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Ms. Erin Aleman
Director of Planning and Programming
Illinois Department of Transportation
2300 South Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, IL 62764

Subject: Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Amendment
Alexander County, Illinois

Dear Ms. Aleman:

We approve the amendment to the FY 2018-2021 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as submitted with your letter dated June 27, 2018 for a state program project in Alexander County, Illinois.

Based on the Federal Highway Administration, Illinois Division's ongoing Federal oversight of the planning activities in Illinois, we find that the transportation planning process substantially meets the planning requirements described in 23 CFR 450. We can now consider project authorization requests related to this STIP amendment.

Sincerely,

J.D. Stevenson
Planning, Environment and Right-of-Way
Team Leader

Enclosure

ecc: Ms. Justine Sydello, Deputy Secretary, IDOT
Mr. Omer Osman, Deputy Secretary, IDOT
Mr. Paul Loete, Director of Office of Highways and Project Implementation, IDOT
Ms. Tracinda Sisk, Bureau of Programming, IDOT



Illinois Department of Transportation

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June 27, 2018

Ms. Catherine A. Batey
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
3250 Executive Park Drive
Springfield, Illinois 62703

Attention: J. D. Stevenson

Dear Ms. Batey:

Enclosed for your approval and use in accordance with paragraph 23 CFR 450.220 is a copy of an amendment to the Amended FY 2018-2021 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for Illinois. The Department is authorizing this amendment to the STIP.

The projects listed in this amendment are for state program projects that are not in a Metropolitan Planning Organization area. These projects were placed in local newspapers for a 15-day comment period and received no comments. Therefore, the public involvement requirements are met.

We consider the estimate of costs included in the STIP to be realistic. We concur with the fiscal consistency analysis included in the STIP. The total cost of the STIP remains consistent with the amount of funds expected to be available to this area during the STIP time period. The Department, on behalf of the Governor of Illinois, concurs with the project listed in this STIP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Erin Aleman', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Erin Aleman
Director
Office of Planning and Programming

Enclosure

No STIP Public Comments Received

District 9

District 9

Route/Street	County	Location	Improvements	Est. Cost	STIP #
I 57	ALEXANDER	MISSISSIPPI RIVER BRIDGE AT WCL OF CAIRO	BRIDGE DECK SEALING	\$60,000 NHPP - STATE NHPP - STATE MATCH ADJ STATE TO ILL	199004091900
I 64	WHITE	WABASH RIVER BRIDGES	BRIDGE DECK REPAIRS BRIDGE JOINT REPAIR	\$600,000 NHPP - STATE NHPP - STATE MATCH ADJ STATE TO ILL	199777401800
US 51 US 60 US 62	ALEXANDER	OHIO RIVER BRIDGE 1 MI S OF CAIRO	P.E. (PHASE I)	\$8,000,000 NHPP - STATE ILL TO ADJ STATE	199006001001

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L1495 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT WHITE COUNTY, ILLINOIS PATRICK WEBB OIL, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. TAMARA MORRIS, JEFF RICE LOFA E. LAMB a/k/a LORA E. SETTERS, and PAULA SETTERS, Defendants.
No. 17-CH-18
NOTICE OF RECEIVER'S SALE
NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to Order of the Circuit Court of White County, Illinois entered on the 30th day of May, 2018, Lisa Stinson, as Receiver, will, on the 10th day of July, 2018 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., sell at public auction at the east door of the White County Courthouse, Carmi, Illinois, all of the right, title and interests of Tamara Morris and Jeff Rice in and to the following described Oil and Gas Leases, to include their proportionate part of the personal property and equipment situate thereon, including but not limited to all rods, tubing, pumping units, casing, subsurface pumps, well heads, fittings, flow lines, tanks, separators, walkways, electrical equipment, motors and all personal property of every kind, character or description situate thereon and used in conjunction therewith:
James Harrell #1: Countrymark Refining and Logistics, LLC Lease #42424
Oil and Gas Lease dated May 10, 1985 from James S. Harrell, Lessor, to RJK Oil Company, Lessee, of record in Book 175, Page 267, in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; Oil and Gas Lease dated May 17, 1985 from Robert N. Harrell, Lessor, to RJK Oil Company, Lessee, of record in Book 179, Page 240, in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; INSOFPAR as said Oil and Gas Leases cover the following described lands:
The South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 7 South, Range 6 East, White County, Illinois; all as more specifically described in the Complaint heretofore filed in the above entitled cause.
This sale will be subject to the lien of all unpaid taxes. The successful bidder will be required to deposit the purchase price in full on the date of sale, with conveyance to be by Receiver's Assignment after approval of the sale by the Circuit Court of White County, Illinois.
This receiver's sale is subject to confirmation by the Circuit Court of White County, Illinois.
LISA STINSON, Receiver

L1496 STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT WHITE COUNTY PATRICK WEBB OIL, LLC, PLAINTIFF, vs. PUCKETT ENERGY CO. a/k/a PUCKETT ENERGY CO., L.P. a Colorado Business Entity not authorized to transact business in the State of Illinois. UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.
No. 2018-CH-10
NOTICE OF RECEIVER'S SALE
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Mary Beck: Countrymark Refining and Logistics, LLC Lease #13286
Oil and Gas Lease dated December 1, 1979 from Edward J. Beck and Mary Elizabeth Beck, Lessor, to Basin Energy Corp., Lessee, of record in Oil and Gas Book 138, Page 571 in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; Oil and Gas Lease dated December 1, 1979 from Charles Merritt and Violet Merritt, Lessor, to Basin Energy Corp., Lessee, of record in Oil and Gas Book 138, Page 573 in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; Oil and Gas Lease dated December 1, 1979 from Patricia Watson Shaw, Lessor, to Basin Energy Corp., Lessee, of record in Oil and Gas Book 138, Page 575, in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; Oil and Gas Lease dated December 1, 1979 from Widney Watson Peltzer, Lessor, to Basin Energy Corp., Lessee, of record in Oil and Gas Book 139, Page 331, in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; Oil and Gas Lease dated January 30, 1980 from Joan D. Etchison, Lessor, to Central Oil Co., Lessee, of record in Oil and Gas Book 139, Page 339, in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; Oil and Gas Lease dated December 1, 1979 from Carolyn B. Ferguson, Lessor, to Central Oil Co., Lessee, of record in Oil and Gas Book 139, Page 341, in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; Oil and Gas Lease dated March 31, 1980 from William E. Borah and Dan Borah, Lessor, to Central Oil Co., Lessee, of record in Oil and Gas Book 139, Page 700, in the Recorder's Office of White County, Illinois; INSOFPAR as said Leases cover the following described lands, to-wit:
The Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 4 and the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 5, all in Township 7 South, Range 6 East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, White County, Illinois; all as more specifically described in the Complaint heretofore filed in the above entitled cause.
This sale will be subject to the lien of all unpaid taxes. The successful bidder will be required to deposit the purchase price in full on the date of sale, with conveyance to be by Receiver's Assignment after approval of the sale by the Circuit Court of White County, Illinois.
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L1497 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT WHITE COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SAMUEL BRAD ROE, Deceased.
2018-CH-4
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION (NOTICE OF PUBLICATION-CLAIMS)
Notice is given of the death of Samuel Brad Roe, 549 County Road 1200N, Enfield, Illinois 62835.
Letters of Office were issued on the 2nd day of February, 2018, to Mitchell B. Roe whose attorney is The Law Offices of Matthew L. McArthy, LLC, 1220 East Main Street, Suite D, P.O. Box 519, Carmi, Illinois 62821. Claims against said Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this Court in the Courthouse in Carmi, Illinois 62821, or with the representatives, or both on or before December 6, 2018, or within 3 months from the date of the mailing or delivery of this notice to each creditor whose name and post office address is known or reasonably ascertainable by the representatives who never is later. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representatives and to the Attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
DATED: June 1, 2018
Matthew L. McArthy
Attorney No. 6293522
Attorney for Estate
The Law Offices of Matthew L. McArthy, LLC
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Carmi, IL 62821
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LEGAL NOTICE

L1498 Notice of intent to convert a production well to a secondary recovery well in White County, Illinois To whom it may concern, Notice is hereby given that on May 30th, 2018, Shawnee Exploration Partners, LLC, P.O. Box 338, Carmi, Illinois 62821, filed an application with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Mines and Minerals, to convert the Morris #C-6 production well to an injection well for the purpose of secondary recovery utilizing produced formation brine. The legal description of the proposed well is: 330 North and 660 West of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section Twenty-Five (25), Township Three (3) South, Range Ten (10) East in White County, Illinois. Injection will be confined to the Warsaw Limestone from 3830' to 3894'. The maximum proposed injection pressure will be 1,800 PSI at a maximum rate of 1,000 barrels (bbls) per day. The public has fifteen (15) days from the date of this publication to comment in writing to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Mines and Minerals, Division of Oil and Gas, One Natural Resource Way, Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271, telephone (217) 782-7756. Sincerely, Brandon Sherfield Authorized agent for Shawnee Exploration Partners, LLC 11june5

L1499 Notice of intent to convert a production well to a secondary recovery well in White County, Illinois To whom it may concern, Notice is hereby given that on May 30th, 2018, Shawnee Exploration Partners, LLC, P.O. Box 338, Carmi, Illinois 62821, filed an application with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Mines and Minerals, to convert the Hubert Hanks #1 production well to an injection well for the purpose of secondary recovery utilizing produced formation brine. The legal description of the proposed well is: 330 North and 660 East of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section Thirty-Six (36), Township Three (3) South, Range Ten (10) East in White County, Illinois. Injection will be confined to the Aux Vases Sandstone from 3050' to 3070' and the Salem Limestone from 3630' to 3840'. The maximum proposed injection pressure will be 1,400 PSI at a maximum rate of 800 barrels (bbls) per day. The public has fifteen (15) days from the date of this publication to comment in writing to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Mines and Minerals, Division of Oil and Gas, One Natural Resource Way, Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271, telephone (217) 782-7756. Sincerely, Brandon Sherfield Authorized agent for Shawnee Exploration Partners, LLC 11june5

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The Ramblin' Man

By Dave Porter

The Cigar Shop

It was pretty quiet in the cigar shop in the late afternoon one day last week. Everybody had pretty well upset each other to the point that everyone just sat there brooding.

It all started over some TV actress who said something somebody didn't like. Then people criticized her, and her supporters didn't like that.

"She has the right to say what she wants," Mitch declared, to which Alan said others have a right to criticize. Paul, who knows it all, started a dissertation on social decorum as he rubbed the brar box of his cigar in his typically snobbish fashion.

Alan started swearing at Paul. Paul kept on with his sermon but at a higher pitch and more decibels. He objected to Alan's choice of words, so Tristan, who doesn't usually say anything, said maybe Alan doesn't like Paul's tone and that yelling was just as offensive to some people as swearing and maybe more so.

Then came the debate about what speech is constitutionally protected and what isn't. What is racism and how do you define white supremacy. There were comments about the rights of an individual and the rights of one's employers. That brought in the whole NFL taking a knee discussion and a reference to the Kim Davis situation awhile back — she was the Kentucky clerk who wouldn't let gay people get married in her county.

More yelling. More swearing. It looked like it might break down into a free-for-all. I thought Big Vince might have come out of his chair and break people apart.

I just sat there and minded my own business like I always do. And if you believe that, I have some beachfront property in Arizona I'd like to sell you.

It went up so much the smoke alarm sounded and we thought the sprinkler system might come on. That might have been the best thing that could have happened at that point.

Just when I thought the pandemonium might turn into all-out war, Preacher Dan walked in. He observed the room for a moment or two and then took out a whistle from

his pants pocket and blew it loud and long. "I'm declaring a time-out," Dan said.

Everybody settled back down in their leather chairs and stared at the walls. I'm pretty sure Preacher Dan felt pretty good about blowing the whistle on us. But that's not what did the trick.

Unbeknownst to Dan, James had slipped in behind him and that pretty much took the wind out of everyone's sails.

James is black and the whole to-do was about racism and something ugly the actress had said regarding a black person. Funny how all the people supporting her right to say nasty things about a black person didn't seem to want to have that conversation in front of one. If you're not comfortable discussing your thoughts on race in front of a person of color, maybe you ought to look for other thoughts.

I'm not trying to preach at you. That's Dan's job. And, I have to say, there were points made on both sides of the argument. The liberals were just as offensive as the conservatives and the conservatives were just as sensitive about it as the liberals. We all have our differences of opinions, but we have a lot in common, too.

I've always said that I think the answer to most problems is almost always somewhere in the middle. People seem a bit less willing to bend these days.

I went over and sat down next to James. I took a cigar from my stash and handed it to him.

"What's this for?" he asked.

I just shrugged my shoulders. "No reason," I said.

I haven't been back to the shop since that day. I hope things have cooled off a bit. Maybe baseball season can help. Take care, make off

ferences. Sure, the conversation will still be divisive but hopefully more good-natured.

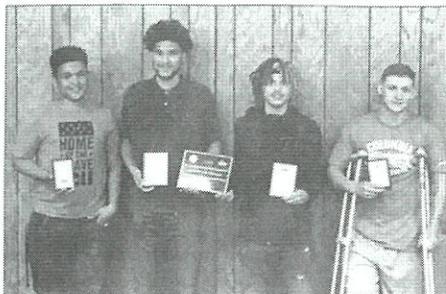
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Retiring



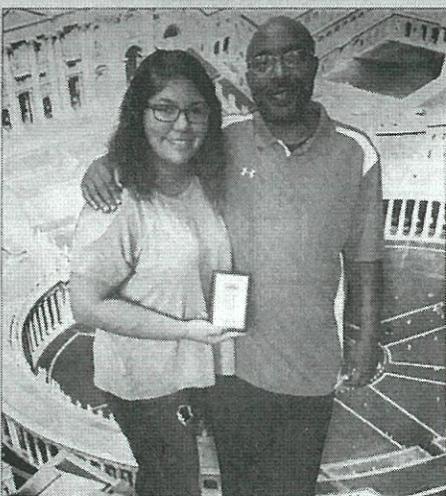
Janet Rose, Sharon Neely and Carol Stout retired from Cairo School District No. 1 at the end of the 2017-18 school year. Rose had 14 years of service, Neely had 20 and Stout had 35. — PROVIDED

Meridian HS Athletes Honored



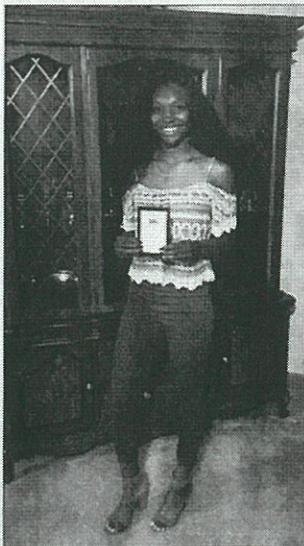
This Meridian foursome received recognition at the South Egyptian Conference's annual athletic awards dinner held in Cobden on May 24. Honored were (left to right) Cameron Rushing Moore for baseball; Darrel Lovell, who was selected to the first team and was the MVP for boys basketball; and Juan Silva, who also was named to the first team in boys basketball and Quentin Sharo, who was a member of the all-conference baseball team. Lovell and Jones are also displaying this conference championship plaque awarded to Meridian for being the undefeated boys basketball champion of the SEC. Also receiving recognition in boys basketball but not pictured was junior Eddie Robertson. — PROVIDED

All-Conference



Kaele Martin, pictured with Meridian coach Greg Harris, is displaying the plaque she received for being selected as a member of the South Egyptian All Conference softball team. — PROVIDED

Meridian's first all-conference volleyball player



Meridian's Cymone Ballard became the first Meridian athlete in the history of their volleyball program to be named to the South Egyptian Conference all-conference team. Cymone and other team members were honored for their achievement at the conference's awards dinner held in the Fellowship Hall of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Cobden on May 24. — PROVIDED

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