



# **BUILD INDIANA COUNCIL**

## **Infrastructure Media Summary**

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### **Logistics Council Details Strategic Plan**

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INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. - The Conexus Indiana Logistics Council (CILC), a group of statewide logistics executives, today released Delivering Indiana's Logistics Future, its second statewide logistics strategic plan in the last four years that will serve as the blueprint to strengthen Indiana's "Crossroads of America" position as a logistics industry leader. Key logistics infrastructure, public policy and workforce development successes achieved since 2010 include: Development of a partnership between Indiana and Kentucky to advance the Ohio River Bridges project linking Jeffersonville, Ind. to Louisville, Ky., ending the congestion at Spaghetti Junction, one of the largest traffic bottlenecks in the U.S.; Restoration of legislative authority for public/private partnerships allowing Indiana to continue innovative financing to ensure the completion of vital infrastructure projects; Initiation of a new tax credit for private sector infrastructure and logistics investment that will help build needed logistics and transportation assets; and roll-out of a two-year postsecondary logistics program at Harrison College and Vincennes University for a portable logistics credential helping to build the logistics worker pipeline for the future.

[Logistics Council Details Strategic Plan - Newsroom - Inside INdiana Business with Gerry Dick](#)

### **Why Indianapolis' pothole-filled streets are not getting fixed**

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For months, motorists have crept, swerved, bounced and braked along Indianapolis streets, avoiding potholes and crevices like obstacles on a driving simulator. They've lost tires and wheels, crashed, collided and, in one tragic case, even died when an off-duty sheriff's deputy's motorcycle hit a pothole and flipped. Longtime residents say the streets are as ragged and dangerous as they've ever been, and they aren't getting much of an argument from political leaders. A proposal by Republican Mayor Greg Ballard to invest \$350 million in infrastructure has languished since last August when the Democrat-controlled City-County Council tabled the plan because of a disagreement about how it was to be funded. Ballard and Republicans plan to submit a scaled-down \$300 million plan to the council later this month. Democrats say they'll offer a counterproposal. Meanwhile, after several weeks of haggling, the council approved \$24 million in repairs to about 200 miles of streets. But Department of Public Works Director Lori Miser described it as a "drop in the bucket" of what's needed. Which means several more bumpy days ahead for residents, trapped in the political gridlock. Ballard has held town-hall-style meetings to tout the infrastructure plan, called RebuildIndy 2, and says residents are pleading with him to fix the streets. [Why Indianapolis' pothole-filled streets are not getting fixed](#)

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