



## INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Hello Industry Partners!

I hope this finds you well and looking forward to all the new beginnings that spring represents. At INDOT, we have been gearing up and preparing for what will be another vibrant construction season in Indiana.

You probably know that Governor Pence and the Indiana General Assembly have reached agreement on additional funding for roads and bridges that will enable us to do even more to improve and preserve Indiana's transportation infrastructure. The package of proposals will provide roughly \$328 million in additional funding for INDOT over the next two years. The plan also will funnel about \$576 million over the next two years and about \$100 million per year after that, to local governments to improve roads and streets in cities, towns, and counties across the state. Because it is relatively rare for lawmakers to provide additional funds for infrastructure in a short, non-budgetary legislative session, I see this as a huge win for us and for motorists, taxpayers, and businesses across the state!

As it is clear that transportation is and will continue to be a priority, we do not plan to take our foot off the gas relative to the development of projects for the pipeline. Legislative leaders have pledged to return in 2017 to consider longer-term approaches to funding future improvements to Indiana's roads and bridges, so it is critical that we continue to work to restock our shelf of priority projects. With your help, we will deliver a program that invests more than ever before in Taking Care of What We Have and will be nimble to adapt to future funding levels.

I am so proud of the work we all do every day, and I am excited about the opportunities ahead. Thank you for your partnership with INDOT in strengthening Indiana's infrastructure.

Sincerely,

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INDOT Commissioner