

Open House Meeting ❖ July 27, 2016 ❖ 4pm to 6pm

Location – Palos Park Country Club



Project Overview

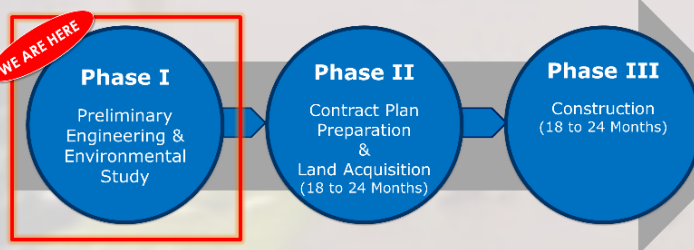
The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) is conducting a preliminary engineering and environmental study (Phase I) of IL Route 7 between 131st Street to south of 135th Street in the Villages of Orland Park and Palos Park, Cook County. IL Route 7 has been closed multiple times due to storm water pavement flooding. The proposed improvements include a complete reconstruction of a section of IL Route 7 to reduce flooding exposure and geometric improvements to the 131st Street and 135th Street intersections.

Proposed Improvements

- ✓ Reconstruct & raise IL Route 7 above the 100-year flood event to reduce flooding occurrences.
- ✓ Improved Mill Creek alignment at 131st Street & ditch grading
- ✓ New larger pipes & culverts under driveways and IL Route 7
- ✓ Shift IL Route 7 alignment to the west to provide a larger floodway for Mill Creek.
- ✓ Add a center turn lane to separate opposing traffic and provide safe storage for left turning vehicles
- ✓ Intersection improvements at 131st Street & 135th Street including additional turn lanes & traffic signal replacement
- ✓ A new shared-use path between 131st Street & 135th Street



Next Steps & Funding



The Phase I study is anticipated to be completed in Fall 2016. This improvement is included in the Department's FY 2017-2022 Proposed Highway Improvement Program. Our current engineering efforts are targeted to enable a contract letting in the middle years of our current multi-year program contingent upon plan readiness, land acquisition, and funding availability through our future annual legislative appropriations.

Comments & Questions

Written comments can be submitted at this meeting using the comment form provided, mailed to the address indicated below, or emailed to 16861V@pbworld.com. Comments must be received by **August 10, 2016** to become part of the official meeting record.

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