



APPENDIX A

EA Notice of Availability and Invitation to Comment



Double Track Northwest Indiana Project

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Notice of Availability and Notice of Open House Public Meeting

From: DoubleTrackNWI
Sent: Thursday, September 21, 2017 1:56 PM
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Double Track NWI: Connectivity for Accelerated Growth

Please join the Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District (NICTD) at an Open House Public Hearing to review the Preferred Alternative for the Double Track Northwest Indiana (DT-NWI) project. The DT-NWI Project would construct a second track along the South Shore Line from Virginia Street in Gary to E. Michigan Boulevard in Michigan City. The project would also improve five stations and increase safety by separating the tracks that are in the street in Michigan City from the roadway.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) and Section 4(f) Evaluation has been prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The EA documents the benefits and impacts of the alternatives considered and evaluates the effects of historic properties in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the uses of property from historic properties, publicly-owned parks, recreation, and wildlife/waterfowl resources protected under Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act. All interested parties are invited to review the EA, attend the Open House Public Hearing, and provide comment on the DT-NWI project. The hearings will be conducted in an open house format.

The EA is available for review beginning September 21 at www.doubletrack-nwi.com and the following locations:

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6:00 to 8:00 pm

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We look forward to your comments.

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- Via email: DoubleTrackNWI@nictd.com
- Via US mail: NICTD, c/o DT-NWI Project, 33 E. U.S. 12, Chesterton, IN 46304
- Via the project website at: www.doubletrack-nwi.com/comments

The formal comment period is September 21 through October 23, 2017. Responses to comments received during the comment period will be incorporated into the final EA.

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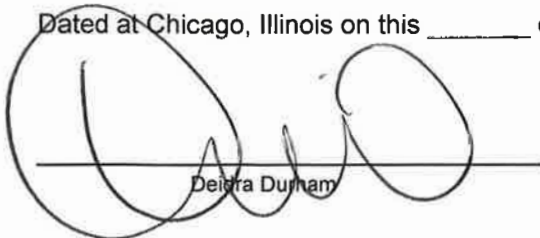
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IN FAVOR OF

\$ _____

ON ACCOUNT OF APPROPRIATION FOR
The Times Media Company
601 W. 45th Avenue, Munster, IN 46321

Appropriation No. _____

ALLOWED _____

IN THE SUM OF \$ _____

I have examined the within claim and hereby certify as follows:

That it is in proper form.

That it is duly authenticated as required by law.

That it is based upon statutory authority.

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I certify that the within claim is true and correct; that the services there in itemized and for which charge is made were ordered by me and were necessary to the public business

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Proyecto de Doble Vía del Distrito de Transporte Suburbano de Indiana del Norte (NICTD) Notificación Legal de Disponibilidad y Notificación de Audiencia Pública de Puertas Abiertas

Por medio de la presente, se notifica que el Distrito de Transporte Suburbano de Indiana del Norte (NICTD, por sus siglas en inglés), como patrocinador del proyecto para la Administración Federal de Tránsito (FTA, por sus siglas en inglés), ha preparado una Evaluación Ambiental (EA, por sus siglas en inglés) / Evaluación de la Sección 4(f) de conformidad con la Ley de Política Ambiental Nacional (NEPA, por sus siglas en inglés), para evaluar el Proyecto de Doble Vía del Noroeste de Indiana (NWI, por sus siglas en inglés). El Proyecto de Doble Vía del Noroeste de Indiana (DT-NWI, por sus siglas en inglés) construirá una segunda vía a lo largo de la Línea South Shore desde Virginia Street en Gary hasta el Boulevard E, Michigan en Michigan City. La EA documenta los beneficios e impactos de las alternativas consideradas y evalúa los efectos de las propiedades históricas de conformidad con la Sección 106 de la Ley de Preservación Histórica Nacional, así como los usos de las propiedades históricas, parques de propiedad pública, espacios recreativos y recursos de vida silvestre / aves acuáticas protegidos bajo la Sección 4 (f) de la Ley del Departamento de Transporte de los Estados Unidos. La EA estará disponible al público en la página Web del Proyecto en www.doubletrack-nwi.com para su revisión y comentarios desde el 21

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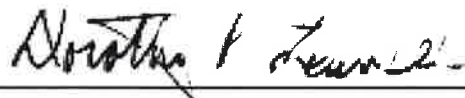
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Date September 25, 2017Title: Manager Legal Advertising


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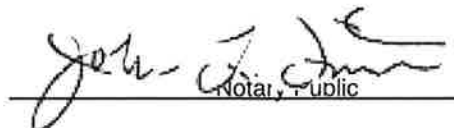
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of Indiana
County } ss:

I personally appeared before me, a notary public in and said county and state, the undersigned Dorothy R. Leavell who, being duly sworn, says that she is Manager Legal Advertising at the Gary Crusader a weekly newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the English language in the City of Gary in state and county aforesaid and that the printed matter attached here to is a true copy, which was duly published as follows: September 23, 2017.

I subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of September 2017.

John J. [Signature]
Notary Public

My commission expires: September 21, 2018

**Public Hearing Sign-In Sheet
(Personal Information Redacted)**



PUBLIC SIGN-IN SHEET

Double Track NWI Project

Open House Public Hearing Date: October 11, 2017
Gary, Indiana

#	Name (First and Last)	Organization	Address	Email
1	Chad Charles	IN Wind LLC		
2	David Kralik	Metra		
3	Elizabeth Johnson	Rep. Vucelja		
4	CAROLYN MCKLINTON			
5	Adrienne Garrett			
6	Peggy Blackwell			
7	Rex Blackwell			
8	GENE AYERS	AYERS REACTORS		
9	BILL KOSARCH	WLTH RADIO		
10	MIKE HANNIGAN	CITY OF HOBART		
11	Jessie Benson	Gary's Miller Spotlight		
12	MIKE DOYNE			
13	Brenda Mille-	MHG		
14	Byron Dylard	MHG		
15	Tselone Green			

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3	KARREN LEE			
4	Patrick Lee			
5	Jennifer Gerber			
6	John Gerber			
7	Jim Meyer			
8	Jim Wiseman	Rieth-Riley		
9	Gil Raske			
10	Paul Nicksic			
11	Nancy Barwig			
12	Debra Gray			
13	MEGAN CECK			
14	DAVID WRIBK			
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2	Susan Michalo	Town of Ogden Dunes		
3	Susan J. Adams	" " "		
4	Tom Underwood	Consult.		
5	Jeff Heflin & Melissa Harbaum	Millers Junction N		
6	JOE VAN DUK	CITY OF GARY		
7	Robert Golding	Attorney		
8	Wendy H. Vachet	Michael Baker Corp		
9	Paul Panther	Ogden Dunes		
10	Richard D. Briede	Self		
11	KAREN WESLEY	SELF		
12	HUBERT GREGORY	SELF		
13	Zully JF ALVARADO	Causes for Change		
14	Erika Blackwell	Self		
15	JUDY AYERS	AYERS REACTORS		

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2	Carrie Noland			
3	Mr + Mrs Don Campbell			
4	Leon Ort			
5	Kathy Maratto	—		
6	Larry Mackay			
7	Debbie Foster	—		
8	John Vinzant			
9	Cleo Brown			
10	CHRIS JULSRUD			
11	Patricia + Richard Gonzales			
12	CAROLINDA CAMISA			
13	George ROGGE	MCC MBA		
14	PENELOPE LOVE	AETNA MANOR REVITALIZATION PROGRAM; M.C.C.		
15	Patry Martin	Save the Dunes		

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2	Chris Beck	NICTD		
3	Kate Allen	Port Trust		
4	Tom Conway	Save the Dunes		
5	Sarah Conway			
6	Joan Rolek			
7	Erick Smith	LANE		
8	SARA MCNEAL			
9	Jeff PUTALA	The LANE Construction Corp.		
10	Mary Ann Best	Miller		
11	Richard Best	"		
12	Tom Johnson			
13	Jack Eskin	City of Gary		
14	Sarah Kabefu	City of Gary		
15	Charles Bradsky	INDOT		

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2	Janet Wagner	Self		
3	CAROL SMITH	MCC SHORELINE E		
4	PHIL SMITH	FRIENDS OF MARQUETTE PARK		
5	JOE WSZOLEK	GREATER NORTHWEST IN ASSOC		
6	Gary Foyle	AECOM		
7	Renee + Archie Patterson			
8	Deborah	Self		
9	Krista Day Zoladz	Commuter		
10	Dennis W. Zoladz	Commuter		
11	Alan W. Harrell	Resident		
12	CHRISTOPHER MURPHY	STRUCTUREPOINT		
13	CAMELA VILLANUEVA	SELF		
14	NICO VILLANUEVA	SELF		
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2	Robin Martel	Wight & Company		
3	Janet Miernicki			
4	Diana Matons			
5	Deb Chobbs	MCAS Schools Board		
6	Barry Tharp	Trinity Tharp Group		
7	Sharon Barnes	MC City Council		
8	Nadia Zygas			
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2	VINCENT HACZMAR			
3	Sue Downs	City of MC		
4	Ed Merrifield	Citizen of MC		
5	Sandra Hudson	MC		
6	Paul Niethammer	C.E.R.T.		
7	Chris Salinas	U.S. Senator Todd Young		
8	Richard Murphy	City of MC		
9	Kaitlyn McClain	INDNR Lake Michigan Coastal Program		
10	BILLY QUIGLEY	RUDFF HOME MORTGAGE		
11	Marjorie King			
12	VINCENT MATONIS			
13	CHRISTOPHER MURPHY	AMERICAN STRUCTURAL POINT 72		
14	Byarne Henderson	NICTD		
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2	MARGARET PICUR	RESIDENT		
3	Roseanne Parsley	Resident		
4	BOB COLLINS	WEISS ENTITIES		
5	Craig Phillips	MC Redevel Comm		
6	Sharon Dunn	Resident		
7	JERRY LUBNIECKI	RESIDENT		
8	TIM WERNER	RESIDENT		
9	Fred Klinder	MC Planning		
10	Janet Toyra-Smart	EGNA		
11	Les Heichel	EdziuCo LLC		
12	Kareem Trakas	NWI Forum		
13	PAT BOY	City Council		
14	KAREN Dircks	Historic Review Board		
15	Tanya Walker	Resident		

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2	Joe + Laura Condon	Resident		
3	EILEEN S. HESLER	LOCAL		
4	William Lopez	Porter Town Council		
5	ROBERT HINES	RESIDENT		
6	KEN GRUENKORN	RESIDENT		
7	Dale Maher			
8	Chris Beck	hsl		
9	Dave Wright	L.P.C. D.F.P.		
10	Lauren Varga	Sen. Donnelly's		
11	Sue Suter			
12	Robert & Vanessa J. Paul	Resident		
13	Robert Fulton	City of Hobart		
14	George Bapna			
15	Anna Duke	EDCMC		

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2	Arnold W. Ross	—		
3	Chadwick S True	—		
4	Charles Bilderback			
5	Ricky Jackson			
6	Lorene Olmos	self		
7	Dave Brels	self		
8	Ron Miller	WETN RADIO		
9	Courtney Egan	US Senator Todd Young		
10	JO ANN K. COLLINS	MONTAGE INTERIORS INC.		
11	Anonymous +1			
12	Damon Tsouklis	CENDER + Co.		
13	LARRY SILVESTRI	REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION		
14	Russ Mesinski			
15	JOHN KURACKI			

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3	AJ Monroe	Holladay Properties		
4	Mane Lopez	Urschling		
5	Chad Wakeman	Woodruff & Sons, Inc		
6	Timothy Wilson	AECOM		
7	MELISSA KRAUS			
8	Dieter Plattell			
9	Carol Spreitzer			
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Director, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance
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1849 C Street, NW
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RE: Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District, Double Track NWI Project, Section 4(f)
Evaluation

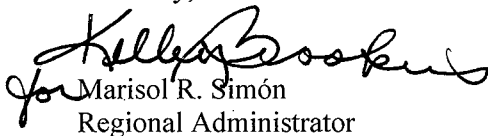
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Pursuant to 23 CFR 774.5(a), the Double Track NWI Project Section 4(f) has been provided to the Department of Interior (DOI) and the Indiana State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for review and comment. A copy of the EA and Section 4(f) Evaluation is accessible online at: <http://www.doubletrack-nwi.com/docs>.

Comments should be provided within 45 days of receiving this correspondence. FTA will proceed with Section 4(f) final evaluation if DOI does not respond within 15 days after this 45-day period. Please contact Susan Weber, at (312) 353-3888 or susan.weber@dot.gov with questions or concerns. Electronic comments on this Section 4(f) analysis can be forwarded to this email address. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


for Marisol R. Simón
Regional Administrator

ecc: Carol Braegelmann, DOI
Jay Ciavarella, FTA
Susan Weber, FTA
Elizabeth Breiseth, FTA
Nicole Barker, NICTD



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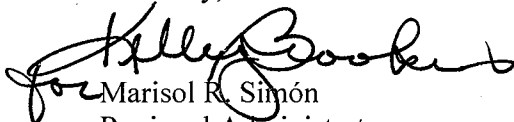
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