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## Public Review, Comment, and Public Hearings

The draft 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is available for [public comment](#) through November 22. A **public hearing** will be held at the Joint Transportation Policy and Technical Committee's [December 15 meeting](#). Visit the [project website](#) for the revised proposed 2050 MTP and information on how to submit comments.

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## Winter Weather Preparedness Tips



INDOT provided several tips for winter weather preparedness in last week's newsletter. Tips include things like slowing down when there is snow on the roads, keeping your gas tank full, having an emergency kit to be prepared incase there's a crash or if traffic is stopped due to a crash, and many others. [Check it out!](#)

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## IAA Receives EDA Funding



The Economic Development Administration (EDA) is awarding a \$3.8 million CARES Act Recovery Assistance grant to the Indianapolis Airport Authority to support the distribution and logistics sector in Central Indiana. The IMPO submitted a letter of support for this funding! Read the EDA's [press release](#) here.

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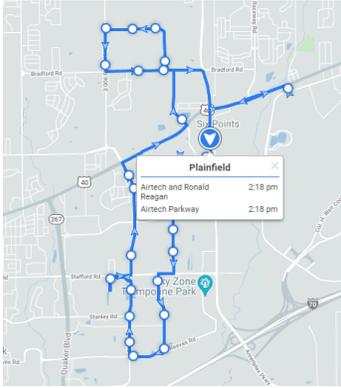
## Project Spotlight: Franciscan Trail, Beech Grove



The Franciscan Trail greenway is currently under construction. This is a public, private partnership with Franciscan Health, and the project is partially funded by the IMPO. Construction is currently about 75% complete!

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## Workforce Connector Improvements



Plainfield and Whitestown Workforce Connector riders can now track the buses in real time. Download the Transloc app or go to <https://cirta.ridesystems.net/routes> (no username or password required) to find them.

These routes operate during three daily work shifts, so if you don't see a bus moving on the map, it might be in between shifts. Check the [route schedules for hours of operation](#).

## FHWA Webinar on Bike/Ped Project Funding



The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will hold a webinar on the Active Transportation Funding and Finance Toolkit on Tuesday, November 23, 2:30 - 4:00 PM ET. The webinar will highlight an upcoming web-based toolkit of innovative strategies to fund and finance bicycle and pedestrian

projects such as value capture, bond financing, public private partnerships, Federal funding options, and local planning assistance grants. Check out the [registration page](#) for more information.

## Take the Freight Survey!

The [survey](#) for the Central Indiana Regional Freight Plan update is available online through November 30, 2021. It's quick and easy, and survey results will be used in developing recommendations for enhancing our regional freight network. Visit [the project website](#) for more information on the process, timeline, and the survey.

## UPCOMING IMPO MEETING DATES

Check out the [IMPO's Calendar](#) for upcoming meetings of the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization and its Committees, including the location addresses and packet materials. Meetings will continue to be available for live viewing on [YouTube](#).

- **Joint Technical & Policy Committee Meeting** - December 15 at 9:00 am
- **Executive Committee Meeting** - December 17 at 9:00 am

*IMPO staff continue to work partially remote. To ensure someone will be present when you visit, e-mail or call ahead:  
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