



**NICTD WEST LAKE CORRIDOR NEWSLETTER
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PROJECT UPDATE NEWSLETTER**

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The Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District's (NICTD) existing South Shore Line (SSL) provides a vital transportation link that connects Northwest Indiana to Chicago and Cook County, Illinois. NICTD, along with the contractor, F.H. Paschen Ragnar Benson JV (FHP/RB) is currently constructing the West Lake Corridor Project as a southern branch extension of the SSL route to reach high-growth areas in Lake County, Indiana. The Project will expand NICTD's service coverage, improve mobility and accessibility, and stimulate local job creation and economic development opportunities for Lake County.



Current and upcoming construction activities include:

Civil Construction

- Erosion control continues to be installed at project-specific construction areas.
- Municipal utility relocations are ongoing at multiple locations in the City of Hammond and Town of Munster.
- Earthwork construction for the proposed South Hammond Station has been completed.
- Earthwork construction for the Hammond Gateway Station and Munster Dyer Parking Lots is underway.
- Earthwork construction for the rail subgrade from I-80/94 through Douglass Street is ongoing.
- Construction of the future at-grade crossings (underground utilities, road pavement, and sidewalks) has been completed at five (5) intersections. Rail panels will be installed in 2023.

Rail Construction

- Rail construction is anticipated to start in Hammond, late in the 4th quarter working from Douglass Street south towards 173rd Street.

Stations Construction

- Conduit raceways are currently being installed at the foundations of the elevated structures throughout the project.
- Underground work at the future rail alignment is progressing in Hammond and Munster.

- Precast structures and structural steel construction for the proposed South Hammond Station will be in the 4th quarter.

Structure Construction

- Substructure construction continues in the City of Hammond and the Town of Munster.
- Cast-in-place retaining wall construction continues in the Town of Munster.
- Bridge erection is anticipated to start in December in the City of Hammond.
- Precast retaining wall construction is anticipated to start in December in the City of Hammond.

Systems Construction

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