



Section 6 – Fact Sheet

As of April 1, 2015

- 1. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a Notice of Intent to resume the environmental studies for I-69, Section 6 in October 2014. The environmental studies begins with a Notice of Intent (NOI) and concludes with a Record of Decision (ROD).
- 2. The environmental studies will be part of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). An EIS is a decision-making document that describes the process of assessing benefits and impacts of a proposed project. The document will include the consideration of a range of reasonable alternatives, potential impacts and benefits of each alternative, and the estimated cost.
- 3. The environmental studies for I -69 have followed a tiered process. The Tier 1 EIS determined that I-69 should be constructed between Evansville and Indianapolis and identified a preferred corridor to follow. The entire corridor was divided into 6 sections of independent utility and Tier 2 environmental studies were required to consider both the Tier 1 goals and Tier 2 goals that consider more local needs. The Tier 1 corridor for Section 6 follows SR 37 between Martinsville and Indianapolis.
- 4. The Section 6 Tier 2 environmental studies are anticipated to take 2-3 years.
- 5. FHWA and INDOT are considering studying alternatives outside the SR37 corridor due to the potential for increased impacts and/or changed conditions since the original 2004 decision to utilize the existing SR37 corridor between Martinsville and Indianapolis.
- 6. The Section 6 project is currently in the scoping process to determine whether alternatives outside the SR37 corridor will be considered for evaluation. Resource agency input and public comments will be considered when making the decision whether to include the consideration of alternative outside the SR37 corridor in addition to the SR 37 corridor.
- INDOT opened a Section 6 Project Office on April 6, 2015 at 7847 Waverly Road, Martinsville, IN. The phone number is (317) 881-6408. The office is open Monday – Friday from 9 am to 4 pm and will be closed on state holidays. INDOT and its project representatives will staff the project office.
- 8. INDOT hosted public information meetings on February 23rd and 25th to solicit public input on whether alternatives outside the SR37 corridor should be considered. Feedback from the meeting is being considered and evaluated during the development of the project's Purpose and Need Statement and conceptual alternatives.
- 9. Notice of Survey letters were sent to property owners near the SR37 corridor in February 2015. Receipt of a Notice of Survey letter does not indicate a property will be impacted by the project. The intent is to notify project landowners that project staff may be near or on private property for the purpose of data collection.



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- 10. INDOT has not yet identified a funding mechanism for the construction of Section 6.
- 11. Section 6 will not be tolled.
- 12. A Section 6 construction schedule has not yet been established.
- 13. Additional information on the project can be obtained at <u>www.i69indyevn.org.</u>