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**Public Information Meeting – Okemos Road Bridge Project**

The Ingham County Road Department has hired DLZ, Inc., a transportation planning firm, to conduct an Environmental Assessment for planned replacement and/or repair of the aging Okemos Road Bridges over the Red Cedar River north of Mount Hope Road in Meridian Township, Ingham County, Michigan.

The intent of the project will be to replace and/or repair the separate roadway bridges to maintain safe and efficient flow of vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians along Okemos Road. Both bridges are functionally obsolete per current bridge design standards and have reduced structural capacity for heavy truck traffic as indicated by posted signs due to advancing age and normal deterioration despite prior maintenance efforts.

The purpose of the Environmental Assessment is to collect, analyze, and present information on the environmental and historical features of and adjacent to the project, and to obtain public and community input on feasible alternatives.

The next step in this process provides an opportunity for all interested parties and the community to attend a public information meeting regarding the project scope, potential impacts, development process, anticipated schedule, and to provide input on the potential bridge alternatives.

The public information meeting will be drop-in style from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 25, 2019, at the Meridian Township Board Room, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864. Interested persons may attend anytime between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. to view project information, have questions answered by project representatives in attendance and provide input.

The meeting facility is accessible as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Ingham County will provide necessary reasonable aids and services to accommodate non-English speaking persons and/or persons with disabilities upon five (5) working days notice to the Ingham County Road Department.

For more information contact the Road Department at 517-676-9722.

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