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Infrastructure Media Summary

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Plan to unclog Keystone Avenue at 96th Street has businesses nervous

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CARMEL, Ind. — One of the area's biggest traffic jams will see some major relief when Carmel converts the intersection of 96th and Keystone to one of its signature roundabout interchanges. The \$37.6 million project will do away with the stoplights that back up traffic there. The new, free-flowing interchange would have 96th Street running under an elevated Keystone Parkway. Construction is set to begin in September, with the hope that the bulk of the work will be done in time to handle a heavy influx of detoured traffic during the future U.S. 31 project, which will include similar intersection conversions in Westfield and Carmel. [Plan to unclog Keystone Avenue at 96th Street has businesses nervous | The Indianapolis Star | indystar.com](#)

\$12 million upgrade to Indiana 261 under way in Warrick County

Evansville Courier & Press
10/25/11

NEWBURGH —More than \$12 million in upgrades are planned over the next three years to address problems caused by increased traffic on Indiana 261 and other nearby roads in Warrick County. Among the work planned in the five-phase project is widening Indiana 261 from three to five lanes — two travel lanes in each direction with a center turn lane — between Indiana 66 and Fuquay Road. Fuquay Road will be widened to three lanes, one lane in each direction with a center turn lane, to Old Plank Road. The roadway will then continue north as two lanes to Jenner Road and will have a dedicated turn lane into the Lake Ridge Subdivision with improved shoulders. The development also adds a new stop light at the intersection of Indiana 261 and Peachwood Drive, plus realignment of the Fuquay Road intersection with Indiana 261 and sight-distance improvements. The work is being funded with money from the state's Major Moves program, the lease in 2006 of the Indiana Toll Road. [\\$12 million upgrade to Indiana 261 under way in Warrick County » Evansville Courier & Press](#) Also, [Major Moves equals major changes - Warrick Publishing, Inc.: Local News](#)

Traffic circle eyed for Indiana 49 in Porter

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Be prepared for a roundabout, intended to calm and control traffic on Indiana 49, as the new "front door" to the Indiana Dunes. Porter director of engineering Matt Keiser reported Tuesday that the Indiana Department of Transportation has approved Porter's Indiana 49 corridor feasibility study, released in April, that recommends a roundabout be installed at a new

intersection north of Oak Hill Road to access attractions for Porter's planned Gateway to the Indiana Dunes project. The intersection also would become the main entrance to the Porter County Visitor Center. Another recommendation in the study endorsed by INDOT is designing the roundabout with features that would facilitate safer truck operations on Indiana 49; in the alternative an evaluation is recommended to route trucks through other major arterials to improve efficiency and safety for motorists on Indiana 49.

http://chestertontribune.com/Town%20of%20Porter/traffic_circle_eyed_for_indiana.htm

Feds: MPO Cannot Stop I-69

Indiana Public Media

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Representatives from the Indiana Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration met with members of the Bloomington Monroe County Metropolitan Planning Organization's I-69 subcommittee this afternoon. The message from the start of the meeting was clear, when Bob Tally of the Federal Highway Administration told the subcommittee that the MPO has no authority to stop INDOT from building I-69. Currently, the MPO has not included section four of I-69 in its Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), which means federal funding cannot be used on the less than two mile stretch of section four the MPO has planning jurisdiction over. INDOT can still build I-69 through Monroe County, it would just have to use state funding exclusively. Subcommittee Chair Richard Martin says despite INDOT's intent on completing section four of the highway regardless, the MPO's involvement in the process is beneficial to having a hand in planning the road. [Feds: MPO Cannot Stop I-69 | News - Indiana Public Media](#)

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