



Illinois Route 3 Connector Project Need

IDOT is considering transportation improvements that would construct a connector between IL Route 3 and IL Route 203, with a connection to Collinsville Road, in order to:

- **Improve travel efficiency and connectivity in study area**
- **Improve economic opportunities** through transportation continuity and connectivity

Issues within the project study area include:

- Improving access to area services such as businesses (jobs), shopping, recreation, and social services
- Delay concerns with at-grade railroad crossings on IL Route 3, Exchange Avenue, and Industrial Avenue
- Lengthy emergency vehicle response times due to excessive delays due to at-grade railroad crossings and lack of alternate routes
- Accommodating future development in vacant properties north of IL Route 3