

Summary of Public Hearing IL 47: from IL 71 to Caton Farm Road

Route: FAP 326 (IL 47)
Section: (109, 110)R

Project Length: 4.5 miles
County: Kendall

Contract No.: 66825
Job No.: P-93-039-08

A public hearing was held on August 19, 2015 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Yorkville Public Library. The purpose of the hearing was to present the proposed plan for reconstructing IL 47, present project impacts, provide land acquisition and relocation assistance information, and answer project questions and receive public comments. The hearing was announced by advertisement in local newspapers, through a press release to local media, through the IDOT website and by letters to local officials, public service providers, legislators, and property owners adjacent to the proposed improvement.

The hearing's display materials consisted of exhibits explaining the project purpose & need, anticipated impacts, aerial photography showing the proposed reconstruction and right of way limits, existing and proposed roadway typical sections, a location map, a map depicting five years of crash records, and traffic projections. After the conclusion of the meeting, copies of the exhibits, brochures and comment sheets were available for review at the Yorkville City Hall, at the District 3 office in Ottawa, and on the IDOT website at <http://www.idot.illinois.gov/projects/il-47-project> under the Resources tab.

Forty-five individuals signed in at the hearing including city, township, and county officials and a newspaper representative. IDOT staff and representatives from the consultant engineering firm were present to provide information and answer questions.

The comment period ended on September 2, 2015. A total of six (6) comment forms were submitted. Some forms had multiple comments. The table below provides a synopsis of the comments and IDOT's responses.

<u>Comment</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>IDOT Response</u>
Save a specific tree.	1	The specific tree in question is outside of the proposed project right-of-way. Only those trees necessary to construct and maintain the roadway, drainage, and safety setbacks will be removed.
Relocate instead of demolishing a house.	1	Options for removing the house will be considered during the land acquisition process.
Request for a new noise study due to existing and increasing semi traffic and area development.	1	The noise study accounted for increased future (year 2040) traffic and area development. A new noise study would not produce different results.
Volume and traffic do not appear to warrant the proposed project.	1	Reconstruction projects in Kendall County are designed to accommodate projected future traffic for the year 2040 as projected by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning.
Driveway and entrance openings need to be clearly signed during construction.	1	The comment will be included in the project study for consideration in traffic management planning.
The existing ditch needs to be cleaned.	1	The project includes drainage improvements and ditch reconstruction. The comment was forwarded to the district maintenance office.
Can the township get compensated for the loss of left turn movement from the existing entrance?	1	Possible impacts of IDOT's median construction are not compensable.