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1	Joliet	60435	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			Traffic projections are shallow considering amount of new commercial/dist centers in area or more importantly, amount of new truck traffic from new rail yard. Plan to add third lane not as useful if not extended to 104th Ave.
2	Minooka	60447	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			It was a sincere pleasure to receive and see the community survey which exemplifies and justifies the interest and necessity of detail with intensive planning that will affect many generations down line to a favorable response in the future. This will reflect the accurate research and planning that will remain beneficial to all concerned under any future circumstances. Sometime ago W. Clement Stone (CEO and creator of Combined Insurance Company of America) told me that 'It's results that count...everything else is an excuse.' That is a hard statement to lay on any person, group or objective. However, the older I become the greater truth and respect I recognize in that statement. With the above thoughts in mind the survey led me to some additional visionary thoughts for Kendall County, as it is in a unique location advantageous for present and future long-term development. Think of the close proximity of Kendall County to the crossroads of mid America at the intersection of I-80 & I-55. At a radius circumference of only 100 miles of that location, it provides an easy access and short time travel to millions of people to that center point, Kendall County and relative easy access from any place in our county by air, highway, rail and water. Also, now coming is the new addition and widening of I-80 to three lanes in each direction between Joliet Rt. 30 and Ridge Rd. in Kendall County which extends south through Minooka Il. to Rt 6. A complimentary thought to the above is the volume of underdeveloped open land available to Kendall County's future plan as the most desirable center point in our country to visit and experience. Now, I could understand how you could be viewing that I've gone too far out with this kind of thinking, but maybe not? I'm sure that you can refer to many successful developments similar to Disney who years ago started with a few acres of open land, or Las Vegas with an idea for starting a business in the middle of the desert with no one around and now look! Then closer to home and the present I recognize the beautiful and potential residential location progress of White Tail Ridge on Rt. 126 just east of Yorkville. Someone certainly had that creative thought long ago. I believe that the great relative position of Kendall County justifies a master plan that presents goals with no limitation on creative thought for the future of Kendall County. The author, Napoleon Hill of the book 'Think and Grow Rich' stated, 'Whatever the mind can conceive and believe, the mind can achieve.' Yes, I believe that Kendall County has this potential and more. It is not only the good times it provides, but also the revenue for the municipality to develop the best plan more effectively, where the sky has no limit for creative thinking towards the benefit of all concerned now and in the future.



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2	Minooka	60447	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			I would like to refer specifically to question 26 in the survey. When I think about the 10 or 20 years of advanced planning that sanctioned or did not discourage Summerfield's subdivision, I become concerned that the same planning practices will be applied to the next 10 or 20 year advanced plans which may have negative impact on our community down line. In addition to the statements above, I believe that the property owner, Mr. Ernest Kettleson at one time presented a previous plan to create an upscale architectural homes on the perimeter of his property surrounding an attractive and small golf course ideal for this location. Above and beyond my understanding that ideal plan was disapproved of and replaced with Summerfield. I hope this insight will add some additional thought to future decisions. My wife used to say, 'everyone has to have a starter home'. I whole heartedly agree with that, but why right here at one of the most beautiful locations in Kendall County, which happens to be the highest elevation area between Chicago and St. Louis. Maybe now would be an opportune time to organize a possible tri-county committee of Kendall, Will and Grundy to share the planning thoughts for everyone's benefit. Wow! I'd like to hear your first immediate response to that statement. However, there has to be some good in it for all, but we have to look for the good before we can find it. I have been familiar with this area for 70 years and have resided in my home with my family intermittently for approximately 50 years, next door to the new Minooka water treatment and storage tank on Wildy Road. We have always called it Mt. Minooka, or could be Mt. Kendall. I'll not usurp more of your time now to tell you all of the pleasures we have enjoyed being here to see the horizon of 360 degrees with beautiful sunrises, sunset and cool breezes. I thank you very much for your time and if you see any value in these notes I would enjoy the opportunity to talk with you further and it would be a privilege to help in any way you think possible. I'm wishing you all the best with your efforts towards best results. I hope my comments will in some way present additional planning values that will be remembered by all in the future. P.S. As I reviewed my notes to you they may have pointed to far in one direction which reminded me that ideas are not just black and white but rather many shades of gray when anyone endeavors to approach perfection. Now that I'm 89 years old and I look back 50 years to now where I have lived here on Mt. Minooka. It has been such a joyful blessing to be right here with those like you of Kendall County who honestly care about all of us here together. Thank you!
3	Shorewood	60404-9556	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			Pg. 4, upper right green area- left out township word TROY! Considerations beyond I-80 must be given to the Ill 52/53 exits both directions due to crowded access lanes and the railroad viaduct. I-80 Phase 1 Study binds Aug 2010 Vesl leaves out mentions of township officials (TROY for me) SUPV or Road Comm in Pana 3. 2 top of pg 12, pg 30 table 3.2, pg 33 table 5.1
4	Joliet	60436	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			I have lived at the same address off I-80 for 40 years. The noise and traffic has increased dramatically in the last 15 years. The area between Larkin and Rt 30 definitely needs help reducing noise. The trucks Jake Brake through here and they travel too fast and make their trailers bounce along the road creating damage and more noise. Midland Avenue bridge is a good location to witness this first hand. I get on 80 @ Center Street and exit @ Lagrange every week day (for the last 13years). Traffic can be bad but I think most of the problems are caused by the truck traffic from Chicago Street and the speed of everyone on the highway. A lot of people say, 'Travel on 80 - go '80' or else you will be run over'. We need to get control of it.
5	Joliet	60436	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			Please provide the sound barrier walls on the north and south sides of I-80 from I-55 eastward to at least Briggs St. The sound is deafening to us neighbors, especially when trucks do 'engine braking'. So: We need the sound walls on both sides. No engine braking signs from I-55 to Briggs St. Repair Midland Ave Bridge - need new elastomeric bearing to absorb vibrations from heavy trucks ramming the bridge on approach and leaving bridge. Do better, heavy duty paving of roadway to east and west of Midland Ave Bridge (east of Larkin Ave). My very serious concern is the I-80 Bridge over Midland Ave and the westbound and eastbound roadway before and after the bridge - trucks (trucks) are the problem with this ancient bridge - trucks often bottom out approaching and leaving the bridge - causing severe tremors/vibrations which shake houses several blocks north and south of the bridge - houses shake - plaster walls crack and foundations crack. My neighbors have these concerns. Also, truck noise - please post 'No engine Braking Signs' between Larkin Ave and Briggs St ASAP. Also- thank you very much for this IDOT service.



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6	New Lenox	60451	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			As a home owner whose house backs up to I-80, I have one major concern: the level of noise and vibrations that occur. Over the past decade, traffic volume has increased dramatically. My windows vibrate constantly and cannot be opened because of the noise level. Objects have vibrated off of walls and shelves recently. I want to make sure that this problem is remedied to the satisfaction of the residents of the Fieldstone subdivision in New Lennox. This was not a problem when we purchased our home but has developed with the increase in traffic over the last ten years.
7	New Lenox	60451	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			1. Stop light needed at WB exit ramp at Briggs St. Can't turn left (south) when ComEd exits at 4pm. 2. River Rd Bridge over I-80 in need of resurfacing. 3. I-80 east and west of Des Plaines bridge in need of resurfacing: many potholes!
8	Joliet	60433	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			I55 S to I-80 E merging is very dangerous. Related to I-80 E to I55 S merging dangerous too. Des Plaines bridge needs to be sandblasted and painted before it falls in while I'm on it. Resurface the entire corridor between Henblot and Briggs St! Both E and W, especially around the Des Plaines River. I had 4 blowouts within 1 year because of potholes. Ruined 3 tires and 1 wheel.
9	Joliet	60433	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			The bridge street westbound cloverleaf come very close, taking part of our property. We only hope they don't come that close again and leave us to more noise and dirt.
10	Joliet	60436	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			Noise from I-80 impacts the quality of my life-negatively! When large trucks hit potholes on I-80 pictures fall off my walls. Is impossible to entertain outdoors or to open windows and hear normal conversations. As it exists today there is a band of trees on Kensey separating us from I-80 plus another band on my property. I don't know what else I can do to alleviate noise. I would like to see sound barriers erected and quiet zone signs erected on 80 through residential areas. The level of pollution also concerns me.
11	Joliet	60431	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			I have been traveling I-80 E and W 4-5 days per week for the last 4 plus years from Ridge Rd to Harlem Ave. It would be most beneficial to add additional lane(s) to aid in the safety involved in driving/riding on this corridor. Congestion of merging traffic, back-ups due to enabled vehicles and slow-moving vehicles prevents an efficient flow of traffic. I can't wait for this project to take place RAPIDLY!
12			8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			With all of the traffic forecasted to travel on I-80, will there be any efforts to control the noise, especially since so many of the vehicles traveling will be semis? Specifically, in the residential stretches of roadway?
13	Shorewood	60404	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			There are major public safety concerns for motorists in two areas I see and hear from area residents. Motorists exiting on Larkin Ave-North attempting to go West on McDonough Street. Very difficult to navigate over to the left (westbound) lane. Motorists exiting I-55 to travel East on I-80. There is insufficient roadway to enter I-80 and heavy truck traffic stops cars and causes accidents. Very dangerous.
14	New Lenox	60451	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			I-80 should be widened to 3 lanes in each direction from US 30 to Ridge Rd. Due to current traffic congestion.
15			8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			Cherry Hill South single family subdivision in New Lennox (N side of I-80) directly abuts I-80, with a barrier wall. Additional right-of-way (row.) for road expansion difficult in this area, so row. to south? Or have enough existing row.? FYI - Cherry Hill South locate west of Gougar Rd. I-80 widening to impact Gougar Rd bridge? Impacts nearby industrial park?
16	Joliet	60436	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			What are the possibilities of rerouting I-80 south of Joliet - to relieve back-ups on Larkin Ave. And the noise pollution which makes it impossible to hold a conversation in my front yard. (West Park Front). If that isn't feasible - then a sound barrier is definitely necessary - or a tunnel between Wheeler and Midland - to make West Park more accessible.



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17	Elwood	60421	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			I would be interested in being part of the CIG working group. I am particularly interested in the improvement of the South Chicago Street being included in this project. The tremendous increase in the truck traffic and the Chicagoland Speedway have accentuated the safety problems at this interchange as traffic enters/exits Route 53 at the Chicago Street Interchange.
18	Shorewood	60404	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			No question this is a much-needed project. In my opinion, a key to getting 'buy in' and long-term support by all types of users is to design the reconstruction process properly. Add enough temporary roads/lanes to allow reasonable flow of traffic while roads and bridges are built and rebuilt. You cannot have mile after mile of backups during construction.
19	New Lenox	60451	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			Why is there no interchange at Wolf Road on I-80 between LaGrange Road and Rt 30? That is a distance of over 7 miles with no way to exit I-80 (except for I355) to get to local access. Will the aesthetics of the I-80 corridor be looked at? Litter and garbage, junk from trucks and pickups are nearly always present along the route. The landscaping is a jungle- Does IDOT ever mow the grass? The overall appearance of the landscape is bad - it needs to be improved to make it more pleasing to the eye. Steel Bridge over Des Plaines River needs to be widened or completely replaced - There is no shoulder (left lane) in case of road hazard. Entrance ramp from Rt 30 to westbound I-80 is too short and an up grade - lengthen the entrance ramp. Entrance ramp from Larkin Avenue to Eastbound I-80 is too short; lengthen the ramp. I-80 needs additional lanes from Rt 45 on the east to Ridge Road on the west.
20			8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		I travel from US 30 to Houbolt Rd and from Houbolt Rd to US 30 every day. I have gotten used to listening to the traffic reports to see if I should take I-80 or go through Joliet. One minor accident or even a state trooper with a stopped speeder can impact traffic tremendously. I-355 has made traffic much worse, even backing it up to Richards St or Larkin. Winter driving is treacherous as motorists travel much too quickly for conditions and IDOT struggles to clear the road with a lot of traffic. The bridge over the Des Plaines is terrible with the fog often creating hazardous conditions during below 0 F weather without any snow fall or freezing rain. The bridge joints in the Des Plaines river bridge are so rough traffic often slows down just to keep from shaking vehicles apart. Potholes in the bridge deck seem to go unrepaired. I have had two occasions where I had to get rims rebalanced after hitting potholes left unrepaired for weeks.
21			8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		The study area from Briggs to Larkin is in real need of repair and expansion. Funding for this portion of the project really needs to be a top priority. The remainder of the study area is important as well, but seems to be less travelled. The recent improvements @ Ridge Road have really improved traffic flow and safety at that intersection. I would be appropriate to use firms in Will County to design any improvements once the study is complete.
22			8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			Suggestions: bike trail parallel to highway with bridge over the Des Plaines river. Commuter trains parallel to highway.
23	Capron	61012	8/10/2010	PM #1 Comment Form			The public meeting in Joliet was very well set up and seemed to me very well attended. I did stick on a couple of sticky notes asking to connect all the wonderful long distance multiuse trails that dead end. I am enclosing a map of the area that points this out. Too often our highways function as barricades between neighborhoods. We need to provide access for residents to travel without having to depend on motor vehicles.
24			8/17/2010	Webmail	Detailed	9/26/2011	The sections of I-80 mainly eastbound between La Grange and 355 have become troublesome where it turns into two lanes. Is this going to be addressed with these projects as I see it only getting worse in the future.



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25			8/24/2010	Webmail	Standard	9/26/2011	A major concern I have with the possibility of widening I-80 is the increase in noise and noise vibrations experienced by the residents. Over the past decade, traffic volume has increased dramatically, especially truck traffic. With the extension of I-355, traffic volume increased, again with detrimental effects to the nearby residents. Our back yards are no longer relaxing sanctuaries due to the noise, dirt and pollution coming from the I-80 traffic. We aren't able to enjoy our deck because it is often too loud to hold a conversation due to the traffic noise. We cannot shut off our air conditioner and open our windows to enjoy the benefit of fresh air because it is just too loud. Our windows rattle constantly and items placed in cabinets shift due to the noise vibrations coming from the I-80 traffic. Items have even vibrated off walls due to the noise tremors caused by the traffic. If I-80 is widened, we can expect more noise, more pollution and even more vibrations. And these issues will negatively impact the value of our home.
26	New Lenox	60451	8/31/2010	Webmail	Standard	9/26/2011	My home is currently situated approximately 200 feet from speeding traffic on I-80. I have been in this home for 15 years and over this time, the traffic noise, pollution (in the form of dirt and odors), and damage to my home and yard from the vibrations of traffic and actual traffic entering the yard have dramatically increased. We have especially seen an increase in this problems since I-355 reopened its spur two years ago this fall. While there is at the present time a cable fence along the roadway (which will supposedly keep a speeding semi at bay, though I have my doubts), this does absolutely nothing to quell the noise and dirt/pollution that we have experienced having I-80 running through our backyards. Widening I-80 will impact us further, adversely affecting our house values and our current living situation. As it is, we are unable to leave our windows open in the evenings due to the noise, and though I have a lovely backyard with a pool and hot tub, it is difficult to enjoy time outdoors due to the noise factor. Sitting next to someone on the deck, I frequently have to shout to be heard over the traffic; not to mention the down-shifting of gears which always occur near our homes because there's a big curve and the truckers use their engines to slow down their speeding trucks. I implore that you perform a noise study and look at how this road impacts the neighborhood in New Lenox where I live. The Fieldstone subdivision gets most of the noise and pollution because we are situated so close to the highway, but other areas along the I-80 corridor are also adversely affected. Even if the road is not widened, we NEED a wall next to the roadway for our safety and well-being. We have been petitioning for this for the entire time we have lived here. Please do not ignore our pleas. Thank you.
27			8/30/2010	Webmail	Detailed	9/26/2011	I do believe 80 needs to be widened. I currently live in New Lenox and experience the bottle necks that occur daily at 355 going east to work in the morning and just west of Lagrange heading home from work. I am however nervous about widening I-80 since my back-yard ends at I 80 just west of route 30 and south of 80. Since moving in in 98' we have seen traffic increase tremendously especially truck traffic most likely due to the new warehouses that have opened up in Will county. Also, when 355 opened up a few years ago the traffic volume again increased. The noise and pollution from this increase has been a detriment to our home life. My concern is adding an additional lane will again increase traffic and become so bad that it will negatively affect my home value again. A sound study should be performed now - I doubt it is within limits currently!
28			9/2/2010	Webmail	Detailed	9/26/2011	[REDACTED] I own and manage farmland bordering I-80 between Ridge Road and River Road [REDACTED]. My suggestions would be as follows: 1) Build a new overpass at Ingolsby road to improve north-south traffic between US52 and US6. Ingolsby is to be linked to Wynstone in Shorewood. A bridge over the DuPage river is also needed. 2) Make overpasses over I-80 wider. Moving 21ft farm equipment over the now 25ft wide overpass is dangerous with traffic moving at 50-55 mph. 3) Bank the S curves at mile post 123-125. 4) Make the entire stretch of I-80 3 lanes. 5) The service road on the south-east corner of the Shepley road overpass is unusable to transport 60ft long planter to my fields. The guard rails need to be removed, moved, or redesigned. 6) On the I-80 ROW tree roots have plugged the drainage tile, which now backs up water in my field. The ROW trees need to be removed or new drainage installed. The situation is worsened by the fact that the subsoil is sand in this area. Thank you for listening to my suggestions. [REDACTED]
29			3/17/2011	Webmail	Detailed	9/26/2011	I attended an IDOT meeting last year in New Lenox where IDOT laid out the expansion plans for I-80 between RT 45 and RT 30. I don't see anything on your present website even mentioning the widening of I-80 and installation of sound barriers. At that meeting IDOT indicated construction would start in 2011 and take 3 years. Can you tell me status of this project at this time?



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30			3/20/2011	Webmail	Standard	9/26/2011	[REDACTED] I'm a real estate Broker with Century 21 in Plainfield. I have a client who will be putting his property up for sale due to job relocation. Before listing I wanted to touch base with you on the I-80 project. The on ramp from Briggs Street onto I-80 West currently clips the rear of his yard. IDOT has said they will be needing the property for the ramp reconfiguration. Do you have any idea what the phase 2 scheduling for property acquisition will be? They need to move forward with this ASAP. [REDACTED]
31			4/3/2011	Webmail	Standard	9/26/2011	We live in the Ingalls Park portion of unincorporated Joliet Township. When widen I-80 please plan on putting up sound barriers for those who live along I-80. Our houses were built before I-80 was built. Thank you
32			6/24/2011	Webmail	Standard	9/26/2011	I live in Minooka Il with I-80 directly behind my home. there is already a problem with noise and not long ago we actually had a car almost in our backyard. With these new expansion plans on I-80, a wall is going to have to go up. All of you can come over to my house and you'll see. From what I understand there are federal mandates that require a noise wall if certain factors are met. I am certain they are met. I would like some answers. I am concerned about the safety of my family as well as all of my neighbors in the same situation as myself. --very concerned, [REDACTED]
33			7/7/2011	Webmail	Detailed	9/26/2011	I taught at Joliet Junior college several years ago on a Sunday afternoon during the summer. I believe that once an accident has happened between my entry-point at LaGrange road on I-80 heading west there are only two choices to get off I-80-- I355 another expressway -- in another perpendicular direction from Joliet, and another in New Lenox, which is really in the middle of nowhere to get to Joliet. I was only late once which of course irritated my students, but I believe that there should be alternative exits and paths when this type of situations arises with nightmare backups.
34			7/21/2011	Webmail	Detailed	9/26/2011	we travel on i-80 every weekend (Friday morn thru Sunday) if we could have advanced warning on "traffic standstills" it would be appreciated. then we could get off and take an alternate route. i.e. when traffic was at a standstill last weekend at Briggs, if we had known about that we could have gotten off at maple (going west) and gone an alternate route instead of sitting there for 30 minutes. give us a little warning like you do for 355 and 55. thank you for your time.
35			7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			Improvements needed for Rockdale/Joliet between Larkin and Center Streets would be sound walls along highway. Houses are located right along highway at these points.
36	Joliet	60436	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			Noise level very high. Pollution level high. Wall would be nice.
37	Joliet	60436	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			I currently live at 606 Margaret St in Joliet which is on the northeast corner of the Rt 80 Larkin interchange. I would like to see a wall considered for the home owners which live right along the highway to decrease the noise and air pollution.
38	Shorewood	60404	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			The bridge over the Frontage Road needs repair. Making a lot of noise. The pollution coming off I-80 has killed 8 of our 30-foot-tall evergreens! The new lighting added on I-80 recently has now lite up my whole back yard. We are a small subdivision but the noise is extremely loud - need noise barrier walls regardless of how many homes are in subdivision!
39	Joliet		7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			Please consider noise factor for residents near Richard St exits. Also, dangers exiting and merging onto I-80. I'm interested in being on the committee.



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40	Springfield	62704	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			I am a concrete paving engineer, so I have a particular view on many of these issues. Traffic levels dictate poocp. Use the highest quality freeze-thaw and ASR resistant aggregates available in the area. Noise is one of the comments I've overheard around the room. We have new 'manufactured surfaces' i.e. Next Generation Concrete Surface, created by a two-step finished diamond grinding process that can reduce noise by anywhere from three to ten decibels. It is quieter than asphalt and a longer-term solution. It would bear excellent use of the technique on the I-80 corridor. Want more ideas on better concrete. Give me a call!
41	Morris	60450	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			I would like the project to extend another mile, or so, to State Rt 47 in Morris IL. This area has seen a large increase in truck traffic and will only see more trucks due to the new intermodal park being built in Wilmington, IL. Rt 47 has become a very busy trucking route and residents fear that the infrastructure is not sufficient to maintain the route, including I-80. Longer on and off ramps. Trucks have their own lanes. Increase on ramp lanes on Ridge Rd and I-80 because of heavy truck traffic.
42	Lockport	60441	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			The redesign and re-engineering of this portion of I-80 is long overdue. When it was first opened 50 years ago no one anticipated the amount of growth and congestion that we have today. The short-term solution to reducing the number of accidents and fatalities is relentless police enforcement in the 45-mph speed limit over the bridge.
43	Shorewood	60404	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			At mile post 124 water runs over I-80 when there are heavy rains. Water is unable to get to the to the west. At the present time, it causes flooding of farm land as the area develops with more hard surfaces the flooding will become worse.
44	New Lenox	60451	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			I know it will be costly but realignment of Des Plaines river bridge is needed because of safety.
45	Joliet	60433	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			Suggestions: traffic lights on north and of Briggs St interchange. Question: is there any land acquisition between Briggs St and Rt 30? This would affect out property - were on the south side of Rt 80.
46	Joliet	60433	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			There is a need for a traffic light at Briggs Street for vehicles exiting I-80 WB to go north on Briggs St. Vehicles are going north on Briggs to Fifth Ave where they make a U-turn to enable them to go to south on Briggs. Traffic is so heavy that they cannot turn south on Briggs.
47	Lemont	60439	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			At least six lanes from I355 to I55. Start this project ASAP. Straighten the bridge even the river so there are no dangerous curves, raise the bridge like they did with the I355 bridge over the river.
48	Joliet	60433	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			[REDACTED] we live almost under I-80 bridge. Over the many past years since being built, we had all problems. For instance, snow plower hitting our roof, side and front of house. When heavy snow the plower with hit tops and mainly front. For roof at night it sounded like a bomb. Front of house broken window and dirty snow came into house and blowing wind. We called many times to complain at the New Lenox Garage, and even went to New Lenox. Our homeowners have said I-80 pay for damage. We lived with damage.
49	Joliet	60432	7/28/2011	PM #2 Comment Form			We'd like to see identification signage off of I-80 at Richards for Silver Cross Field. It could be a larger sign that identifies additional points of interest such as downtown Joliet, Rialto, etc. I see it along other interstates and it would assist people in finding points of interest. Thank you.
50			9/27/2011	Webmail	Detailed	9/30/2011	[REDACTED] my back yard is approximately 50 yards from east bound rt 80. the noise from the trucks hitting the bump from the most recent work east bound is unbearable. when they hit the ledge, it sounds like an earthquake or explosion and shakes my whole entire house. it is affecting my whole household's ability to sleep at night especially my children. any help in fixing this matter would be greatly appreciated. Sincerely, [REDACTED]
51			4/2/2013	Webmail	Standard	4/8/2013	Hello - I just have a quick question - are there plans to put an interchange at wolf road and I-80? If so, is there an estimated start date?



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52			10/22/2015	Webmail	Standard	11/6/2015	Are there any new updates about the Phase 1 study? I happened to read that Phase 1 is supposed to conclude on 2015.
53			9/17/2016	Webmail			Has it been discussed to make 55 south to 80 east ramp to 3 lanes and one for trucks only. It sounds like a lot of work but it might ease traffic at this busy intersection. Also, when 80 west near route 30 when it goes from 3 lanes to 2, major tie ups when last minute drivers even try to go thru shoulder when third lane ends...Indiana has it figured out with 5 lanes approaching the state line. Thanks
54	Joliet	60432	4/25/2017	email from City of Joliet	Detailed	5/16/2017	[REDACTED] who owns property near the future I-80 bridge expansion project. The property addresses are [REDACTED]. He is looking for basic information about the project and how it may impact his property. Can you contact him to discuss the project or forward this email on to the correct person who can contact him? His phone number is [REDACTED] and his email is [REDACTED].
55			9/19/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I am a school bus driver with Minooka High School District #111. I also live in Minooka since 2005. I grew up in Lockport, so I am very familiar with the area and have seen the growth and changes it has gone through. I drive an out of district route from Minooka to Palos Heights every day. I travel I-80 from Ridge Rd to Harlem Ave twice a day, through the peak times. I believe I have valuable information and insight to offer for this project. The best way to contact me for this purpose is through email. Thank you
56			9/20/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I am interested in any updates on the I-80 Project from Ridge Road to US Route 30. I travel this corridor and experience frequent traffic backups and delays due to high truck and car volume and accidents. I do not feel safe driving as I approach Route 30 from the east and near the Joliet bridge from the west. This should have been addressed many years ago with the expansion of I355. I believe this should be a priority project. Please add me to your mailing list. Thanks. [REDACTED]
57			9/27/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	Hi, I would like to sign up for project updates and construction updates and study updates
58	Plano	TX	9/27/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	Please add me to your list of interested developers/builders for the I-80 expansion plan. I would like to receive any and all updates as the project progresses. I'm originally from Will County and this project is near and dear to my heart, as I have family who travel the Joliet corridor each day. Would IDOT consider a Public Private Partnership to finance this project? If so, we should talk. My firm is uniquely capable of providing total DBFOM services for a project of this size and complexity.Thanks,[REDACTED]
59			10/25/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	Good afternoon, Under the "FAQ" tab on the project website, the following information is listed under the question "What is the I-80 Study?" "A Project Working Group (PWG) meeting was conducted on September 19, 2013 to present the range of alternatives to project stakeholders and seek their input. A public meeting is targeted for fall 2017 to present the range of alternatives and seek input from the public. Once we present the range of alternatives to the public, the alternatives will be further evaluated and screened until a preferred alternative is reached. The preferred alternative will be presented at a public hearing which is anticipated to occur in mid2018. Design Approval for this project is anticipated for late 2018 which will complete the Phase I process." Are there any updates to add about the Fall 2017 Public Meeting? Is there a meeting currently scheduled? I look forward to hearing from you! Thanks!



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60			10/31/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I think it is about time that this dangerous stretch of interstate be brought out of the 1960s and into modern day. To have this stretch of road being only 2 lanes on each side is beyond just plain stupid it is completely irresponsible and dangerous and costing lives and millions of dollars in either damage to vehicles from accidents or in the form of monies lost due to delays which plague this stretch of roadway. I think it is about time that IDOT stops building roads to meet the needs for either today or 20 years ago and start building roads for the future. To be quite honest, to only widen this stretch of road to only 3 lanes on each side is still only bringing this roadway into the 1980s at best. I often wonder when driving around the Chicago area where our engineers that design the roads around here are getting their ideas from? Perhaps stop modeling our roadways after those on Long Island or in Boston where the roads date back to the 1800s and take a trip to San Diego, CA and look at some real roads that are built for speed and safety. Take a look at the 15 coming out of Escondido through Rancho Bernardo and Poway and down into San Diego. That roadway features some 5 constant lanes of traffic in each direction, HOV lanes, and express lanes. Look at how the 5 is being redone in Santa Ana, CA. That was a 3 lane freeway on each side and is being widened to a continuous 4 lanes with 1 HOV lane in each direction with also constant exit lanes making this into 6 lanes on each side. If Illinois wants to compete with other states in luring businesses to it such as this Amazon debacle that is being covered by the news on a regular basis, then it needs to start building transportation infrastructure comparable with what other cities have such as those in California, Texas, Florida, Georgia, and other booming areas, not more roads that look like they are out of New Jersey or from Staten Island. Those areas are old and outdated and plagued with horrible traffic, bad accidents, and tons of aggressive drivers thanks to them being totally P.O.ed when they drive anywhere. Now here is how you design a road for the future. Take notes or better, fly out there and take a look at it and study it for yourselves. http://511sd.com/fastrak511sd/15ExpLanes Santa Ana I5 http://www.trainweb.org/amtrakpix/travelogues/102308A/4080456.jpg https://www.flickr.com/photos/raymondye/4295263061
61			11/10/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	The amount of truck traffic in our area is overwhelming our roads. We are paying high taxes here in Illinois and yet there is not enough money to keep them in good shape. Now, North Point wants to put warehouses on 2200 acres in the Elwood/Manhattan area and destroy our Midwest farming region. There are empty warehouses sitting all up and down interstate 55 and this company is known for their build and run tactics. Please.....say no to this project so the people in this area can use the roads safely.
62			11/10/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I-80 should be a 34 lane, each direction highway. With all of the warehouses moving in there are constantly accidents & hazards on our roads! it takes 2 times long to just get across my town now. What about or infrastructure?? It's ruining our towns!!
63			11/10/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I 80 used to be a great expressway in will county, and now with all the truck traffic it's become dangerous. The Center Point truck modal has been a terrible thing for the residents of Will County and they want to compound it now and put even more trucks on our roads and expressways with North Point...when will enough be enough?
64			11/10/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I'm a truck driver and I drive I-80 daily. I'm think I-80 should be widened to 6 lanes all the way from I355 to I55, through the Joliet region. It's become increasingly dangerous for all drivers.
65			11/10/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I-80 thought Joliet needs some major improvements! Truck traffic has made this area hazardous to drive. There are not enough lanes. The bridge over the Des Plaines river is in need of widening, updating and repairs. The ramps for I-80 at Rt. 53 are very dangerous and need to be improved so there is better traffic flow.
66			11/10/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	Say no to North Point we do not need more traffic in our area. It will be terrible if it goes through. I 80 definitely needs improvement not more traffic.
67			11/10/2017	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	Please make the on and off ramps safer for the Route 53 interchange. Trying to exit Route 53 from the north bound to get onto I-80 west can be very dangerous...as so it is dangerous for trying to merging from north bound route 53 onto I-80 East bound. Especially with on the semi-trucks trying to get on and off the interstate. Also, the amount of traffic clusters by the Des Plaines Bridge are ridiculous...both west and east bound lanes. Thank you.



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68			1/5/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I am the Village Administrator for the Village of Newark, IL. I would like to be able to track the progress of this project. Thank you.
69			1/12/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	Please add me to the mailing list for project notices. Thank you.
70			1/17/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I travel I-80 every day to work. I have recently expressed frustration to my loved ones regarding the safety issues travelling through Joliet. I am finding many others have the same concerns and desire improved safety. By researching information for a school project, I am finding opportunities for me to become involved personally. Although my personal time is limited now, I intend to stay informed of the progress and hope to become an involved community member.
71			1/18/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Add me to the newsletter list please.
72			1/18/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	To have an interstate with speed limit of 45 miles an hour begs the question: why was this ever allowed to be designed the way it is now? It needs to be straightened out.
73			1/18/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	The congestion by trucks during peak commuting traffic periods of 7am9am and 4pm6pm are terrible Can the Illinois legislature pass a law that forces semi-trucks to stay in the right lane only thru municipal areas during those times? This would help traffic flow and public safety
74			1/18/2018	PM #3Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I really feel it would be best if IDOT was to continue the design the Illinois Tollway Authority did to the east on 80 where 80 (under ITA's control) is 4 lanes wide on each side. You cannot expect this roadway which is the ONLY roadway around the base of the lake that all the truckers use to be only 3 let alone 2 lanes wide on each side. It just isn't going to work and is only going to become an even bigger death trap. With the economy picking back up and ecommerce booming, the trucking industry can't even keep up with the demand meaning there will keep being more and more trucks on the roads and they all have to go through here (I-80) to get from coast to coast as Lake Michigan blocks the northeast from the west so freight coming into the ports in San Fran, LA, and Seattle (all the junk coming over from China) which is destined for places like Detroit (to go into our cars), and the NYC area must come through on 80 around the base of the lake. 80 is a total bottleneck as again all trucks converge right around the base of the lake on 80 from I39 to I65. Areas past there on both sides, the trucks start shooting off in every direction again, but between there, they all must use 80. I would suggest this entire stretch from 55 to where the ITA takes over in CC Hills be 4 lanes in each direction with signage reading "trucks MUST use 2 right lanes" and have cops through there waiting to ticket the trucks for going into the number 3 and 4 lanes. This is really the only thing that will work and if the state can't afford to do this, then I would suggest IDOT teams up with the ITA to relinquish this stretch of roadway over to the ITA as the ITA has done a great job on 80 from Country Club Hills east. 80 from Country Club Hills west is a total nightmare.
75			1/18/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	With the speed limit of 45 miles an hour if that's begs the question: why was this interstate ever allowed to be designed as it is? Straightening it out seems to be the solution.



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76			1/19/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I live in Manhattan, which is adjacent to Elwood. The village of Elwood is voting whether to rezone a large parcel of agricultural land to light industrial in order to build Compass Business Park, which will be 2,000 acres when complete. The estimated daily traffic will be 53,000 vehicles, 16,000 of which are semis. Details of the project are still being developed in terms of a dedicated bridge for the trucks, but there are no restrictions on the cars. And the trucks will certainly be traveling this stretch of 180 in order to get to the bridge. Elwood is already home to the largest intermodal center in North America (Centerpoint). And Compass Business Park will be even larger. I would like to know how the Illinois Department of Transportation will address the potential of a dramatic increase of vehicles on an already dangerous stretch of highway. Does the Department of Transportation have any input into the appropriateness of a project this massive? Is there any way you can get involved as it will have a tremendous impact on our roads, safety, and lives?
77			1/19/2018	PM #3Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Please put me on your mailing list, Thank You!
78			1/20/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Mailing List Add
79			1/20/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Any bridges that are upgraded should include extra lanes based on proposed future 6 lane cross section.
80			1/22/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Moving I-80 right thru downtown Joliet sounds crazy but most of downtown Joliet needs to be torn down and make a modern new Joliet.
81			1/23/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Add to mailing list.
82			1/24/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	The necessity for I-80 Corridor widening and reconstruction arrives far too late...the surrounding communities of Elwood, Joliet, Shorewood, Wilmington, Channahon, and even Coal City are maligned by incessant semi-truck traffic, delays, and inferior road (and bridge) conditions. Promises of infrastructure funding are hopeful, but the stark reality remains: IL roads simply cannot sustain a working population's demand(s). Every morning (including Sundays), a typical 45 min. commute on northbound I55 is directly and adversely impacted by the slightest I-80 incident. These, without exception are the result of an archaic [1950s] interstate system providing egress for thousands of vehicles daily, around the clock, hauling freight (oftentimes near capacity; sometimes over permit tonnage). Please hear our cries for road safety and improvements! Sooner or later, they will become pleas for less deaths and zero tolerance for additional commercial and warehousing developments. Illinois tax dollars cannot be spent in every corner on every street, but please allocate some for Will County!!
83			1/24/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I drive I-80 every day for work from Joliet to Matteson. It is a nightmare. Last week, there were 4 accidents during 5 days. You never see any police at all. People do any speed they want. Even if you lowered down the speed limit, if there is no one to enforce it, it will be ignored. The people that WANT to do the speed limit will be run over by others who are speeding, so you are forced to drive faster. Even the trucks, who used to be the ones allowing cars to merge into traffic, force you off the road now. Just a very dangerous drive every day for me.
84			1/29/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I own a business on northwest side of Richards St next to westbound off ramp and was wondering if my property will be affected by any part of the I-80 project such as widening of the roadway or changes to the off ramp



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85			1/29/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	This is a very dangerous piece of Interstate. IDOT needs to prioritize dollars and put rebuilding this section of I-80 at the top of the list.
86			1/30/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Can you please add me to the email list?
87			1/30/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	<p>3 lanes in each direction is not enough for the future use. We need to think further ahead into the future. To efficiently handle the traffic, several intersections need to be improved and lanes added. Realistically, we should be thinking about having at least 5 lanes in each direction. While 6 lanes would accommodate traffic through periods of construction and periodically heavy traffic, 5 lanes is acceptable. Part of the cost in construction could be mitigated by spreading the traffic over more lanes. Reducing road pressure density reduces the load imposed on the roadway which, in turn reduces the need for ongoing construction.</p> <p>Improving intersections at Larkin, Rt 53, and Richards could also alleviate the congestion and traffic. At Larkin, use a similar design to that at the Rt 45 and I-80 intersection. Traffic lights at the ramp would help control the congestion and confusion at McDonough and Larkin. This would also keep traffic from backing up onto I-80. Extending the Richards exit to service Rt 53 is an option that could help to move traffic more smoothly and prevent rollover accidents at the Rt 53 exits and entrances to/from I-80. There is too much of a lane shortage and speed differential while traffic at each of these ramps attempts to slow or speed up to enter and exit the Interstate. Another consideration might be a bypass for through traffic that moves along Rt 6. This could also serve as a bypass for the intersection at I55 and I-80. Which leads to another intersection improvement at I55 and I-80.</p> <p>Flyover ramps similar to I55 and I355 could keep all of the traffic moving smoothly. This is also an area where speed differentials are too great. Drivers are becoming so impatient with the traffic that they risk their lives and the lives of others making dangerous maneuvers to get ahead. Changes need to be implemented that enable common sense decision making to be second nature. Too many drivers are losing their common-sense mentality over their frustration from the traffic and backups. Note that I never indicated that trucks are the problem. This is because they aren't. Plain and simple it's not the trucks. The problem lies with the infrastructure and the lack of forethought in planning for the traffic needs of the industry, warehousing, and residential projects that have expanded exponentially. We can't invite business, industry, and residents into the area without serving their needs for infrastructure and growth. This is like inviting 150 people to a house party, then once they get to the house, telling them to enter through the doggie door.</p>
88			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	<p>I-80 Suggestions (Joliet, IL) Short Term: On West-bound I-80, on the IL-53/US-52 overhead sign, add a "Right Lane must exit" or "Right lane ends in 1/2 mile" sign. I have often seen truckers, trying to be polite, shift into the right lane, then have to shift back at the bridge. On West-bound I-80, add a bit of an exit lane for North-bound IL-7 (Larkin Ave). If it started right after the Midland Avenue overpass, it would be fairly simple. This would give more stacking room for when this exit gets congested. Mid-Term: Make I-80 three lanes in each direction from I-55 to US-30, with Truck Lane Restrictions. Many of the current problems are caused by the road narrowing down. It seems that the current bridge over the Des Plaines River was designed with this in mind. Add a fly-over ramp from South-bound I-55 to East-bound I-80. The merging with all the traffic and trucks is dangerous. Wish List: New bridges at the Des Plaines River. Straighten out the curves. A fourth lane in both directions between Briggs Street and Larkin Ave (IL-7) for local traffic. Other: A recent report of wear on the Briggs Street overpass mentioned that this is in not a Truck Route. One would never guess this by the number of trucks that use this interchange. Please plan for lots of trucks in any improvements made to this interchange. Feel free to not post "Truck Route" signs. It seems pointless to modify the Center Street/Meadow Avenue interchange to allow East-bound traffic on I-80 to exit to South-bound Meadow Avenue. Perhaps if the road was re-aligned with the Brandon Road Bridge. There should be signs "To US-6" recommending either IL-53/US-52 or IL-7 (Larkin Ave). Anyone looking at a map would expect to be able to exit, unless one is looking at an enlarged map.</p>



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89	New Lenox	60457	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	Thank you for having this meeting! We have lived in our house for almost 19 years and have watched the traffic and noise level increase drastically, as well as the number of accidents. Our house backs up to I-80 just east of Gougar Road. We have a number of concerns... Noise- the noise level has increased dramatically over the years. We cannot hear each other. Items in our house literally rattle now. We are REALLY hoping for a sound wall to reduce the noise somewhat. New Lenox east/westbound ramps are very dangerous- We have driven east on I-80 daily for work and west on I-80 weekly- both have become very congested and difficult to merge onto the highway from. High volume of truck traffic, as well as commuter traffic increases, have magnified the problem- truck traffic has been unbearable and dangerous! Cars exiting I-80- Numerous cars have exited eastbound I-80 and ended up in our neighbors' yards or our yard. This has happened many times over the years. Our neighbors deck was destroyed in one incident, another car ran through 3 yards before stopping, another ran through our yard where my sons played (luckily not home!). Cars and trucks have left I-80 into our yards too many times. We are extremely concerned about our safety in our own yard. We worry every time we go out there, even to mow. Our backyards are not safe. Cars do not take the curve properly and exit into our yards at that point this has happened at night and during the day. PLEASE put up a wall to prevent vehicles from leaving I-80 into our yards. We are fortunate none of us have been hurt yet. We have even planted trees and the New Lenox mayor installed a high-tension barrier fence for us, but none of these have stopped the cars from coming- the rate of speed is too high to stop them until they have come through our yards. It appears that I-80 will widen to 6 lanes from Houbolt to Briggs, drop to 4 lanes from Briggs to Maple Street, then widen to 6 lanes again. This is truly a disaster in the making!! Having driven I-80 daily the traffic jams and accidents that occur with lane reductions is unreal. I-80 needs to be widened to 6 lanes all the way through or we will see even more accidents in the New Lenox area. Please listen to me, we have watched I-80 for 19 years now!! People become more aggressive with lane reductions and it interrupts the flow of traffic. I would be willing to do anything I can to help with this project.
90			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	Impressed with the options and the work that can be done with money on hand. I hope money can become available for all options proposed. The need is now!
91	Shorewood		1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	Refined North Bridge-Yes Center Street-Alt. #1- Yes Chicago Street -Alt. #1- Yes Would like to see more improvement at I-55/I-80 interchange. W-bound I-80 needs one of the "clovers" eliminated. Very disappointed to learn that 3 lanes are not being considered (through the entire project area). I'd pay a toll for that.
92	Shorewood		1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	I spent 4.5 years commuting from Shorewood (55/80 interchange) to the Joliet Union Station (Chicago St/80 interchange). I found merging onto 80 West at the Chicago St interchange to be problematic on a daily basis. I had to merge twice within a short period of time - around a limited visibility curve, nonetheless. Every day I gritted my teeth and hoped for the best! Strictly from the perspective of someone doing that commute, I think Chicago St. Alternative 1, combined with the Des Plaines Bridge North of Refined North Alternative, allows for the safest merging from Chicago St to 80 West - least number of merges, and merging strictly on straightaways rather than curves. The higher number of residential relocations does concern me, though, so I would want to ensure top-notch assistance for those individuals.
93	Manhattan	60442	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	Strongly support I-80 toll so long as the cost to trucks is higher especially at 53.
94	Shorewood	60404	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	Talk was to add tolls to fund project. That will slow 80 down even more. You need to TAX the warehouses that caused this traffic mess. No work being done from 55/80 south to Minooka except for repaving. I live behind this area in the Cubblestone subdivision. There is a fatal accident at least once a week on 80. They need to widen all the way to Minooka. Also, slow that speed down to 55! It's like a raceway after 80 and 55. Also build a new bridge by Chicago Street. That bridge is so old it will need to be replaced eventually and then you'll be paying for more costs.



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95	Joliet	60432	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	Rt 53 and viaduct priority. Extra lanes on I-80 do now not some later. Joliet bridges maintenance paint acc the same color like citgo. When a bridge goes down ran long time we need to have 2-way traffic on Aworten Street, example Jefferson goes down make Cass two way to alleviate traffic in Joliet. We are the crossroads of mid America; all traffic east and west goes through our town we should be a priority. We would like to beautify our entryways no signage just grass and ...
96	Joliet	60435	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	I would like to see more of a change for E/W 80 at Larkin. Vehicles coming onto E/B 80 from the ramp, and vehicles TRYING to get onto the N/B ramp coming off of E/B 80 tend to get tied up because there is not enough road. The maps (at today's meeting) don't appear that there is still enough room for the vehicles to merge on or off. I drive that area quite a bit and am ALWAYS concerned with the possibility of getting into an accident. I feel the ramp coming onto E/B 80 still needs to go farther to the west, and the off ramp to N/B Larkin (east side of Larkin) still needs to go farther east. There needs to be a farther buffer between the two.
97	Shorewood	60404	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	I agree with the proposed changes to the I-80 and I-55 exchange. It should significantly reduce congestion on the worst quadrant of the existing clover leaf (which would be removed and have new exit/entrance ramps).
98			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	Widening of I-80 from Ridge Rd to Route 30 must be widened to 3 lanes on both sides the entire length. I also believe IDOT should work closer with the county and municipalities to ensure proper cohesiveness. DO NOT leave out widening the western end. I-80 ramp and I-55 ramps are a nightmare also. They should be reconfigured.
99	New Lenox	60451	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	We live in Cherry Hill South, 2867 Joel Ar, directly adjacent to I-80. The "sound wall" installed by the developer 15 years ago is totally inadequate for the present-day traffic noise on I-80. We are very concerned about this now even more so with talk of lane expansion on I-80. Currently it is next to impossible to have a conversation or call to our children (safety concerns!) because of this noise level. Please address these concerns!
100	Joliet	60435	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	You need to do something. Not sure present plan is the best. It appears to be a patch. This 6 lanes to 8 and back to 6 lanes at Richards St will create major merge problems. That 16 mile stretch need at least 6 lanes all the way through. I know there is a money problem, but if you are going to do it then do it right the first time. Rt 53 needs to be addressed. Need to tie that portion by I-80 into this project because of the increase truck traffic. You need to go at least a couple of miles south down 53 towards Elwood and north.
101	Channahon	60410	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	3 lanes from Houbolt to Larkin would be nice, but I understand funding limitations. This project is highly needed, overdue, and a great improvement to the corridor. Next, I-55 from Arsinial to I-80.
102	Joliet	60431	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	I am very in favor of the improvements being made to I-80. I drive the corridor every day and look forward to the upgrades proposed in this study.
103	Joliet	60435	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	I am concerned with making I-80 a tollway. I would prefer to explore all other funding options first. As for the project, the changes from Briggs to 30 include removing the shoulder after pulling those lanes together. It would make more sense to go ahead and add that 3rd lane on each side since you have to tear up the road anyway. This would also help elevate traffic in the downtown intersections by having the roadway open up. I would like to see more information on the study for including these lane expansions with the alternative proposed plan. We don't want tax dollars tearing this up twice when once would save money. The other areas I see would be more costly to include but I hope you will review this area again.
104	Joliet	60436	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	We live at [REDACTED] next to the westbound lanes, at the north Larkin exit. We need to be bought out on a noise wall needs to be put up The noise in the last 10 years has increased tremendously.



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105	Rockdale	60436	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	My family is opposed to putting a noise wall on the on ramp- Larkin Ave N to I-80 east. We have no noise complaints and have lived there since its existence, (and own the majority of the property there.). Makes more sense in other areas like I-80 W to Larkin N off ramp. Not necessarily opposed to properly placed walls, but please do discern where necessary, not just everywhere. Also, thank you for addressing the dangerous Chicago St interchange.
106	Manhattan	60442	1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	PM	3/23/2018	The lane proposals are not nearly enough. Look at the increase in traffic over the last 10 years to now and you will see the problems. You talk about creative funding easy- tolls for trucks, free for cars. It's the only reason we need all this is because of truck traffic.
107			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		My concern is where 4 lanes starting at the Richard Street exits drops down to 3 lanes this may cause a bottleneck for traffic as well as delays. Is there any consideration to extend beyond Richard St to elevate the bottleneck?
108			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		As a lifelong resident of Joliet, I have seen an overwhelming increase of vehicles (in particular trucks) through this corridor during this period of time (last 50 years). There has been little or no improvement or expansion of our infrastructure. I-80 traffic has become so congested and dangerous it is not safe to be on the road.
109			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		Reducing roadway curves, especially along the river bridge, is probably the best improvement. The ... north alignment is the best option. Also, keeping I-80 a freeway is highly important. Great presentation - very informative! Thanks.
110			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		The alternative plans to widen and create a new bridge over Des Plaines river look great. Preventing accidents and shortening travel times are good goals. The roadway needs replacing due to age so widening at the same time is a great idea in decreasing construction tie ups.
111			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		Appears to be opportunity for huge bottleneck between Houbolt and Larkin. Why not continue 3 lanes from 80 to 30? If truck traffic exits Houbolt. How will that affect students exiting Houbolt to JJC?
112			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		I-80 should be expanded to a minimum of 3 lanes each direction from New Lenox (Rt 30 area) to beyond the I-55 interchange. Alternate thorough fares will become gridlocked during construction, routes such as Route 6 should be expanded to 2 lanes each way from Terminal Ct in Joliet to I-55 in Channahon prior to the I-80 construction project.
113			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		We need you to put the infrastructure for an 8-lane highway at the time of that we will dealing with your construction plans. If you don't have the funding then you need to get it from these companies that are building intermodals and warehouses, larger taxes to them instead of us, no more 25-30 years tax breaks, why punish the community.
114			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		At the Rt 30 interchange in NL, the ramp from Rt 30 to westbound I-80 is a suicide. Ramp needs to be safer. It is too short and is up hill. It needs to be much longer to allow vehicles to get up to speed before merging with the I-80 traffic. The plan as illustrated today replaces the pavement with the same unsafe ramp. Don't waste tax dollars rebuilding this hazard without fixing the problem.



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115			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		I am in support of this project. Realigning the bridge over the Des Plaines river to the north, separate from the existing structure would be preferred. It allows easier construction/MOT and smooths out the alignment for better flow of vehicles and reduces crashes. I would prefer to see widening to a min of 3 lanes in each direction from I-55 west. During the morning commute JJC has a large influx of traffic and the additional lanes would allow for greater safety and traffic flow.
116			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		1 suggestion - cut brush on 80/Chicago St westbound entrance ramp for better visibility merging onto highway. 2 works with area stakeholders to ensure we do not continue to damage existing roads with continued development growth that increases truck and vehicular traffic on all roads. 3 Thank you for working to improve the dangerous conditions of I-80 through Will County.
117			1/31/2018	PM #3 Comment Form	N/A Anonymous Comment		I like all the Alternate 1's, except the Rt 52 interchange. At Rt 52 I like Alt 4 because traffic will flow better. I believe that more cars will use Rt 52 to I-80 westbound once the interchange is built. I, personally, go out of my way to avoid this interchange, and would take 52 N to 80 W if the road was built as shown. I understand Alt 4 is more expensive, but feel we would have ... remorse if we were to choose Alt 1 at 52.
118			1/31/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I think while considering the 2050 plan and future traffic concerns it is imperative that IDOT take into consideration the plans that municipalities along I-80 and I55 have with regard to developments that would increase semi-truck traffic. Projects like NorthPoint Development, which the Village of Elwood is considering, would dramatically skew the anticipated traffic plans and burden an already deteriorating system. It will take years for these improvements to be implemented, and in the interim, if projects like NorthPoint go through, they will serve to make already dangerous roads even more deadly. I encourage IDOT to work with whatever governing organizations available to limit the increase of truck traffic on our roads by new developments. We just can't handle any more, and yet villages are ignoring that fact and forging ahead anyway. If our infrastructure fails before we have the funds in place to even make these improvements, we will be in a world of trouble and in worse shape than we are already in. I appreciate the attention that IDOT is taking to try and address these concerns because the state of our roadways is a genuine problem.
119			1/31/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	These new improvements are all very good but as usual funding is the biggest hurdle for the I-80 corridor. What should be considered to get project done in a timely manner is to give work to contractors who are not union bought which would save millions in costs and even consider giving out a bonus if they can get it done faster
120			1/31/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	For funding for this project and future funding make this corridor a toll way because this lousy state does not have any money! Otherwise we the people won't see any improvements!!
121			1/31/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I live near I-80 and I55 interchange and travel it every day. Speed is the number one problem at this interchange and if and when this corridor is completed I don't the speed for this 16-mile corridor should be over 55 and be enforced very strictly!
122			1/31/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Why not consider a highway starting at I-80/171 to I65/Indiana to alleviate truck traffic going thru the corridor of I-80? Would be cheaper?
123			1/31/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Please add me to the mailing list. Thank you in advance.



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124			1/31/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	The roads around Elwood I, Joliet, new Lenox are deplorable and are falling apart which combined the accidents on them whether they are fatal or not make the roads extremely dangerous. This is supposed to be a preferred truck route in to center point however I travel 53 daily and that is overrun with semi-truck and passenger car traffic. With more warehouses going in and more being proposed which will cause more damage to our roads with the increased traffic is there any way that Will County and put a memorandum and building anymore warehouses until the infrastructure to support the traffic we are ready have in is safely in place? The state does not the funds available to currently care for the extra work needed to care for the roadways and bridges that are falling apart because they were not designed to support the increased traffic. If the county is continuing to grow at the rate it is now where is the money going to come from to keep our roadways safe and bridges drivable?
125	Joliet	60433	1/31/2018	PM#3 Comment Form Submitted to IDOT District 1	PM	3/23/2018	There is a very strong need to have I-80 widened to 3 lanes all the way to Ridge Road. The bridge proposal is something that is so needed both Des Plaines and Houbolt. The keeping the current bridge open while construction of a new bridge is done is extremely important. We need to help remove truck traffic off of our local roads and this plan seems to offer that assistance. We feel that the bridge option that has the less impact on relocating homes and businesses needs to be considered as the first project but cost also needs to be in the mix. The far north route is a plan that will be much more expensive. This road expansion is needed right now and needs to be moved forward quickly to help meet out growing traffic needs. This project needs to be careful in drainage of farm fields and field tile systems. Drainage from the road needs to be handled and not collected and then dispersed on farm fields!



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126			2/1/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	<p>I think the improvements you have planned are a great band aid for the immediate dangers of 55, but do not come close to preparing for the amount of growth actually happening in this area. Please bear with me because I do have some suggestions that might help, but you need to understand why I'm saying this. As the Northpoint representatives have been explaining to Elwood residents, Will County is experiencing extremely large and rapid growth, far more than anywhere else in this state especially compared to Chicago. I think that if the proposed improvements are completed on 80, then we will all be back to talk about how to fix it again in 10 years. CenterPoint in Elwood/Joliet is not yet at full build out, every month it seems a new warehouse is added to Laraway Road and 53, and also along every Will County exit on 55. In fact, Joliet just approved more warehouse developments within the last month. If Northpoint succeeds in getting approval from Elwood, despite its residents fighting against it, it will triple the traffic on 55/80, and that doesn't even include anything else that may be built up between now and then. While I completely understand that the funding is not there to grow big enough to plan ahead, I believe that effort must be put into place NOW in THIS stage to prepare for the growth that is inevitably happening in the next 1015 years. For instance, the bridges that are going to be fixed/expanded should be wide enough to accommodate an extra lane both way, it will be cheaper to maintain a wider bridge, then it will be to have to add onto it (or continue living as it already is...dangerously too limited).In areas where it will still be double lanes, the organizing committees should show plans for when and how they will be widened in the future. An idea of budget of different options for that needs to be made so that we are not having to demo/rebuild a lot of stuff when it would be easiest to just plan ahead to add on.I feel like the next big "problem exit" that we will be seeing is Briggs, with the continued expansion of truck/worker traffic trying to find alternatives to 53 and with warehouses moving further and further east on Laraway. Apart from the fact that Briggs, in general, is not designed for such traffic, the left turn onto 80 West is already seeing lots of backed up traffic sitting on the bridge and at the lights. I wish that Will County and IDOT could work together to fix this before it getseven more out of hand. So many buses go down that road, and I'm terrified of what could happen if it becomes as bad as 53.</p> <p>My personal opinion on the big bridge, I like the last plan in the presentation, the Refined North, which shifts the whole bridge in a slightly new direction. I really hate the idea of so many homes/families getting affected, but I think that the safety for all the residents of will county traveling this stretch is more important. But again, it MUST be built to expect a need for more lanes in the future. Once it's built, we will be stuck with it for at least another 100 years or more. It's not worth it to cut back now.The other area with a few options is the 53/80 intersection. I've spent the better part of the morning trying to go over which would be the best scenario. While I'm a big fan of the cross over style roads, I think there is too much heavy traffic for that to work as well as it's designed to work. That being said, I went back and forth on Alternative 1 and 4 (3 is a terrible idea, two left turns to get onto the highway will not help the area). They are both similar, except that the Alternative 4 means that there would be less traffic stopping and staying idle. This means less noise and pollution for the residents in the area, as well as a continuous flow onto I-80 which would mean less traffic stuck on 53. Additionally, one less intersection to have accidents at. But I would also be curious what the current traffic is for taking the ramp East versus West.... which might change my opinion on the cross over or alternative 4. Whichever way to keep traffic moving should be the thing to consider. Here's one way to cut back costs. From traveling down, the 355 extension, I can say they added far too many unnecessary lights. The lights are small expenses, I'm sure, but lights are easy to add in later and a way to cut some immediate costs to go into more important things, like barriers to protect the residents whose yards/homes are getting closer to the roads as the roads expand out. I know that some people have had trucks and other vehicles landing in their yards, it would be horrible if kids playing in their own back yard were hit.Please don't underestimate how much we need to plan for the future beyond this beautiful band aid. Before you start this project, have an idea of how you can build on it. How can we budget for it? How can we make sure that we set up this project so that adding to it will be less expensive than starting all over again? Build those bridges bigger than we need for current traffic, because more is coming and the roads will need to be fixed to accommodate it.</p>



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127			2/1/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Must Immediately execute a law where: 1.) Trucks must stay in the right lane on a two-lane highway 2.) Trucks must stay in the 2 right lanes on a two-lane highway. 3.) State Troopers must enforce items 1 & 2 3. This law would reduce travel time by 10 minutes from I30 & Ridge Road Note: Most of the time when a Truck is in the left lane; there is no visible traffic in front of the truck for a 1/4 mile. Trucks restrict traffic flow when in the left lane of any roadway. Other States have already executed items 1 & 2 (i.e. Indiana, PA, OH)
128			2/2/2018	PM#3 Comment Forms Submitted to IDOT, District 1	PM	3/23/2018	My name is Mr. Nathaniel Hodges Jr I'm writing this letter in far as and as well as the Importance in Chicago and as well as being of Importance in Chicago. If you know the world is full of problems! America is full of problems and yes, I hate to get too technical and discreet about the situation so let's just stay on the topic of Illinois Transportation. No, it's just not about the elderly's or the illiterate dumb, death or blind. The Independence of some employment or just plainly solo Independent. The rules of our roads go way back to the days of our lessons to the ones that are able and are willing and able to learn. I myself believe in the law. And also to the laws of the Illinois Chicago Transportation system I myself is very strict about this situation as well as the happenings of disaster's and thing's nature wise, and can cause a road block and a serious crisis of procrastination's which can lead to all open excuses. Now what I'm really explaining or shall I say asking is I think it's about time, now when I say time I mean Independence once again. There's been all sorts of stuff going on lately as we all know and really it's been a trial for some presently I can especially say for myself let's just say getting there. Being there IS ALL I NEED TO DO the majority of the time. And yes, I think I'm going to need your help on this one definitely. I saw the ad you all had in the Chicago Sun-Times newspaper far as big meeting you all are having on January 31, 2018 and I'm on my way. And I have a question about a crisis situation to me, what is it we should do when in emergency and I myself say the World needs us America needs us the city of Chicago needs us. What is it we do when we're stranded far as Independence and being a Man that has problems just like everybody else responsibility like everybody else bills like everybody else has life like everybody else? The Bill of Rights explains it all. So, we'll talk later and I'll maybe get with you then. So, sincere, P.S. I'm the voice
129			2/3/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Needs 3 Lanes all the way across
130			2/5/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	As an occasional traveler in the area, I like what I see in the refined north alignment for the Des Plaines River bridge. It looks cleaner and easier to see what other traffic is doing without worrying about feeling closed in. It appears the unneeded right-of-way after the project will be greater than the new takings. I wonder if a good option for some of the relocations might be a land swap. Temporary trailer home may be needed in working out such a situation, but it may be cheaper for IDOT and some of the property owners may feel it is better for them until new houses are built.
131			2/5/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	In regards to fixing I-80, the best start would be to not allow any MORE warehouses to be built without them having to pay for roads. Fix what we have now before adding 50,000 more vehicles onto our roadways that cannot handle the current traffic. I am not against a toll road but I will likely not use it going to Joliet West and Joliet Central where our children attend school and have sports activities (since we live south of I-80) and that will add more traffic to the side streets (which are also a mess).



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132			2/5/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Hi, I wanted to address a concern I had reference to the Interstate 80 proposed project. We have a weight limit on Meadow Avenue in Rockdale and I believe the proposed improvements would potentially allow more trucks to attempt to take Meadow Avenue into our small town. I want to make sure signage will be included, as it currently is, to regulate to drivers that Meadow Avenue has a weight restriction. I don't see signage include in any of the literature obviously as its early for that. Also, I know there have been thoughts in the past about not needing an exit/entrance at Meadow Avenue and Interstate 80. Is this still being considered seeing the low amount of traffic that this ramp has. It is by far the lowest according to the traffic count. Also, it can only be used for automobiles and not trucks so I was curious if it was still an option to close this exit and use the funds elsewhere. Thank you for any input. You can reach me by email or my cellular telephone. [REDACTED]
133			2/7/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Are sound/noise walls going to be included in the I-80 Ridge Rd US 30 project? If so along what portions of the highway? Are any going to be included in the work being done this (2018) summer? Where can a copy of the noise study be found? What were the dates and times that the noise levels were obtained for the study?
134			2/8/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	The ONLY LONG-TERM SOLUTION to the total mess involving I-80 thru Joliet Area is to BUILD A HIGH OVERPASS THRU TRAFFIC BRIDGE over the existing "local business I-80 Feeder System; AND PROVIDE SPEED DIFFERENTIAL ACCESS LANES to allow traffic to go to/from the HIGH INTERSTATE ROUTE to LOCAL BUSINESS patterns with very LONG, truck speed & speed changing ramps & merging lanes! Think: the EXPRESS/LOCAL lanes that THOROUGHLY SATURATE CHICAGO !!! If it is "good enough" for ALL OF CHICAGO, then why is ONE NOT GOOD ENOUGH for Joliet ???????
135			2/9/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	The increase of truck traffic has created very very high noise levels next to my house. (My backyard is I-80) Need SOUND BARRIER WALL. Thank You my address [REDACTED]
136			2/9/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	We need a sound barrier wall behind my house! I watch my 2 & 3-year-old granddaughters, and they cannot play outside. Too noisy and dangerous.
137			2/9/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I do not like to travel on I-80 through Joliet. The traffic is terrible between New Lenox and Minooka. The worst part is between Richards St and I55. I think speed limit in that zone should be strictly enforced. Thank you R Serdar
138			2/9/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I live just behind the AMC movie theatre on a bluff overlooking 80 in my backyard. Our area needs to be evaluated regarding noise control (the noise seems to rise upward and echo) as well as fume control emitted from the huge amount of semi-trucks driving this stretch of 80. I can no longer enjoy my backyard or sitting on my deck because of the noise and fumes. The noise can also be heard in my bedroom, day and night, as well as two other bedrooms in the back of my house. My other concern is the way the truck drivers are allowed to take over the road. They no longer pass and return to the slower lane they hang in the passing lane as well. They cut you off and if you get between them you can't foresee what's happening around you. They tend to speed and I wonder if cutting the speed limit and enforcing the laws might help. 80 is so dangerous now and there are so many accidents (check the accident rate) that I try to avoid taking 80 if I can. I hope you can address these concerns and help in achieving a solution satisfactory to all. Thank you.
139			2/9/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	These improvements need to be completed as soon as possible. We need 8 lanes on I-80 before any more trucks crowd it even more. The improvements to the interchanges are long overdue and would be most welcome. Please consider widening the road all the way to Maple (RT 30)



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140			2/10/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	What was is the project going to be like
141			2/12/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	I currently live in new Lenox, my home backs up to I-80. over the last couple years, the noise level has gotten to an almost unbearable level. The truck traffic has increased dramatically as well. Currently they are constructing a large warehouse, with a second one to be completed right next to it in the coming months. The noise is bouncing off the warehouses and reflecting right back to our homes. We currently have a 10-foot sound wall that was installed by the builder. it is very poorly constructed and is not considered to be a true sound barrier. the cost for insurance is strapping the homeowner's association. Who can I get into contact with to get information on IDOT installing a true sound barrier wall.
142			2/12/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Improvements need to be made! These old structures are state of the art if by art you mean the Sphinx (crumbling) or the Parthenon (crumbling). There's a reason I can remember so many bad news stories to this stretch.... you might even include the nontraffic stories because there's something about a shabby lonely neglected area (and frontage roads) that looks abandoned to the elements, that attracts the worst elements.
143			2/13/2018	PM #3 Webmail	PM	3/23/2018	Please add me to the mailing list for future meetings.
144	Minooka	60447	2/13/2018	PM#3 Comment Form Submitted to IDOT District 1	PM	3/23/2018	We are very pleased with the proposals for improvements on I-80, especially on the I-80-I-55 interchange. It is very dangerous currently. Building a new bridge north of current bridge over Des Plaines river is a great plan leaving old bridges to alleviate construction issues. Extra lanes are definitely needed. As during many hours, it is impossible to get from Minooka to New Lenox (ex. Silver Cross Hospital). It takes 'forever' now! Please make this improvement happen!
145			2/15/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I want to encourage the project is done the first time correctly. Piece mailing and not expanding the lanes to 3 wide in both directions the entire way from where it is currently 3 lanes to past Minooka Rd seems like a mistake. Also, the exchange at Center Street is concerning. Won't a light add more bottle necking? Currently this exit from W bound 80 is a smooth transition on and off. I agree that the E bound exit from the freeway need to be wider and redesigned but having multiples lanes entering has helped with traffic. Removing these and having cars sit at a light (possibly backing up onto the freeway) seems like a bad idea. I just fear that if the job is not done completely we will waste more money having to tear up the road again in the future. I did also put in additional comments in person at the JJC meeting. Thank you
146			2/16/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I believe I-80 from I55 needs to be 3 lanes to New Lenox. It would be great if you could raise the grade from the bridge over the river to rowel ave. Tollway would be great. If you do not make it 3 lanes it will be a waste of my tax dollars.
147	Mokena	60448	2/16/2018	PM#3 Comment Form Submitted to IDOT, District 1	PM	3/23/2018	
148			2/18/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I-80 is a mess. Cars cannot complete with the number of trucks that we allow on I-80, especially from Tinley Park to Minooka. Deadly highway, can't go visit my family in Minooka like I used to. Shame Shame.
149			2/24/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	Please add me to your email list. I would like to be informed of future progress and information.
150			3/4/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	



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151			3/6/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	I live [REDACTED]. It's already too damn noisy, much less adding another lane on each side. My property value is really going to take a hit. We were planning on selling our house next year. I want out, I don't want to see someone get stuck with the highway even closer. Thanks.
152			3/14/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/23/2018	Please add me to your mailing list with updates on the I-80 project.
153			3/25/2018	Webmail	Standard	3/30/2018	Hi, I would like to sign up for project updates and study updates regarding the Interstate 80 Ridge Road to US Route 30 Project
154			4/1/2018	Webmail			I do not believe you read all of my comments. This seems to be a prefab letter that you sent to everyone. My / our issues were not addressed. I was told by your project manager that they would be. I am very disappointed. I am looking out in the best interest for my constituents and how it affects the city of Joliet and surrounding communities. I would appreciate answers to my questions that I took the time to write down and again was assured they would be answered. Looking forward to your response.
155			4/3/2018	Webmail			I am a resident of the Whisper Creek Subdivision in Mokena. We can see and hear I-80 and it is very loud. I was told once our subdivision is at 70% occupancy then we could get a sound wall. We are currently at 70% occupancy and would like to know how we go about requesting the sound wall. I look forward to hearing back.
156			4/12/2018	Webmail	Standard	4/13/2018	Please add me to the mailing list. Thanks!
157			4/24/2018	Webmail	Standard	4/27/2018	My house backs up to i-80 just west of Gougar. Very loud from the heavy truck traffic. Too many trucks. Not enough room for more lanes, plus that would only increase the noise. We hear about accidents almost every day. Maybe a lower speed limit that's enforced would help. Maybe find a way to decrease the noise.
158			5/10/2018	Webmail			We live in the cherry hill subdivision. Our home backs up to I-80 with the wall included in our backyard. We would like to make a complaint in regard to the house from both the highway itself as well as the construction. The "sound barrier" barely blocks any noise at all. We cannot host and enjoy company in our backyard at all. The noise and wind make it unbearable and we always go back inside. We even planted trees in some hope of slowing down the wind or even the noise. It's very unsettling and it's the only reason we consider moving. Please, can something be done to help make it more sound proof?
159			5/11/2018	Webmail	Standard	5/17/2018	support
160			5/22/2018	Webmail			I live in the Cherry Hill South Subdivision in New Lenox. My home backs up to I-80. It is very loud, especially around rush hour traffic. We know that you are going to be working on the highway and we are concerned about the increase in the sound level due to more traffic. We are hoping that it would be possible to get a sound wall put up between our subdivision and the interstate. We do not have one now, and it is already extremely noisy. We would like to be able to sit outside and enjoy our yard.
161			7/21/2018	Webmail			When and where is the next public meeting regarding this project? I am a lifelong local resident who is interested in the project and would like to become involved in any capacity that I can. I am an Auxiliary Police Officer for The City of Joliet and I understand traffic patterns and the like and would like to assist in any way that I can. This is an extremely important project to the local infrastructure and I am hopeful on the successful outcome of the project. Actually, it must and will be successful, there is no other alternative.
162			7/31/2018	Webmail	Standard	8/3/2018	
163			8/6/2018	Webmail	Standard	8/14/2018	Please add me to the email list



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164			8/22/2018	Webmail	Standard	8/22/2018	When are you going to star this project???
165			8/28/2018	Webmail	Standard	9/12/2018	please add me to the mailing list
166			8/31/2018	Webmail			I live 1 1/2 blocks from 80 and Briggs the deadly stretch from 30 to Larkin as reported, the events planned will impacted my life and hundreds of others greatly, I want to be informed daily of things happening for it directly effects our lives and safety, already have 600 plus going down Briggs by noon, to be exact 624.
167			8/31/2018	Webmail			
168			10/19/2018	Webmail			
169	Joliet	60432	11/26/2018	Webmail	Detailed	11/30/2018	Good afternoon: We are working on our Annual Report Brochure and are including a Focus on Infrastructure portion that includes this project. However, the image we have looks very pixelated. Would you be able to send me a high res image today or tomorrow? Sorry for the late request. Kristin
170	Joliet	60432	1/11/2019	Webmail	Standard	1/18/2019	My name is [REDACTED]. I am a Joliet resident who is currently studying Public Policy and Urban Planning at University of Illinois at Chicago. I am interested in participating in several of the opportunities you have listed under the "project overview" section. I am interested in learning more of Interstate 80 as it has negatively impacted many residents of Joliet due to the poor road conditions and how the roads are often mismanaged/misused by private developments.
171	Joliet	60432	2/14/2019	Webmail	Des Plaines River Bridge	3/4/2019	You need to fix this bridge! I have lived in Joliet for 34 years and am scared every day when I have to drive on this bridge! It's unacceptable! Find the money and fix it! You guys are getting huge money from all this intermodal traffic and yet you are totally fine with all of the fatal crashes and the eventual collapse of this bridge and whatever loss of life happens as a result. Find the money and fix this bridge!
172	Joliet	60432	2/15/2019	Webmail	Des Plaines River Bridge	3/4/2019	The latest report on the Des Plaines river bridge, has it rated at a 6 out of 100 for structural safety. Now my friends and I are recommending DO NOT DRIVE on that bridge. Will this danger be taken seriously and repaired asap, or will it take a total bridge collapse to get the attention of the "powers that be."? They sure didn't listen to our opinions about the Loves Truck Stop that nobody wants. I will put your answer ALL over social media and so will my friends who live near the Briggs Street area. We've all used Interstate 80 since it was built. We do NOT use it anymore
172			2/15/2019	Webmail	Des Plaines River Bridge	3/4/2019	So, are you waiting for the bridge to collapse & kill people before you fix it? Why not close it until you can fix it?
174			2/16/2019	Webmail	Des Plaines River Bridge	3/4/2019	I travel I-80 bridge every day and that bridge has been in horrible condition for years. My Son travels over it every day for work as well. What in the world are you waiting for before it is fixed a catastrophe!! What is going on with all the tax money we pay here in Illinois? There are more semi-trucks than ever before traveling this stretch of 80. I am actually deathly afraid to travel that route and worry about my son daily. Please do something and repair or replace this bridge before we have many more deaths on this dangerous interstate.
175			3/5/2019	Webmail	Standard	3/6/2019	Just hoping to be added to your distribution list, if there is one.



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176			3/25/2019	Webmail			Will you be fixing up Rt. 6 first? Because once this toll road goes in, after 50,000 more people per year move out of Illinois because of Democratic mismanagement and spending money like it grows on trees, WE WILL BE DRIVING ROUTE 6. It's amazing that the state with the highest taxes in the country doesn't have money for anything we need and only supports pet projects that get mob bosses like Mike Madigan elected. I thought doubling our gas tax was to fix everything. The reason 80 has so much congestion there is because the mayor of Minooka WANTED IT. He wanted all that truck traffic to feed the industrial park he wanted. He got what he wanted. Why isn't he paying for it? To summarize. Moving out of Illinois. Democrats are terrible people. We will be driving Rt. 6 and that poor little 2 lane road won't be able to handle it. Route 6 will be my solution to drive until the day I can get out of this leftist, corrupt state.
177			4/3/2019	Webmail	Standard	4/22/2019	Please add me to the mailing list. Thanks!
178			4/24/2019	Webmail	Standard	4/26/2019	I'm a chief co-sponsor on Rep. Walsh's HJR50 bill. I just wanted to make sure my email is in the listserv.
179			5/1/2019	Webmail	Standard	5/1/2019	Please add me to the email list for the I-80 project.
180	New Lenox	60451	4/11/2019	IDOT Webmail	Detailed	5/7/2019	I am a New Lenox, IL resident that has a home that backs up to I-80. I am on the east side of I-80 about 1/8 of a mile west of the US 30 exit and a few hundred feet east of the gouger street bridge. The ending point to my backyard is about 100 feet from I-80's right hand lane going east. My house is about 250 feet from the road. With the expansion of I-80 I wanted to reach out to the proper parties to inquire if a safety/sound barrier wall is going to be installed for the homes that are closest to I-80 on the east side of the interstate just east of gouger street bridge. The homes further down 80 have a wall and the homes on the west side of 80 at the gouger street bridge have a wall. With the improvements on I-80 happening and with the anticipation of more traffic due to widening or adding lanes I wanted to inquire for myself and my neighbors about the safety/sound wall. The noise is already bad but my concern is the traffic that is so close to our homes. I have lived here 8 years and we have had multiple cars come over the protected wire fence and I have had multiple people breakdown behind my house and knock on my back door for help which is pretty scary. If a semi ever lost control the protected fence wouldn't be able to stop it as small cars have easily bypassed it after the fence. I believe IDOT does a noise study and if the decibel reads high enough it calls for a sound barrier. I believe during the peak traffic times the decibel would reach over the limit. Can you please advise on the plans for a wall barrier or please send me in the right direction on who would be the best contact to address this concern of me and my dozen or so neighbors? Sorry for the long email. I look forward to hearing back.
181	Joliet	60436	5/30/2019	Webmail	Detailed	6/4/2019	I live at [REDACTED] and would like to know if my house will be affected? If so when and how? There is a mortgage owed on my home for more than it is worth. I am on disability and would like to know if I am displaced with my family of 4, is there housing available? I know liberty meadow is getting ready to build homes and I feel home owners should be allowed to move in there. I am going to apply and should be considered 1st.
182	Joliet	60436	6/11/2019	Community Meeting	Detailed	9/30/2019	1. Debris falling from bridge (tires, cars, garbage, pieces of bridge) 2. foundational destruction of nearby homes due to constant vibration 3. continual noise! Installation of noise walls 4. depreciation of property values.
183	Joliet	60436	6/11/2019	Community Meeting	Detailed	10/01/2019	My concern is the trees near my house. My house sits on [REDACTED] with the expansion of highway will the trees be knocked down near my home on the outer side of my home. The left side of the street. I can see I-80 when I look up. I can see the highway. Will there be an increase in noise? When will the expansion start? How safe will it be for me and my family and my grandkids visiting and playing outside.
184			6/11/2019	Community Meeting			The pavement and drainage system along Chicago Street south of Patterson Road is in desperate need of repair. Many complaints have been sent to IDOT as many claims have been made and there have been fatalities along this portion of Chicago Street going under the railroad bridges and south of there.
185	Joliet	60436	6/11/2019	Community Meeting	Detailed	9/30/2019	I would like this house to be included. I don't want to live in this area right at the highway. They took all the houses on the North side of Duncan and left 6 houses. They can acquire my house.



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187	Joliet	60436	6/11/2019	Community Meeting	Detailed	10/01/2019	My concerns for the proposed changes to Interstate 80 and the bridge is that our property value will decrease immensely. The increase in noise unable to enjoy our outdoor activity. Important trees and environment will be destroyed. I'm aware that this is a "done deal" and how we feel does not matter nor is it important "to you".
188			6/14/2019	Webmail			Regarding relocation of proposed bridge, has a study been completed for compensating affected homeowners at market rates of return?
189	New Lenox			Webmail	Detailed	4/12/2019	My house is backed up to I 80 in [REDACTED]. I know there is a project in place to widen 80. There are trees being cut down behind my house now. Can you tell me if there is going to be a sound wall built? If you aren't the correct person to contact can you point me in the right direction? Thanks for your help!
190	Joliet	60433	4/17/2019	Webmail	Detailed	5/3/2019	Can you tell me if you know of any plans I'm the near future are to widen Briggs Street in the area of 1-80 and Washington Street? I also heard talk about putting in a clover leaf on Briggs exit to I-80? Please advise
191	Joliet	60436	4/16/2019	Webmail	Detailed	5/3/2019	Are there plans to repave the surface of I-80 near the 131-mile marker as you go west toward the Larkin Ave, exit? Those of us living next to this area go through this EVERY YEAR!!! There is a dip or hole in the highway near our townhome units and the bouncing of trucks when this area is hit is very loud and is shaking our homes worse as the days go by. This highway was NEVER made for the number of semis which travel over it and we suffer the consequences. Please fix this area ASAP!!! You are welcome to stand in my yard at [REDACTED] for 30 seconds to hear what I am talking about
192			7/17/2019	Webmail	Standard	7/19/2019	Please add to mailing lists



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193			7/24/2019	Webmail			<p>I am the HOA president for the Cherry Hill South HOA Just west of Gouger, and on the north border of I-80. We currently have a 10-foot wall constructed by TJ Cachey Builders which is falling apart. With the increased 80 traffic, as well as ongoing construction that shifted lanes closer to our homes, we have seen a dramatic change in the structural integrity of OUR wall as well as increased sound levels. My personal guess is the vibrations from the trucks routed closed to the wall are causing the foundation posts to move, in which the wall panels are becoming unstable. This poses a major safety issue for anyone in their back yard. Over the recent years, we have had several vehicles leave the roadway and taking out our wall. This has caused a major financial constraint costing tens of thousands of dollars to repair. We have reached out to IDOT through many channels and have gotten nowhere. I have even reached out to Mayor Baldermann, and was advised the Illinois Tollway would be taking over that section, and after the most recent funding, I do not see that happening any time soon. We have asked for installation of Jersey Barriers, or at least a guard rail to prevent vehicles from leaving the roadway and taking out our wall. The most recent event occurred in April and resulted in almost 20 thousand dollars in repairs. This specific semi-truck left the roadway and made it an additional 30 feet past our wall coming to rest in a pond. Many of the houses that back up to 80 have young children including myself. I have to worry any time my children are playing in the back yard, and this is something a parent should not have to do. In the recent months, they have constructed 2 giant warehouse structures just south of I-80 and west of Gouger. Sound from these buildings now bounce off and echo right back to our houses which is now louder than ever. During the construction of these buildings, I reached out to the Illinois sound abatement program in search of assistance for a new sound wall and got shot down.</p> <p>We cannot continue to financially support this wall, nor do we have any available funds to maintain this wall. I understand the current controversies with "walls" lately, but I can promise you this is one wall that all the Cherry Hill residents want to build! I am looking for assistance in where to go, from here, and to see if there are any finances in this budget available for a wall project for us. Ultimately this is not as much a sound or financial problem, as it is a safety problem. I have been in public safety for 12 years now, and safety and the well-being of my men, women, and residents is my top priority, and I am sure you and all of your board members feel the same way. The last thing I would like to see is a vehicle leave the roadway and enter through a back yard and killing an innocent 4-year-old as he learns to play catch with his father. Please advise me on which route I can take to get this problem rectified.</p>
194			8/6/2019	Webmail	Standard	8/9/2019	Can I please be placed on the mailing list for any public outreach for the project?
195	Joliet	60436	7/11/2019	1 on 1 Community Meeting			I feel I should have a right to opt in if I no longer want to reside in this community due to all construction and building of new bridge. I own [REDACTED]. Some concerns: negative impact value of property, value of property decrease and safety issues. Noise problemd, construction, parking issues. Garbage, debris, etc. I would love for IDOT to purchase all of my properties!
196	Joliet	60436	7/11/2019	1 on 1 Community Meeting	Detailed	9/30/2019	1. Noise control - walls built onto 80? Will they be able to withstand the constant vibrations and not come tumbling down? The walls may control debris falling from highway. 2. Constant vibrations weakening structures of surrounding homes. 3. Depreciating property values. 4. If you find that you have to take more property north of [REDACTED] I want to be included in the buy-out. I cannot live right under I-80.
197	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	9/30/2019	While we are pleased as Joliet citizens that this bridge will be fixed after all these years of it being unsafe, we worry about our family's financial state and living situation. We own our home and have a house note we can afford and we cannot change that to pay more. This house was going to be a source of equity and income for our family in the future years, even once we no longer lived there. Now we won't have that and we hope the state will consider that in their handling of this situation and the restitution provided for all families affected.
198	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	10/1/2019	This will disrupt my life, the dust, noise, possibly causing me to have to relocate. My home is paid for. I have just [completed] some upgrades and built a garage. Not looking to relocate at my age.
199	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	9/30/2019	Possible difficulties with moving/relocating at my age. Possibly relocating to a neighborhood for seniors.



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200	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	9/30/2019	This is going to lower my home value and I WILL be compensated no matter what high court I go to! Also, I recently retired and I need peace and quiet! The noise from this highway being moved to 1/4 of a block from my bedroom with heavy trucks pounding the pavement 1/4 block from my bedroom 24 hours a day will be unbearable and you WILL pay for this!! PS. Get your [REDACTED] website fixed! You want to do this billion-dollar project and can't even fix a damn website!
201	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	9/30/2019	Finding a place to live if displaced. My grandfather built this home so it's important to my family. It would be a hardship for me financially. I can just make it here on my disability.
202	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	9/30/2019	I will have difficulties going to and from work. I will now have to take the long way. I will also have to take the long way to go to stores.
203	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	9/30/2019	Depending on what will happen. Relocation, emotional, physical, and financial distress.
204	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	9/30/2019	Debris falling from bridge, tires, cars, garbage, pieces of the bridge; foundational destruction of nearby homes due to constant vibrations; continual noise, we will not be able to enjoy the serenity of the home.
205	Joliet	60436	6/18/2019	Survey	Detailed	10/1/2009	I do not know if they are going to have to knock down my house but if not and construction will happen next to my house I do not want to hear the noise of all the traffic. If they build nearby there has to be a large and tall fence for traffic noise.
206	Joliet	60436	9/4/2019	Webmail	Detailed	9/17/2019	I am a home owner who was sent a updated map of the project in the mail. BUT NOWHERE on this very confusing site is the new map available--this is ridiculous--how can your company be trusted to do this billion-dollar project when you can't seem to figure a simple website--like a website is too difficult to organize - BUT YOU WANT to be trusted with several billion dollars to do this project!!! I received info that there will be public meeting but NOWHERE on this site does it mention ANYTHING about it!!
207	Joliet	60436	9/12/2019	Webmail	Detailed	9/17/2019	I am an affected home owner and I have pointed out 6 months ago how dysfunctional this website is and the most current proposed maps were never added. I received in the mail a new proposed map which puts the project CLOSER to my property – however it's difficult to see on the small map. If you put new maps on website we could zoom into area we are concerned about. You are trying to propose this multi-billion-dollar project--however you seem to be unable to make a simple basic website function. You are NOT off to a good start.
208	Joliet	60436	9/19/2019	Webmail	Detailed	9/30/2019	We attended the meeting and would like the contact information of the three gentlemen who spoke last night. There was a gentleman with glasses that opened the meeting and near the end of the meeting answered very kindly an attendee's question about possible work opportunities for the people that will be affected by the project. We would like to know what will be done if our house is not being acquired by the state but the land right next to the house will be acquired then released back to us if I understand correctly. With all the heavy equipment and pounding and what not, if structural damage occurs to our house at [REDACTED] how will compensation or repairs needed be addressed. The house is all brick, but I am concerned foundation etc. will be impacted by the project. What measures should we take to show that the house was in a certain condition prior to the beginning of the project when our land was used by the state versus after project.
209	Joliet	60436	9/19/2019	Webmail	Detailed	10/1/2019	I am an Affected home owner and I have pointed out 6 months ago how dysfunctional this website is and the most current proposed maps were never added. (I received an email in response to my asking why new proposed maps would be on the site after the meeting - The meeting was yesterday and I spent an hour searching and the NEW MAPS are NOT on the site - there should be DATES on all of the exhibits on the site - maybe the company who is doing this type of study is doing this for the first time and lacks knowledge - but CLEARLY there should be dates so it's possible to find most current proposals.) I received in the mail a new proposed map which puts the project CLOSER to my property – however It's difficult to see on the small map. If you put new maps on website we could zoom into area we are concerned about. You are trying to propose this multi-billion-dollar project - however you seem to be unable to make a simple basic website function. You are NOT off to a good start.
210			9/20/2019	Webmail	Standard	9/20/2019	Can you please let me know when the next public hearing is scheduled?



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211	Joliet	60436	9/18/2019	Community Meeting	Detailed	9/30/2019	To begin with, we didn't know anything about the Route 80 Improvement until we got the letter in the mail. Personally, we felt blindsided and betrayed by the City and the State. A decision has been made, by individuals who know nothing about us nor care how we feel. My husband has lived here over 41 years and I have lived here 31 years. Your questionnaire asked if anyone had disabilities. So far, we don't, but I can only imagine the impact this will have on any seniors or others who will be displaced. Time will tell. I have planted trees and shrubs from siblings. Some were even planted by my father (who is deceased now). I tenderly cared for them and have been told they will not be moved for us. (nothing) They will all be uprooted and smashed by a payloader. Have you priced a 20 or 30 year-old oak or maple tree???? A fair market value for our home will not be enough for us to go somewhere comparable. With today's prices. We have a second mortgage on this house to pay off. And we drive a car that is 18 years old. The truck is very old also. We live a simple life and don't have the latest gadgets. I have to work - at 67 just to pay Medicare and a Supplement. My husband is 71. We have a small vending business but he had to give up some customers due to the fact he was very ill in December and couldn't keep up and needed time to recover. So, in conclusion: I hope whatever is decided will be just and fair. And remember the words of the Greatest Man that ever lived. At Matthew 7:12 All things therefore that you want men to do to you. You also must do to them.
212	Chicago	60436	9/18/2019	Community Meeting	Detailed	9/30/2019	Add to [mailing] list.
213	Joliet	60436	9/25/2019	Webmail			I have reviewed the information from the 09.18.2019 meeting. I am much closer to the new highway it will be 1/4 of a block from my house - literally feet from my bedroom where I need to sleep. My question is WHY am I not allowed a vote on the Noise Wall? Also many, many of my neighbors are ALSO very close to the project, and NONE of them are allowed to vote!!! This is crazy please explain this to me.
214	Joliet	60436	9/26/2019	Webmail			Who do I need to contact with information and suggestions for possible homes being built in Joliet?
215			9/27/2019	Webmail			Your page to be on your email list is not working today. Please add my email. Please also advise the date, time and location of the October 2019 public hearing. Also, please advise who the contact person is on this project, so the Congressman can share some suggestions and ideas. Best regards, Hilary Denk, District Director Rep. Bill Foster (IL-11).