## LEGAL NOTICE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT INDOT Des. No. 2101722

Hendricks County with partial funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and oversight from the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) intend to proceed with the proposed replacement of Bridge No. 32-00189 (National Bridge Inventory [NBI] No. 3200147) on South Country Road (S CR) 100 West (W) over Mud Creek located 0.18 mile north (N) of the intersection of S CR 100 and W and W CR 900 South (S) in Hendricks County, Indiana.

The project proposes to replace the existing bridge over S CR 100 W with a 109 foot long three-span continuous reinforced concrete slab bridge with a deck width of 28.5 feet. New piers and end bents will be installed allowing the profile grade of the bridge to be raised 0.27 foot at the southern end and 0.04 foot at the norther end. The roadway will be replaced, and the new road surface will consist of two 11-foot-wide travel lanes with 3 feet wide paved shoulders. The guardrail near the bridge will be replaced in kind. Concrete bridge approaches will be installed at bother ends of the bridge and roadway transitions to the bridge will be milled and overlayed at a depth of 1.5 inches to allow for smooth transitions over the bridge. The side slopes along this section of S CR 100 W will be built up to a 3:1 ratio. The creek channel under the bridge will be cleared and Class I riprap or revetment riprap will be installed under the bridge for scour protection.

In addition to the bridge replacement, approximately 390 linear feet of the V-ditch located to the northeast of the bridge will be shifted further east down the side slope of the roadway. Two small pipes and an access drive are present to the northeast of the bridge. One pipe is a 20-inch inner diameter corrugated metal pipe (CMP), that is located underneath the access drive approximately 230 feet northeast of the bridge. The second pipe is a 20-inch CMP that is located approximately 70 feet northeast of the bridge. Both pipes assist in conveying stormwater into Mud Creek. Both pipes will be removed, the V-ditch rerouted, and a new 52 foot long, 24-inch diameter pipe will be placed to help convey stormwater drainage under the access drive. The access drive will be reconstructed.

The proposed construction of this project over Mud Creek will require the acquisition of approximately 1.451 acres of permanent right-of-way and 0.53 acre of reacquired right-of-way to allow for the construction of the bridge and relocation of the V-ditch. No temporary right-of-way is anticipated for the project.

The FHWA and INDOT have agreed that this project falls within the guidelines of Level 2 Categorical Exclusion (CE-2). No significant adverse impacts to the human or natural environment were identified as part of this environmental documentation.

Approximately 200 linear feet of Mud Creek will be permanently impacted by the bridge replacement, placement of Class I riprap, revetment riprap, and the channel clearing below the ordinary highwater mark (OHWM). Approximately 0.011 ac of Wetland A will be permanently impacted by the relocation of the V-ditch. There are no endangered species of plants or animals that will be impacted.

Preliminary design plans along with the CE are available for review at the following locations:

- 1. Hendricks County Government Center, 355 S Washington St, Danville, IN 46122
- 2. Online at <a href="https://crossroadengineers-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/p/mbeck/Emlpd2ULB5pNtr53WWEFhBEBlnrIImbbG2uP0wyUCZkLDg?e=WnPhbz">https://crossroadengineers-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/p/mbeck/Emlpd2ULB5pNtr53WWEFhBEBlnrIImbbG2uP0wyUCZkLDg?e=WnPhbz</a>

Accommodations for persons with Limited English Proficiency can be requested, if necessary. In accordance with the "Americans with Disabilities Act", if you have a disability for which the Hendricks County needs to provide accessibility to the above documents such as interpreters or readers, please contact Mrs. Nora McDonald at (317) 245-6128 or via email at <a href="mailto:norah@metricenv.com">norah@metricenv.com</a>. Furthermore, if you require hard copies of project information to be mailed, please also contact Ms. Mrs. Nora McDonald and accommodations will be made for mailing of project documents, upon request.

All interested persons may request a public hearing or express their concerns or comments on the project by submitting written comments to the attention Mrs. Nora McDonald at Metric Environmental, 6958 Hillsdale Court, Indianapolis, IN 46250 or via email at norah@metricenv.com. All comments or requests for a public hearing should be submitted on or before Tune 13, 2025. If a hearing is determined to be in the best interest of the public, the community will be notified. Otherwise, any comments or materials received as a result of this legal notice will be considered in the decision-making process. The design plans are not yet final until after these public involvement requirements are finalized. The CE-2 will be updated to reflect all public comments and inquiries.

This notice is published in compliance with: 1) Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CFR 771.111(h)(1) stating, "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program."; 2) 23 CFR 450.210(a)(1)(ix) stating, "Provide for the periodic review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all interested parties and revise the process, as appropriate."; and 3) The INDOT *Project Development Public Involvement Procedures Manual (PIPM)* approved by the Federal Highway Administration on July 7, 2021.