I-65 Downtown Closure:

Saving time, Enhancing Safety

Presenters:

Kyle Muellner

Jim Reilman

Tom Heustis



Agenda



- Introduction
- **Scope and Timeline**
- The Decision to Close
- **Design Implications**
- **Agency Implications**
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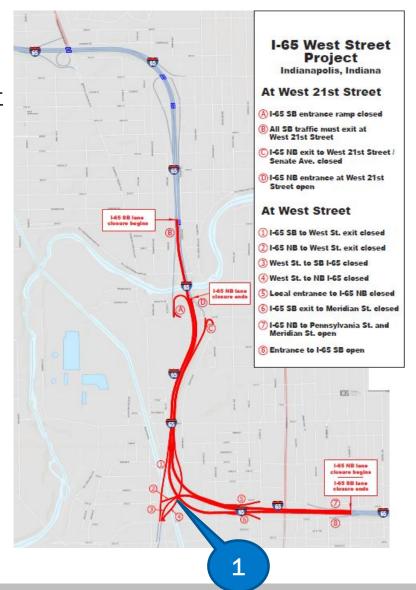


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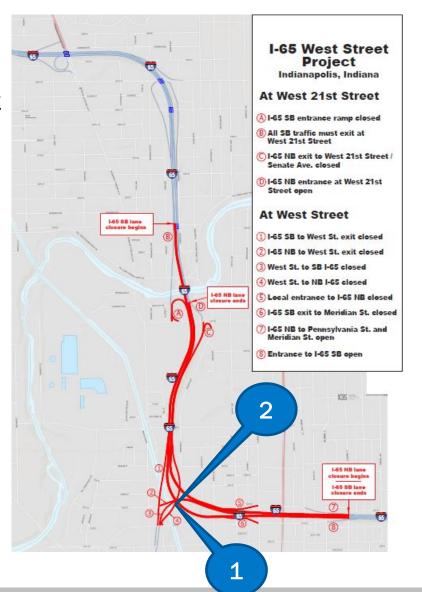
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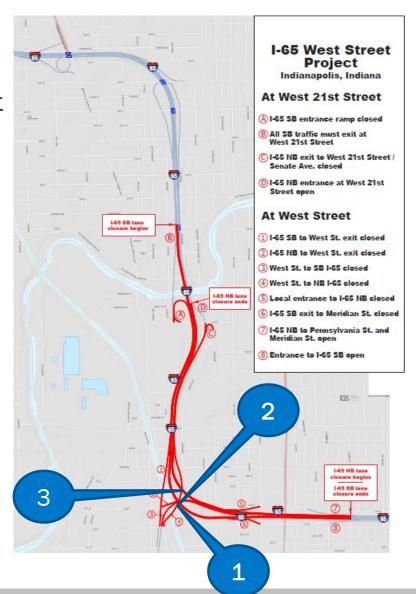
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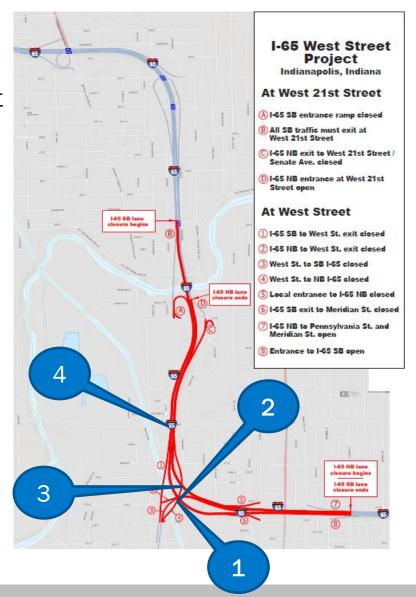
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- Original Timeline:

• NTP May 2017

Scoping Meeting May 2017

Joint and Overlays

Scoping Report June 2017

Preliminary MOT Plans July 2017

Final Plans October 2017

• FFC November 2017

Tracings December 2017



Closure: Design Implications



To Close or Not to Close?





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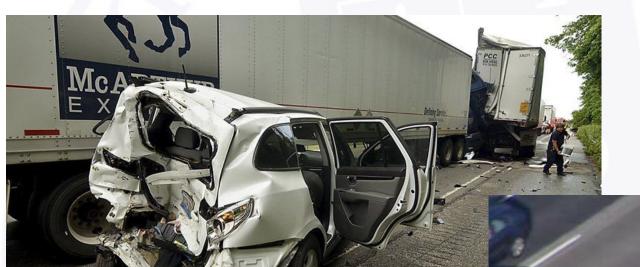








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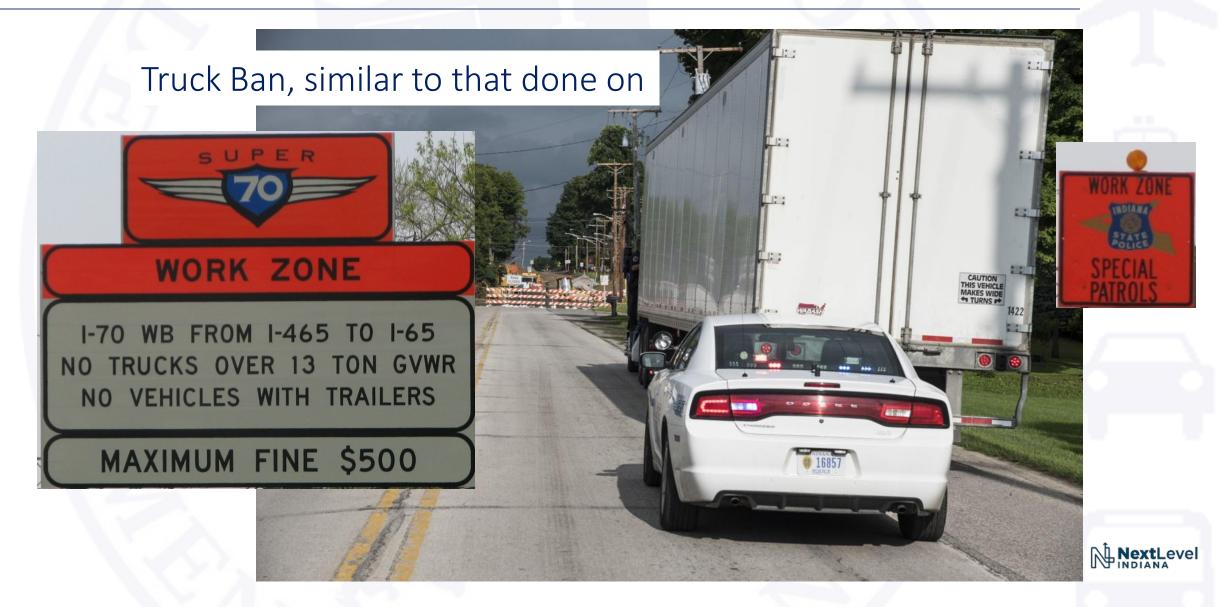




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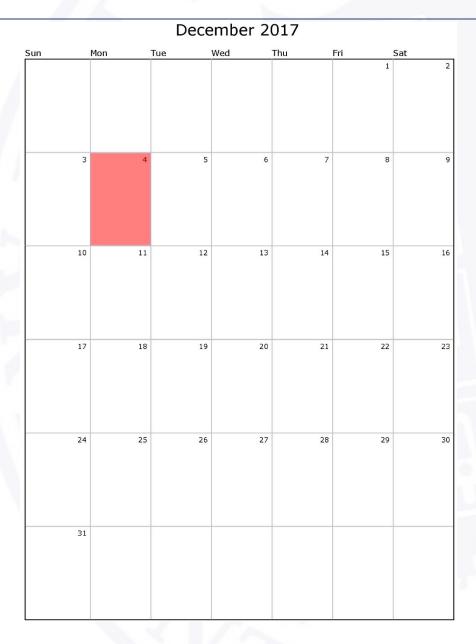
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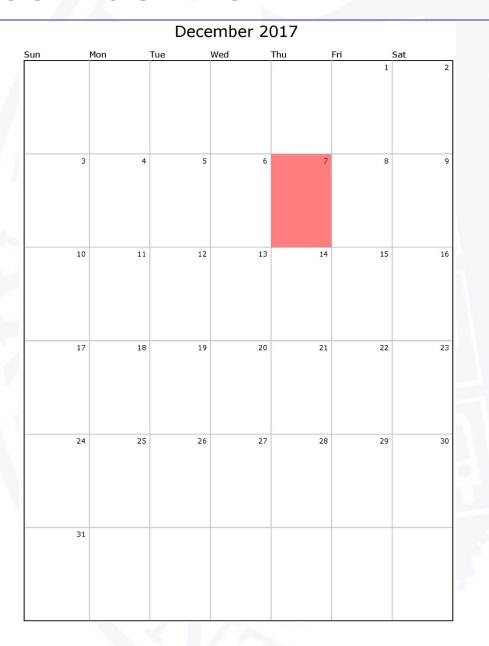
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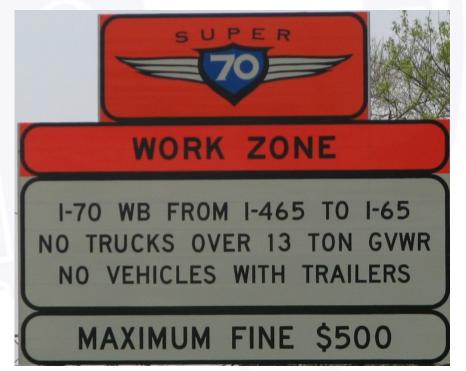


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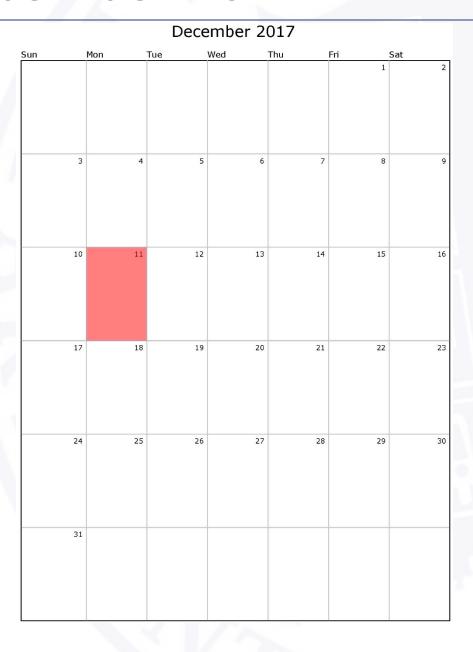


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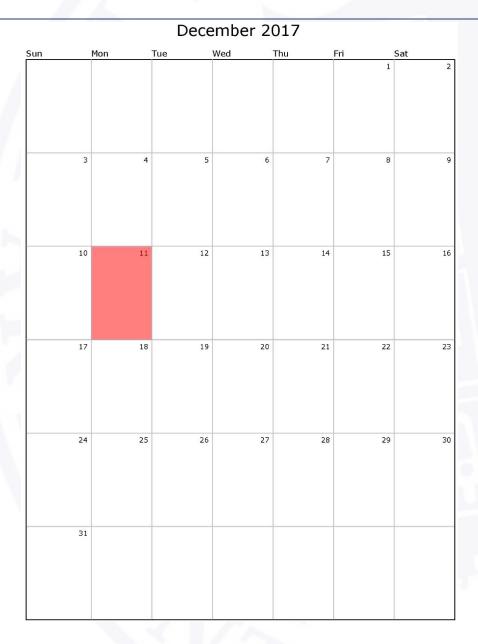






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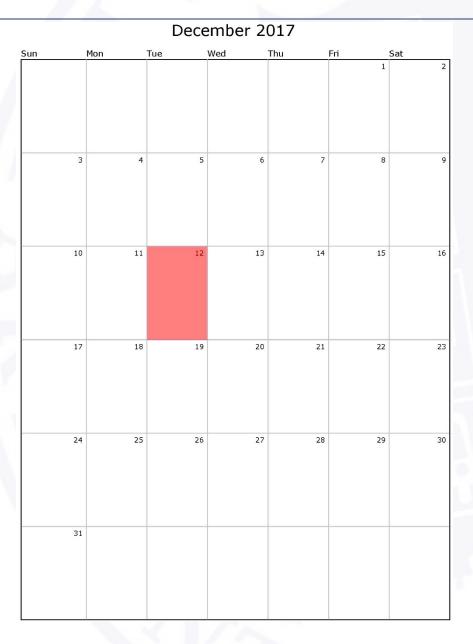




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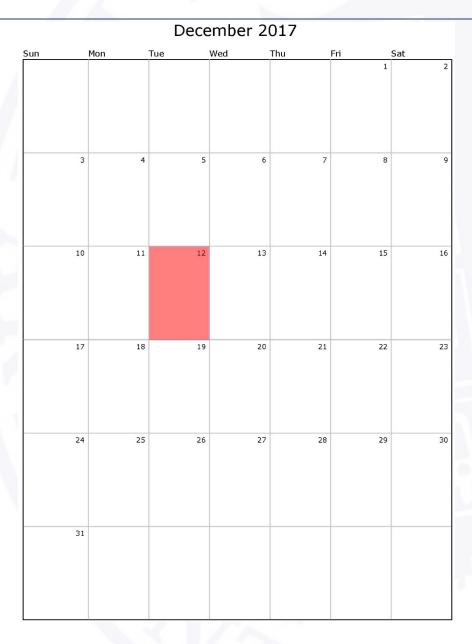
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 - Accident in Work Zone results in Closure





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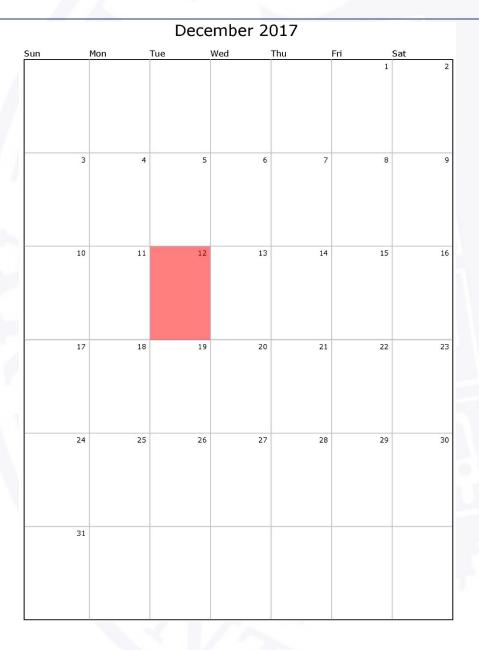




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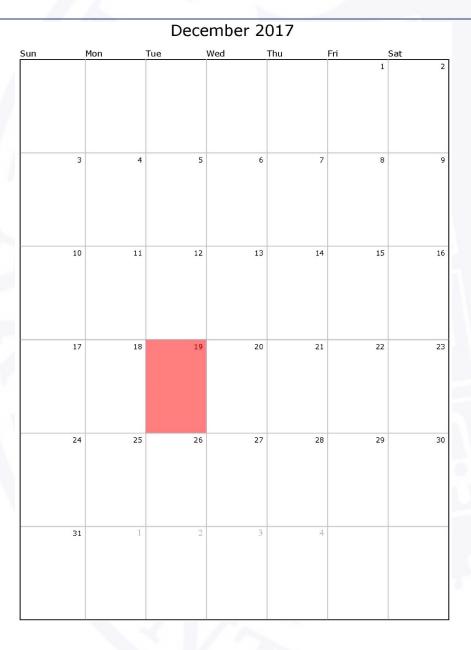


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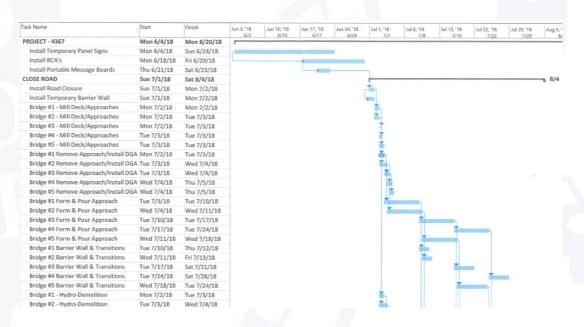


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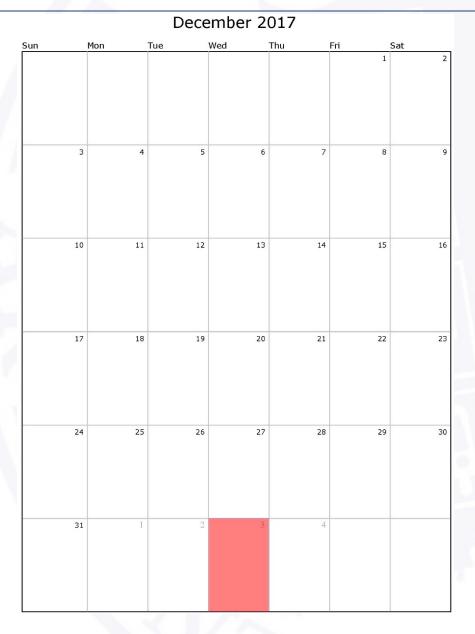


- December 19, 2017
- Meeting to Discuss Estimated
 Construction Schedule and Duration



• Estimate Duration of Closure and Allowable Time of Year

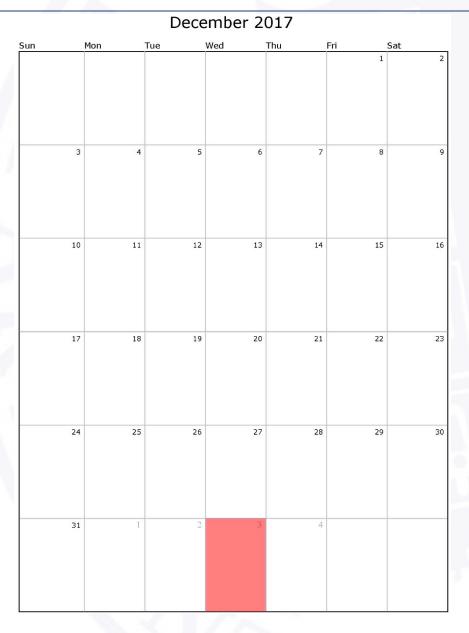
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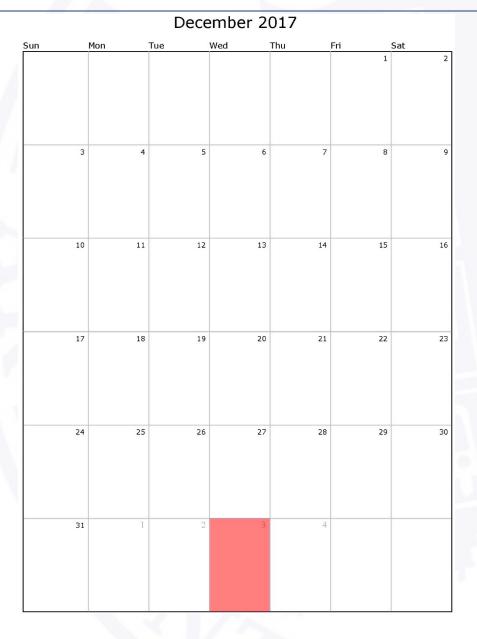


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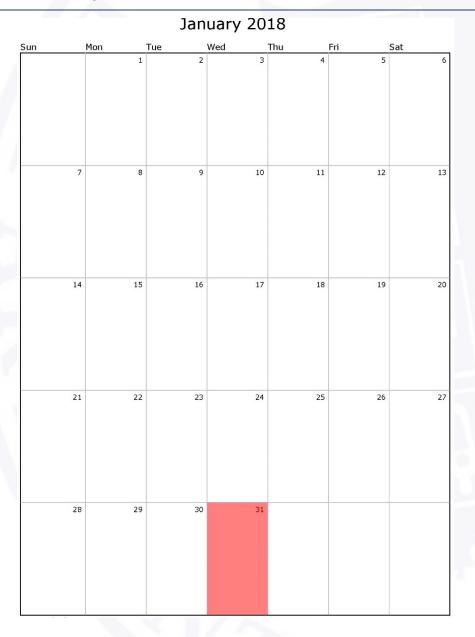
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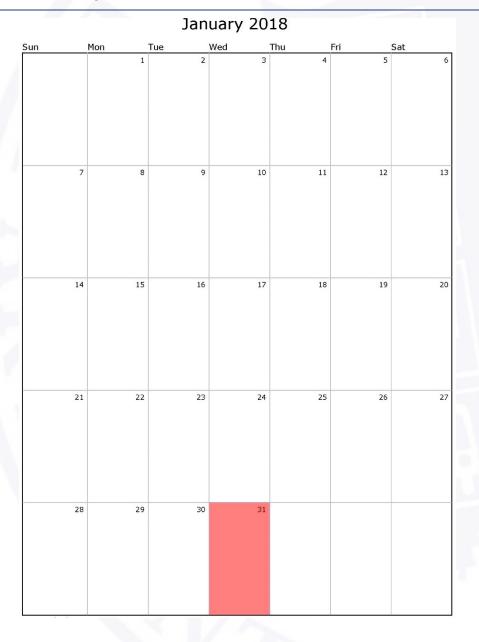
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 - Discussions with District





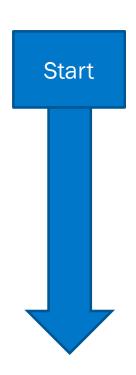
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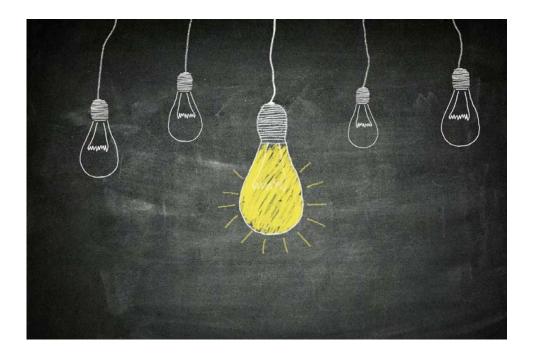


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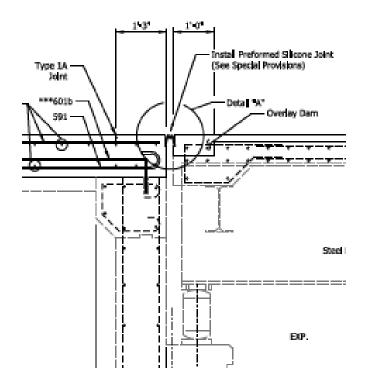


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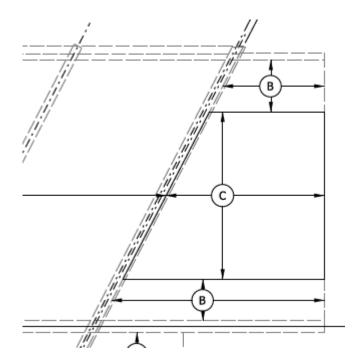
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 - Goal: Aid in Contract Timeset
 - Goal: Maintain Quality



- Reduce hand-work
- Combine concrete elements
- Provide Options (LMC vs. SFMA)



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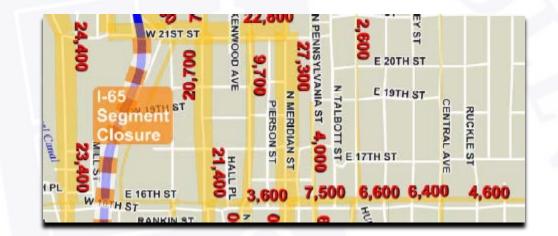


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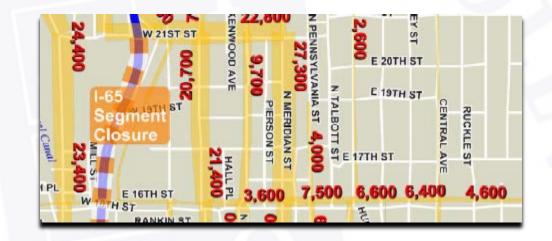


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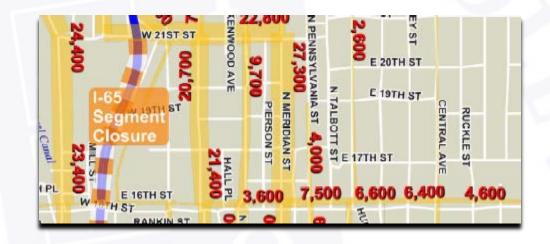
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March 8, 2018

TO: Jim Poturalski, Senior Director

Engineering & Research, Innovative Project Delivery

Luis Laracuente, District Traffic Engineer

Greenfield District Traffic

Adam Tyra, Traffic Staff Engineer

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SUBJECT: Interstate Highway Congestion Policy Exception Request

Five Bridge Rehabilitations

I-65 at Mile Markers 114 and 123 (Multiple Bridges) in Marion County

Contract No: B-39086



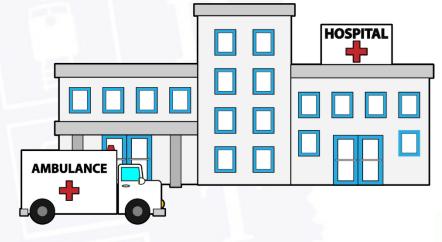
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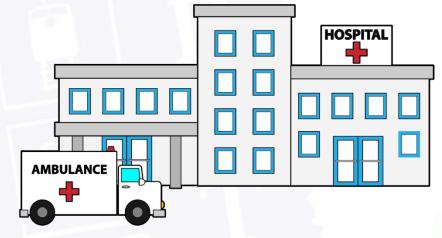






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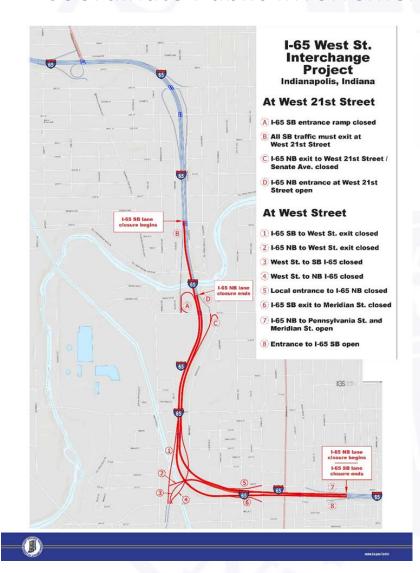


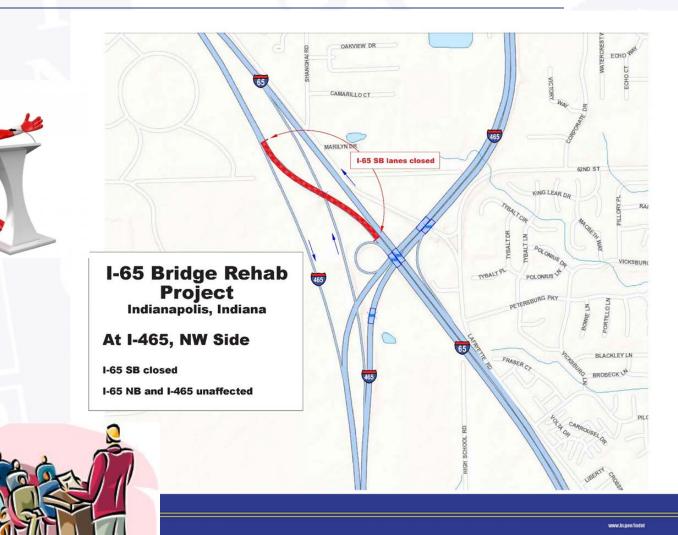






• Coordinate Public Involvement







Contact the INDOT Freight Division

 Led the effort for early procurement of some materials



Pre-letting questions

Coordination with Indianapolis TMC and DPW regarding traffic signals









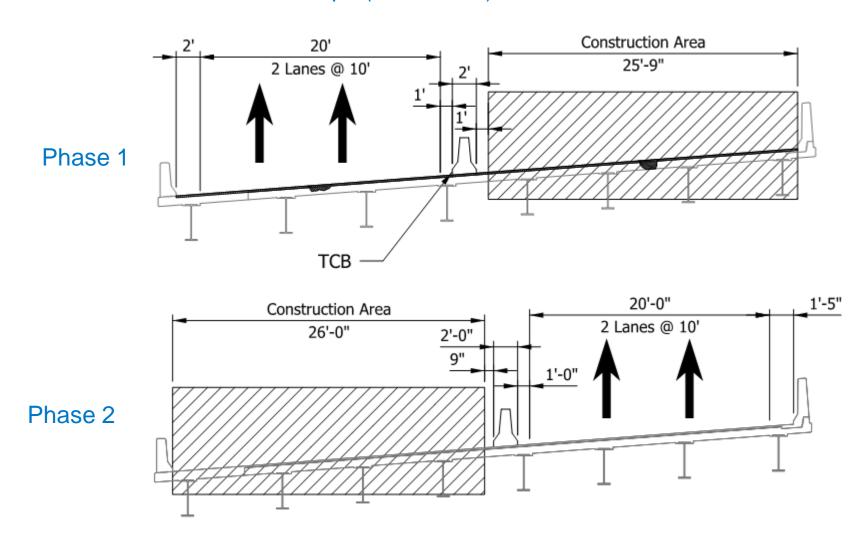


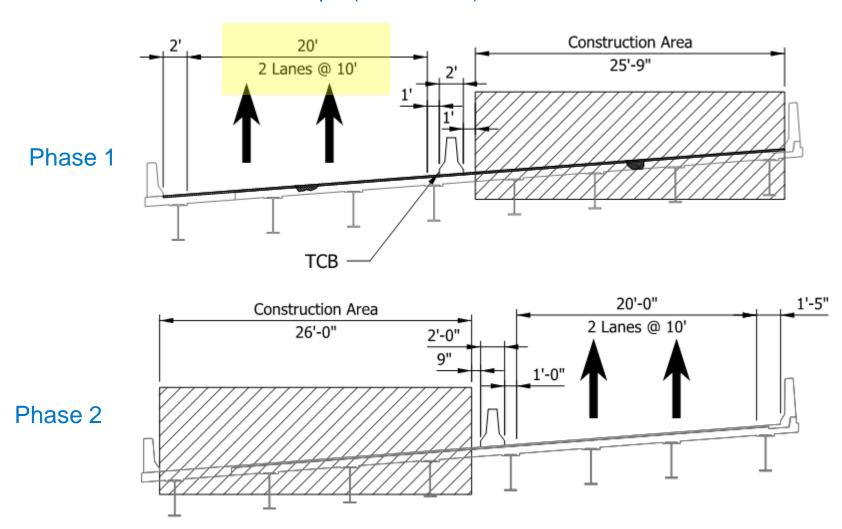
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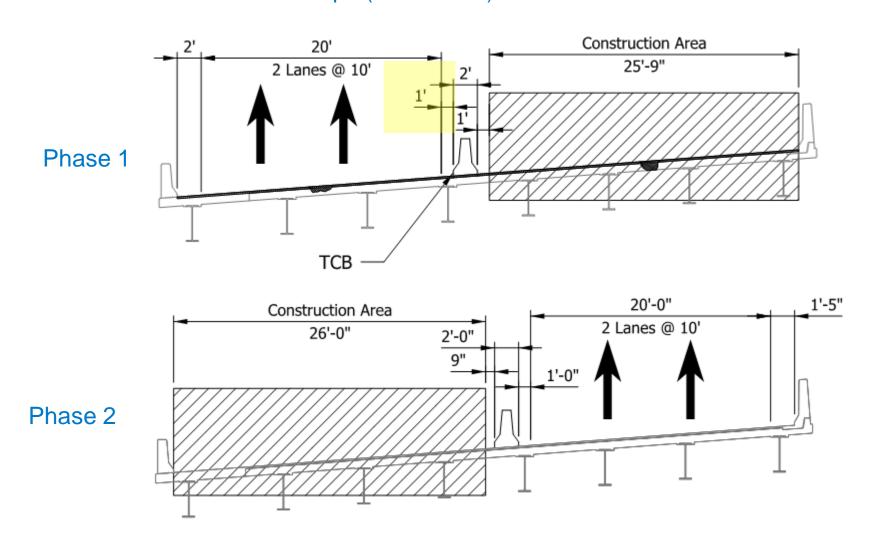
- Keep as many I-65 lanes open as possible
- Maintain ramp connection when feasible
- All work performed behind temporary concrete barrier (TCB)
- Reduce impacts to newly-constructed asphalt overlay of mainline

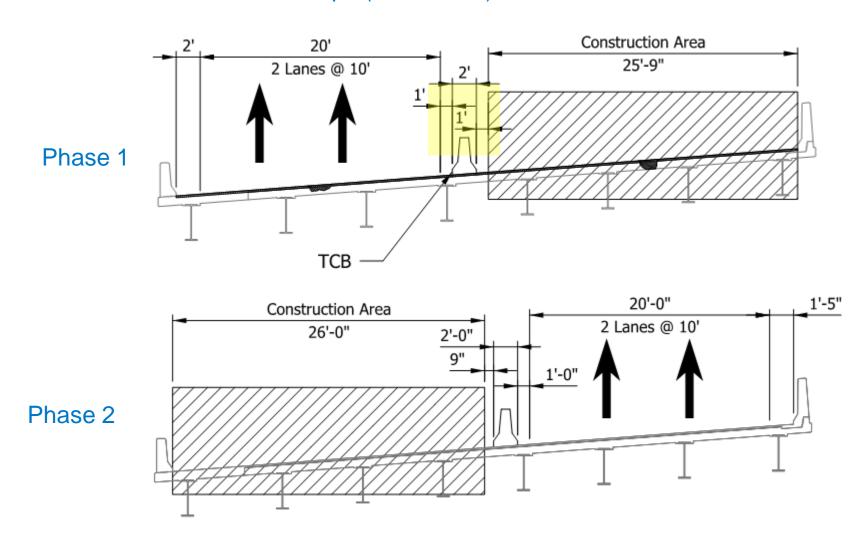
Design Results

- Two-phase construction sequence
- Single lane reduction on I-65
- Ramp closures in West Street interchange



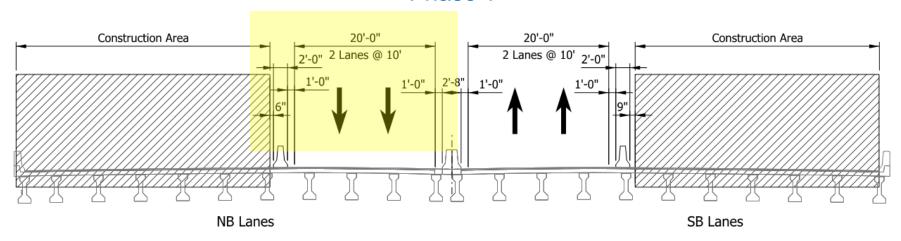




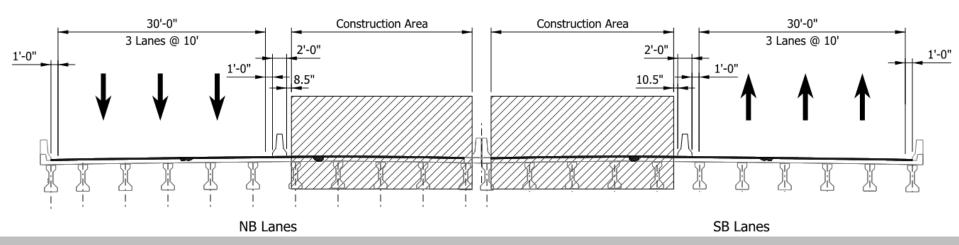


I-65 over 16th Street

Phase 1



Phase 2



Undesirable Design Features

- 10-ft lanes, 1-ft shoulder during construction
- Level 1 design exceptions required for shoulder width and horizontal stopping sight distance
- Truck detour required for 10-ft lane width (enforcement required for duration of construction)
- Narrow working room behind TCB for contractor
- Single-lane reduction of I-65 created large queueing entering downtown
 - 19+ mile queue lengths
 - 2+ mile queue from 7am to midnight Monday thru Friday
- Several on-ramps closed due to unsafe merging conditions in work zone

Full-Closure Maintenance of Traffic Plan

Necessary Design Changes

• Safely close the interstate and route traffic onto side roads



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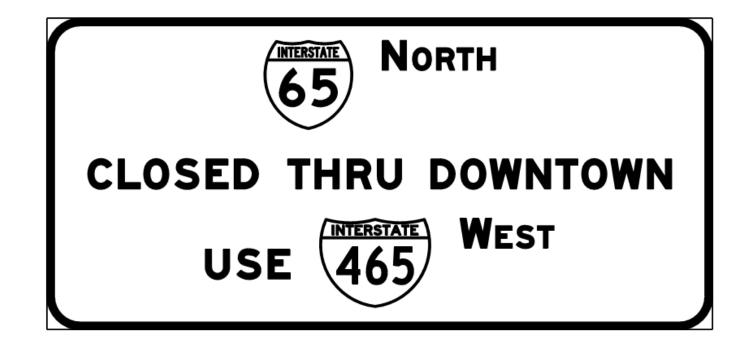
Modify existing signage if necessary



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Detour traffic onto alternative major roadways



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Is a Full Closure Right for Your Project?

- Not all projects should close the roadway (duh)
- Combination of issues led to this closure:
 - Several less-than-desirable MOT design features (lane/shoulder width)
 - Truck restriction enforcement
 - Traffic backups on high-volume commuter route
 - Construction inefficiencies
 - Worker safety concern
- Northern bridge (I-65 SB over I-465 on NW side of Indy) needed full closure, so traffic was metered
 entering the city

Is a Full Closure Right for Your Project?

- Detour Route is there a logical posted detour route for through traffic?
- Diversion Routes are there alternative routes for local traffic?
- Construction Inefficiencies does phased construction result in a less-than-ideal product for the client?
- Worker safety does the work zone design result in a potentially dangerous site for the contractor?
- Traffic safety does the work zone design result in a potentially dangerous site for vehicles traveling through?
- High MOT costs / long schedule reductions in costs and/or time could be significant benefits to the client.



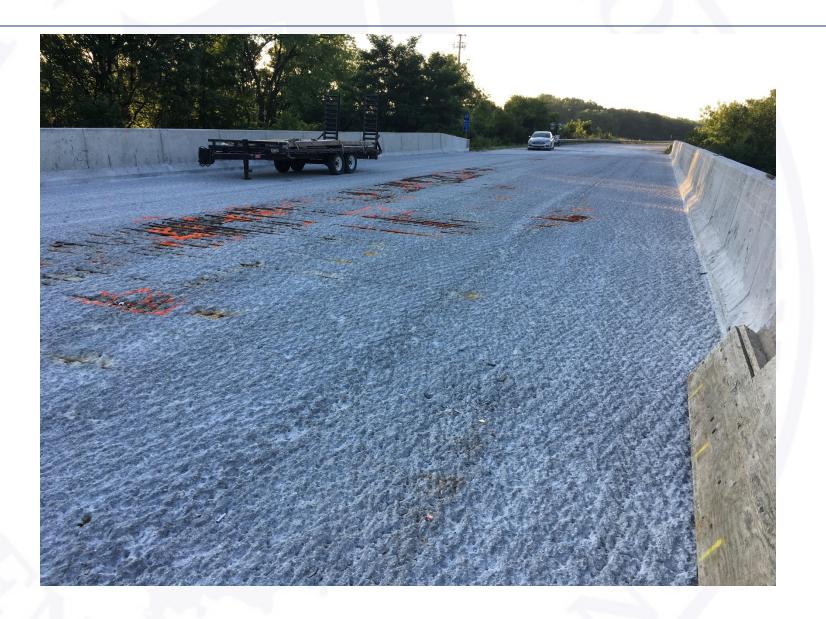








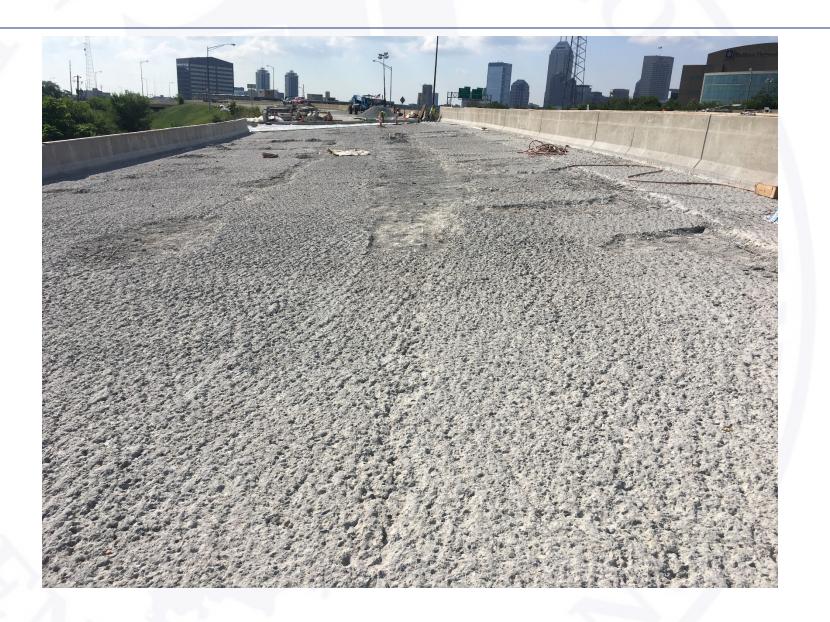












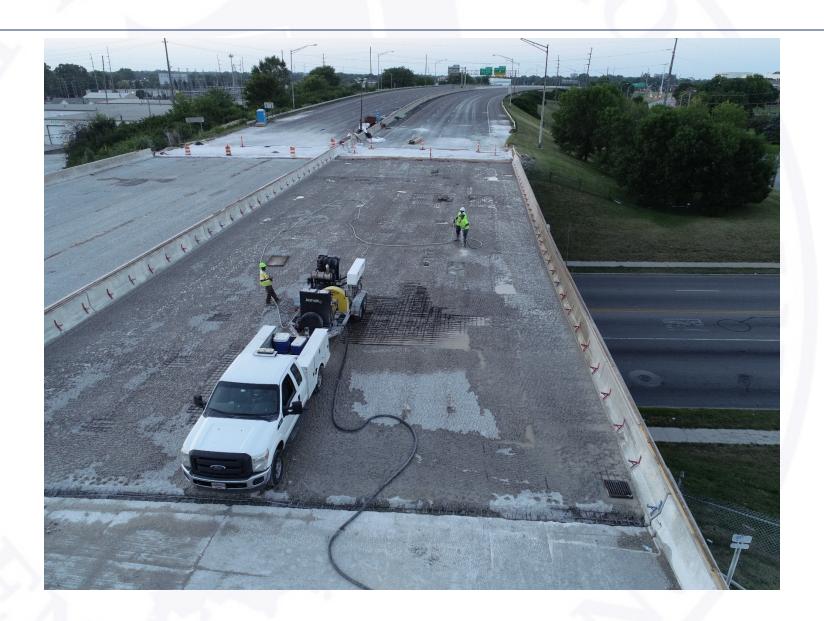








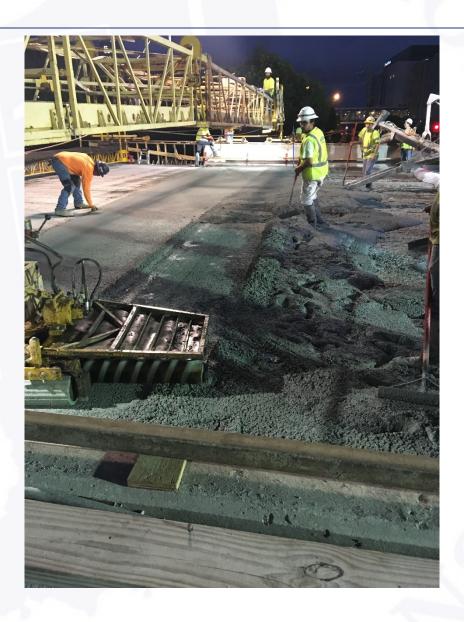








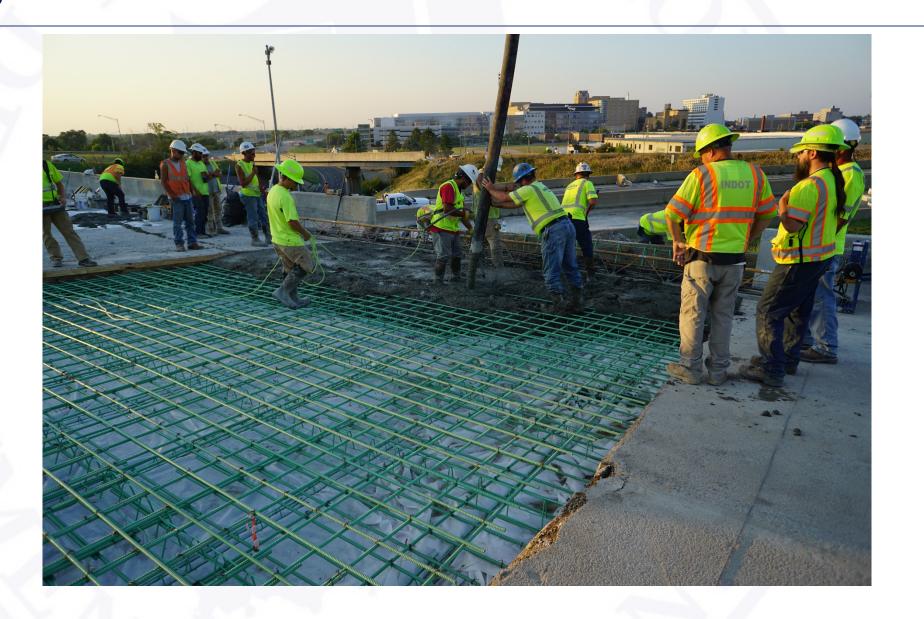




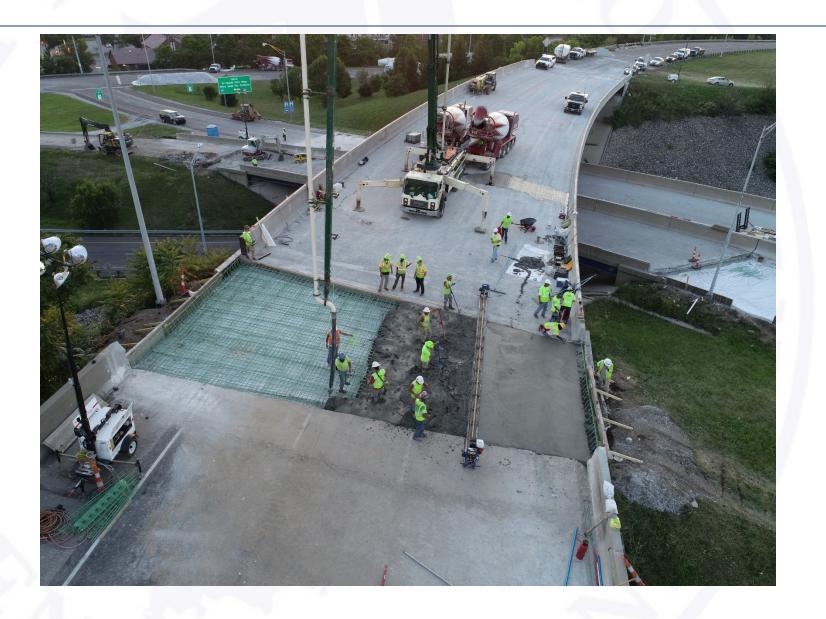




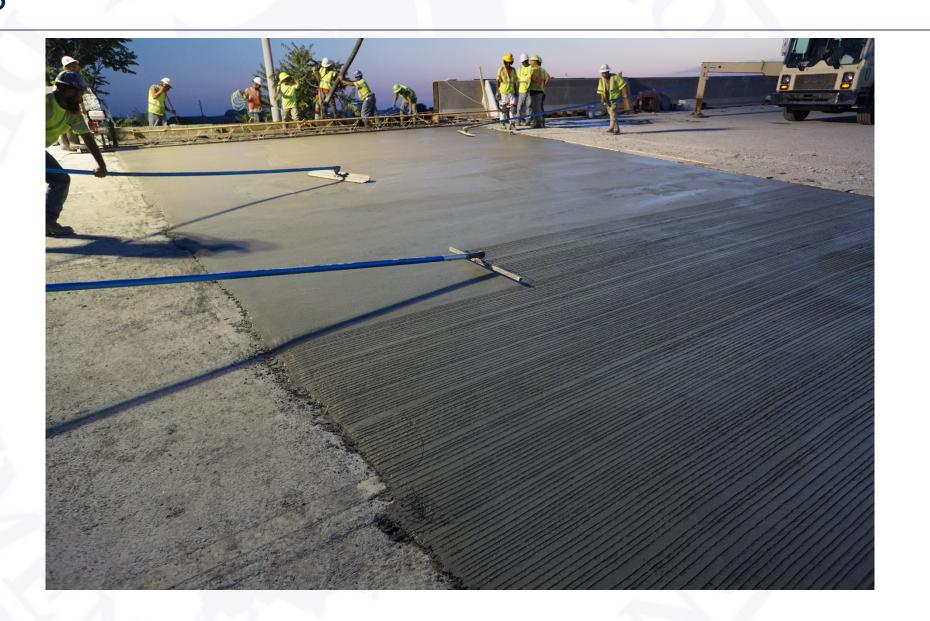






















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