



Illinois 83/137 Study

CAG MEETING #2 – PROBLEM STATEMENT – DRAFT

The definition of a Problem Statement, as defined by the IDOT Context Sensitive Solutions policy, is a concise narrative prepared at the start of a project to define the **problem** to be solved.

The issues and concerns identified by the CAG during their meeting held on June 19th, 2012, are as follows:

- Safety
- Access
- Schools
- Bicycles/Pedestrian
- Multi-Modal transportation
- Protect environmental features

Considering these issues and concerns, the following is a suggested Problem Statement:

“The environment surrounding IL 83 and IL 137 from IL 132 to U.S. 45 in Lake County is encompassed by homes, numerous schools, businesses, parks and open lands that have shaped the surrounding communities character and values. The restricted flow of traffic and lack of connectivity to these important resources creates an impediment to mobility and access for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclists. It is essential that the IL 83/IL 137 project preserve these community characteristics while improving the overall safety, identifying multi-modal opportunities, and reducing congestion.”