin work on the East phase of the North Vernon bypass, which will continue the new roadway from SR 3 on North Vernon's north side east and south back to U.S. 50 east of town.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS

Potentially impacted property owners have been identified and notified via a Notice of Survey letter that personnel may be entering their property to conduct the following investigations:

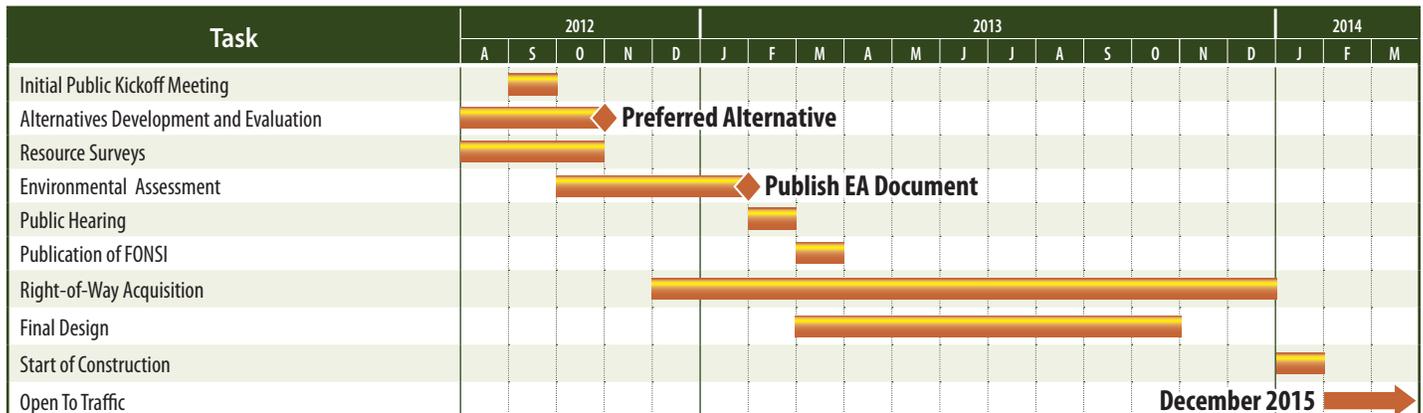
- Water surveys for wetlands, streams and ponds
- Archaeological resources survey
- Historic properties survey
- Land survey to fill in gaps in the aerial topographic survey

Data from these surveys and engineering analysis, along with input from resource agencies, community leaders, and the public, will be used to further refine and screen the range of alternatives. The screening of the alternatives and the selection of the preferred alternative will be documented in an Environmental Assessment (EA).

The EA will be published and the public will be afforded the opportunity to comment at a public hearing. Once all substantive comments are satisfied, the Federal Highway Administration will issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), which will conclude the environmental process.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

INDOT plans to complete this phase of the project – identifying a preferred alignment – over the next seven months. A Draft EA will be published this winter and a public hearing will be held to gather input from the public on the study's findings. INDOT will also continue to meet with local decision makers and key stakeholders to ensure that the project design meets the community's needs while minimizing impacts on private property and the environment.

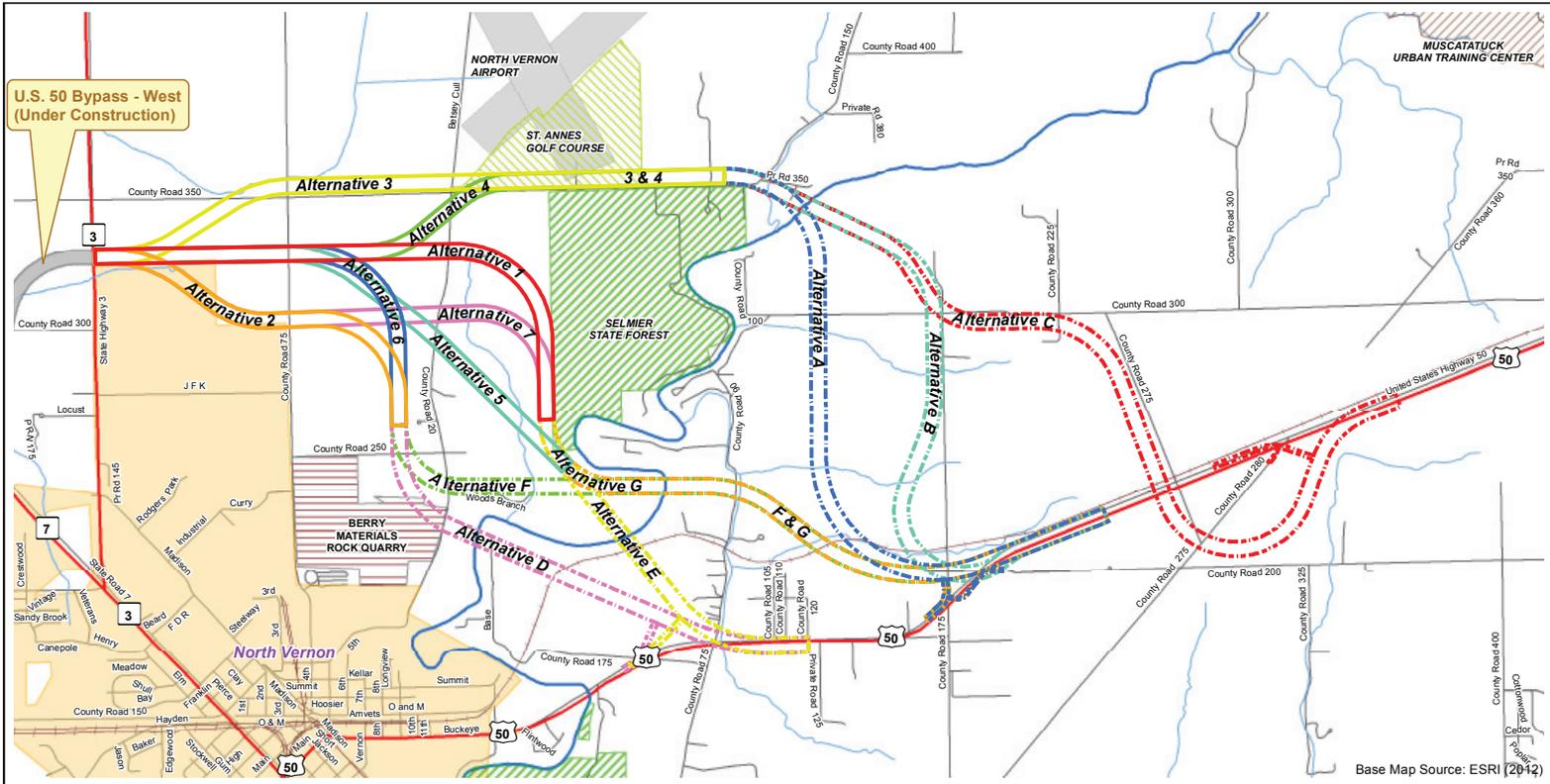




US 50 North Vernon Bypass - East

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PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVES UNDER CONSIDERATION



Beginning where the West Phase ended at State Road 3 just south of County Road 350 N, the North Vernon Bypass – East project will complete a northern bypass of North Vernon. The preliminary alternatives shown in the map above will be refined and screened based on resource surveys, engineering analysis, and input from the public, resource agencies and project stakeholders.

MORE INFORMATION

Throughout the project, INDOT will continue to update the project website (address below) as new information becomes available. If you have any questions or concerns about the project please contact:

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