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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Indiana Department of Transportation will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 19, 2009, from 5:00pm to 9:00pm (EDT) with the Presentation at 6:30pm in the Pike Central High School at 1810 East State Road 56 Petersburg, Indiana.

The purpose of the public hearing is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to comment on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier 2 Studies – Section 2, which extends from one half mile north of SR 64 near Oakland City to US 50 east of Washington. The study area includes portions of northeastern Gibson County, Pike County and southwestern Daviess County, with the majority in Pike County. The total project length for this section is about 29 miles.

The DEIS has evaluated a series of alternatives for environmental, social, economic and engineering concerns. The highway is a freeway facility with interchanges providing the only access. The preferred alternative has been identified.

The purpose and need of Section 2 consists of two parts: (1) the overall project purpose as defined in Tier 1 for the I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis project, and (2) local goals identified as part of the Tier 2 process. The local needs identified in Tier 2 for Section 2 include increasing personal accessibility for area residents, reducing existing and forecasted traffic congestion, improving traffic safety and supporting local economic development initiatives.

The public hearing will feature an informal Open House session from 5pm to 6:30pm where project officials will be available to address questions and concerns in an open display area where project maps and other visuals will be made available. The display area will be made available to the public throughout the duration of the evening. A public statement session will be offered immediately following the formal presentation. Individuals interested in participating in the public statement session may sign the speaker's schedule prior to the presentation. Written comments will also be accepted, either at the meeting or afterwards during the comment period. All comments submitted regarding this project must be received or postmarked no later than June 8, 2009. All comments will be reviewed, evaluated and addressed as part of the DEIS process. In an effort to allow as many speakers as possible the opportunity to speak during this public hearing, each speaker will be given 2 minutes in which to present their comments. The order in which speakers will present comments will be determined as speakers arrive. We would respectfully request your courteous consideration as INDOT would like to provide the opportunity to present comments to all those who would like this opportunity. INDOT would like to encourage the public to submit comments via the project website at www.i69indyevn.org or by contacting INDOT's Public Hearings Office.

In accordance with the "Americans with Disabilities Act", if you have a disability for which the Indiana Department of Transportation needs to provide accommodations, please call the Public Hearings office at (317) 232-6601, by Friday, March 13, 2009.

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1. Hearings Examiner, Room N642, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2219, Phone # (317) 232-6601
2. Production Department, Indiana Department of Transportation district office at 3650 South US 41, Vincennes, Indiana 47591, Phone# (812) 882-8330
3. Many area public libraries, including libraries in Oakland City, Petersburg, Washington and Winslow
4. The Section 2 Project Office, 60 North Commercial Park Drive, Washington, Indiana 47501
5. I-69 website at www.i69indyevn.org.

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WINTER WEATHER NOTICE

This meeting will be rescheduled at a later date if hazardous weather conditions arise. Please call (317) 232-5310 to find out whether the meeting will be held or postponed.

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