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LEGAL NOTICE

The Indiana Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, is conducting an Environmental Assessment for the proposed I-465/I-69 Interchange Modification and Added Travel Lanes project, also known as the "Clear Path 465" project, located on the northeast side of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana. The project includes added travel lanes on I-465 from the White River Bridge (approximately 2.4 miles west of I-69) to Fall Creek Road (approximately 2.15 miles south of I-69). Additionally, portions of Binford Boulevard and I-69 will be reconstructed between East 71st Street, I-465, and East 86th Street to accommodate a modified I-465/I-69 interchange configuration.

During construction, temporary impacts are proposed to the East 71st Street Multi-Use Trail, situated beneath the I-465 bridge over East 71st Street. This bridge will be widened during this project. In order to meet vertical bridge clearance requirements, East 71st Street will be lowered by approximately 3 feet, and a barrier will be added to separate the trail from traffic. This will result in the temporary closure of both the street and trail for up to one year. Temporary cribbing (scaffolding) will be used, when safely feasible, to allow for the trail to remain open during construction as much as possible.

This trail is open for public use; therefore, it qualifies for protection under Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 and SAFETEA-LU Section 6009(a). This project will not adversely impact the activities, features, or attributes that qualify the property for protection under Section 4(f). As such, the Federal Highway Administration is anticipated to approve this Section 4(f) use as a *de minimis* impact, and the City of Indianapolis has been informed of the intended finding. In accordance with 23 CFR 774.5(b)(2) and SAFETEA-LU Section 6009(a), the views of the public are being sought regarding the effect of the proposed project on the East 71st Street Multi-Use Trail and the proposed Section 4(f) *de minimis* impact finding. Project information is available online at <u>www.in.gov/indot/3654.htm</u>, and is available by mail upon request. Please respond with any comments no later than July 10, 2020 to the contact information below.

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