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### **STUDY FACTS**

- The Indiana Department of Transportation is asking for Hoosiers' input on how to ProPEL the US 30 and US 31 corridors forward.
- The ProPEL US 30 and ProPEL US 31 studies seek to ProPEL our communities forward by using a collaborative approach to consider environmental, community and economic goals early in the process.
- With these planning studies, communities and residents have an opportunity to envision their community's transportation solutions.

#### **STUDY AREAS**

- The studies span 180 miles across 12 counties.
- The study area includes US 30 from Valparaiso to the Indiana/Ohio state line (excluding the Fort Wayne bypass), as well as US 31 between Hamilton County and Plymouth (excluding the Kokomo bypass).
- It includes Allen, Fulton, Hamilton, Howard, Kosciusko, LaPorte, Marshall, Miami, Porter, Starke, Tipton and Whitley counties.

## WHAT IS A PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT LINKAGES (PEL) STUDY?

- A PEL study is a way for transportation agencies, such as INDOT, to make and document planning decisions.
- A PEL study precedes any construction decisions.
- A PEL study allows INDOT to better understand community needs and to develop alternative solutions that meet those needs.
- Throughout the studies, INDOT is asking for the public's help in identifying what they want the corridors to look like in the future.
- With help from residents, motorists, businesses and others, INDOT can build infrastructure to better serve our communities.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

- The study teams will hold public information meetings throughout the study process.
- Public information meetings will be announced in multiple ways, including local newspapers, the study websites and social media.
- The PEL studies are divided into four sections to closely consider different community values and priorities.
- The four studies are closely coordinated so potential solutions work together to maximize the transportation benefits to the stakeholder communities and the traveling public.
- The studies will be completed in 2024.

#### **ANTICIPATED TIMELINE**



# WHAT IS PROPEL?

ProPEL is an INDOT initiative using collaborative PEL studies to consider environmental, community and economic goals early in the planning process. These PEL studies will assess innovative ways to renovate our roadways and corridors, while prioritizing community needs and equitable infrastructure. Together, we can ProPEL Indiana forward.

## **STUDY AREA MAP**

