

PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING
ILLINOIS 177 IN MASCOUTAH STUDY
Mascoutah High School Gymnasium
March 18, 2026



WELCOME!

Welcome to the Public Informational Meeting for the Illinois 177 in Mascoutah Study in St. Clair County, Illinois.

The purpose of the public meeting is to provide information about the existing conditions on Illinois 177 within the project limits which are from County Road to Mine Road; discuss corridor improvement options; inform the public of the project schedule; and to receive public input.

By providing your input, IDOT can determine the most feasible options for making corridor-wide improvements. Please submit your questions and comments this evening, mail in the provided comment form, or submit online via the project website. Comments can be submitted until April 1, 2026.

The meeting is Open House format; no presentation will be made. Please browse the available materials at your leisure. Representatives of the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and IDOT's consultant team, are available to answer any questions that you may have.

Study Purpose

IDOT is conducting preliminary engineering and environmental studies, referred to as the Phase I study for Illinois 177 in Mascoutah, to determine replacement options for the Illinois 177 pavement. During Phase I, proposed geometry, environmental concerns, and required right-of-way will be identified. At the end of Phase I, a report will be completed that documents the studies and the overall process.

IDOT Project Process

IDOT has a three-phase project development process, as shown on the timeline graphic below. All three phases are currently identified in IDOT's FY 2026-2031 Proposed Highway and Multimodal Improvement Program.

Project History

Within the limits of this project, IL 177 (18' to 29' wide) was constructed in 1921. Subsequent work on the pavement was completed in 1957, 1988, 2002, and 2020. The roadway pavement has reached the end of its design life. IDOT has determined that this pavement needs replaced.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the purpose of this study?

The purpose is to evaluate replacing the existing pavement, intersection improvements, drainage improvements, and bike and pedestrian accommodation improvements.

How will traffic be managed during construction of this project?

This has not yet been determined. IDOT strives to manage traffic during construction to minimize inconvenience to the motoring public.

Will the project require land from my property?

The study is in its early stages and it is too soon to know if land will be required from surrounding properties.

What is the current stage of the project?

The project is currently in Phase I, where environmental concerns, public involvement, and preliminary engineering are defined.

Will bike and pedestrian accommodations be considered for this project?

Yes, bicycle and pedestrian accommodations will be considered during the study.



How Can You Get Involved?

Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS)

The Illinois 177 in Mascoutah Study will be using Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS). CSS is "a collaborative, interdisciplinary approach involving all stakeholders to develop a transportation facility that fits its physical setting and preserves scenic, aesthetic, historic, and environmental resources, while maintaining safety and mobility." For more information about the CSS Process, visit the project website at:

<https://idot.click/IL-177-St-Clair>

WANTED! YOUR INPUT

We also seek your input on the user experience of the existing IL 177 pavement. From your personal experience traveling the route, please let us know what you see as problems with the roadway and what improvements could be made. Your questions, comments, and input are greatly appreciated! You may fill out the comment form and return it today, mail it to the address on the form, or complete via the project website by April 1, 2026. All comments received will become part of the permanent record for the project and included in the final project report.

Project Website

<https://idot.click/IL-177-St-Clair>

All displays from the Public Meeting will be posted to the project website

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