Keep Indiana’s economic drivers, driving.


UpKeep of Indiana’s rural roads and bridges is critical to our quality of life and the health of our economy. Unfortunately, Indiana’s rural infrastructure is in need of significant UpGrades and repairs in order to meet today’s needs.

Because if our drivers — community services, farmers and commuters alike — can’t drive, then our state’s economy can’t continue to drive forward either.

That’s why doing more today — UpVest — for our rural roads and bridges is important for bridging our bottom line and preserving Indiana’s legacy for future generations.

Agriculture: Driving Indiana Forward

Economic contributions of agriculture in Crop Reporting District 20, 2012¹

$5.2 billion in direct economic output
$2.0 billion in value added
18,880 direct jobs

Every dollar of GDP directly related to agriculture in District 20 generates an additional $0.69 in economic activity elsewhere in the district.

Bridge closed = detours incurred = profit loss

The impact of a 20-mile detour²

FARMERS - Loss per bushel of grain

2¢-4¢ Soybeans
2¢-3¢ Corn

FARMERS - Loss per truck load (approx. 1000 bushels)

$20-$40 Soybeans
$20-$30 Corn

Low estimate assumes $2.00/gal. diesel
High estimate assumes $4.00/gal. diesel
Bridges\(^1\) Eligible for Replacement/Rehabilitation in North Central\(^2\) Indiana, 2015\(^3\)

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\(^1\) In this study, bridges are longer than 20 feet in length and carry a public road that is open to public travel.

\(^2\) Based on USDA NASS crop reporting districts for Indiana

Approximately 1 of every 3 bridges in Crop Reporting District 20/North Central Indiana is in need of significant rehabilitation or replacement.

What's the key takeaway?

Indiana’s rural roads and bridges are a significant piece of agriculture’s daily business and many other necessary services — including schools, fire departments and emergency medical services. Which means, every detour, every low-weight-limit bridge and every unmaintained road directly impacts those businesses and services and ultimately — the state’s economic bottom line.

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