



## **BUILD INDIANA COUNCIL**

### **Infrastructure Media Summary**

**September 1, 2011**

#### **INDOT gets input for reconstruction project on Decatur bridge**

Wane.com  
8/30/11

DECATUR, Ind. (WANE) - The Indiana Department of Transportation held a public hearing in Decatur on Tuesday night, to get the public's input on a \$3.5 million reconstruction project. The project would help relieve the town's flooding problems along U.S. 224, between the St. Mary's River bridge and Jackson Street. The project is slated to begin in 2015. "In 2008, we got over 20 letters asking for this project to be done," said INDOT project manager, Susan Doell. "Those were mostly from people that are drastically affected by the flooding." At that time, INDOT had the impression that Decatur residents were not opposed to the project, but were worried about the project causing other problems. [wane-fort-wayne-INDOT-gets-input-for-construction-project-on-decatour-bridge](#) Also, [INDOT to move on elevation of US 224 - Google News](#)

#### **Obama: Failing to extend highway bill inexcusable**

Journal Review  
8/31/11

Warning of potentially a million lost jobs, President Barack Obama urged Congress on Wednesday to pass bills to fund highways and air travel. Key House Republicans said they're willing to do just that, but stopped short of promising not to attach contentious items to the measures. For construction workers and their families across the country, passage of the bills "represents the difference between making ends meet or not making ends meet," Obama said during a speech in the Rose Garden. The federal highway construction program expires Sept. 30. So does the 18.4 cents a gallon federal gasoline tax and the 24.4 cents a gallon diesel tax that pay for much of the program. [Obama: Failing to extend highway bill inexcusable - journalreview.com: News](#) Also, [Obama pushes transport bills, says jobs at stake - fox59.com, http://www.greenfieldreporter.com/favicon.ico](#)

#### **USI traffic, paving crews make for delays on Lloyd Expressway**

Evansville Courier & Press  
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EVANSVILLE —As had been anticipated, the opening of fall classes at the University of Southern Indiana and the resulting increased volume of traffic on the Lloyd Expressway is wreaking havoc for motorists as construction crews resumed paving work this week on the city's major east-west thoroughfare. Indiana State Police Sgt. Todd Ringle said officers, who have increased state police patrols within the work zone, have had a busy week working more accidents and pulling people over since Monday. That was the first day construction crews resumed work after

the start of USI's fall session. Ringle said the extent of the average delay usually depends on which side of the highway is restricted that day.

<http://www.courierpress.com/news/2011/aug/31/usi-traffic-paving-crews-make-for-delays-on/>

### **INDOT Gives I-69 Progress Report**

WIBC

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The Indiana Department of Transportation says the extension of Interstate 69 from Evansville to Crane is on schedule and under budget. INDOT's Cher Elliott reports three sections between Evansville and Washington are already well on the way to completion and nearly \$100 million under budget so far. The entire corridor is paid for with \$700 million in funds set aside from Gov. Mitch Daniels' deal to lease operation of the Indiana Toll Road to a private operator. The route roughly parallels Indiana 57 northeast from I-64 to U.S. 50 at Washington, where it bypasses the town to the east and extends north to U.S. 231 and Crane Naval Surface Warfare Center and then to Bloomington. [INDOT Gives I-69 Progress Report | Indy's News Center - 93.1 WIBC Indianapolis - Live. Local. First.](#)

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