

## Double Track NWI: Connectivity for Accelerated Growth

Please join the Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District (NICTD) at an Open House Public Hearing to review the Preferred Alternative for the Double Track Northwest Indiana (DT-NWI) project. The DT-NWI Project would construct a second track along the South Shore Line from Virginia Street in Gary to E. Michigan Boulevard in Michigan City. The project would also improve five stations and increase safety by separating the tracks that are in the street in Michigan City from the roadway.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) and Section 4(f) Evaluation has been prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The EA documents the benefits and impacts of the alternatives considered and evaluates the effects of historic properties in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the uses of property from historic properties, publicly-owned parks, recreation, and wildlife/waterfowl resources protected under Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act. All interested parties are invited to review the EA, attend the Open House Public Hearing, and provide comment on the DT-NWI project. The hearings will be conducted in an open house format.

The EA is available for review beginning September 21 at www.doubletrack-nwi.com and the following locations:

- Gary Public Library Woodson Branch, 501 S Lake St, Gary, IN 46403
- Portage Public Library 2665 Irving St, Portage, IN 46368
- NICTD 33 E. U.S. 12, Chesterton, IN 46304 (adjacent to Dune Park Station)
- Michigan City Public Library 100 E 4th Street, Michigan City, IN 46360
- Westchester Public Library 200 West Indiana Ave., Chesterton, IN 46304
- Federal Transit Administration Region 5 —
   200 West Adams Street, Suite 320, Chicago, IL 60606



## Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Miller Beach Arts and Creative District Marshall J. Gardner Center for the Arts 540 S Lake St., Gary, IN 46403



## Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Stardust Event Center
777 Blue Chip Drive, Michigan City, IN 46360

## We look forward to your comments.

Comments may be made orally to a court reporter or in writing at the Open House Public Hearing. Written comments may also be submitted anytime during the comment period in one of three ways:

- Via email: DoubleTrackNWI@nictd.com
- Via US mail: NICTD, c/o DT-NWI Project, 33 E. U.S. 12, Chesterton, IN 46304
- $\bullet$  Via the project website at: www.doubletrack-nwi.com/contact

The formal comment period is September 21 through October 23, 2017. Responses to comments received during the comment period will be incorporated into the final NEPA decision document.

Requests for interpreters, including language services, or other reasonable accommodations must be made at least 5 days in advance of the hearing by contacting NICTD through our email, or telephone (219) 926-5744 ext.308, or Relay Indiana at 711. Para obtener más información en español, visite el sitio web del proyecto en: www.doubletrack-nwi.com

Can't make it to the Open House?



View project information and submit your comments before October 23 at: <a href="mailto:www.DoubleTrack-NWI.com">www.DoubleTrack-NWI.com</a>, or email us at: <a href="mailto:DoubleTrackNWI@nictd.com">DoubleTrackNWI@nictd.com</a>.