

I-94 & DOLTON ROAD INTERCHANGE PEL STUDY

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Stakeholder
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Quick View: Tasks & Deliverables

Details of the major tasks and deliverables by the Study Team and/or Engagement Team will be fleshed out in detail in the below Stakeholder Involvement Plan (SIP.) A quick view of major tasks and deliverables are as follows:

- Virtual Stakeholder Meetings **(5-12)**
- In-person Public Meetings/Open Houses **(2)**
- Workforce and Economic Development Workshops **(2)**
- Website Content
- Social Media
- Newsletter Briefs
- Public Notification
- Collecting Public Comments
- MetroQuest Surveys **(2-4)**
- Branding and Miscellaneous Graphic Design
- Community Meetings/Pop-up Events

Introduction

This SIP outlines the communications and public engagement tasks necessary to successfully complete the I-94 & Dolton Road Interchange Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study on behalf of the City **Calumet City and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) – Bureau of Local Roads and Streets (BLRS)**. It details the strategic execution of each communication and public engagement initiative – by addressing the who, what, when, where, how, and why.

PEL studies are a collaborative and integrated approach to transportation decision-making that considers environmental, community, and economic goals early in the transportation planning process. This study will take place during an 18-month period.

This is a data-based process that uses information, analysis, and products developed during the planning and environmental review processes. Successful public engagement requires that representatives from potentially affected low-income and minority populations be included in the impact assessment and public involvement process. The goal is to arrive at a set of reasonable alternatives that can be carried forward into the subsequent National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process that incorporates transportation equity and addresses the needs of the underserved communities along the proposed project

The study's Engagement Team understands that there are Environmental Justice communities along the proposed study corridor that the study and potential for future construction will impact. Therefore, the public involvement process will adhere to Executive Orders (EO) 12898, *Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-income Populations*, February 11, 1994, and EO 14096, *Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitments to Environmental Justice for All*, April 21, 2023. Both EO 12898 and EO 14096 require that representation from minority and low-income populations that could be affected by a project be included in the impact assessment and public involvement process.



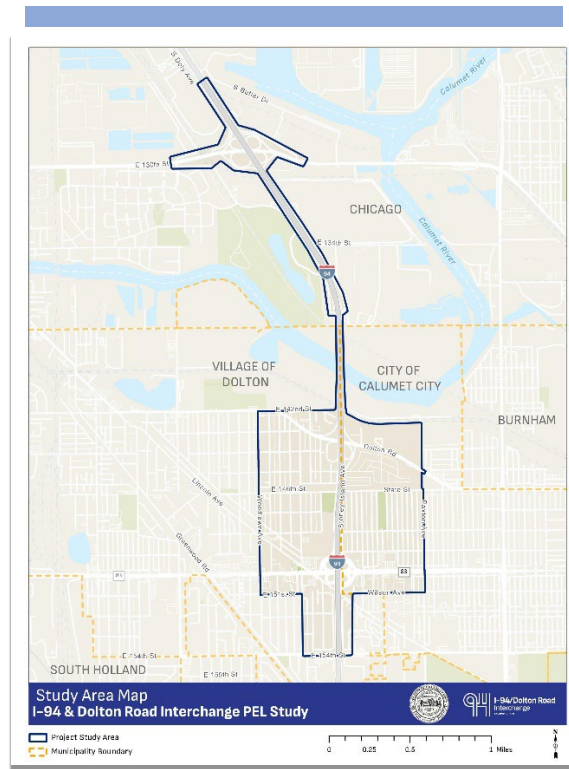
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corridor. The Engagement Team will accomplish this goal by bringing together key members of the public through in-person and virtual Public Information Meetings (PIMs), Economic & Workforce Development Workshops, and Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) meetings; publish key study information through newsletter briefs, the project’s website, and on social media platforms; seek, collect, and respond to public comments through public legal notices and advertising, mailing, and surveys throughout the 18-month study.

The Engagement Team will keep the client, stakeholders, and interested parties apprised of updates and developments as the project progresses through the PEL process.

Project Location, Background & Community Demographics



The PEL study area located approximately 15 miles south of the City of Chicago includes the following interchanges Interstate 94 (I-94; Bishop Ford Expressway)/East 130th Street Interchange to the north, the subject I-94/Dolton Road Interchange and the I-94/IL 83 (Sibley Boulevard) Interchange to the south. The interchanges to the north and south along I-94 are full interchanges while I-94/Dolton Road is a partial interchange. In the above figure, the subject interchange is shown within the widest portion of the study area.

- The study area is about 3.64 miles long and consists of about 1104 acres.



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- It encompasses parts of three community areas: south Chicago, Village of Dolton, and the City of Calumet City.
- Land use composition within the study area includes residential (single-family residences and multi-family), industrial (existing and vacant), and open space.
- Natural resources within the PEL study area include the Little Calumet River and public recreation areas managed by the Dolton Park District, Calumet Memorial Park District, and the Forest Preserves of Cook County.

In particular, the PEL study will examine whether a full interchange is warranted in lieu of the existing partial interchange. Currently, access at the existing partial interchange is limited to:

- Southbound I-94 to westbound & eastbound Dolton Road
- Westbound & eastbound Dolton Road to northbound I-94

The Purpose and Need is under development and is expected to be finalized by Summer of 2024.

The study involves conversion of the existing interchanges to full access. The Purpose & Need will be developed as it moves forward in the PEL process, with a final Purpose & Need anticipated in the Summer of 2024.

It is imperative for the Engagement Team to understand who lives in the City of Calumet City and Village of Dolton to properly engage the community. According to 2022 U.S. Census American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Data: the City of Calumet City and Dolton have a combined estimated total population of 57,459. The majority of residents in these communities identify as Black – 72.6% in the City of Calumet City and 90.6% in the Village of Dolton. English-only speakers make up 81.6% of both communities, while 14.9% speak Spanish.

Also, 59.7% of the City of Calumet City's 18 year and older population are high school graduates or higher, while 86.3% of the Village of Dolton's 18 year and older population has earned a high school diploma or higher. Those who have earned a bachelor's degree or higher are 27.5% of the City of Calumet City's population, and 31.7% of Village Dolton's population.

In addition, one-fifth of the City of Calumet City and Village of Dolton residents are estimated to live below the poverty line. The median household income in the City of Calumet City is \$46,512, while the median household income in Dolton is \$54,748.

Finally, there are a total of 44,617 workers who are 16 years old and older. In the last 12 months, 39.8% of workers who are 16 years and older worked full-time and 22.6% worked part-time. A third of the City of Calumet City's residents did not work, while a quarter of the Village of Dolton's residents did not work.

Legal Requirements

The study process for this project will meet state and federal requirements meant to incorporate environmental stewardship and public involvement into the transportation improvement projects. These



requirements include the Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) and Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) policies of IDOT.

In addition, this study is being developed using the principles of CSS, per the IDOT’s Procedural Memorandum 48-06. CSS is a collaborative approach that involves stakeholders early and often throughout the transportation project development process. This collaborative approach helps to ensure that transportation projects are designed to improve the quality of life for all those who have a stake in the system.

Potential Challenges, Goals & Objectives

This Stakeholder Involvement Plan (SIP) provides guidance for implementing communications and public engagement initiatives for the I-94 & Dolton Road Interchange PEL Study. It will be used as a blueprint for defining methods and tools to educate and engage all stakeholders in this study’s decision-making process. The SIP has been designed to ensure that stakeholders are provided with several opportunities to be informed and engaged as the process progresses. **The goal is to arrive at a set of alternatives to be carried forward into the subsequent NEPA process that incorporates transportation equity and addresses the needs of the underserved communities along the proposed study corridor.** To ensure a successful outcome, the Engagement Team has identified below several potential challenges, and goals and objectives to address them:

What are our potential challenges?	What do we aim to do?	How will we accomplish this?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A lack of community trust in government, especially in the local planning process • Convincing stakeholders that their feedback matters throughout the PEL process and nothing is “a done deal” • A lack of awareness of the PEL process and when to provide feedback • National and local history of roadways destroying Black communities • Digital exclusion • Potential communication barriers • Resistance to change 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Form a partnership with the stakeholder community where there is “informed consent” of the PEL process and outcomes • Facilitate a meaningful and inclusive engagement process that meets people where they live, work, and play • Ensure equity between competing priorities (economic development versus quality of life, etc.) • Balance future development progress and quality of life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with the City of Calumet City leaders, businesses, IDOT, and other strategically identified stakeholders regularly throughout the PEL process by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Presenting informational updates during key PEL study milestones to the City of Calumet City, the Stakeholder Advisory Committee, workshop attendees, and the public ○ Solicit feedback throughout the PEL study process and engage the community in a dialogue at key study milestones ○ Build materials, initiatives, and events that are data-driven based on the PEL process and are centered in



<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrating impact (closing the loop)	<p>issues while improving mobility and safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop an interchange plan that promotes safety and economic development in the City of Calumet City and the Chicagoland region	<p>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engagement efficacy will be assessed periodically, and approach will be adjusted as needed for a better response
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Engaging Stakeholders

Stakeholder Identification Process

Ensuring informed consent requires a comprehensive and robust understanding of the study's stakeholders. The Engagement Team has identified key stakeholders whose collaboration and feedback will be vital to the PEL process. The full list of stakeholders can be found in the Stakeholder Engagement Master List (**APPENDIX C,**) which is an easily searchable/scannable document that details stakeholders by subject, organization name, address, email, phone number, and website. These individuals and organizations include, but are not limited to:

- The City of Calumet City administrators and elected officials
- State elected officials
- Transportation and transit
- Economic and workforce development
- Emergency management (police, fire, EMS (Energy Management System), hospitals)
- Schools and youth groups
- Religious organizations
- Community centers and libraries
- Businesses

In addition, the Engagement Team anticipates that the stakeholder list will be a living, breathing document that gets updated as we meet and collaborate with more community members. Most likely, these stakeholders will be individuals, residents, and entities that live, work, and commute within the



study area. It is imperative that the Engagement Team center its stakeholders – especially the historically overlooked and most vulnerable – in the planning and execution of all PEL study materials, initiatives, and events. We will seek out and connect with these stakeholders, who include, but are not limited to:

- Residents and commuters
- Jobseekers
- Youth-age workers
- Low-income residents and commuters
- BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color) and minority residents and commuters
- ESL/non-English speaking residents and commuters
- People with physical and learning disabilities
- Local businesses

Virtual Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meetings

The Engagement Team will identify a subset of key stakeholders for the creation of a Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) to provide industry/community advisory support and regulatory agency coordination (with local, regional, state, federal, or other entities), economic development agencies, and other key public or private stakeholders to provide guidance and direction to the planning team during the study. The SAC will be expected to meet between 5-12 times during key milestones throughout the duration of the study. They could be held in-person or virtually through Microsoft Teams or another similar platform, depending on SAC member consensus. Meetings will be approximately an hour and a half long in duration. It will include time for discussion, either through a Q&A session or breakout room sessions. Meeting dates will be set with the SAC, and invitations will be sent to SAC members virtually.

A presentation with a written script will be developed, as well as informational materials developed for people to take with them, maps, and/or interactive polling. These materials will go through no more than two rounds of revisions with the City of Calumet City on a review schedule set by the Engagement Team. Attendance will be documented through sign-in sheets, and meeting notes will be captured. Comment forms and comments added to maps will be used to gather input from attendees. The Engagement Team and the City of Calumet City staff (up to 5-6 people) will facilitate the presentation and provide technical support with informational materials.

SAC meetings differ from the Workforce & Economic Development Workshops in that they will provide regular updates as the study progresses, and members will serve as a knowledgeable sounding board to provide an insider's first look at key milestone data and analysis. These meetings will seek to gain feedback on what is being done, while the workshops conceptually address what is possible.

In-Person Public Information Meetings

The Engagement Team will plan and execute two in-person public meetings in conjunction with key phases of the planning process – the Purpose & Need, and Alternatives Analysis and Preferred



Alternatives. An appropriate no- or low-cost venue will be secured for each meeting, providing easy access to stakeholders and the public.

Public notices will be posted in accordance with all appropriate laws and regulations and following Chapter 19 of the IDOT BDE Manual. A news release and social media posts will be written for distribution by the City of Calumet City to further alert the public about the meetings. Promotional materials will be distributed to key stakeholder organizations to encourage members of the public who may have limited access to online platforms to attend.

The meetings will be held in a modified open house format with a presentation at a set time during the meeting. A presentation with a written script will be developed, informational materials developed for people to take with them, three roll maps and approximately 10 display boards created for viewing during the open house portion of the meetings. These materials will go through no more than two rounds of revisions with the City of Calumet City on a review schedule set by the Engagement Team. Attendance will be documented through sign-in sheets, and meeting notes will be captured. Comment forms and comments added to maps will be used to gather input from attendees. The Engagement Team and the City of Calumet City staff (up to a dozen people) will facilitate the presentation and provide technical support with informational display boards.

Virtual options for participation in the meetings will be determined in cooperation with the City of Calumet City. Meeting display boards will be made available online through the city's website. Video could be streamed online during the presentation period of the meetings to provide virtual access. Another option is to film the presentation and publish it on the website shortly after the public meetings occur. An online survey could also be developed.

In-Person Workforce & Economic Development Workshops

The Engagement Team will plan and execute two in-person Workforce and Economic Development Workshops to conceptually ask members of the workforce and economic development communities to address what is possible through the I-94 & Dolton Road PEL Study. Those invited to participate in the workshops will be strategically chosen from local, county, state, and regional workforce, and economic development organizations to collaborate on group activities that imagine how interchange upgrades could positively and negatively impact future quality of life in the City of Calumet City, Dolton, and the Chicagoland region.

An appropriate no- or low-cost venue will be secured for each meeting, providing easy access to these stakeholders. Workshops will be approximately 2-4 hours long in duration. It will include time for a presentation, and small group discussion through breakout room sessions. These workshops could be most beneficial in the development of the draft Purpose & Need. Activities should be planned to ask attendees:

- What opportunities could the interchange bring to the community?



- How do workers participate in the construction phase when the time comes?
- How will this project help the community and residents?

A presentation with a written script will be developed, informational materials developed for people to take with them, maps and display boards created for viewing. These materials will go through no more than two rounds of revisions with the City of Calumet City on a review schedule set by the Engagement Team. Attendance will be documented through sign-in sheets, and meeting notes will be captured. Comment forms and comments added to maps will be used to gather input from attendees. The Engagement Team and the City of Calumet City staff (up to a dozen people) will facilitate the presentation and provide technical support during the breakout sessions. Afterwards, the Engagement Team will provide follow-up to workshop participants to keep them involved in the PEL study process, while publishing summaries of the workshops' findings to the study's website, social media, and newsletters.





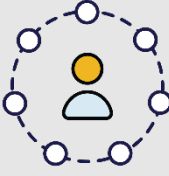


Communicating with the Public

Branding

The City of Calumet City leadership has expressed excitement about the study because it signifies rebuilding, revitalization, economic and workforce development, and a desire to make improvements that will improve quality of life for residents, businesses, and travelers. The Engagement Team designed official branding standards for the I-94 & Dolton Road PEL Study, that visually sets the tone of reinvigoration and collaboration for the community. These elements aim to show an organized and inviting brand that will both catch the attention of the public and convey a level of effort and care. Branding elements, which can be seen throughout this SIP and can be found in full at **APPENDIX B**, include a:

- Logo
- Style Guide
- Website Icons
- Templates

These items pair with the City of Calumet City seal and its official website to provide a cohesive brand. The style guide provides an overview of colors, fonts, and proper usage for each branding element. The website icons include:

<p>I-94 & Dolton Road Branding Icons</p>			
	<p>Economic Development</p>	<p>Emergency Response</p>	<p>Safety</p>
			
<p>Transit</p>	<p>Workforce</p>	<p>Freight</p>	<p>Operations</p>

Informational Outreach Materials

The Engagement Team will prepare outreach materials, web content, meeting agendas and presentations/scripts, display boards, comment cards, meeting summaries, surveys, and integrate key findings into project deliverables throughout the duration of the study. These materials will fit the I-94 & Dolton Road PEL Study branding style and will include written information, relevant graphics, charts and/or tables, maps, and any appropriate photos. These materials will go through no more than two rounds of revisions with the City of Calumet City on a review schedule set by the Engagement Team. The development of these materials will consider the intended audiences to ensure that they include digestible, accessible information for all stakeholders of varying age, gender, education, language, income, etc.

Project Website & Newsletters

The Engagement Team will regularly create and publish materials for the city’s website and contribute to the City of Calumet City’s newsletters in conjunction with key phases of the planning process. At some points, these updates could be daily or weekly, at others, monthly. These materials will fit the I-94 & Dolton Road PEL Study branding style and will include written information, relevant graphics, charts and/or tables, meeting promotion and materials, and any appropriate photos. These materials will be organized by the established branding icons. These materials will go through no more than two rounds of revisions with the City of Calumet City on a review schedule set by the Engagement Team.

Social Media

The Engagement Team will strategically create copy and graphics for **up to 10 social media posts** that the City of Calumet City will publish through its own already established accounts. These posts will provide key information on PEL study process, engagement opportunities, data and analysis, and other relevant content. These posts will be created with the intention to stand alone as informational materials, or as paid media to boost/advertise the two in-person public meetings.

Our overall goals for boosting posts and creating social media advertisements would be to increase engagement during public comment periods in a call-to-action campaign to give feedback and/or attend PIMs. We define paid social media posts as follows:

- *Boosted Posts:* Take existing posts and pay to enhance them so that you can reach a larger audience on Facebook and Instagram. This is best for messages, engagement, and if we want to increase website traffic. We can target these ads by interests, age, gender, location, demographics, and behaviors.
- *Advertisements:* Create advertisements on Facebook to increase brand awareness, reach, and traffic. These appear in Facebook and Instagram news feeds and stories. We can target these by the parameters established with boosted posts but at an enhanced level to increase audiences.
- *For example, we would want to choose 2-6 weeks to target men and women, ages 18-65, who drive along I-94 and Dolton Road to go to work, school, and run errands.*

The Engagement Team will also create complimentary copy and graphics in a Stakeholder Tool Kit, so that SAC members can promote PEL study activities on their own accounts if they choose to do so. These tool kits will be created in conjunction with the 10 social media posts.

Seeking, Collecting, and Responding to Public Feedback

Legal Public Notices & Advertising

PEL studies require publishing legal public notices and advertising before the public comment period launch. The Engagement Team will prepare legal public notices for local editions of publications such as the Chicago Tribune and Daily Southtown, the Times Media Company, Daily Herald, and Chicago Sun-Times. These notices will state the beginning and ending dates of the public comment period, a brief summary of the key milestone that requires public feedback, information about the PEL study process, the ways that people can comment, ways that people can view relevant materials (reports, statements, alternatives, etc.), and promote the date/time/location of any upcoming public meetings. Relevant public comment period materials will be available at public locations throughout the City of Calumet City and Dolton, including libraries, community centers, and potentially religious institutions.



These materials will fit the I-94 & Dolton Road PEL Study branding style and will include written information, relevant graphics, charts and/or tables, maps, and any appropriate photos. These materials will go through no more than two rounds of revisions with the City of Calumet City on a review schedule set by the Engagement Team. The development of these materials will consider the intended audiences to ensure that they include digestible, accessible information for all stakeholders of varying age, gender, education, language, income, etc.

Public Comments & Response Processes

Public comments will be solicited, organized and analyzed regularly throughout the entirety of the PEL study. They will be collected in-person via comment forms, verbal questions and/or conversations, and during community events; and digitally via a comment form that lives on the study's webpage (a subpage of CalumetCity.org). Comments made digitally are collected by email and the Engagement Team organizes them into a master spreadsheet. The Engagement Team is expected to respond to press inquiries and submitted comments that require a response in a timely manner, and with oversight from the City of Calumet City. "A timely manner" is defined as one week for comment responses, and on a case-by-case basis for press inquiries.

MetroQuest Surveys

The Engagement Team will develop a digital survey with each in-person and virtual public meeting (4 total surveys). The purpose of the surveys is to encourage the community to provide comments to shape project development:

- Context survey to identify existing conditions within the study area, learn about stakeholder needs
- Purpose and Need Statement
- Alternatives Development and Identification
- Design alternatives evaluation

The surveys will gain more detailed feedback from the community. The team will use Metro Quest/Social Pinpoint to build the survey, which will include a mix of question styles – short answer, multiple choice, rankings, etc. The survey will not exceed more than 20 questions and should be able to be completed within five minutes. Survey questions (copy) will go through no more than two rounds of revisions with the City of Calumet City on a review schedule set by the Engagement Team. When the surveys close, the Engagement Team will organize and analyze the survey data and provide it to the City of Calumet City.

The Engagement Team will ensure survey accessibility for all by providing it to digital audiences and on-site facilitated community engagement at strategic locations along the study corridor. This will include, but is not limited to, Engagement Team members going to senior living facilities with iPads/tablets and completing the survey with older stakeholders to ensure that technology is not a barrier to receiving their feedback.

Measuring the effectiveness of MetroQuest surveys will be done through optional demographic identification questions at the end of the survey. By learning about who is taking study surveys, the

project team can evaluate if the survey is reflective of the community and the immediate neighborhood. Survey and outreach strategies can then be adjusted to improve response rates where needed.

Project Mailing List

Property owners and study area residents will be contacted via United States Postal Service mail to better include those with limited digital/electronic access. These postcards could be distributed using specific streets and zip codes using the Direct Mail service. In addition, the Engagement team will provide informational materials (flyers, palm cards, posters, FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions), etc.) regularly to members of the stakeholder community on-site where they live, work, and play throughout the duration of the study. The Engagement Team will both attend public events and walk throughout the study corridor to distribute these materials.

Schedule of Project Development Activities & Stakeholder Involvement

Winter – Spring 2024	
Study Milestone	Activity
Internal PI organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete initial draft of the SIP • Build templates for PI materials including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Informational Handout ○ PowerPoint Presentation ○ Palm Cards/Business Cards ○ Newsletter/Eblast ○ Comment Logging Platform/Website ○ Social Media ○ Comment Form ○ FAQ Sheet ○ Sign-In Sheet ○ Display Boards ○ Maps ○ MetroQuest Survey • Identify the City of Calumet City events to introduce ourselves and schedule them on our calendars • Begin identifying SAC membership and Workforce & Economic Development Workshop invitee lists • Begin outlining structure of SAC meetings and Workforce & Economic Development Workshops
Introduction to PEL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend the City of Calumet City events to introduce the study, the PEL process, provide informational materials, share ways to get involved



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide opportunities for the public to provide feedback about the I-94 & Dolton Road Interchange, transportation challenges, study concerns, and study goals • Formally invite members to the SAC • Publish first social media post and newsletter introducing the study
SAC Meeting #1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kickoff SAC meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Introducing PEL study ○ Key Milestones/Timeline ○ Discuss challenges and opportunities ○ Call-to-Action
Spring – Summer 2024	
Pre-Purpose & Need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin on-site engagement • Publish second social media post and newsletter • Planning first Workforce & Economic Development Workshop • Begin planning for PIM #1 • MetroQuest Survey #1 – Existing Conditions
Pre-Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite participants to Workforce & Economic Development Workshops
SAC Meeting #2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present the study area’s existing conditions and context audit
SAC Meeting #3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present the Purpose & Need to SAC members • Discuss P&N • Call-to-Action
PIM #1 - Purpose and Need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open House • Presentation • Display Boards • Roll Maps • Comment Table
Workforce & Economic Development Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First workshop – focused on collecting data to inform the Purpose and Need • This will take place during the public comment period but after the PIM • Follow-up with attendees and present to the City of Calumet City during a public meeting (possibly a MetroQuest survey) • Publish third social media post and newsletter about workshops
Public Comment Period – Purpose & Need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal Public Notices/Advertisements • Physical copies of P&N distributed • Publish fourth social media post and newsletter about P&N/PIM #1 promotion



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Mail postcards • Continue on-site engagement
Summer 2024	
Post-PIM #1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on Engagement Effort to the City of Calumet City • Continue on-site engagement • Publish fifth social media post and newsletter about engagement during P&N
MetroQuest Survey #2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose and Need
SAC Meeting #4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study updates • Discussion • Call-to-Action
Fall 2024	
Introduction to Alternatives Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue on-site engagement • Publish sixth social media post and newsletter • Begin planning for PIM #2
SAC Meeting #5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study updates and introduction to the Alternatives process • Discussion • Call-to-Action
Alternatives ID and Development Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue on-site engagement • Publish seventh social media post and newsletter • MetroQuest Survey #3 – Alts ID/Screening Methodology
SAC Meeting #6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study updates • Discussion • Call-to-Action
End-of-Year Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue on-site engagement • Publish eighth social media post and newsletter that is a year in review
Winter 2024 - 2025	
Alternatives Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue on-site engagement • Publish ninth social media post and newsletter introducing the Alternatives process • MetroQuest Survey #4 – Alternatives Carried Forward •
SAC Meeting #7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce the Alternatives Screening process • Q&A about Alternatives • Call-to-Action
PIM #2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open House • Presentation • Display Boards • Roll Maps • Comment Table



Public Comment Period – Design Alternatives Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal Public Notices/Advertisements • Physical copies of Design Alternatives Evaluation distributed • Publish tenth social media post and newsletter about Design Alternatives Evaluation /PIM #2 promotion • Direct Mail postcards • Continue on-site engagement
Post-PIM #2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on Engagement Effort to the City of Calumet City • Continue on-site engagement • Publish fifth social media post and newsletter about engagement during Alternatives phase
Spring 2025	
SAC Meeting #8	Present results of PIM #2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call-to-Action
SAC Meeting #9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final SAC meeting • Present Alternatives Carried Forward • Discuss next steps/NEPA Scoping • Call-to-Action – how to stay involved
Conclusion (post-study)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation to the City of Calumet City Council • Final Public Involvement (PI) Report to the City of Calumet City • Internal PI Debriefing

Appendices

Appendix A: Tables

Table 1.1 Stakeholder Involvement Plan Revision History

Version	Date	Document Name	Description
1.0	12/11/2023	Stakeholder Involvement Plan	First Draft
2.0			

Table 1.2 Acronym List

Acronym	Definition
CSS	Context Sensitive Solutions
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
IDOT	Illinois Department of Transportation
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act



PSG	Project Study Group
PI	Public Involvement
SIP	Stakeholder Involvement Plan
SAC	Stakeholder Advisory Committee
PIM	Public Information Meeting
P&N	Purpose & Need
ADT	Average Daily Traffic
EA	Environmental Assessment

Table 1.3 Glossary of Terms

Term	Definition
Alternative	One of the several specific transportation improvement proposals, alignments, options, design choices, etc. in a study.
Context Sensitive Solutions	Balance between mobility, community needs and the environment while developing
Informed Consent	
Multi-Modal Transportation	Includes all modes of transportation for a complete transportation system. Examples: cars, trucks, bicycles, pedestrians, high occupancy vehicles, freight, mass transit, rail
Full Access	

Appendix B: Branding Style Guide

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Appendix C: Stakeholder Engagement Master List

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Name	Affiliation	Phone	Email	Stakeholder Type
DeAndre Tillman	3rd Ward Alderman	(708) 891-8193	dtillman@calumetcity.org	Public
DeJuan Gardner	5th Ward Alderman	(708) 891-8195	dgardner@calumetcity.org	Public
Lucretzia Jamison	Executive Director -	(847) 864-5627, ext. 15	ljamison@youthjobcenter.org	Youth



	Youth Job Center			
Val Williams	Economic Development Department	(708) 891-8139	wwilliams@calumetcity.org	Economic Development
Irma Holloway	Executive Director - Black Contractors Owners and Executives	(773) 596-6499, ext. 102	admin@bcoechicago.org	Advocacy
Alicia Ocampo	District 157 School Board	(708) 965-0807		Youth
Bill Hasse	Hasse Construction	(708) 862-2450	whasse@hasseconstruction.com	Business
Andrew DeYoung	Bob's Body Shop	(708) 891-0336	bobsbodyshop@hotmail.com	Business
William Penn	In His Hands Resource Center Inc.	(312) 768-3871		Non-profit
Cyndi Stewart	Sustainable Options for Urban Living, Inc.	(773) 250-1770	Cyndi@SOUL-Program.com	Non-profit
Christina Joyner	Community Resident	(773) 595-8601		Community
Reverend Francisco J. Luna/Rev. Mr. Tom Knetl/Rev. Mr. Philip Wroblewski/Rev. Mr. Dan Ragones	Jesus Shepherd of Souls	(708) 862-4165		Church



Wayne Baker	Calumet City Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC)	(773) 771-8184	waybak58@yahoo.com	Senior Advocate
Michael J. Sanders	Global Water Technology, Inc.	(312) 835-2031	mlanders@gwt-inc.com	Business
Chief Kevin Kolosh/Commander Ryan Govert	Calumet City Police Department	(708) 868-2500 x 8437	kkolosh@calumetcity.org; rgovert@calumetcity.org	Public Safety
Bernadette Fortuna	Calumet City Economic Development Grants Facilitator		bfortuna@calumetcity.org	Economic Development
Chief Glen Bachert	Calumet City Fire Department	(708) 891-8145	gbachert@calumetcity.org	Public Safety
Sheryl Tillman	Calumet City Zoning	(708) 891-8120	stillman@calumetcity.org	

Appendix D: The Timeframe Agreements

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