

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

### **SCHEDULED BY ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR**

### **IMPROVEMENT OF THE ILLINOIS ROUTE 104 BRIDGE OVER THE ILLINOIS RIVER IN MEREDOSIA**

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will hold a Public Informational Meeting on the improvement of the Illinois Route 104 Bridge over the Illinois River in Meredosia. The Open House will be held from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Tuesday, April 7, 2009 in the Meredosia-Chambersburg High School gymnasium, which is located at 830 Main Street in Meredosia.

Considering the potential for impacts on the community and the wide range of improvement possibilities, IDOT has designated this project for its development using the principles of Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS). Through CSS, an advisory committee named the Meredosia Bridge Advisory Committee (MBAC) was formed for the purpose of providing focused and direct input in the development of the study. The MBAC has provided significant input in identifying numerous conceptual alternative alignments for the new bridge and associated roadway.

The purpose of this open house informational meeting is to provide the public an opportunity to review and comment on the current proposals developed to date. Exhibits, maps and aerial photography of the proposals will be available for inspection and viewing during the entire time department representatives are present. Interested persons may stop in to learn more about the study, review the alternatives, and provide your comments. The meeting is an opportunity for citizens to offer feedback as the study team moves ahead with screening of these alternatives and continues to further develop and analyze the remaining alternatives. All persons interested in this project are invited to attend.

The meeting will be conducted on an informal basis; no formal presentation is planned. Representatives of the Illinois Department of Transportation and the consultant engineering firm of Teng and Associates will be available from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm to answer individual questions and receive comments about the study. Comments sheets will be available for those in attendance who wish to provide a written statement. Comments received at this meeting or sent to the District Six Office by May 1, 2009 will be included in the official project record. The same material will be available for review and inspection at the District Six Office at 126 East Ash Street, Springfield Illinois.

This meeting will be accessible to persons with a disability in compliance with current Accessibility Standards prepared by the Capital Development Board. Persons with a disability planning to attend and needing special accommodations should contact the person listed in this Notice by April 1, 2009. The contact may be by telephone, in writing, by fax or by telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD).

For more information, please contact Mr. Roger Driskell, Regional Engineer; 126 East Ash Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62704-4792; telephone (217)782-7301; fax (217)524-7696, or TDD (217)524-4875.