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NOTICE OF PROJECT ADVANCEMENT – Improvements on I-80/94 Borman Expressway in Lake County, Indiana and Cook County, Illinois, DES# 1901643

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The Indiana Department of Transportation's (INDOT) Laporte District in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) held public hearings on July 23 and 24, 2025, in Indiana and Illinois, respectively regarding proposed improvements on I-80/94 Borman Expressway in Lake County, Indiana and Cook County, Illinois. The public hearings were held as part of the environmental analysis phase and per federal requirements outlined by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The purpose of the project is to increase the operational efficiency of the corridor by reducing travel times, increasing travel time reliability, and improving the level of service to D or better; and improve safety in the corridor by reducing crashes.

The INDOT Preferred Alternative will implement integrated active traffic management and intelligent transportation solutions including improved signage, variable speed limits, dynamic lane control, dynamic shoulder lanes, queue warning, and ramp metering throughout the I-80/94 corridor. Under this alternative, the pavement from the Illinois/Indiana State line to the Cline Avenue interchange will be restored, the I-65 and Broadway interchanges will be modified, and gantries will be installed along the interstate corridor. Gantries are metal structures that will extend over the interstate and support the variable speed limit and dynamic message signs. Drainage improvements will occur throughout the corridor as needed.

The purpose of this notice is to communicate the status of this project to community members. As part of INDOT's commitment to public involvement, it is important to keep the community informed of project developments. This is also an opportunity to formally announce the conclusion of the environmental analysis phase and transition to the next phase of development.

Subsequent to reviewing and considering all comments and materials received as a result of the public hearings held at the Purdue Northwest Student Union Library Building located at 2233 173rd Street, Hammond, Indiana on July 23, 2025, and at the Irwin Community Center located at 18120 Highland Avenue, Homewood, Illinois on July 24, 2025. **INDOT will advance this project to the next phase of development with construction anticipated to take place in 2026.** Environmental analysis documentation, including written responses to public comments submitted as part of the public involvement process, will remain available for public inspection on-line via the project webpage at <https://indianaflexroad.com>. Should you have questions regarding this notice please contact the INDOT Customer Service Center at 1-855-463-6848 or indot@indot.in.gov.

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