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THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT FOR ILLINOIS ROUTE 131 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES

Schaumburg, IL- The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will hold a public open house and workshops to obtain public input on identifying possible transportation improvements for Illinois Route 131 (Russell Road to Sunset Avenue). As part of the Purpose and Need for the project and the next steps for advancing further studies, IDOT plans to define a wide range of potential alternatives to address the identified issues and concerns. IDOT is seeking continued involvement from the public to aid in creating these potential alternatives.

IDOT has scheduled workshops within the open house where the public can offer suggestions for possible transportation improvement alternatives to address the transportation deficiencies and project needs.

"IDOT has reached a point in the Illinois Route 131 study where there is a need to research viable transportation alternatives. We encourage the public to provide feedback and offer any suggestions that they feel may benefit the future transportation development along this corridor. IDOT is committed to evaluating transportation solutions by working with the public to develop, build, and maintain cost-effective transportation facilities that fit into and reflect the project's surroundings," said District 1 Regional Engineer Diane O'Keefe of IDOT.

The public open house meeting will be held:

December 2, 2009
Open House: 4:00-7:00 p.m.
Workshops begin at: 4:30, 5:15, and 6:00
Beach Park Middle School
40667 North Green Bay Road
Beach Park, IL 60099

The meeting will be an open house format. Interested persons may visit anytime between 4:00 and 7:00 p.m. to view a PowerPoint presentation, view exhibits, and speak with study team representatives. IDOT will also hold workshops during the open house where you can join your fellow community members in discussing and identifying possible solutions that will address the deficiencies and needs of the area.

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This meeting will be accessible to handicapped individuals. Anyone needing specific assistance should contact Mary Rose Donahue of Images, Inc. at (630) 510-3944. Persons planning to attend who will need a sign language interpreter or other similar accommodations should notify the TTY/TTD number (800) 526-0844/or 711; TTY users (Spanish) (800) 501-0864/or 711; and for Telebraille dial (877) 526-6670 at least five days prior to the meeting.

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