

## CARROLL COUNTY TECHNICAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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Meeting Dates for 2024: August 15, November 21

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**CARROLL COUNTY TECHNICAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**February 15, 2024**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Nate Lamar	Delphi Police Department
Tony Liggett	Carroll County Sheriff
Aaron Lyons	City of Delphi
Donnie Shockley	Carroll County Highway Department
Mike Fincher	Carroll County Emergency Management
Matt Deitchley	INDOT Deputy Commissioner – LaPorte District
Tim Stroshine (proxy for David Hittle)	Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

(vacant)	Area Plan Commission of Carroll County
Jerry Snavely, Jr.	Camden Street Commissioner
Jill Hammond	Camden Town Marshal
James Bishop	Flora Police Department
Kevin Shafer	Flora Street Commissioner
Debbie Lowe	Flora Airport

**ALSO PRESENT**

Will Bishop	Town of Flora
Trevor Ayres	Town of Flora
Randy Hoffman	Town of Flora
Aria Staiger	Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County

Tim Stroshine called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 16, 2023**

Mike Fincher moved to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2023 meeting. Aaron Lyons seconded, and the minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

**II. TRAFFIC COUNTS – Proposed CY 24 Stations**

Aria Staiger said traffic counts are done every three years on a cycle, in the same locations. Sixty-five count stations are used each year, with adjustments made as needed. The City of Delphi added count locations for future development areas and to account for truck traffic. The presented map highlights the proposed count locations for 2024 and also shows the previous year's locations that have already been counted. She encouraged suggestions if there are station locations that should be included.

Tim Stroshine reminded the committee that traffic counts are not taken on state roads because INDOT has their own program for collecting data.

Donnie Shockley asked about the station east of Flora, near the county line, because that is a state road. Aria Staiger said that location has been counted in the past, maybe because the traffic volume is not a problem. Matt Deitchley, from INDOT, said he was not aware if they were counting in that location.

Aria Staiger said the data can be classification data identifying passenger vehicles, trucks, busses and bikes. Speed data can be collected using volumes on midblock segments. Movement counts would require a special study.

Tim Stroshine said there is still time to propose count station locations. The anticipated start time for counts is April 2024. The hope is to have the final version presented by early March.

### **III. OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **A. FY'25 Small Urban and Rural Transportation Planning Assistance Program (SURP) Grant**

Tim Stroshine explained the grant that is applied for each year with eighty percent of the funds supporting the staff time that is spent on meetings, quality control, hosting the traffic counts, and additional items as necessary. He addressed the issue of truck traffic going through Delphi. The desire is to have the downtown area be a pedestrian friendly area without heavy trucks going through. He would like to put together an action plan to identify how this issue can be addressed. A short-term improvement could be ordinance enforcements. A longer-term solution would be building another route that might get the industrial truck traffic out of the downtown area. The downtown area has become more walkable, and the businesses there are great investments. His vision is to put together a stakeholder group of essential players together to discuss what it would take to get a long-term plan for a new road. This would involve discussing what the road would look like, if there would be right-of-way, and what types of costs for engineering and utilities would be involved. He asked for feedback and discussion from the members.

Nate Lamar said it is a good idea and would be a good discussion to have to determine if its feasible as a long-term solution. He said they often get the truck traffic complaint from citizens. It would be good to explore the idea of routing trucks around the downtown area.

Aaron Lyons agreed. He said the downtown area has been the same for years. The hardest part is the state road that runs through the area. He believes it is a good idea to at least look into, to see if it is feasible, what the costs would be, and what the long-term impacts could be.

Matt Deitchley said the challenge for INDOT is that this is a state road, and they cannot stop trucks from using it. He said INDOT is open to having conversations about local or bypass options.

Tim Stroshine said he would send an email to help organize a virtual kickoff meeting to discuss this action plan. He encouraged members to help identify the people who should be included in this meeting.

#### **B. 18-Month Letting List**

Tim Stroshine passed out copies of the most current 18-month letting list, as presented by Matt Deitchley. Program adjustments were made to the State Road 29 project after Central Office review. As part of the rebalancing of projects, this project has been moved from FY25 to FY30 letting. Matt Deitchley said funding is a challenge right now and letting projects is much more expensive. INDOT will make wise decisions and make sure roads are preserved.

The SR 29 project over Price Plank Ditch was bundled to coordinate with another project, resulting in the letting moving up from October to August 2024. The full depth reclamation project on State Road 29 involves both Carroll County and Cass County. The project on US 421 includes Carroll County and White County in order to group the work together in hopes of receiving favorable bids.

A committee member asked how far out on the calendar INDOT has pushed the project for US 421 over Deer Creek. Matt Deitchley was unsure but offered to get back to him with an answer. The concern is work that will be going on with the bridge could be at the same time as work taking place at the other end. He used the example from the southern part of the county, where there was work taking place on 75 and 421 and both roads were shut down at the same time. He said that was rough. If both of the bridges are shut down at the same time, law enforcement will have a huge problem with trucks coming down the street. Matt Deitchley did not seem to think this would be an issue, but he encouraged members to continue to bring these issues to his attention.

### **IV. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Mike Fincher said a hazmat study will be taking place this year through the Hazard Mitigation grant. He asked if the data numbers from this study would be helpful for transportation planning. Tim Stroshine said he would never turn down available data and this would be good information to have.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting Dates for 2024: May 16, August 15, and November 21.

Mike Fincher moved to adjourn; Donnie Shockley seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristina Lamb  
Recording Secretary

# 18 Month Letting List - May 1, 2024

(INDOT update: April 15, 2024)

	Letting Date	Road	Location	Type of Work	Des & Contract Number	Previous Letting Date
<b>C</b>	12/11/2024	SR 29	Over Price Plank Ditch, 0.92 miles north of JCT 218 W	Small Structure Maintenance and Repair	2200904 B-44725	10/9/2024
<b>S</b>	12/11/2024	SR 29	SR 29 from SR 218 (S JCT) to SR 218 (N JCT)	Full Depth Reclamation	1900180 R-42457	
<b>S</b>	12/11/2024	US 421	2.29 S JCT US 24/SR 39	Small Structure Maintenance and Repair	2100946 B-43840	
<b>N</b>	7/9/2025	US 421	From the North Junction of SR 18 to 1.50 Miles South of US 24 (Tippecanoe River)	HMA Overlay Minor Structural	2100228 B-43928	
<b>N</b>	9/10/2024	SR 75	At M Fork Wildcat Creek, 01.64 N SR 26	Bridge Rehabilitation Or Repair	1900180 R-42457	
<b>N</b>	9/10/2024	SR 75	At Bachelor Run, 01.17mi N of SR 18	Bridge Replacement	1900180 R-42457	
<b>N</b>	9/10/2024	SR 75	At M Fork Wildcat Creek, 01.64 N SR 26	New Bridge Construction	1900180 R-42457	
<b>NL</b>	10/9/2029	SR 29	Over Wildcat Creek, 0.48 miles north of SR 22	Bridge Deck Overlay	2002010 B-43347	10/9/2024
<b>NL</b>	9/11/2030	US 421	Over Deer Creek, 0.17 miles south of Old SR 25	Bridge Deck Overlay	2002086 <del>B-43348</del> B-45360	9/11/2024

Same, **New**, **Change**, **Not Listed**

## ***Bid Letting Results***

None to Report