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Health by Design Partners:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your letter expressing concerns regarding the INDOT Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) 2010-2035 update.

As noted in your letter, public involvement in the transportation planning process is as great a need today as ever before. With all the challenges from the socio-economic changes, changes in driver behavior, and uncertain transportation revenues streams, INDOT Planning must make sure we are using smart transportation planning practices; selecting the best, context-appropriate, innovative, and cost-effective transportation solutions.

In previous plans, specific projects were identified to address identified transportation needs up to 25-years. The new plan format will not be project-specific. The plan will reference a 10-year construction program that is currently in the planning/concept development stage. This new approach will allow INDOT Planning to maintain a more flexible and opportunistic approach to addressing future transportation needs.

In the coming weeks, INDOT Planning will publish a draft copy of the 2010-2035 LRTP document for public review and comment. This comment period will last 30 days as required by federal regulation and will be one of several public involvement steps. An additional step will entail scheduling open-house public involvement meetings across the state to provide ongoing opportunities for public comment and to further promote continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive planning with all of our stakeholders and partners.

The LRTP will be an evolving document updated annually or as needed with numerous opportunities for public involvement. Please find attached a draft copy of the INDOT Planning Annual Project Development Process. This process will be coordinated with the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) annual process. Also attached is draft (not for public release) copy of the table of contents of the draft 2010-2035 LRTP document.

The INDOT Planning Team welcomes your input on the draft INDOT 2010-2035 LRTP. We will continue coordination efforts with you and your organizations to develop and maintain INDOT's LRTP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Roy Nunnally".

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