LEGAL NOTICE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT **DES. NO. 1901948**

City of Crown Point is developing plans for the proposed US 231 and 113th Avenue Intersection Improvement project (Des. No. 1901948) in Crown Point, Lake County, Indiana.

The purpose of the proposed project is to improve the intersection of the US 231 and 113th Avenue to reduce the likelihood of crashes and address the current roadway and drainage deficiencies. Additionally, the purpose of the project is to improve pedestrian accessibility as well as the existing Level of Service (LOS) to D (acceptable) or better in the design year of 2047. The need for this project is evidenced by the existing roadway and drainage deficiencies, the resulting car crash history, the lack of pedestrian accessibility, and the existing LOS at the US 231 and 113th Avenue intersection.

The project proposes to reconfigure the existing intersection into a single-lane, three-legged roundabout along with construction of a new sidewalk, new lighting, and curb and gutter. The typical section along US 231 and 113th Avenue will consist of two 12-foot wide travel lanes with curb and gutter. The travel lane will widen approaching the roundabout to an 18-foot wide single-lane. Raised concrete islands will separate the travel lanes approaching the roundabout on all legs. The roundabout design will include an 80-foot wide diameter center island, a 12-foot wide truck apron, and curb and gutter. The roundabout will be shifted approximately 30 feet north of the existing intersection in order to further decrease speed when approaching the intersection. Additionally, an 8-foot wide sidewalk would be constructed around the new roundabout.

The proposed construction of this project will require approximately 2.010 acres of new permanent right-of-way and 0.616 acre of temporary right-of-way. An additional 0.29 acre will be the reacquisition of apparent existing right-of-way along US 231 and 113th Avenue. The proposed project will result in the relocation of one commercial business.

The maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan will consist of road closures that will include a detour of both US 231 and 113th Avenue. Pedestrian detours will also be implemented and include temporary closure of the Veterans Memorial Trail at the intersection of North Street and Indiana Ave south to the US 231 and 113th Avenue intersection. Access to all properties, both residential and commercial, will be maintained during construction. The MOT is scheduled to be in place for approximately six months. The proposed start of construction is Fall 2027.

The cost associated with this project is approximately $2,764,810 which includes design, right-of-way, and construction costs. Both federal and local funding will be used. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and INDOT have agreed this project falls within the guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 3 environmental document. Preliminary design plans along with the CE 3 are available for review at the following locations:

1. In-person at the Crown Point Community Library, 122 N Main Street, Crown Point, IN 46307
2. Online at the American Structurepoint, Inc. Website – https://www.structurepointpublic.com/us231and113th

Persons with limited internet access may request the project information be mailed, please contact Preeti Samra at (317) 547-5580 or psamra@structurepoint.com. A copy of the CE 3 may also be mailed upon request to interested persons.

All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or express their concerns by submitting comments to the attention of Preeti Samra, American Structurepoint Inc., 9025 River Road, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46240 or psamra@structurepoint.com on or before October 29, 2025.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in alternative formats are encouraged to contact Preeti Samra at (317) 547-5580 or psamra@structurepoint.com for the arrangement and coordination of services. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in another language are encouraged to contact Preeti Samra at (317) 547-5580 or psamra@structurepoint.com.

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* approved by the Federal Highway Administration on July 7, 2021.