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Mounds Lake - Engineering Study Data

“Imagine Mounds Lake” addresses lake levels, dam information, and affected infrastructure.

ANDERSON, Ind. – The preliminary engineering feasibility results for the Mounds Lake project have been summarized and will be one of the primary focus areas for the upcoming ***“Imagine Mounds Lake”*** community meetings.

“We are still awaiting the completion of the study results, but we wanted to share what we have with the community,” said Rob Sparks, Executive Director of the Corporation for Economic Development for Anderson/Madison County (CED), “the information we now have includes projected lake levels, the proposed location of the dam itself, and affects on infrastructure.”

According to initial engineering studies, the earthen dam for the proposed lake would house floodgates as well as a cement spillway.

Two locations for dams are being considered. One is near C Street and the other is farther west near Columbus Avenue. This would create a 2,100 acre lake with a pool heights of 876 feet above sea level, making the lake about 50 feet deep at the dam and 9 feet deep north of Daleville.

Based on modeling from drought years 1940 and 1941 (two years where there was no measurable rainfall), the proposed lake could continually produce 60 million gallons a day (MGD) of water flow above the minimum amount required for flow into the White River. This is crucial as it pertains to the primary reason for this project -- providing an needed future water resource for Central Indiana.

The flow of the White River would continue during the construction of the lake creating no disruption to either upstream or downstream flows, while downstream flooding in Hamilton and Marion counties will be reduced.

“The proposed Mounds Lake would impact public infrastructure such as: sewer, water and power lines, telecommunication, roads and bridges, and even the airport runways,” stated Sparks. “Work continues with assessing impact and considering options for solutions. Mounds Road, Scatterfield, Lindberg, I-69, and 300 South would remain much like they are today, only higher, due to the configuration of the dam and the interstate.

Public input, in addition to traffic studies, is crucial as it pertains to all of the infrastructure needs and determine bridge replacement.

“Imagine Mounds Lake” is a series of interactive visioning sessions which will give area residents an opportunity to provide feedback on the project, learn more about the Phase II Engineering Feasibility Study findings, and hear more about the future water needs in central Indiana. Sessions will be held August 19 through August 23 in Chesterfield, Daleville, Yorktown and Anderson, with the main exhibit located in Anderson’s Mounds Mall. The session schedule includes:

Anderson	August 19-22	Mounds Mall	10 am-9 pm
Anderson	August 23	Mounds Mall	11 am-7 pm
Chesterfield	August 19	Mill Creek Civic Center	2 - 8 pm
Daleville	August 20	Daleville City Offices	11 am-5 pm
Yorktown	August 21	Yorktown Town Court	11 am-5 pm

The Corporation for Economic Development of Anderson/Madison County is a 501c3 non-profit that was incorporated in 1983. Their mission is to plan and undertake activities leading to steady job growth, increasing economic diversity, and a strengthened employer base, which enhances the quality of life in Madison County, Indiana.

For more information about the proposed Mounds Lake, visit www.moundslake.com, or contact Rob Sparks at 765-642-1860 or at robsparks@cedanderson.com.

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