

Minutes Monthly Progress Meeting for April 2021 Wolf Road Reconstruction Phase I Study Village of Indian Head Park, Illinois April 5, 2021, 2 P.M.

Invitee	Representing	Present	Absent
John DuRocher, Village Administrator	Village of Indian Head Park (Village)	\boxtimes	
Tom Hinshaw, Village President	Village of Indian Head Park		
Shawn Kennedy, Village Trustee	Village of Indian Head Park		\square
Katie Bell, P.E., Project Studies Manager	Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (County)		
Sanjay Joshi, P.E., Project Manager	Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways		
Darcie Gabrisko, P.E., Project Manager	Strand Associates, Inc.® (Engineer)	\boxtimes	
Matt Gazdziak, P.E., Project Engineer	Strand Associates, Inc.®	\boxtimes	
Raymond Pu, E.I.T., Roadway Engineer	Strand Associates, Inc.®	\boxtimes	
Tony Spinelli, P.E., CFM, Village Engineer	Strand Associates, Inc.®	\boxtimes	

A virtual meeting was held on Monday, April 5, 2021, at 2 P.M. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss items that have been advanced since the previous monthly progress meeting, items that are anticipated to be advanced before the next monthly progress meeting, and any other items related to the progress of the project.

1. Items Advanced Since Previous Meeting

- a. The Draft Crash Analysis Report and Draft Traffic Capacity Report were submitted to the County and Village for review on April 2, 2021.
 - (1) The Draft Traffic Capacity Report includes discussion on a proposed alternative: a three-lane section with one through lane in each direction and a two-way left-turn lane (TWLTL). This is presently understood to be the most appropriate proposed alternative for the corridor. A second proposed alternative can be evaluated by Engineer if a viable option is identified by County or Village as part of their reviews.
 - (2) The Draft Traffic Capacity Report includes discussion on why other potential proposed alternatives (raised curb median and traversable TWLTL median) were determined to not be viable options for the corridor. County and Village agreed that a raised curb median would be undesirable along the corridor, although it was acknowledged that IDOT may request it at the intersection of Wolf Road and Joliet Road.
 - (3) The Draft Traffic Capacity Report recommends that two currently unsignalized intersections along the corridor include traffic signals in the proposed conditions because of those intersections meeting traffic signal warrants. The intersection of Wolf Road and 72nd Street met the peak-hour traffic signal warrant. The intersection of Wolf Road and the I-294 off-ramp met the four-hour and peak-hour traffic signal warrants. It is understood that the County will review these recommendations as part of its overall report review.
- b. The existing hydraulic analyses and location drainage analysis were advanced and are nearing completion.
- c. The Preliminary Environmental Site Assessment (PESA) was advanced and is nearing completion.

2. Items to be Advanced Before the Next Meeting

a. The Existing Hydraulic Analysis Reports, Existing Location Drainage Report, and PESA are anticipated to be completed and submitted to the County and Village for review in April 2021.



- b. Preparations will be made to present the project at an upcoming IDOT and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) coordination meeting. The desired outcome of this initial coordination meeting will be to introduce the overall scope of the project, receive concurrence on the logical termini, present existing corridor deficiencies, and present the proposed corridor alternative(s).
 - (1) The discussion of existing corridor deficiencies will stem from the various existing conditions analyses that currently are (or will soon be) under review by the County and Village. The County and Village deliverable review timelines will determine which coordination meeting to attend. It is anticipated the project will be presented at either the June or July 2021 coordination meeting.
 - (2) The discussion of the proposed corridor alternative(s) will only focus on the general typical section, which is anticipated to be a three-lane section with one through lane in each direction and a TWLTL. A shared-use path is anticipated to be included on one side of the roadway and a sidewalk is anticipated on the opposite side of the roadway. After concurrence of the proposed corridor alternative is received, the proposed components of the alternative can be further refined, as necessary. It is anticipated that variations of smaller design elements, such as shared-use path and sidewalk layout or intersection geometry, will be developed as the preliminary design process is advanced.
 - (3) The decision of whether to host the first Public Information Meeting in a virtual or in-person format will not be made before the coordination meeting. If the decision is ultimately made to pursue a virtual Public Information Meeting, that will be coordinated with IDOT separately. It is anticipated that a Public Involvement Plan will need to be reviewed by IDOT before the planning of a virtual Public Information Meeting. The Village indicated that it would follow County guidance on what format the first Public Information Meeting is held in. This decision will be made at a later date.

3. <u>Items for Which Input is Needed</u>

The wetland JD has not yet been received from the USACE.

4. <u>Anticipated Submittal Schedule</u>

- a. The Existing Hydraulic Analysis Reports, Existing Location Drainage Report, and PESA are anticipated to be submitted to the County and Village for review in April 2021.
- b. Once the wetland JD is received from the USACE, the Wetland Delineation Report will be submitted concurrently to the County and IDOT for review.

5. Open Forum

- a. The status of the BCR has not changed since the previous Monthly Progress Meeting. Existing structure conditions have been documented, but discussion of each structure's hydraulic adequacy is waiting on that analysis to be completed. Once the existing hydraulic conditions are understood and concurrence has been provided from the County, and the proposed corridor typical section is known, the BCRs can be advanced.
- b. None of the ESR clearances have been received from IDOT yet.



6. <u>Next Meeting</u>

Because of conflicts, the previously scheduled Monthly Progress Meeting for May will be rescheduled to May 10, 2021 at 2 P.M. via Microsoft Teams Meeting.

If there are any additions or comments, please call 815-744-4200 ext. 3124.

Prepared and respectfully submitted by Matthew J. Gazdziak, P.E.

c: All Participants

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