



BUILD INDIANA COUNCIL

Infrastructure Media Summary

April 3, 2012

Construction on Allisonville/96th Street interchange set to start

Indianapolis Star
Kristine Guerra
4/3/12

Expect more backed-up traffic over the next several months if you're traveling near the intersection of Allisonville Road and 96th Street. Work on the Northeastside intersection will begin this month and is expected to last until late November. The project will create a median U-turn, or the Michigan left -- the first in the state -- along Allisonville and 96th. This week, crews will do some prep work, such as tree clearing and utility relocations. Construction will begin April 16, said Maura Leon-Barber, spokeswoman for the town of Fishers. Once the project is done, motorists and residents can expect less congestion and shorter drive time, according to the project website. The intersection serves about 55,000 motorists daily.

The intersection improvement is one of two major projects scheduled in the area this year. Right after Memorial Day, reconstruction of the Allisonville Road bridge over I-465 is set to begin, with completion hoped for by October.

[Construction on Allisonville/96th Street interchange set to start | Indianapolis Star | indystar.com](#)

Firefighters want emergency gates added to I-69

Evansville Courier & Press
4/2/12

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Firefighters are pushing for emergency access gates to be included on a 22-mile stretch of the Interstate 69 extension being built in southern Indiana that won't have interchanges.

Two fire departments that cover parts of rural Monroe County, however, disagree on where the gates should be located along the section between Bloomington and the Crane Naval Surface Warfare Center. Work on the section is expected to begin in the coming months. Leaders of the Van Buren Township department say its station is staffed around the clock and is just a mile from its suggested I-69 access point. But Indian Creek Township firefighters say most of the I-69 section is in their territory and that the department will increase its staffing with the highway's opening. While federal highway officials will decide where any access gates will be located, firefighters from both departments said their concern is providing the quickest response to emergencies and that they won't get extra funding for responding to I-69 calls.

[Firefighters want emergency gates added to I-69 » Evansville Courier & Press](#)

Also [Firefighters want gates added to I-69](#)

INDOT Announces Bridge Replacement in Jackson County

WCSI 1010

4/2/12

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has announced that the bridge on State Road 58 over Branch of Tipton Creek is scheduled for replacement in Jackson County. Dave O'Mara Contractor of North Vernon submitted the low bid and was awarded the \$624,837.43 bridge project. The purpose of this project is to replace the deteriorating structure and improve the operation of the site. Project completion is scheduled for August 31.

[NEWS/TALK 1010 WCSI Radio - WCSI Weather - Columbus Indiana](#)

Runway expansion has started at EVV

WFIE 14 NBC
Nicole Niziolek
4/2/12

EVANSVILLE, IN - A runway expansion is under construction at Evansville Regional Airport. It's a project required by the FAA and it will change more than just the runway. Construction trucks have already broken ground, but they aren't anywhere near a runway yet, and they won't be for a while. That's because construction is only in phase one of the project. "The first thing you'll see will be the realignment of State Road 57, you'll also see Oak Hill Road be realigned and two roundabouts being put in place, and this will be the relocated railroad tracks," said Dianna Page with Evansville Regional Airport.

[Runway expansion has begun at EVV - 14 News, WFIE, Evansville, Henderson, Owensboro](#)

Major work starts along U.S. 41

Princeton Daily Clarion
4/1/12

PRINCETON—Interchanges get upgrades and seven cross-over medians will be eliminated along U.S. 41 in Gibson County in the \$4.9 million road resurfacing project awarded to E & B Paving of Anderson.

Indiana Dept. of Transportation reported Friday the work, slated to be completed by November, has begun with utility line relocation around Ind. 168 in Fort Branch. Contractor crews began placing construction warning and 45 mph speed limit signs last week. Beginning this week, crews will begin placing slip liners in drainage structures under U.S. 41. INDOT reports no permanent lane restrictions are planned during this phase of the work, but some temporary restriction might occur as equipment and materials are delivered to work sites.

[Major work starts along U.S. 41 - Princeton Daily Clarion: Pdclarion](#)

Yorktown meeting on Ind. 32 project set for Thursday

Muncie Star Press
4/1/12

The Indiana Department of Transportation will have a public meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Yorktown High School auditorium to discuss upcoming construction on Ind. 32 and resulting changes to traffic patterns. The \$7.8 million Major Moves project reconstructing 1.74 miles of Ind. 32 from Nebo Road to Buck Creek is expected to require street and intersection closures. It was announced earlier that traffic on Ind. 32 through the construction zone would be restricted to a single lane of westbound traffic only.

[Yorktown meeting on Ind. 32 project set for Thursday | The Star Press | thestarpress.com](#)

Region needs to prepare for future transit needs

Indianapolis Star

Op-Ed
4/1/12

Here's a multiple choice question about the future of Central Indiana: When should a metro area prepare for population growth?

A. Before hundreds of thousands of additional people start using the transportation network; visiting parks and recreational amenities; and consuming the water, adding pollutants to the air and churning out trash?

B. After the growth has occurred to determine just how much new infrastructure is really needed.

C. While the growth is occurring so that local governments can react to the needs.

The smart answer is A. Preparing for a sharp increase in the local population helps ensure that needs will be met by the most efficient, least expensive and least disruptive means possible. Why is that relevant for Central Indiana? Well, by the middle point of this century -- only 38 years away -- the population in the region is expected to increase by 700,000 people.

[Region needs to prepare for future transit needs | Indianapolis Star | indystar.com](#)

Construction to close lanes on Ind. 267

Indianapolis Star
3/31/12

Motorists will face some road construction-related restrictions and cautions on Ind. 267 in Brownsburg beginning Monday and lasting through the end of July. The Indiana Department of Transportation will resurface the road from Northfield Drive to 1.5 miles south of U.S. 136. The project will cost \$1.26 million.

E & B Paving Inc. crews plan to begin with curb ramps, working during the day for about three weeks. There will be occasional lane closures at intersections to remove existing concrete and pour new concrete

[Construction to close lanes on Ind. 267 | Indianapolis Star | indystar.com](#)

www.buildindianacouncil.org