



How Will We Keep You Informed?

We notify property owners and local officials of projects happening in the community the following ways:

- Letters
- Postcards
- Newspaper ads
- Facebook posts
- Press releases

Additional formal notification procedures are followed if a project impacts agricultural parcels of 10 acres or more.

Find project info



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Keeping You informed

A Guide to Public Involvement with the Iowa DOT



Because transportation projects can greatly affect a community, public input is extremely important. The following information explains the public involvement methods we use to give you an opportunity to provide ideas and comments about the work happening in your community.



In-Person Public Meeting

In-person meetings may be held at different stages of project development. A meeting may be held to discuss:

- Construction
- Detours
- Road closures
- Additional right of way (land acquired for or devoted to transportation purposes)

At the meeting, staff is available to answer questions. During and after the meeting, you're encouraged to submit comments regarding the project. During the commenting period, our staff responds to all questions.

Virtual Presentation

This method of public involvement is an online presentation with no in-person meeting.

During and after the online meeting, you're encouraged to submit comments regarding the project. During the commenting period, our staff responds to all questions.

Public Hearing

A public hearing is held when an environmental document has been prepared and is available for the public to review. An environmental document compares the different project alternatives and their affect on the environment.

The hearing involves a formal presentation made by Iowa DOT staff and a question and answer session where you can ask questions.

During and after the hearing, you're encouraged to submit comments regarding the project. During the commenting period, our staff responds to all questions.

Corridor Preservation Notice

A Corridor preservation notice is a legal process that allows the Iowa DOT the ability to protect a Corridor Preservation Zone (CPZ). A CPZ is land that may be needed for future highway improvements. A CPZ:

- Ensures coordination with property owners.
- Keeps local development consistent.
- Is valid for three years.

Local officials are required to contact the Iowa DOT if a rezoning request, subdivision plat, or building permit is received for property located within the CPZ.

Federal and state regulations require public involvement activities during project development.