Randall Road at IL Route 72 Phase I Study

VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING OCTOBER 14, 2021



WELCOME AND AGENDA

Where is this Project and why is this intersection being studied?

Study Location, Existing Conditions, Other Area Studies, Delays, Queues, Safety, Purpose and Need Statement Q & A Session

How is an improvement determined?

Traffic Patterns and Volumes, Crash Data, Environmental, Community, Stakeholder and Property Owner, Utilities, Local Plans and Regulations

Q & A Session

• What is the proposed improvement?

Geometry and Key Features, Typical Sections, Environmental Resources, Drainage, Noise, Land Acquisition Q & A Session

What happens after this meeting?

Project Schedule, Public Comment

Final Comments and Q & A Session



Rules of Engagement



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ASKING QUESTIONS

VIA ZOOM

Typing in the Chat Box

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- At the bottom of the chat box, type your question in the message box.
- Chat Box questions can be asked at any time.

Verbally via Raise Hand

- Click on the Reactions icon at the bottom of your screen.
- Click on the Raise Hand command.
- The host will be notified that you have raised your hand.
- Verbal questions will be taken during Q&A sessions.

VIA TELEPHONE

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Where is this Project and Why is this intersection being studied?



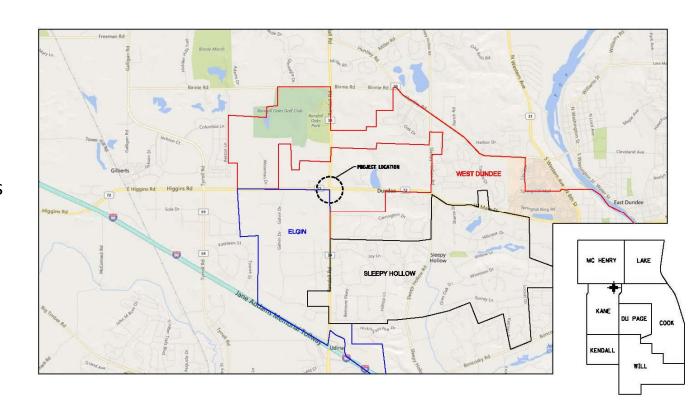
LOCATION

The signalized intersection of Randall Road at IL Route 72

is located in Elgin and Unincorporated Kane County

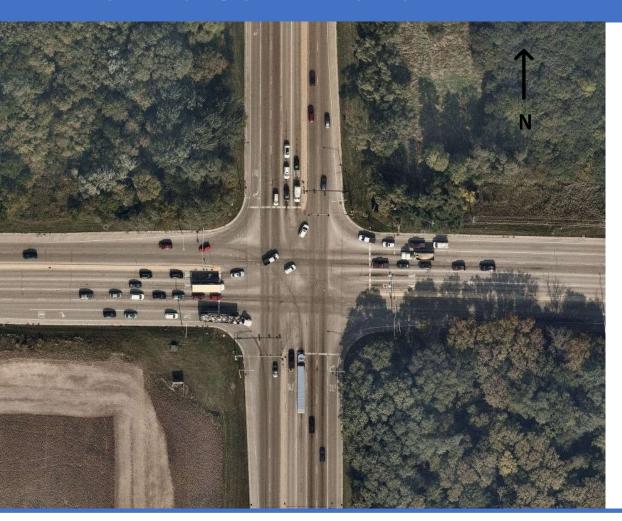
Randall Road, 1.5 miles north of I-90, is designed to

- Supplement the freeway system
- Carry significant volumes long distances across a region





EXISTING CONDITIONS



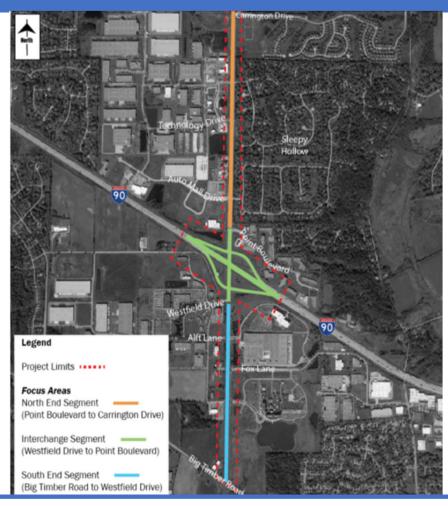
- Two through lanes
- Two left-turn lanes
- One right-turn lane
- Shoulder plus curb and gutter
- No dedicated pedestrian or bicycle facilities
- Traffic signal interconnect along Randall Road



OTHER AREA STUDIES

Randall Road at Big Timber Road

Increase capacity and improve safety at the intersection



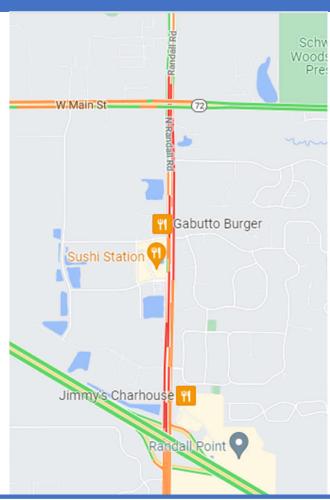
Randall Over 90 PEL

Enhance mobility, improve safety, increase capacity, address economic and quality of life impacts through the corridor



Why is this intersection being studied?

Existing intersection is at capacity with **long queues** and **delays**.





WHY IS THIS INTERSECTION BEING STUDIED?

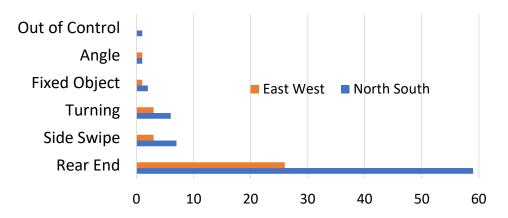
Motorists currently use other routes to bypass the intersection because of existing congestion.



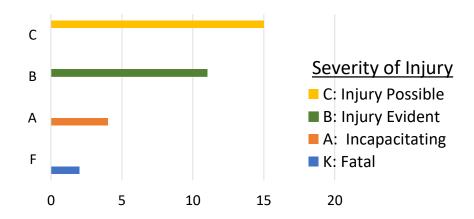


Why is this intersection being studied?

The number of crashes that occur are greater than average.



77% were Rear End which reflects a deficiency in capacity



110 TOTAL CRASHES, 2013 – 2017

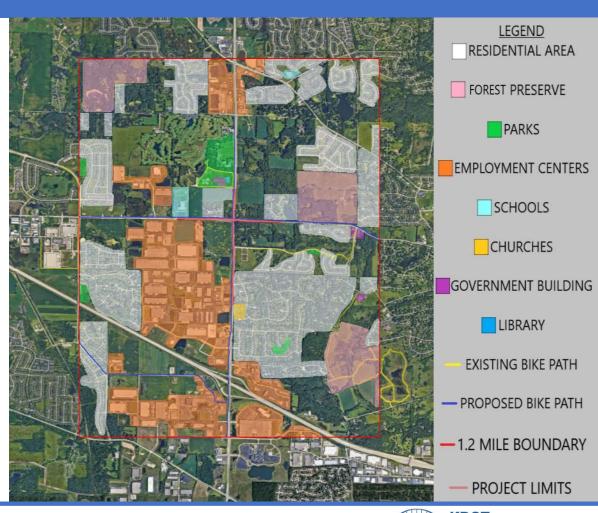
32 TOTAL INJURIES

INCLUDING 2 FATALITIES



Why is this intersection being studied?

No dedicated pedestrian accommodations are at or near the intersection; however, there are numerous generators.





Purpose and Need Statement

Purpose:

To identify a feasible alternative that <u>reduces delay and queues</u> on Randall Road and <u>improves safety for motorists</u>, <u>pedestrians and bicyclists</u>.

Need:

The 2050 peak hour intersection operations are projected to be an overall LOS E or worse and peak hour queues routinely exceed one-quarter mile, extending beyond the preceding intersections. These significant queues result in crashes. The current lack of dedicated pedestrian and bicycle accommodations do not provide a comfort level for all users, discouraging versus encouraging non-motorized usage in the project area.



QUESTIONS?



HOW IS AN IMPROVEMENT DETERMINED?



- Traffic Data
- Crash Data
- Environmental Resources
- Drainage
- Utilities
- Community Needs
- Stakeholder and Property Owner Input



TRAFFIC DATA

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| ROUTE | Daily Traffic | | PEAK HOUR TRAFFIC | | |
| | 2019 | 2050 | 2019 | 2050 | |
| Randall Road | 47,800 | 69,400 | 3,200* | 5,400 | |
| IL Route 72 | 18,700 | 25,500 | 1,400 | 2,400 | |

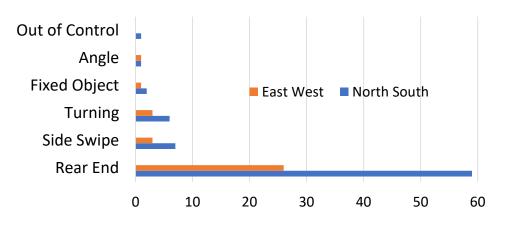
^{*} Warrants Three Lanes in Each Direction

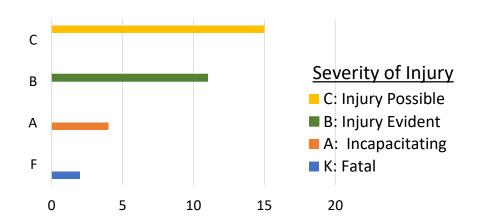


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CRASH DATA





77% were Rear End

15% Multi-Vehicle Crashes

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ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES







- Wetlands
- Historic Structures
- Recreational Uses
- Residential Properties
- Development opportunities



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WHAT ALTERNATIVES WERE EVALUATED?



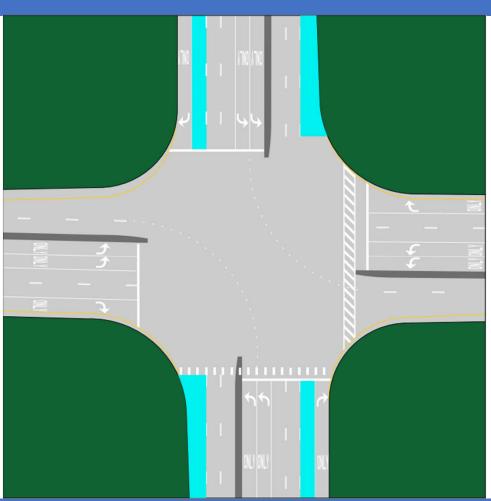
Four Alternatives Evaluated

- Operating level of service
- Delays
- Queues
- Impacts
- Cost



Alternative 1

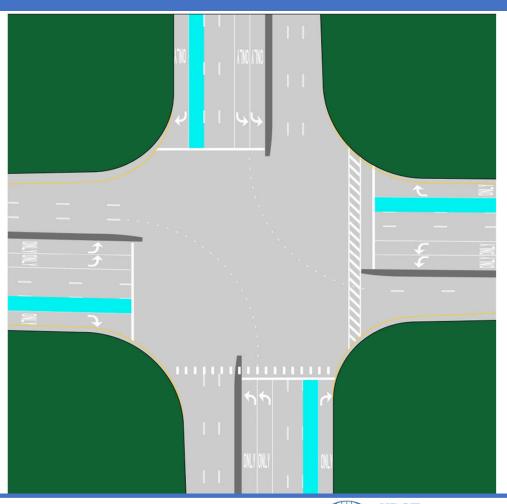
Three through lanes on Randall Road





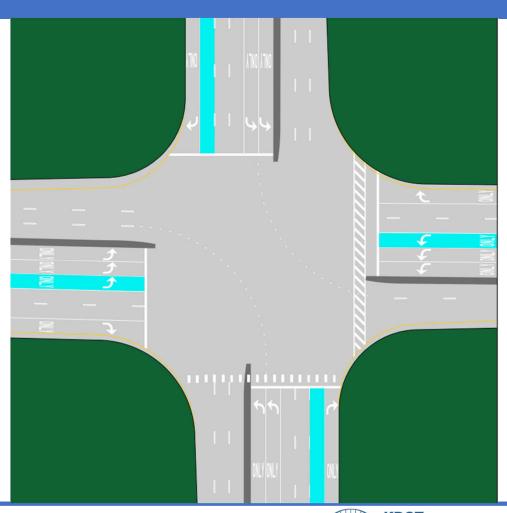
Alternative 2

Three through lanes on Randall Road
Three through lanes on IL Route 72



Alternative 3

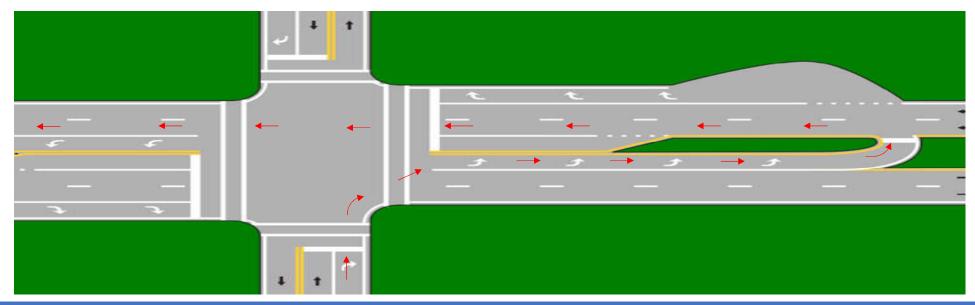
Three through lanes on Randall Road
Three left turn lanes on IL Route 72



Alternative 4

Three through lanes on Randall Road

Median U-turn left turns from Randall Road





ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

| ALTERNATIVE | Over <i>A</i> | ALL LOS | DELAY | | Queue | |
|---------------|---------------|---------|-------|------|---------|---------|
| | AM | PM | AM | PM | AM (SB) | PM (NB) |
| Alternative 1 | С | D | 35.4 | 52.5 | 716 | 975 |
| Alternative 2 | С | D | 33.3 | 45.2 | 713 | 1,052 |
| Alternative 3 | С | D | 33.9 | 41.6 | 738 | 1,026 |
| Alternative 4 | D | D | 35.7 | 47.2 | 739 | 1,230 |

Alternatives 2, 3, and 4 do not result in significant benefit over Alternative 1; yet result in higher construction cost, land acquisition needs, and environment impacts. Alternative 1 is the Proposed Improvement.



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WHAT IS THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT?



Overall Improvement

Randall Road

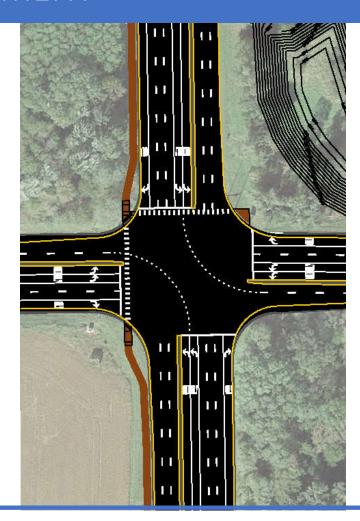
- Three through lanes in each direction
- Accommodations for multi-use path
- Pedestrian crossing signal and cross walks

Higgins Road

- Extend westbound right turn lane
- Extend eastbound right turn lane
- Extend eastbound dual left turn lanes

Miscellaneous

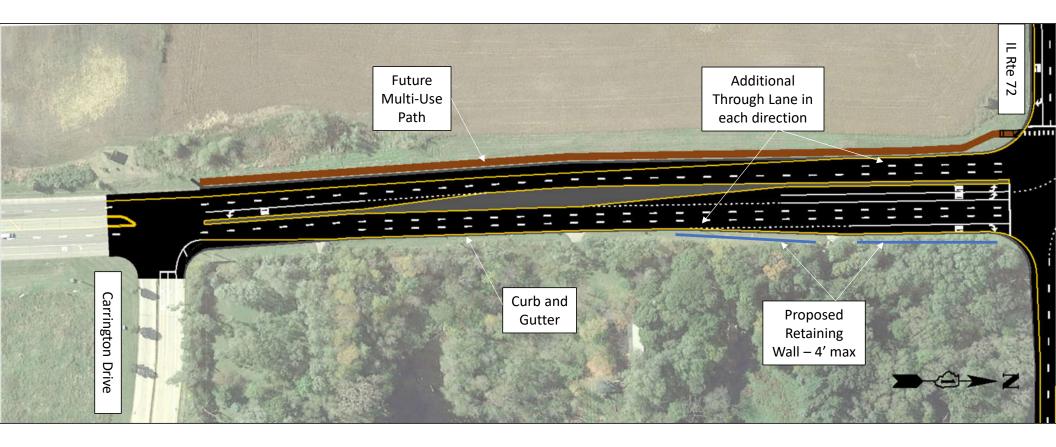
- Traffic signal upgrades
- Roadway lighting upgrades
- Resurface all pavement



These elements will increase capacity and are expected to reduce queues and delay and improve the safety of the intersection.

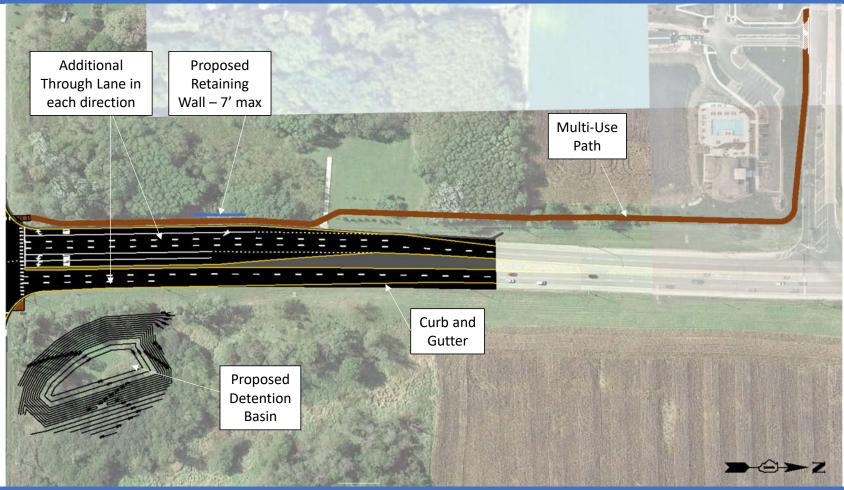


SOUTH LEG OF RANDALL ROAD





North Leg of Randall Road





WEST LEG OF IL ROUTE 72



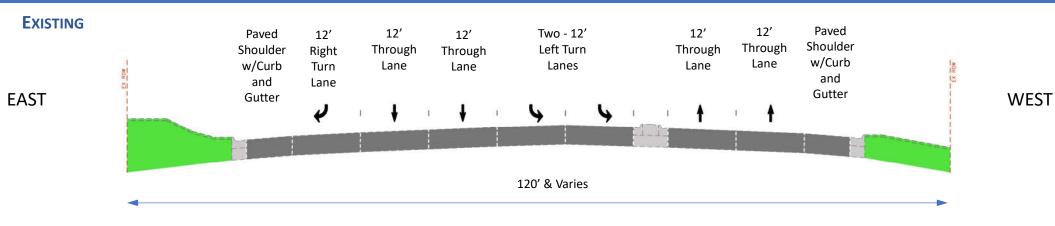


EAST LEG OF IL ROUTE 72



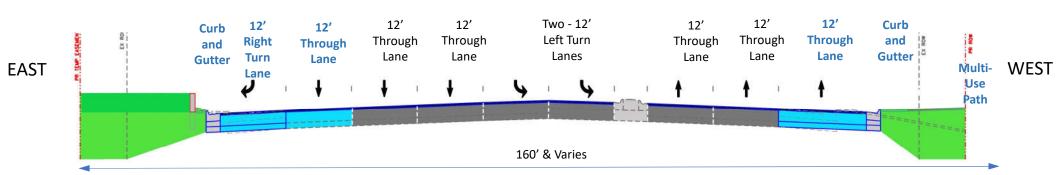


Typical Section



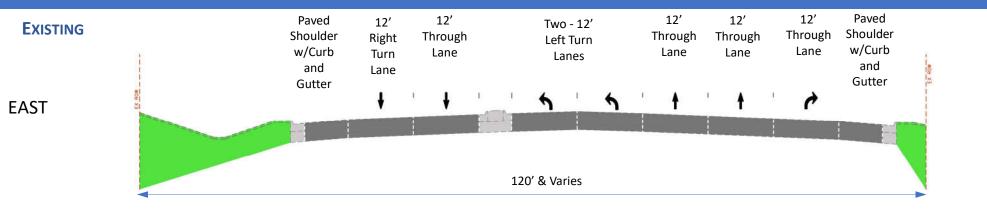
RANDALL ROAD — SOUTH LEG — LOOKING SOUTH

PROPOSED

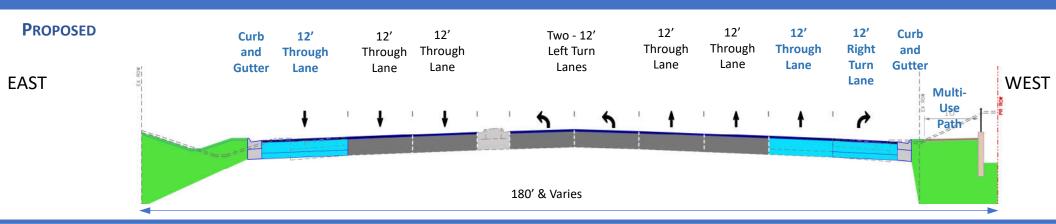




Typical Section



RANDALL ROAD — NORTH LEG — LOOKING SOUTH





WEST

Purpose and Need Statement Verification

"reduces delay and queues"

| | AM Peak Hour | PM PEAK Hour |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Overall Intersection Operations | C – 35.4 | D – 52.5 |

| | AM Peak Hour | PM Peak Hour |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| NB THROUGH QUEUE | 289′ | 975′ |
| SB THROUGH QUEUE | 716′ | 387′ |

1,235 ft. to Carrington Drive 1,494 ft. to Recreation Drive

"improves safety for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists"

- 1. Predicted annual crash reduction of 68%
- 2. Dedicated pedestrian/bicycle facility with pedestrian signals and crosswalks



Natural and Built Environment

Wetlands

- Impact 2 wetlands of 16 total identified
- Impact 0.24 acres of total 2.61 acres
- Wetland Bank 0.36 acres (1.5 : 1.0 ratio)





Trees

- 73 Remove and Replace (1:1 ratio)
- Detailed landscaping plans in Phase II during contract plan development

Cultural Resources

No Historic Properties Affected



Noise Assessment

Highway Noise is dependent upon:

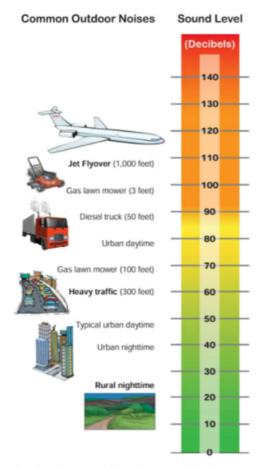
- Traffic volumes
- Traffic vehicle composition
- Traffic speeds
- Receptor distance/elevation
- Hard vs soft surface

Project Noise Receptors:

- Recreational
- Single family homes
- Multi family homes

Noise Assessment Results:

- Existing noise levels 57 to 67 dB(A)
- No Build noise levels → 58 to 69 dB(A)
- Build noise levels → 58 to 69 dB(A)



Changes in noise levels less than 3 dB(A) are not typically perceived by a human listener with average hearing.

Noise Abatement is not reasonable and is ineffective when breaks in the wall are needed to accommodate side streets and driveways and a beneficial noise reduction is not achieved.

Noise Abatement is *not feasible* if two or more receptors are not benefited.

Note: Sound is perceived differently by every individual



Drainage

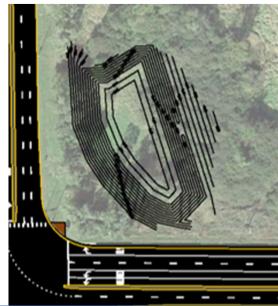


Existing Drainage System

- In-pipe detention for 10-year Storm along IL Route 72
- Roadside ditches along Randall Road
- Cross road culverts discharge to various outlets, ultimately to Jelkes Creek

Proposed Drainage System

- Maintain existing drainage patterns
- New curb & gutter along Randall Rd to collect runoff
- Maintain/replace roadside ditches for offsite flow
- New reinforced concrete storm sewer system
- New detention pond with storage for entire intersection, the multi-use path, and to replace pipe detention on IL Route 72





LAND ACQUISITION

Types of Land Acquisition

Fee Simple – 1.47 Acres

- Acquisition of all rights and interest
- Multi-use path and drainage improvements

Temporary Easement – 0.02 Acres

- Ownership retained by property owner
- Temporary use for a specified term for the completion of construction
- Driveway replacement

TOTAL RIGHT OF WAY NEEDED = 1.49 ACRES





QUESTIONS?



WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THIS MEETING?



PROJECT TIMELINE

Phase I

- Preliminary Engineering & Environmental Study
- Winter 2021 completion anticipated

Phase II

- Contract Plan Preparation and Land Acquisition
- Typically, 18 to 24 months

Phase III

• Construction*



*Contingent upon plan readiness, land acquisition, and funding availability



COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

SUBMIT written comments - multiple ways to submit

- During the Meeting
 Type your comment/question into the chat box now.
- The comment form can be obtained from the Randall Oaks Recreation Center or download from the project website and mail to the Project Manager
- 3. Email or Call the Project Manager

2. Mail Comment Form

Comments must be received by **November 5, 2021**, to be included in the public record.



VISIT the project website

http://kdot.countyofkane.org/Pages/Projects/Randall-IL72/Randall-IL72.aspx



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