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Mr. Kevin Marchek, Region Two Engineer
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US6/IL89 resurfacing project, from N of US 6 (W) to Putnam Co Line & Spaulding St to Mary St (S) in Spring Valley

Dear Mr. Marchek,

Please consider the following input for your 2019-2024 MYP resurfacing project, cited above.

At present, the part of US6/IL89 north and west of Dakota St./McDonald's ranges from 6300-7650 ADT, with a speed limit increasing from 35 in town to 55mph. The only accommodations are paved shoulders, only 2-2.5' in some parts, 3.5-4' in others, and wider northbound by IL 29 and the cemetery. In each case, there are additional feet of gravel shoulder. The rest of the project length in town is generally curbed with variations on parking lanes and other characteristics. There is sidewalk on at least one side.

Our only recommendation is to widen to 6' (4' minimum) the paved shoulder width from Dakota St/McDonald's to IL29 and the Wolfer Industrial Park. Paving additional width of the existing stone shoulders should be able to fit within the 3P resurfacing scope.

We are glad to discuss these and other project design issues. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Barsotti".

Ed Barsotti, Chief Programs Officer, Ride Illinois

Cc: Mayor Walt Marini, City of Spring Valley

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