Welcome

Community Advisory Group Meeting

9/11/2018



Meeting Agenda

Introductions and Project Overview

IL 31 Update

Roadway Improvements

- Nesler Road to Old Barn Road
- Longcommon Parkway
- Grace St. Interchange
- Fox River Bridge

Other Project Components

- Noise Analysis
- Drainage Improvements
- Multi-use Trail
- Right-of-way Acquisition
- Cost Estimate

Next Steps

Small Group Discussion

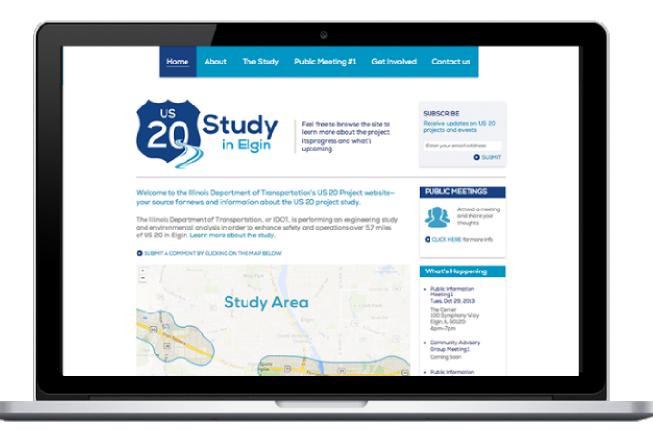




Introductions



Resources



Website: us20elginstudy.com

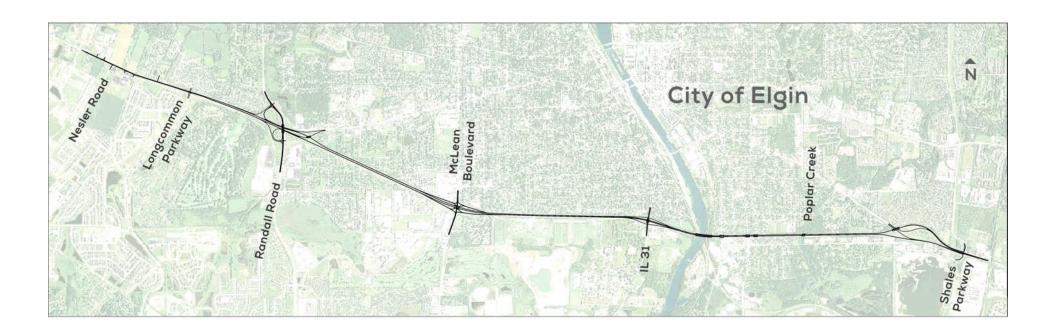




Project Overview



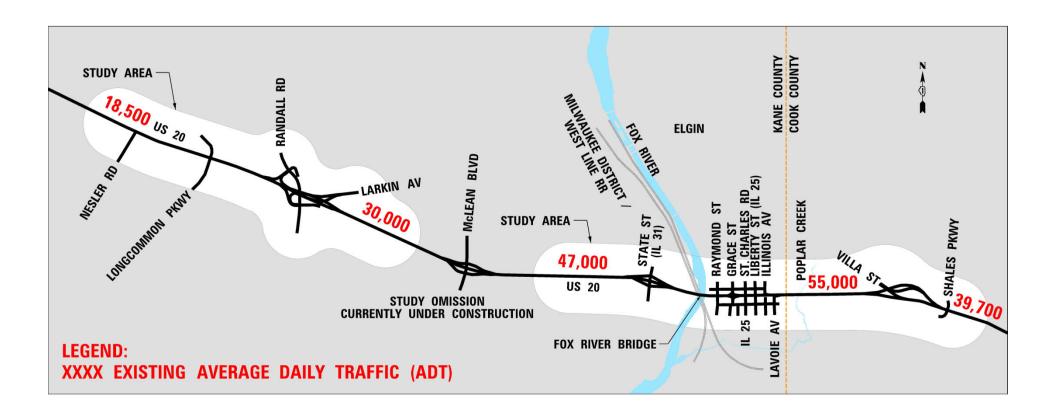
Study Area





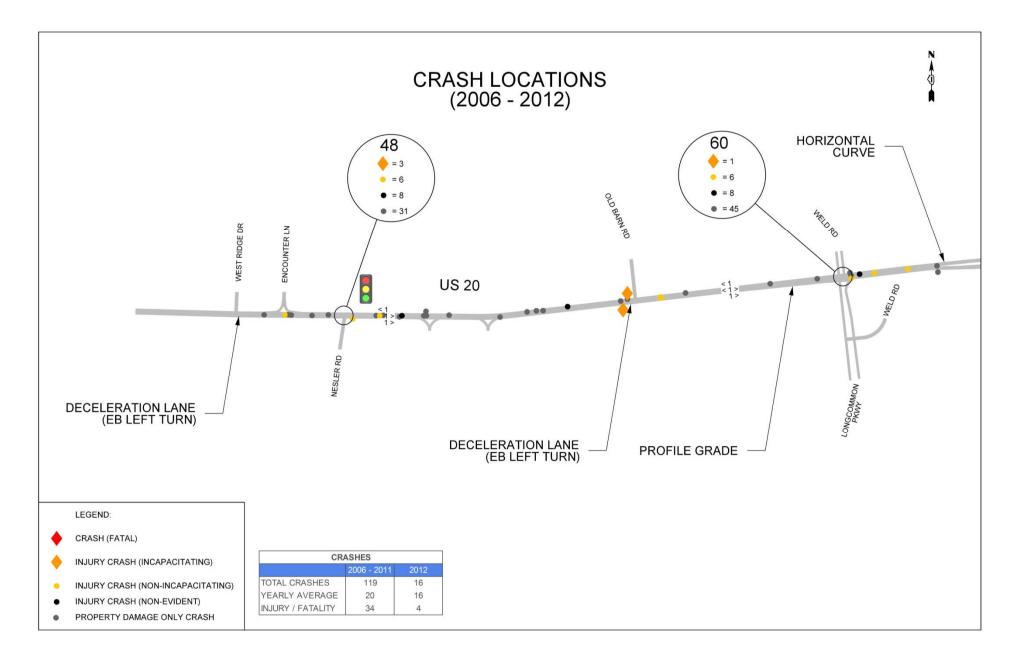


Existing Average Daily Traffic Volumes



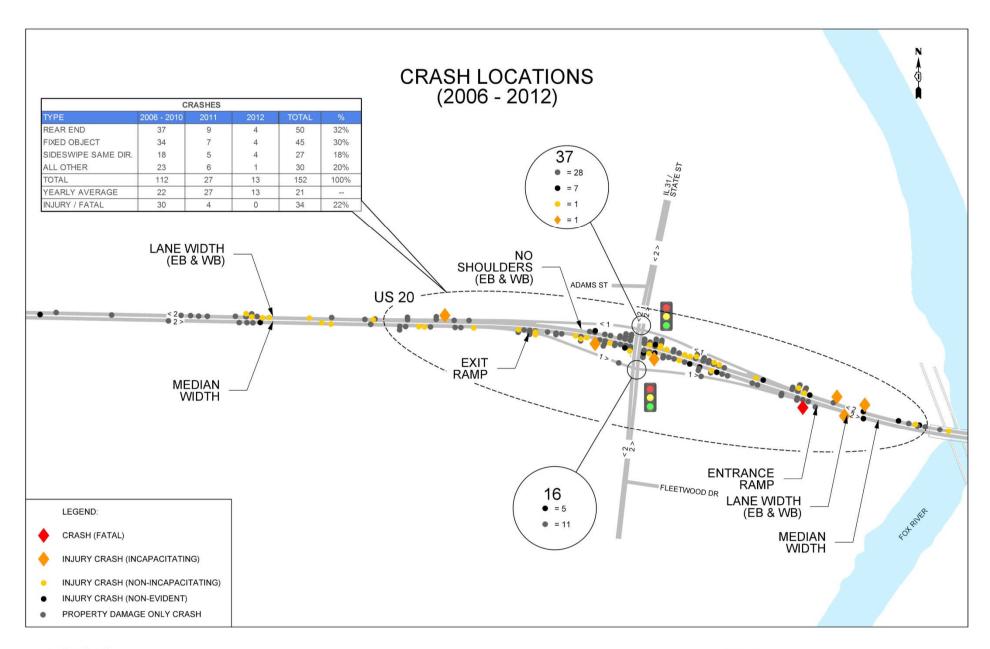






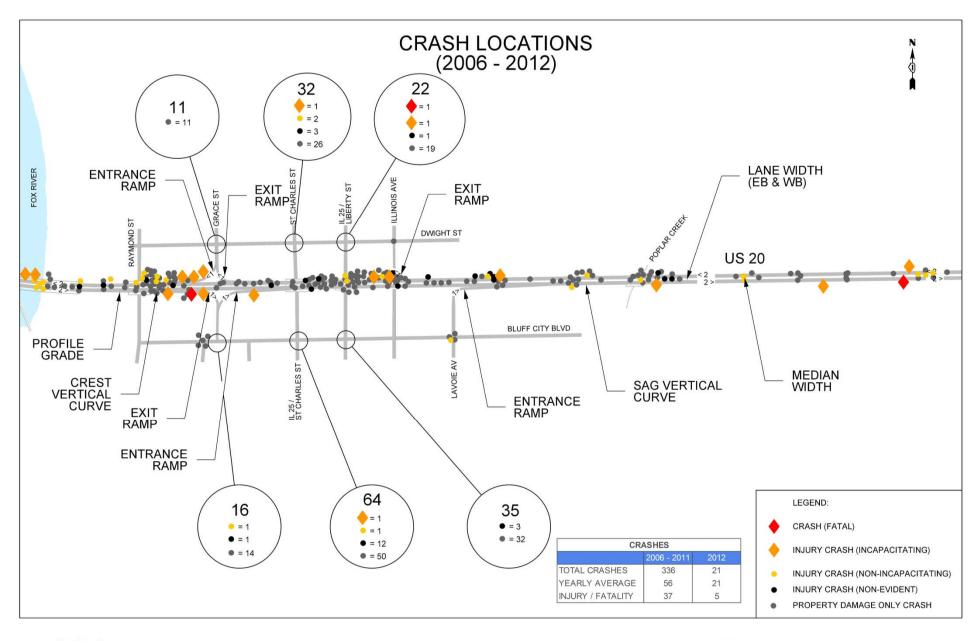








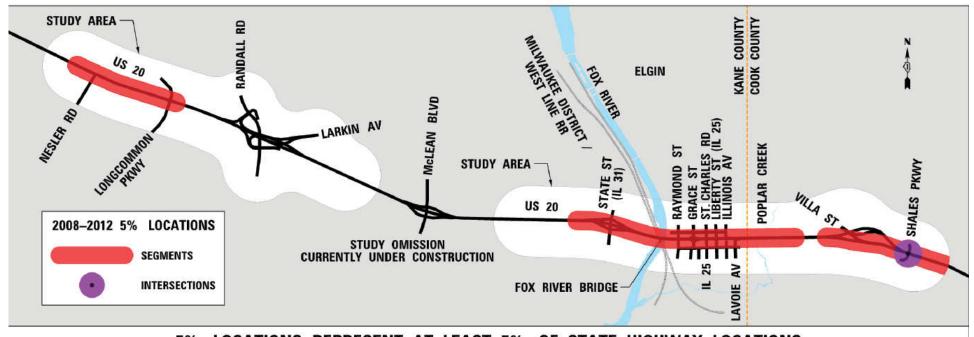








Current Conditions 5% Locations



5% LOCATIONS REPRESENT AT LEAST 5% OF STATE HIGHWAY LOCATIONS EXHIBITING THE MOST PRESSING SAFETY NEEDS





Project Schedule

Phase I

- Preliminary engineering
- Environmental studies

TIMELINE

2013-2018

Phase II*

- Contract plan preparation
- Right-of-way acquisition

TIMELINE

Schedule to be determined.

*Phase II for the IL 31 bridge replacement over US 20 is scheduled to begin in 2018. Phase II for the full US 20 corridor is not currently included in the Department's FY 2019-2024 Proposed Multi-Modal Transportation Improvement Program.

Phase III**

Construction

TIMELINE

Schedule to be determined.

**Construction of the IL 31 bridge replacement over US 20 is scheduled to begin in 2022. Phase III for the remainder of the US 20 corridor is not currently included in the Department's FY 2019-2024 Proposed Highway Improvement Program.





= We Are here



Phase I Milestones







Public Information Meeting #1

October 29, 2013

48

People attended the meeting

20

People signed up to join the CAG

10

Comment forms were submitted

Majority of the comments received were related to safety, noise, and congestion.







CAG Meeting #1

February 20, 2014

At the first meeting, the following issues and concerns were identified:

- Safety
- Bike/pedestrian facilities
- Economic development
- Public transportation
- Environmental/community areas to preserve







PROBLEM STATEMENT

Transportation problems along US 20 from Randall Road to Shales Parkway include safety, mobility, and access for all transportation modes. There is a lack of efficient access for emergency vehicles, and there are limited non-motorized crossings and connections. Providing opportunity areas for aesthetic treatments to enhance economic opportunities is also important. Improvement alternatives are limited to maintenance activities.





PURPOSE AND NEED STATEMENT

The purpose of the proposed improvement is to extend the service life of the US 20 mainline and bridges, enhance safety, and address mobility issues. In addition to serving the motoring public, the proposed action will also address the need for emergency vehicle access and safe access for pedestrians and bicyclists crossing the US 20 corridor.





CAG Meeting #2

December 2, 2014

At the second meeting, we discussed:

- The Problem statement and Purpose & Need statement
- Evaluation criteria for roadway segments and bridges
- Potential improvements







What has IDOT done since the last meeting?

- Completed the Phase I study for the IL 31 bridge near US 20.
- A concept for a new Fox River Bridge has been developed.
- A noise study was completed for the US 20 project.
- Minor design revisions throughout the study area





Illinois Route 31 Update

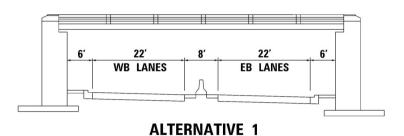


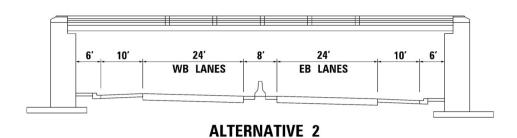


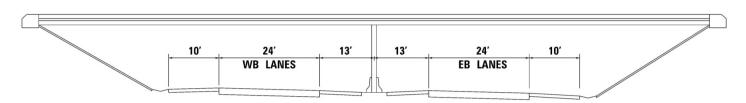




IL 31 BRIDGE



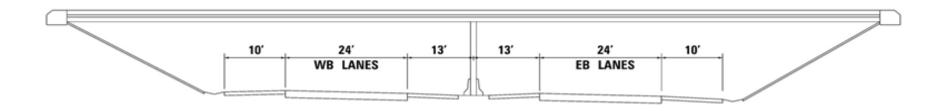




ALTERNATIVE 3
(ACCOMMODATES POTENTIAL FUTURE LANE ARRANGEMENT)







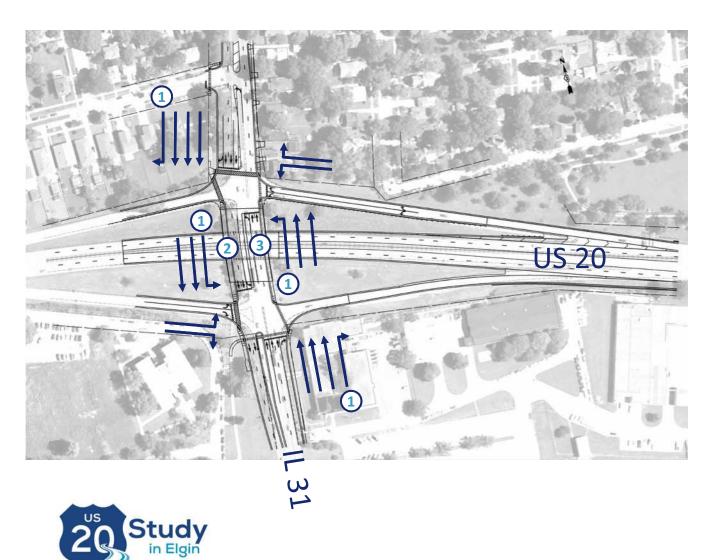
Alternative 3, presented at CAG #2, is the approved alternative.

The project is included in the Department's FY 2019-2024 Proposed Multi-Modal Transportation Improvement Program.

ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST \$10.6 M







IMPROVEMENTS

IL 31 Bridge Replaced

- New dedicated turn lanes from IL 31 to ramps
- New shared use path on the west side of bridge
- Accommodates
 future widening and
 shoulders on US 20







Three types of land acquisition:

- Fee Simple
 - Acquisition of all rights and interest
- Permanent Easement
 - Ownership retained by property owner
 - IDOT allowed permanent use of property to construct and maintain facilities
- Temporary Easement
 - Ownership retained by property owner
 - Temporary use to construct minor improvements

Study in Elgin

Determine Ownership



Prepare Plat of Survey



Prepare Independent Appraisal



Negotiations with Property Owners



Court Proceedings if Necessary





Right-of-Way Acquisition

ROW Acquisition shown in yellow

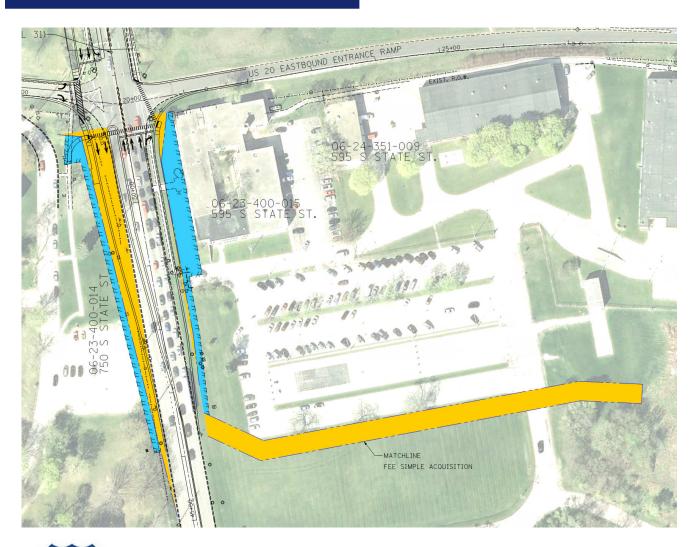
- Four parcels (0.81 acres) in the SW and SE quadrants
- Includes 690' long by 30' wide strip (0.48 acres) for new sewer in SE quadrant
- No buildings will be acquired

Temporary construction easements shown in blue

• Ten parcels (0.43 acres) in all four quadrants







Right-of-Way Acquisition

ROW Acquisition shown in yellow

- 690' long by 30' wide strip (0.48 acres) for new sewer
- Two parcels in SW quadrant (0.30 acres)
- One parcel in SE quadrant (0.02 acres)
- No buildings will be acquired

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- One parcel (0.21 acres) in SE quadrant
- Two parcels in SW quadrant (0.13 acres)







Right-of-Way Acquisition

Temporary construction easements shown in blue

- Six parcels (0.07 acres) on the east side of IL 31
- One parcel (0.02 acres) on the west side of IL 31

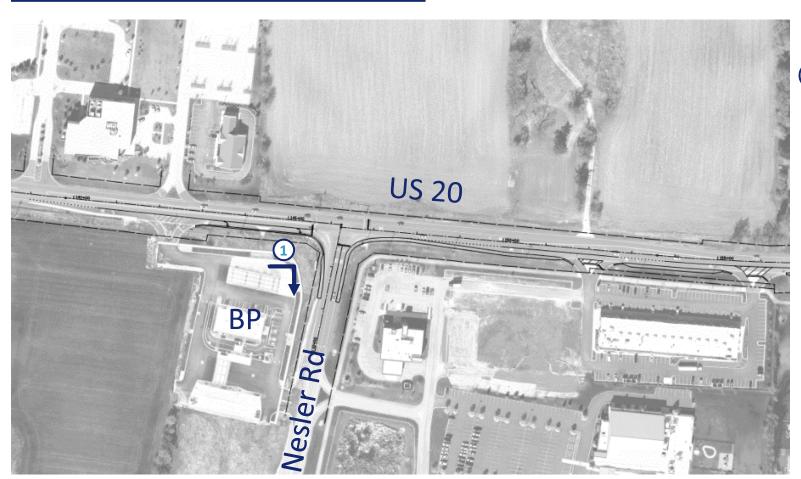




US 20 Roadway Improvements



Nesler Rd. to Old Barn Rd.



IMPROVEMENTS

Right turn lane from US 20 to Nesler Rd





Longcommon Pkwy./Weld Rd.



IMPROVEMENTS

- Right turn only from SB Weld Rd. to US 20
- "Restricted Crossing U-Turn" (RCUT) for SB to EB traffic. Also known as "Michigan Left."
- Free flow right turn lane from Longcommon
 Pkwy. to EB US 20





Longcommon Pkwy./Weld Rd.

Benefits of proposed Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT) movement

- The design improves safety and access by separating turning conflicts into two parts:
 - Right turn from SB Weld only requires gaps in WB traffic
 - U-turn to EB US 20 only requires gaps in EB traffic
- Maintains traffic flow on US 20
- Between 80% to 90% of SB vehicles currently turn right at the intersection





RCUT Examples

Apex, NC







RCUT Examples

Vass, NC







RCUT Examples

Loris, SC

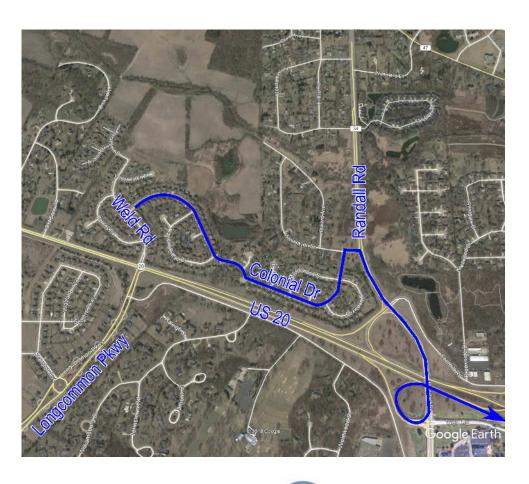




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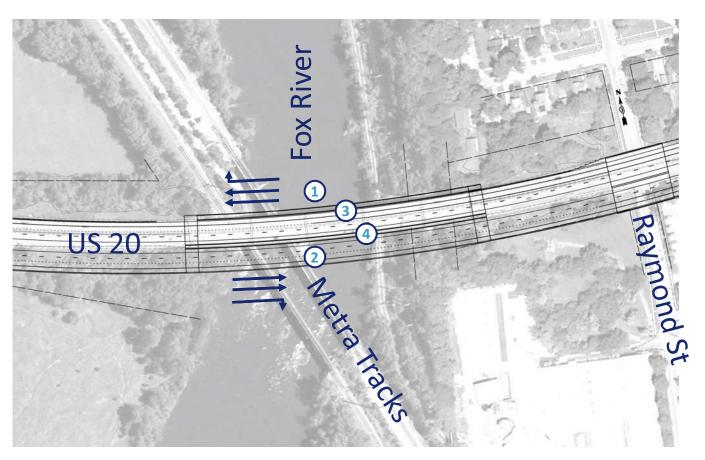
Alternate Route

 Traffic from neighborhood can continue to use Randall Road interchange to access EB US 20









IMPROVEMENTS

- New bridge
 over Fox River.
- New auxiliary lanes between IL 31 and IL 25
- 3 New shared use path over Fox River
- A New shoulders from IL 31 to Grace St provide improved safety and space for emergency vehicles.





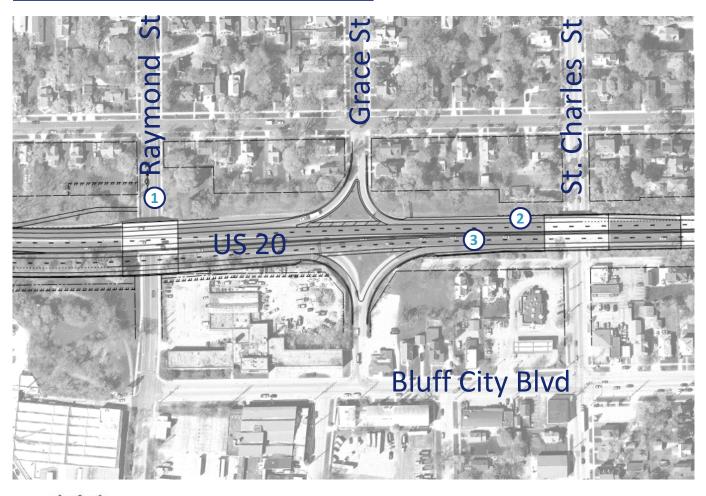
Benefits of new bridge

- Replacing a structure originally constructed in 1961
- Increased mobility across river
- Pedestrian and bicycle access across river
- Two lanes in each direction maintained during construction





Grace St. Interchange



IMPROVEMENTS

- Widen bridge over Raymond St.
- Extend deceleration lane lengths at Grace St. and Illinois Ave.
- 3 Extend acceleration lane lengths at Grace St. and Lavoie Ave.





Other Project Components



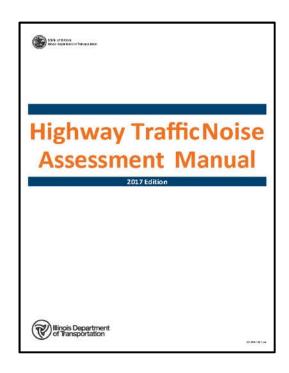




Traffic noise regulations guide everything we do for our noise analyses.

The Federal Highway Administration's traffic noise regulations are the basis of every state's individual traffic noise policies and guidance. The IDOT Highway Traffic Noise Assessment Manual is our state's guidance document for traffic noise work.

Manual can be found online at www.idot.illinois.gov







The Process

MEASURE

existing noise levels at 13 locations representing 52 "receptors"

PREDICT

future noise levels **DETERMINE**

noise impacts

CONSIDER

noise walls





The Outcome

11 noise walls were found to be reasonable and feasible for the corridor.

- See exhibit for potential locations
- View points from the community on the 11 identified noise walls will be collected during Phase II design.





Sample noise walls











Multi-use Trail





Multi-use Trail

The City of Elgin identified several priority bike routes as part of their Bicycle Master Plan.

Bikeway Route 4

A 5.4-mile long route connecting the southwest side of the City, to the Elgin Sports Complex, and downtown.

The IL 31 Bridge will create a connection to Marie Groelich Park and new US 20 Bridge over the Fox River.

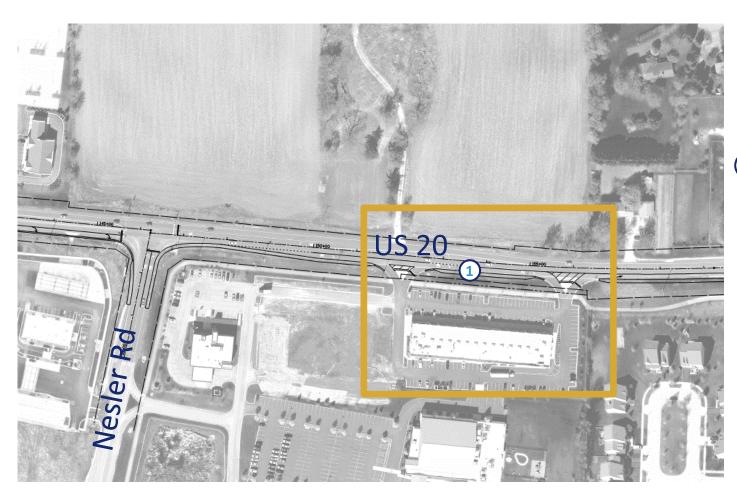




Right-of-Way Acquisition and Easements





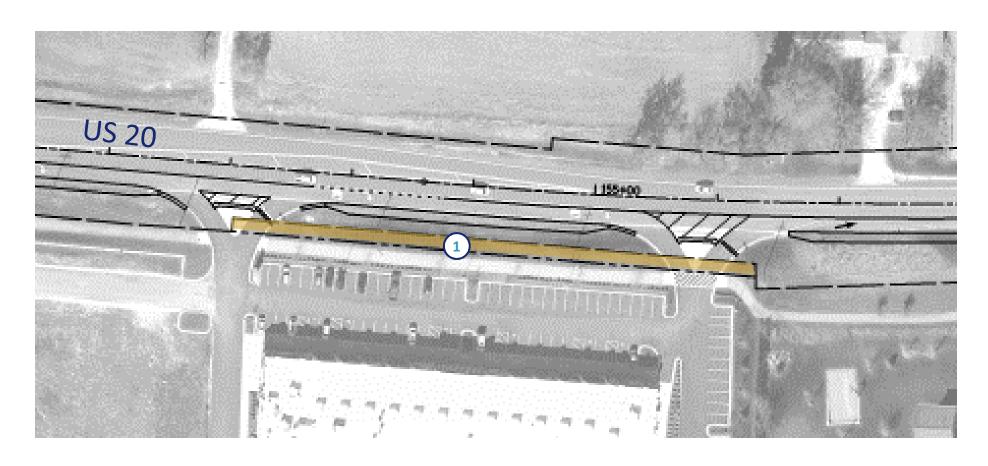


East of Nesler Rd.

1 0.11 acres of ROW for drainage

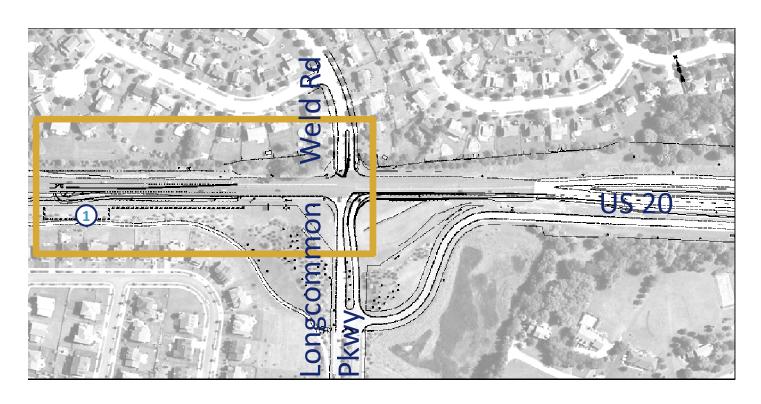










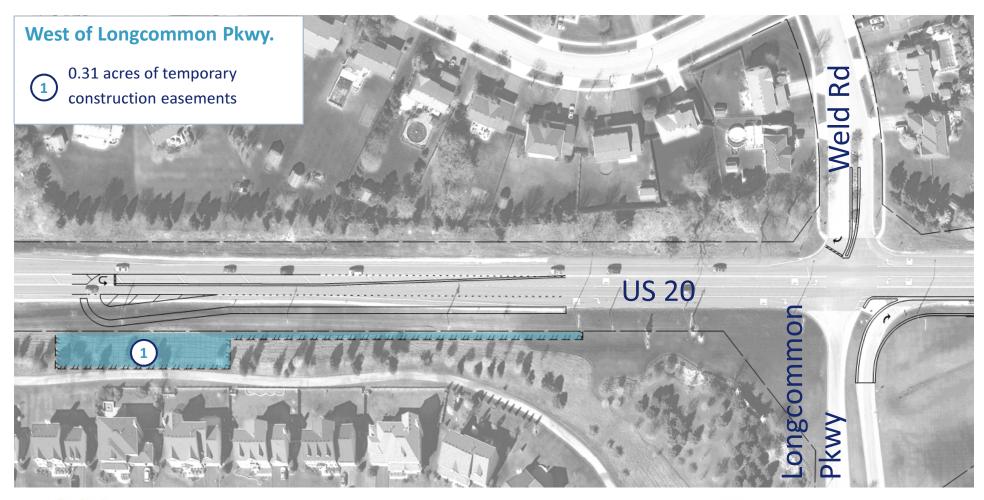


West of Longcommon Pkwy.

1 0.31 acres of temporary construction easements

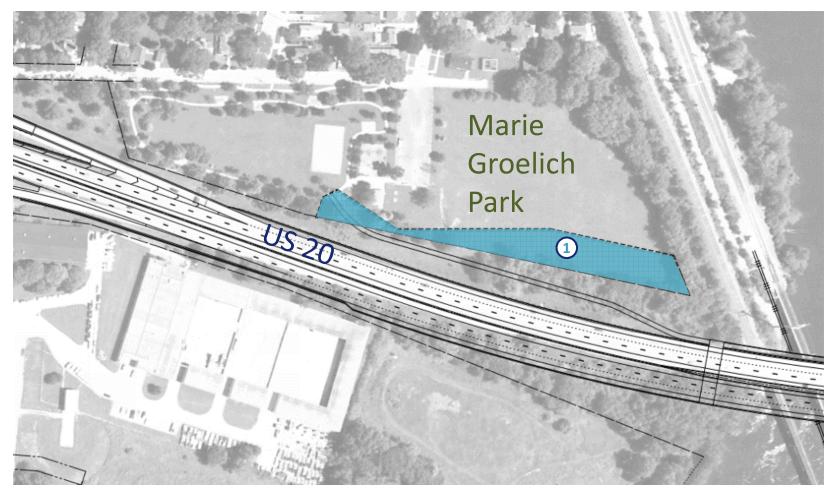










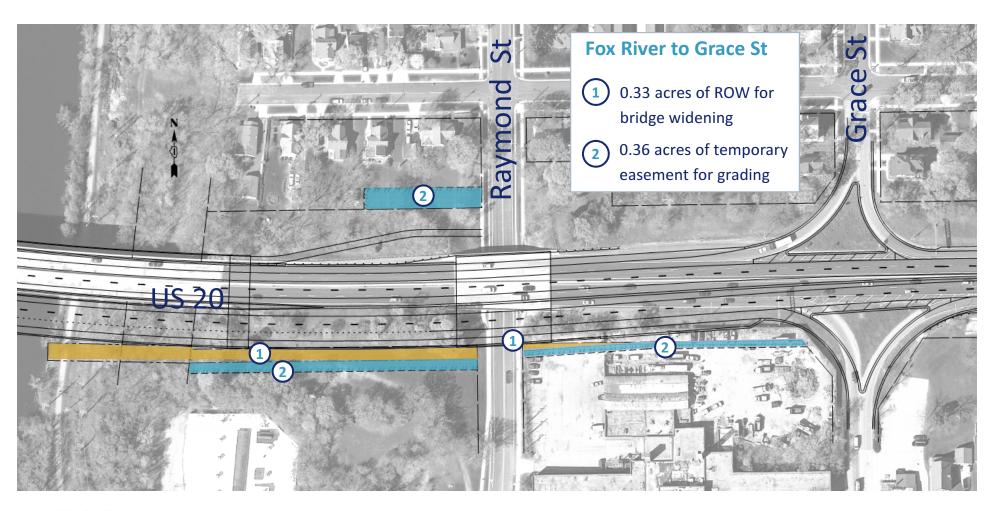




IL 31 to Fox River

0.95 acres of temporary construction easement in Marie Grolich Park for grading









Cost Estimate





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The proposed roadway improvements include the replacement of the Fox River Bridge, and rehabilitation of other bridges.

ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST

\$80 M

FUNDING

Phase II and III are currently not funded



Next Steps



Next Steps

- 1 Finalize recommended alternatives.
- 2 Inform community of upcoming public meeting.
- 3 Present alternatives at next public meeting.





Small Group Discussion



Thank You

