

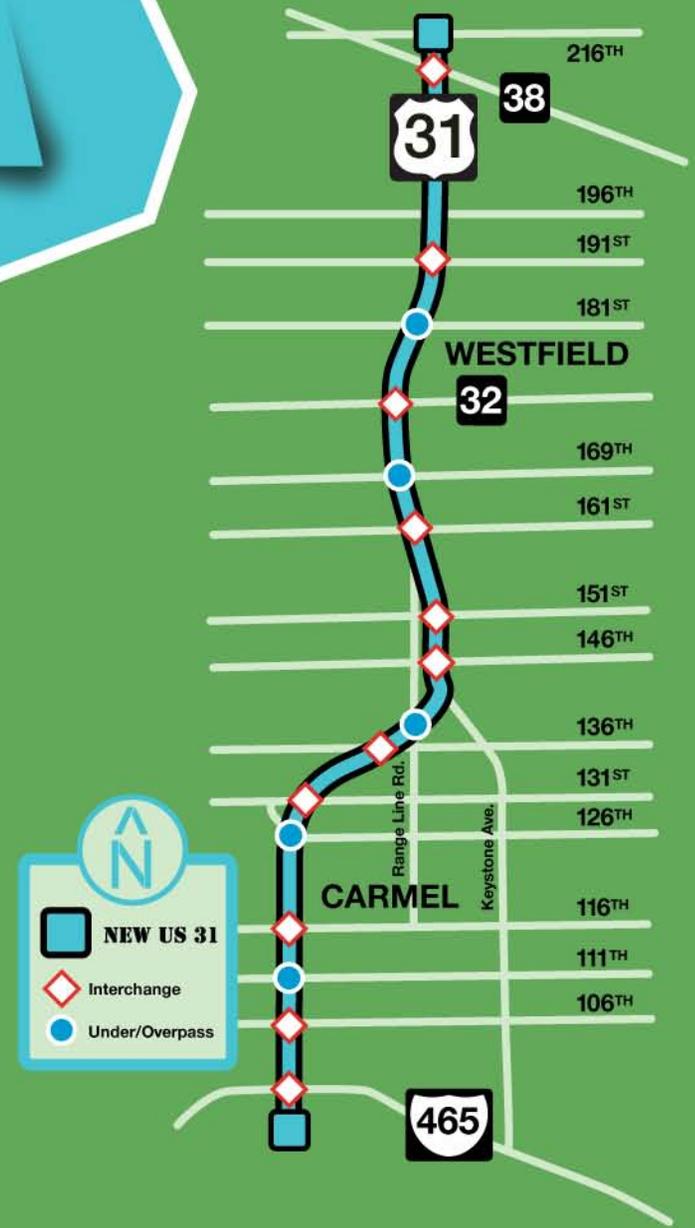
**MAJOR
MOVES**

THE NEW US 31 HAMILTON COUNTY

Public hearing

Thursday, June 26th 2008

Carmel High School



Today's Agenda

- Project Overview
- Purpose and Need
- Public Involvement
- Traffic Analysis
- Environmental Analysis
- Interchange Overview
- Public Comment

Project history

- Roadway upgraded to freeway standards US 31 from I-465 to 216th Street
- Construction is expected to begin in 2011
- Part of *Major Moves* initiative

Project history

- *Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)* was published June 2003 identifying the preferred alternatives
- Due to budgetary concerns the project was put on hold
- In late 2007, *Major Moves* initiative reinvigorated the project.

Purpose & Need

The purpose of the US 31 Improvement Project is to:

- Reduce congestion for the US 31 corridor by improving to LOS D or better
- Improve the level of safety for motorists using the US 31 corridor
- Provide for the reliable and efficient movement of commerce and regional travel

Public Involvement

Activities include:

- Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings to represent the interests of the City of Carmel, City of Westfield and Hamilton County
- Developers Meeting established separate to understand their needs and foster interest in communicating
- Utility Coordination Meeting – discuss upcoming major investments by utility companies
- Ongoing response to comments posted to the INDOT project website.
- Preparation of a project newsletter
- Coordinate the controlled release of accurate information to the INDY Star newspaper.

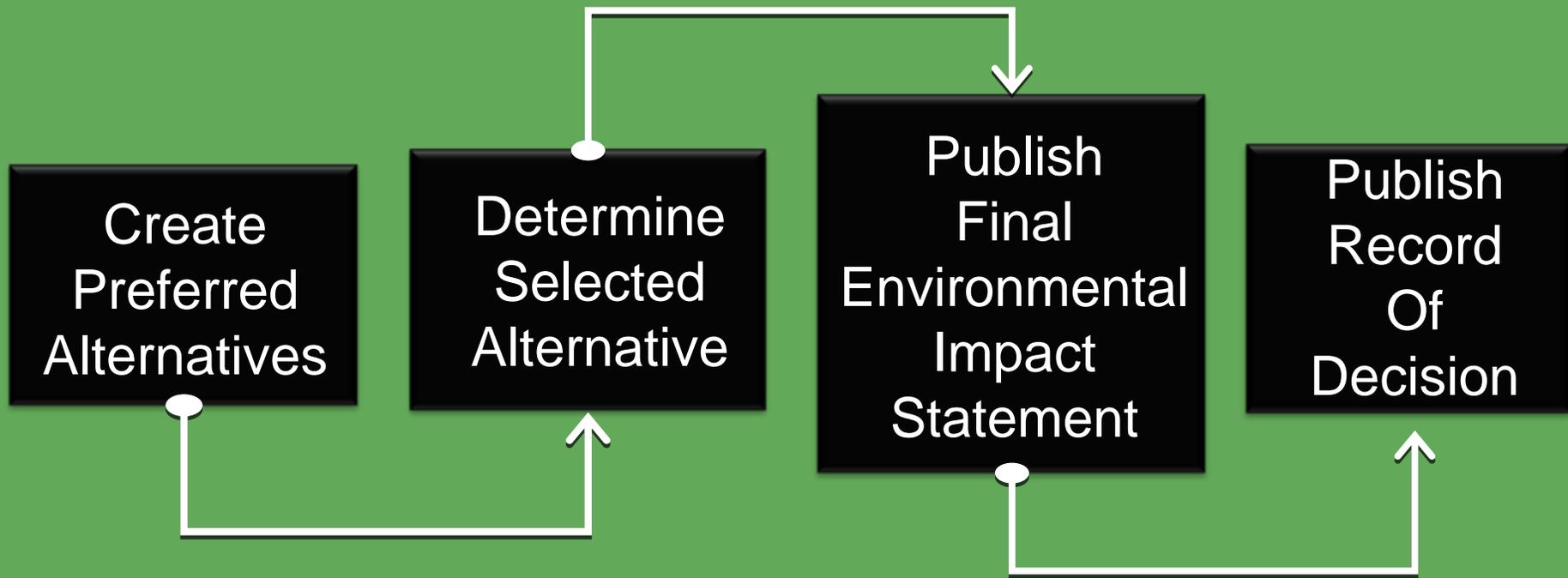


Traffic Analysis Update

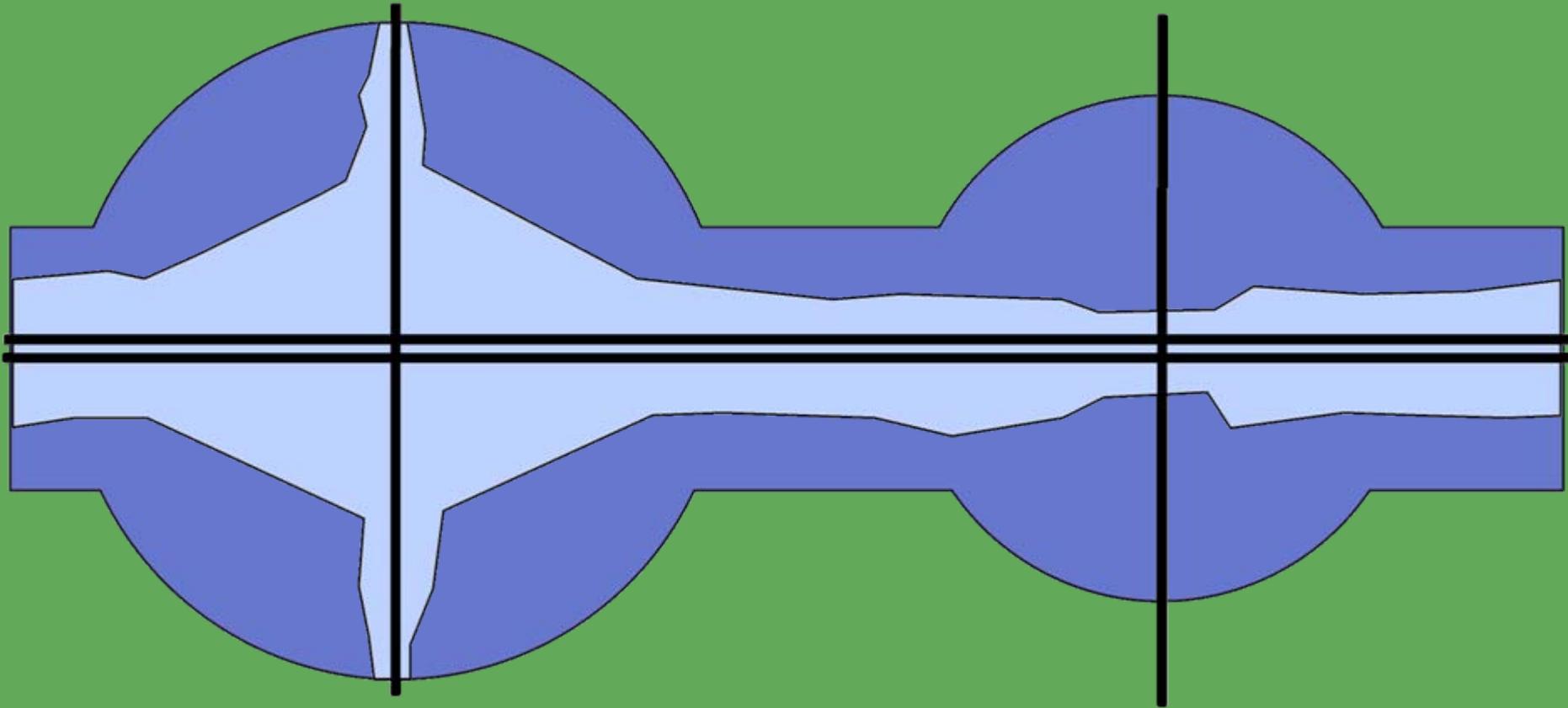
- Obtain current traffic data
 - Complete Fall '07
- Develop travel demand model
 - Complete January '08
- Develop simulation Model
 - Complete January '08
 - Modifications ongoing During PAMP Analysis
- Develop traffic forecasts (2015/2035)
 - Complete January '08
- Perform capacity analysis on PAMP footprint
 - Completed Feb 29, '08
- Identify PAMP footprint deficiencies
 - Completed Feb 29, '08
- Determine proposed footprint refinements
 - Completed Apr 30, '08



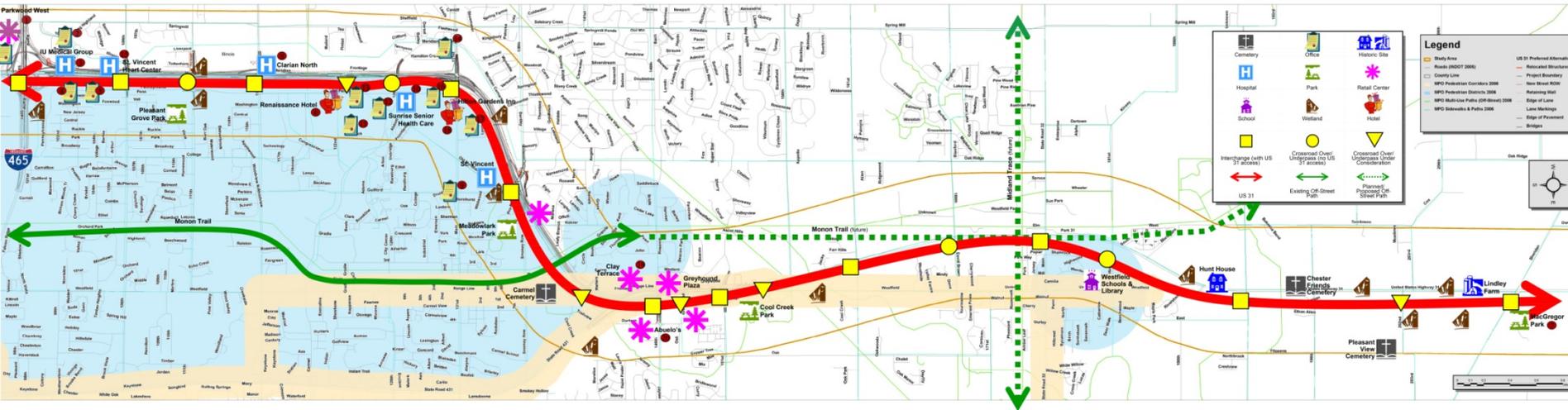
What is NEPA?



Broad Footprint vs. Construction Limits



Changes from 2003 Hearing



Significant Transportation Improvements

- Illinois Street Extension
- Pennsylvania Street Improvements
- Old Meridian Street Improvements

Significant Development Projects

- Parkwood West
- House Investments Carmel Office Building
- IU Medical Group expansion
- Schneider & Co. Inc. Office Building
- Buford Office Building
- Renaissance Hotel
- MacGregor Park
- Clarian North Hospital
- Cornerstone Companies Medical
- Sunrise Senior Health Care
- Panattoni Office Building
- Pinnacle Pointe
- Old Meridian Professional Village
- CMC Office Development
- St. Vincent Hospital Addition
- Opus Landmark at Meridian
- Browning Office Buildings
- Hilton Gardens Inn
- Clay Terrace
- Abuelo's Restaurant