# Work Zone Monitoring: Hard Braking and Implementation

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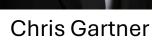
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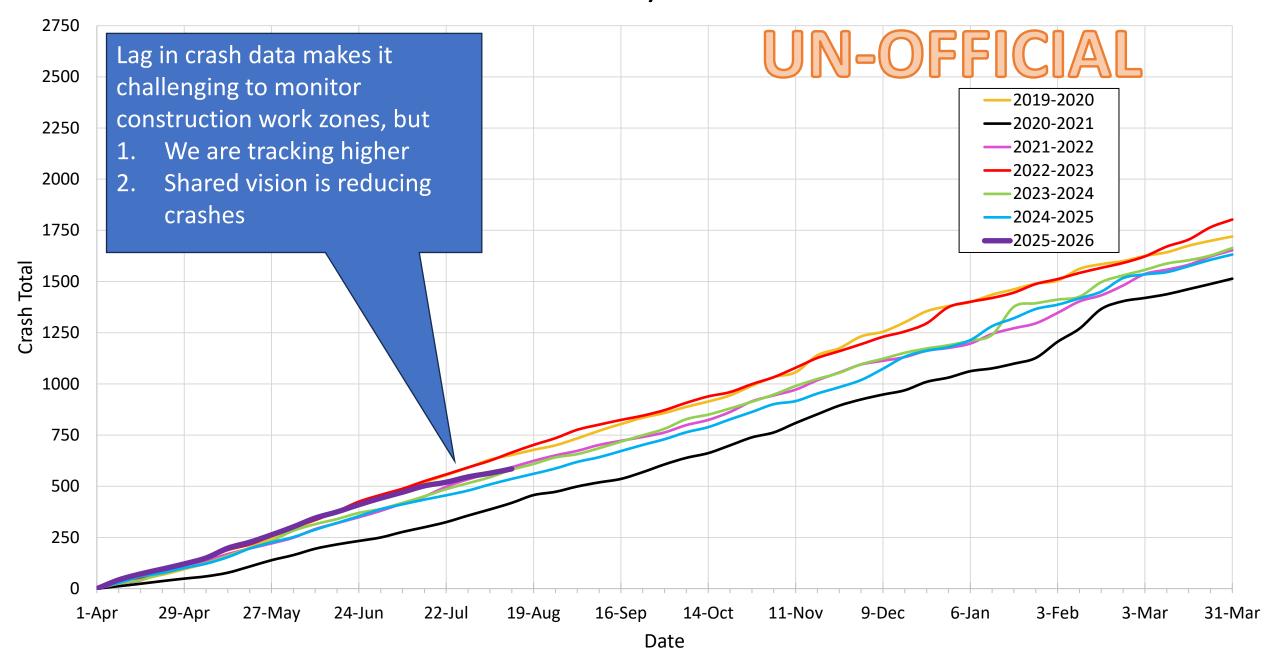


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#### Cumulative Interstate Crashes by Year in Crawfordsville District



# High Level Message

- MOT in Work Zones is a Team Sport
- MOT in Work Zones is Hard
- Approach
  - Weekly Performance Measures
  - After Action Case Studies
  - •What have we/are we learning?



## MOT in Work Zones is a Team Sport

- Scoping
- Designers
- •INDOT Construction Engineers
- Contractors
- MOT Sub-contractors
- Public Safety
- Local Communities

MOT in Work Zones is Hard



# Why this slide

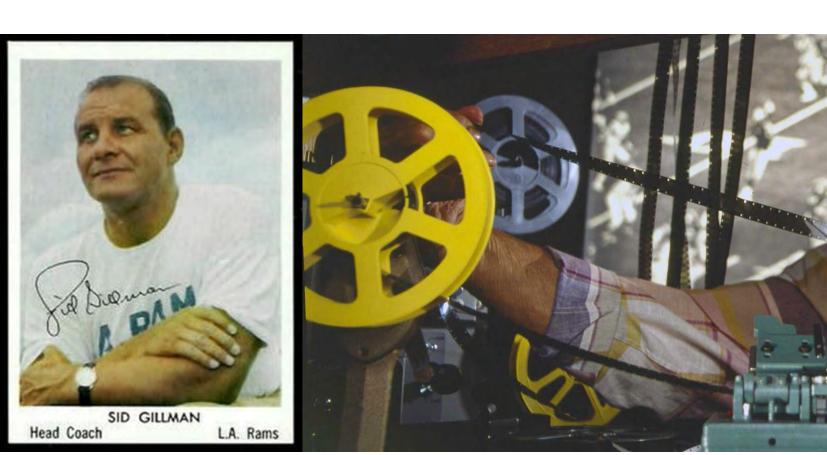








# Sid Gillman – The Innovator of Football Film Study Regarded as the first coach to systematically use game films to study players and formations



#### Paul Brown – Formalized Film Study in the 1960s

# Starting filming live game play specifically for evaluation purposes





Cleveland Browns, Nov. 7, 1965



And now to pick teams











Can you rotate this picture so I am looking at the seats straight on

# And a little help from our friend ChatGPT





#### And now for the controversial slide





But, we can do better then tapes~

## Approach

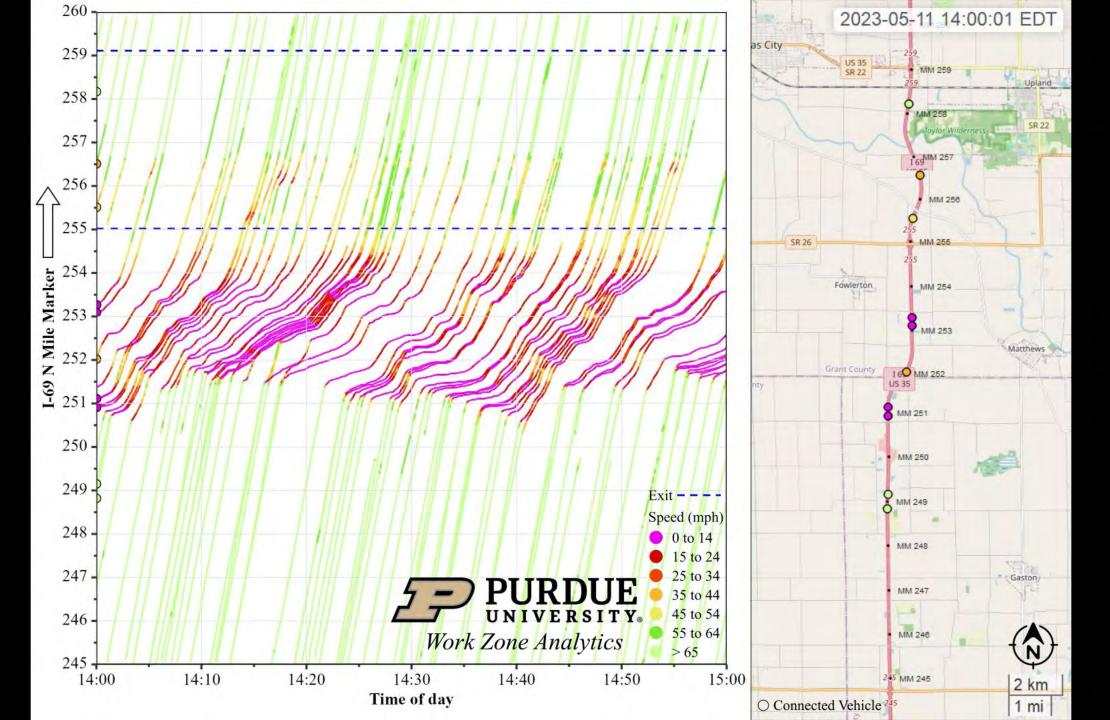
- What gets measured gets done (or at least looked at)
- Weekly Performance Measures
- Selected After Actions

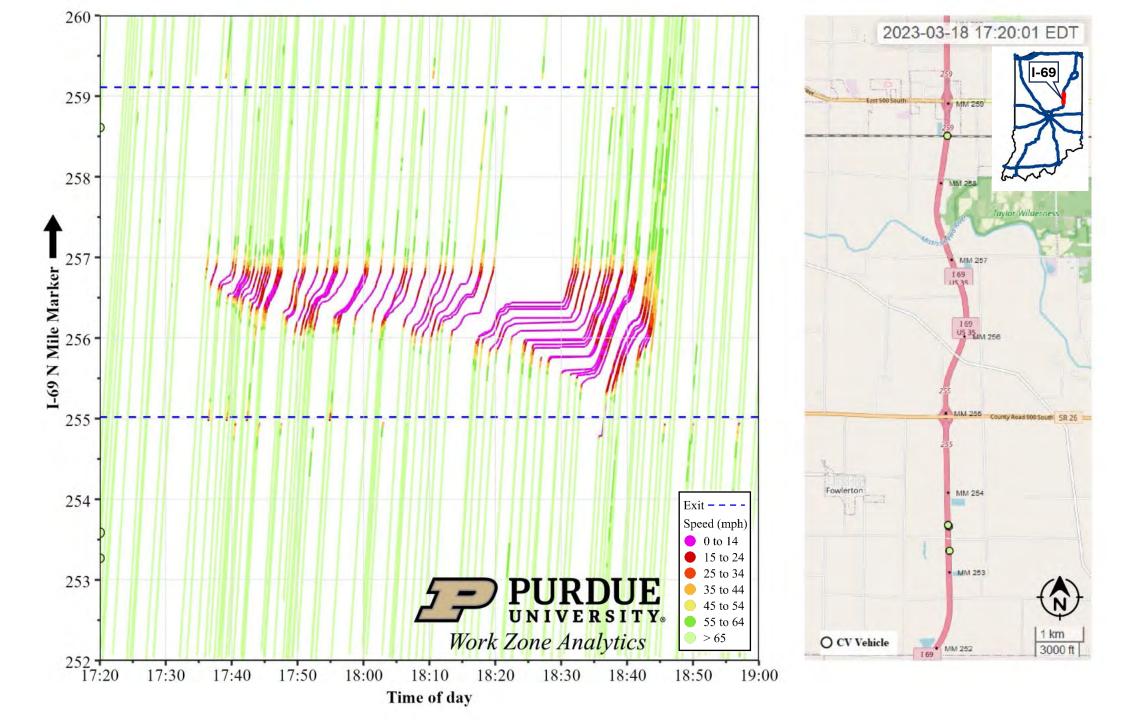
### Examples of Weekly Performance Measures

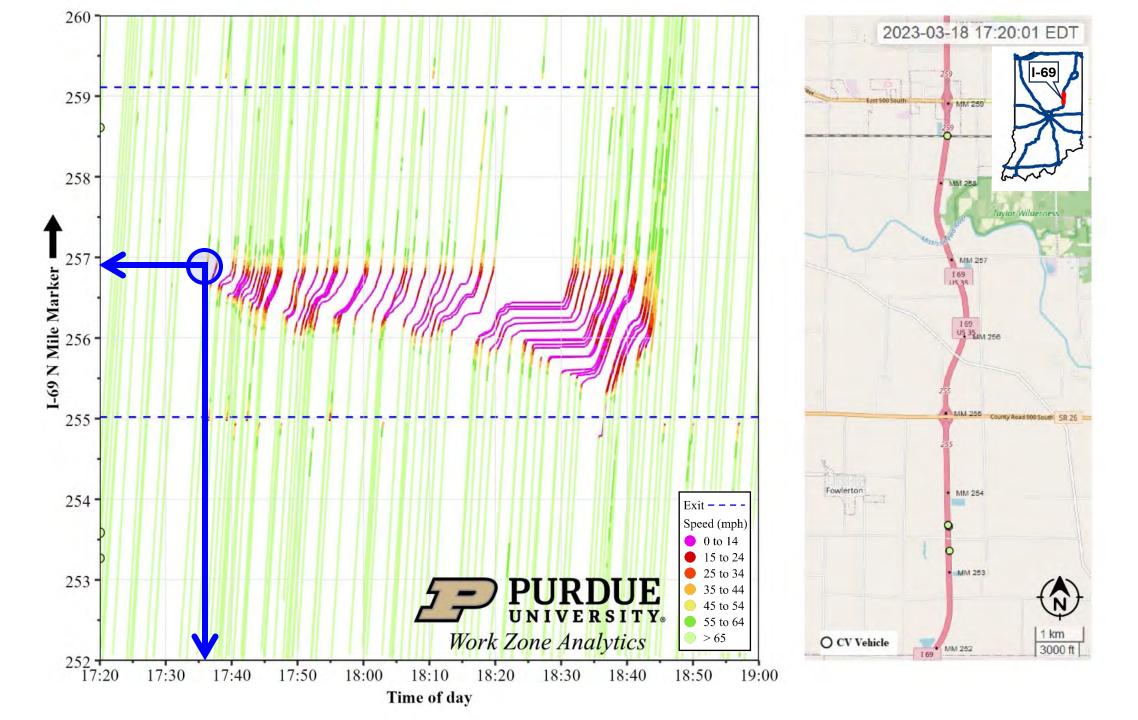
- Crashes
- Queues (miles, duration)
- Sometimes Travel Times
- Hard Braking

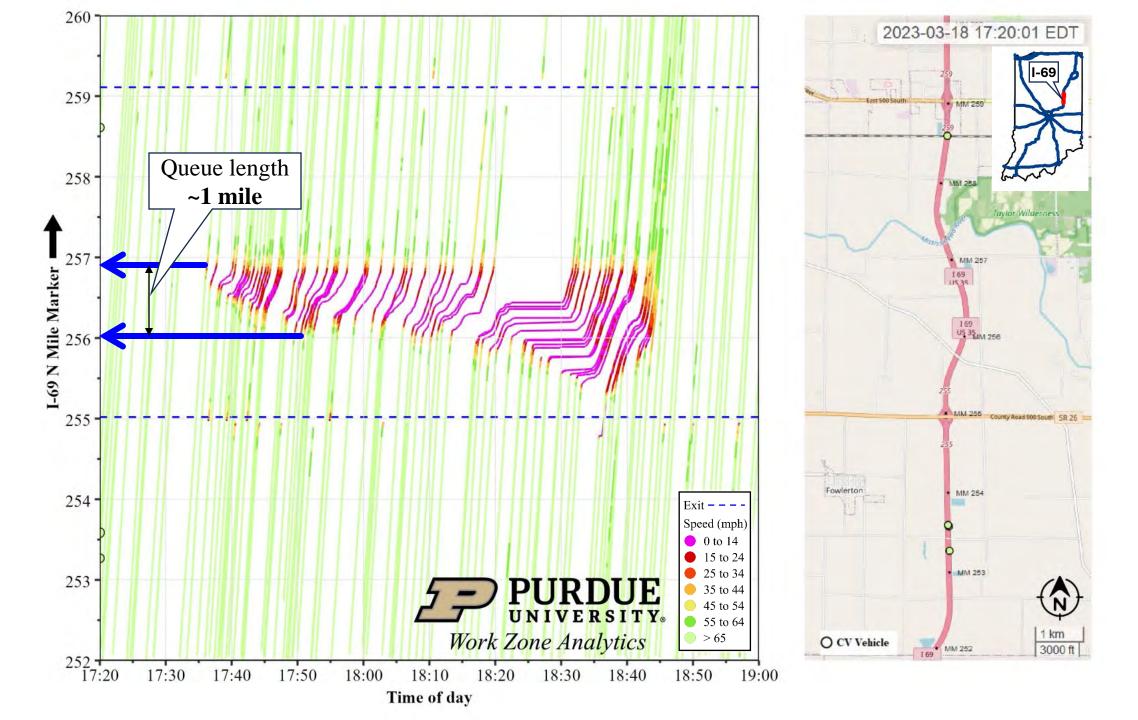
# What have we/are we learning?

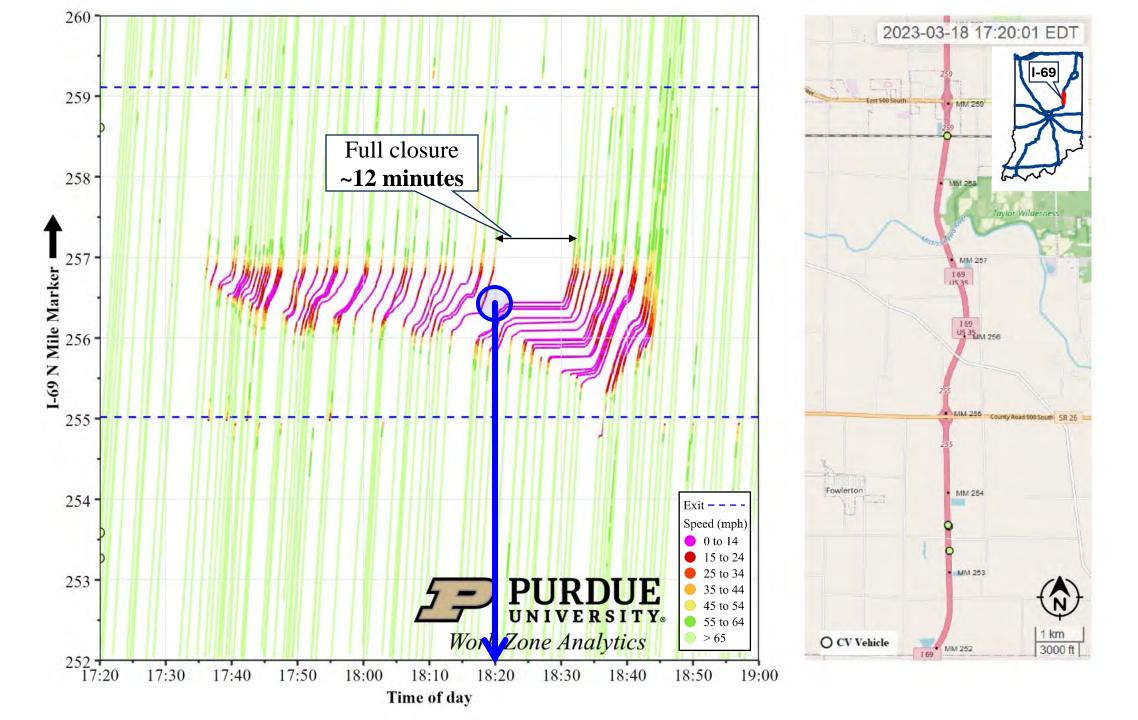
- 1. Hard Braking is powerful tool for monitoring crash risk.
- 2. Opportunities to mitigate back of queue crashes with queue trucks and in vehicle alerts.
- 3. Close proximity to unpaved shoulders should be avoided.
- 4. Hour of day is strong indication of queuing.
- 5. Connected Vehicle Data combined with past projects is particularly valuable for forecasting queues.
- 6. In-Vehicle Alerting is an important supplement to traditional construction signs and message boards.
- 7. Motorists follow Google/Apple/Waze more than our signs. We need to partner with them

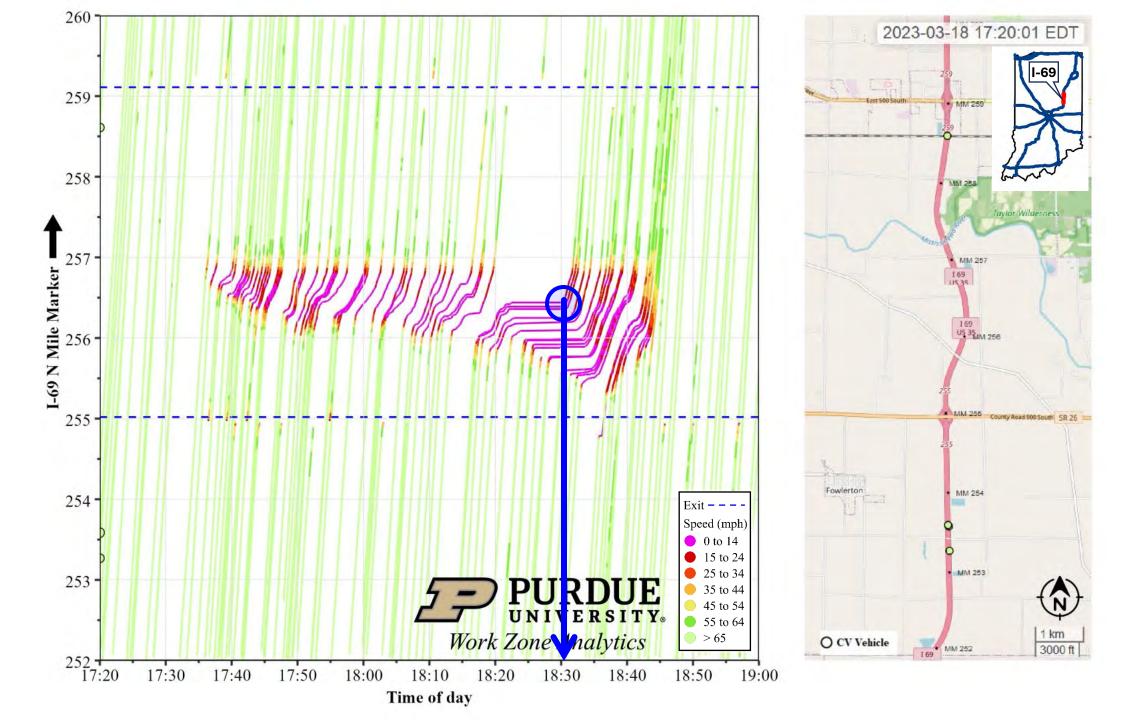


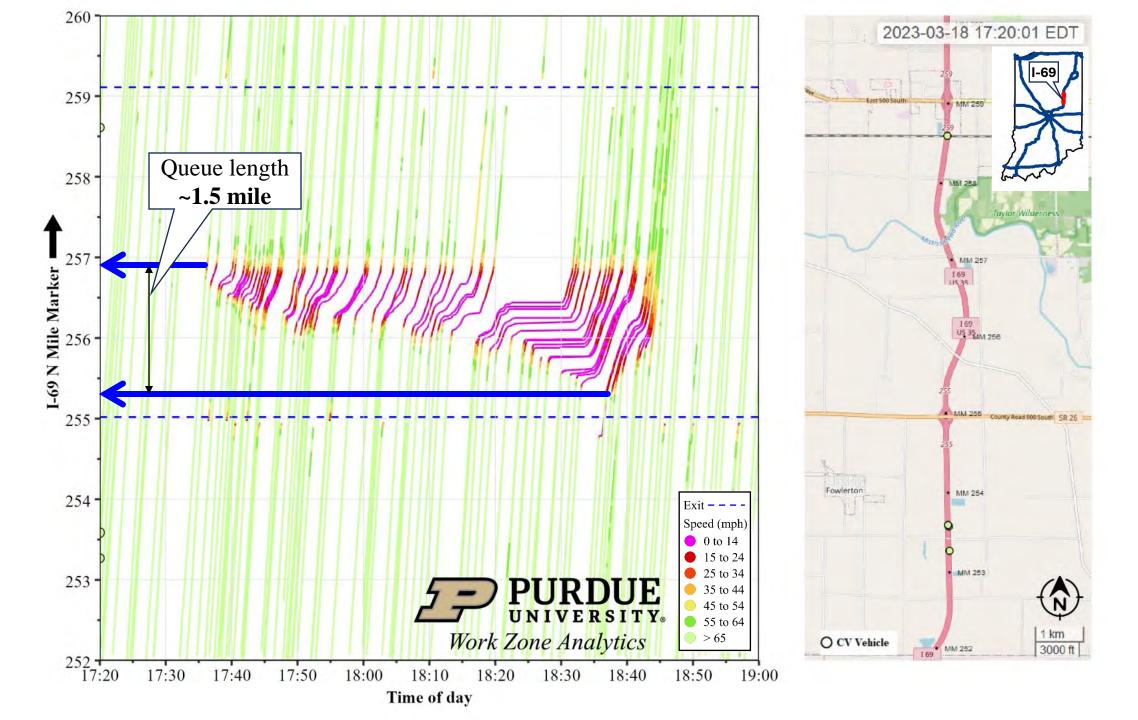


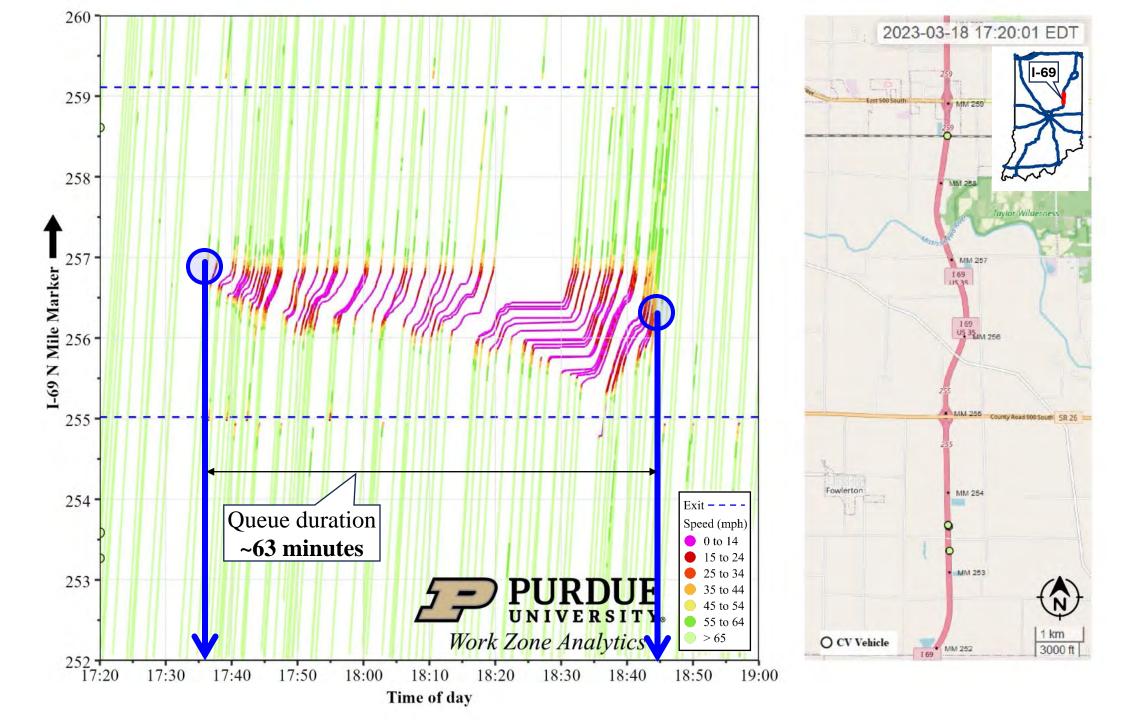


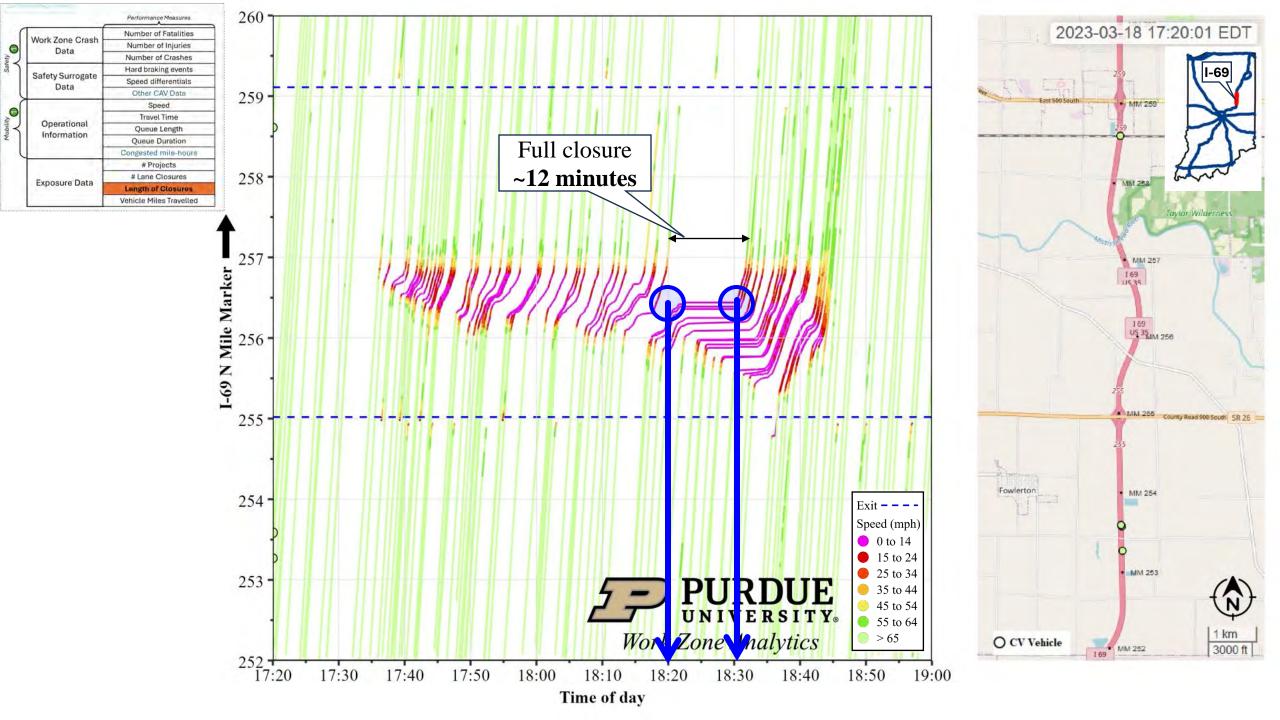


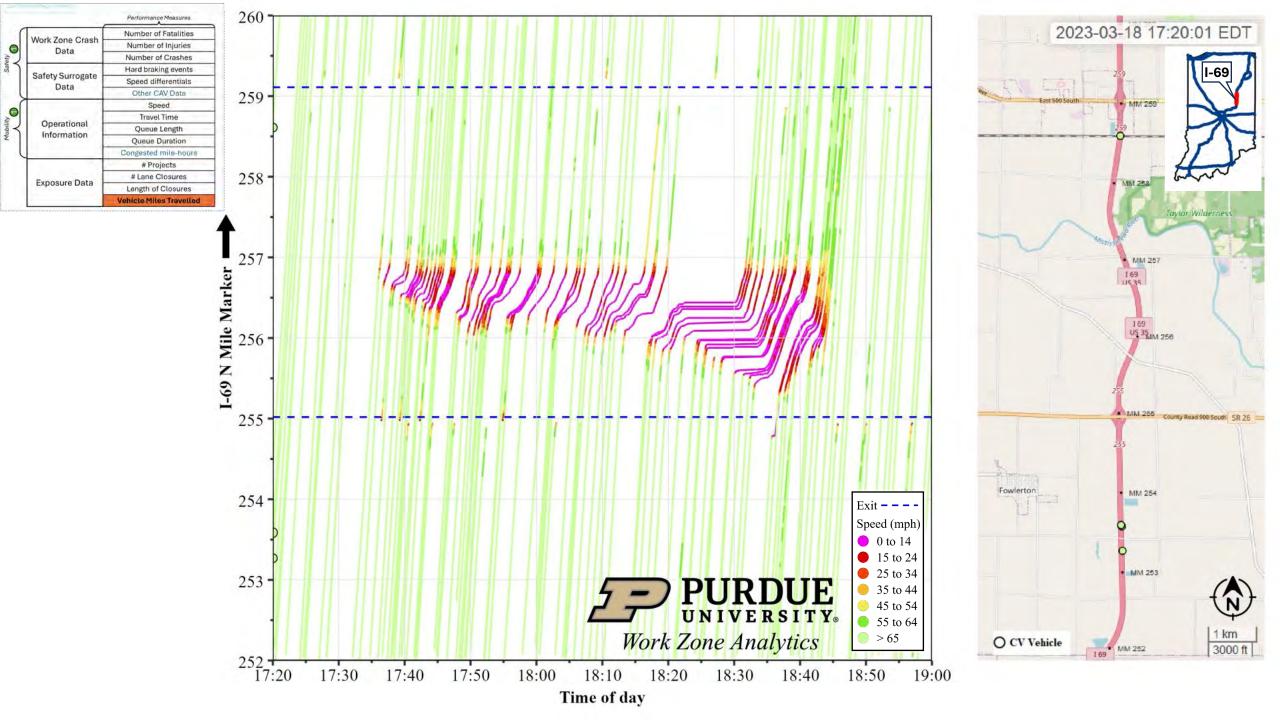








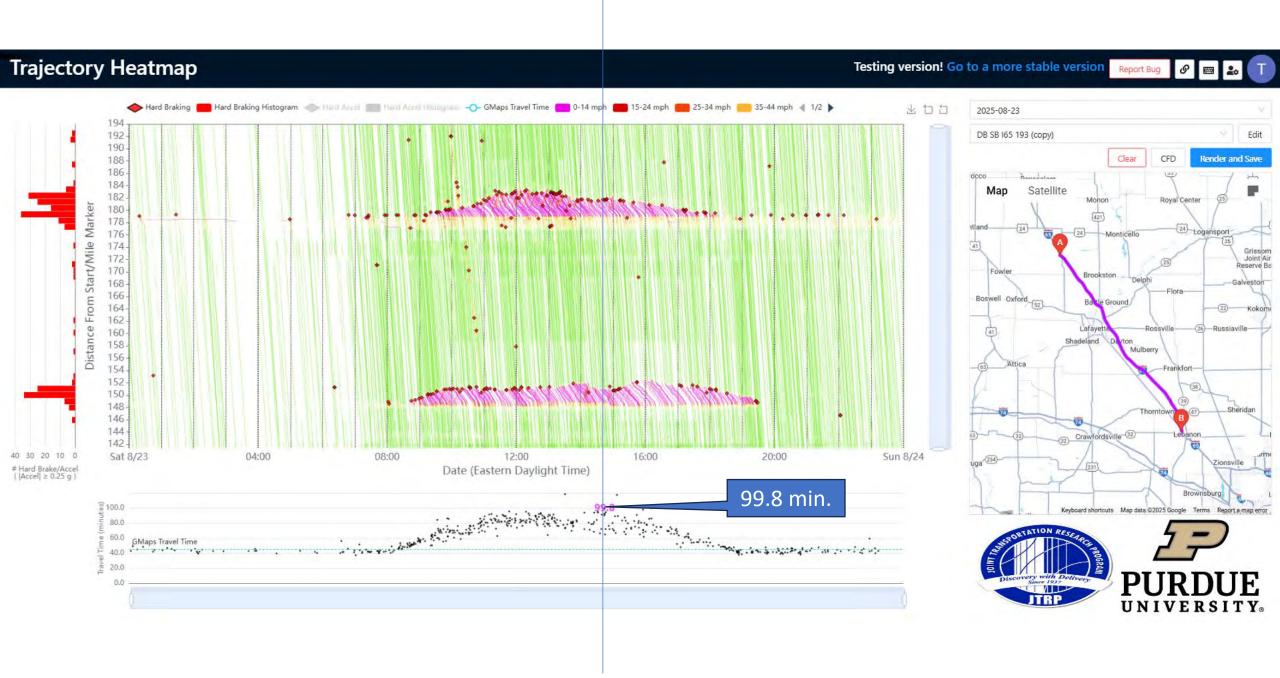




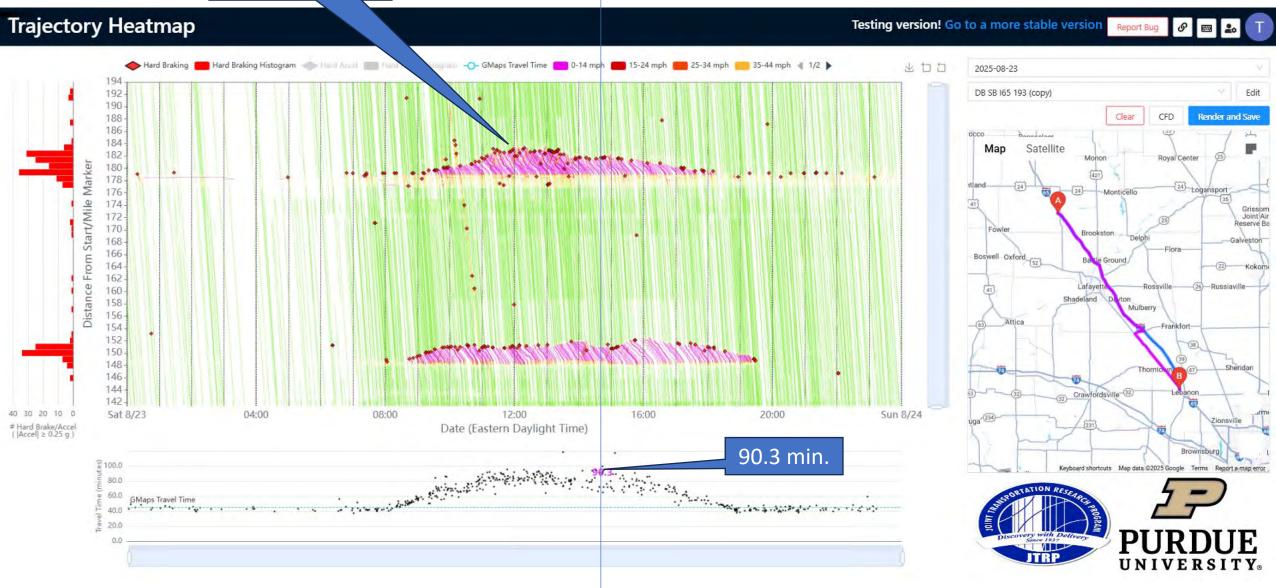
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**Trajectory Heatmap** 

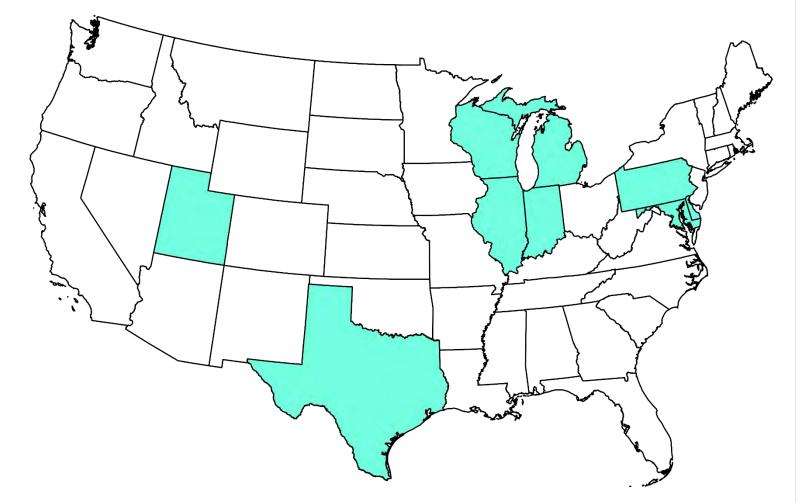




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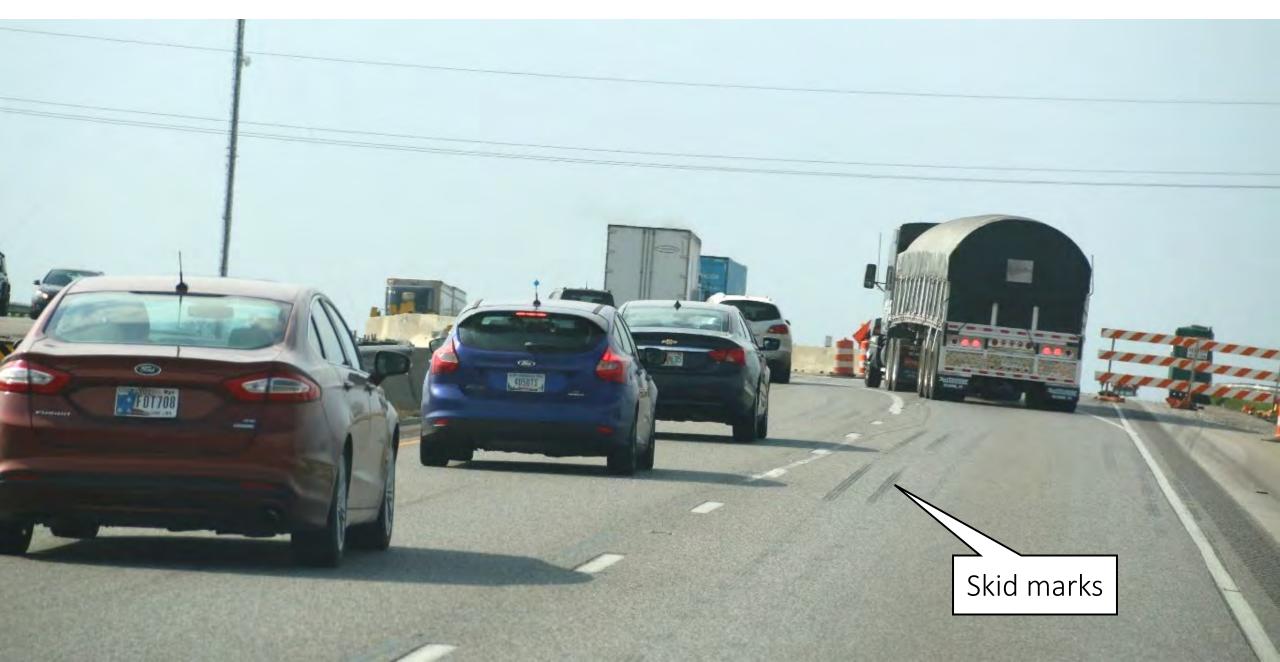
# TPF-5(514) Work Zone Analytics



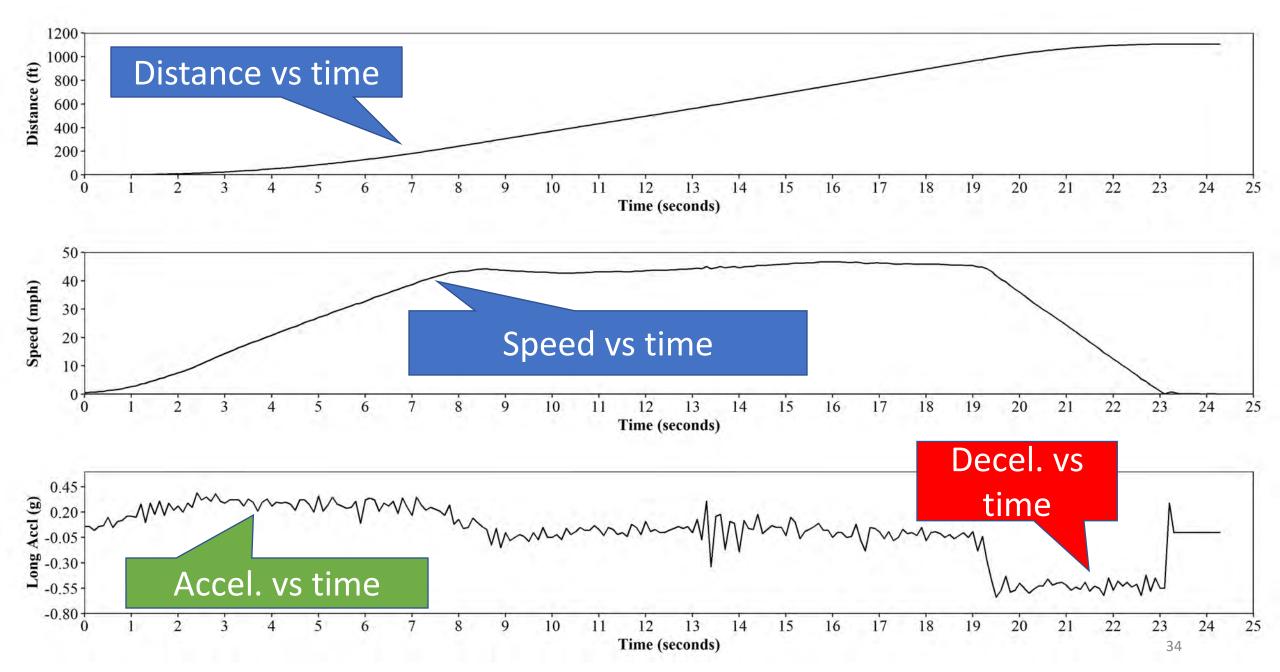


Partners: FHWA, DE, IL, IN, MD, MI, PA, TX, UT, WI

#### Hard Braking is a replacement for old school skid marks



#### **Kinematics Fundamentals**



### Hard Braking/g force context





# -~0.54 g



# We use ~0.27g from CV Data



# AASHTO g force for Stopping Sight Distance





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Design	Reaction	Reaction	Coefficient	Braking	Computed
Speed	Time	Distance	of Friction	Distance on level	Stopping Sight
(mph)	(sec)	(ft)		terrain (ft)	Distance (ft)
20	2.5	73	0.40	33	107
25	2.5	92	0.38	55	147
30	2.5	110	0.35	86	196
35	2.5	128	0.34	120	249
40	2.5	147	0.32	167	314
45	2.5	165	0.31	218	383
50	2.5	183	0.30	278	462
55	2.5	202	0.30	337	538
60	2.5	220	0.29	415	635
65	2.5	238	0.29	487	725
70	2.5	257	0.28	585	841

# Hard Braking correlates well with Interstate Crashes

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ORIGINAL PAPER



#### Correlating Hard-Braking Activity with Crash Occurrences on Interstate Construction Projects in Indiana

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#### Abstract

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) reported between 2016 and 2017, fatal crashes in work zones increased by 3%, while fatal crashes outside of work zones decreased by 1.5%. The FHWA also reported that work zones account for approximately 10% of the nation's overall congestion and 24% of unexpected interstate delays. This paper reports on a study of 23 construction work zones that covered approximately 150 centerline miles of Indiana interstate roadway in the summer of 2019. Approximately 50% of all interstate crashes for the period of May to September 2019 occurred within or in an approach upstream or downstream of one of these work zones. Commercially available vehicle hard-braking event data is used for the study and geofenced to the work zone approaches and limits. This research examined 196,215 hard-braking events over a 2-month period in 2018 and 2019 for the 23 interstate work zones. Commercially are constituted to 21 interstate work zones. See 18 and 2019 for the 23 interstate work zones. The study isound there were approximately 1 crash/mile for every 147 hard-braking events in and around a construction site. The R<sup>2</sup> was approximately 0.85. The paper concludes by recommending that hard-braking event data be used by agencies to quickly identify emerging work zone locations that show relatively large number of hard-braking events for further evaluation.

Keywords Braking - Crash rate - Highway safety - Vehicle probe data

#### Introduction

There are approximately 800 fatal work zone crashes in the US annually, most of which occur in the summer and fall, and over 25% of those crashes involve large trucks or

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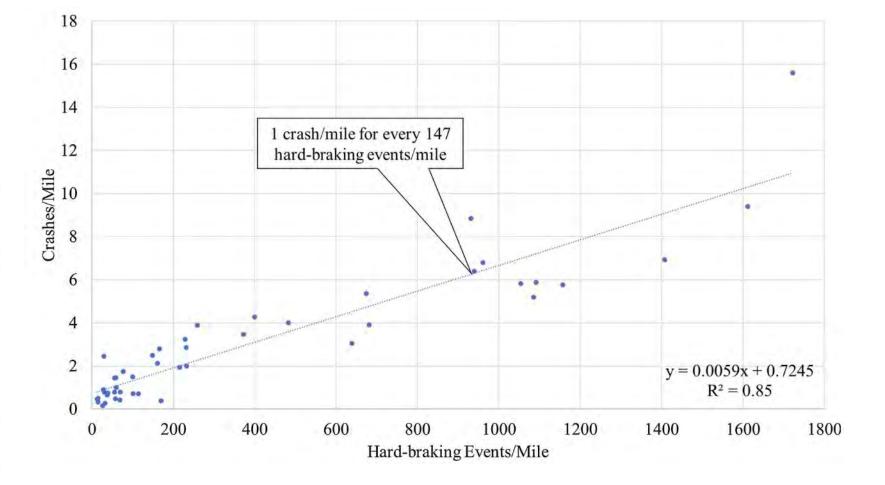
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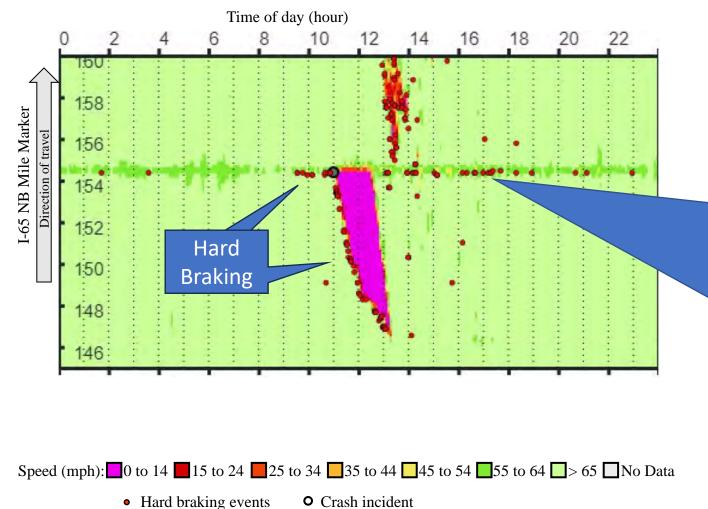


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### Crash incidents during the lane shift on interstate

Sunday, 4 April 2021





# Connected Vehicle Hard-braking is more scalable and better than looking for skid marks





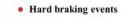
#### **Lane Shift Impact on Hard Braking Events**

Manson Colfax, I-65 MM 154



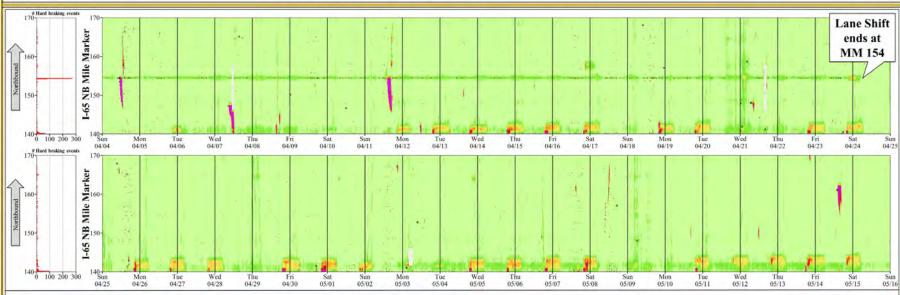














#### > During Lane Shift

- ~ 272 Hard braking events over 3 weeks from 4/4 to 4/24
- 2 significant crashes

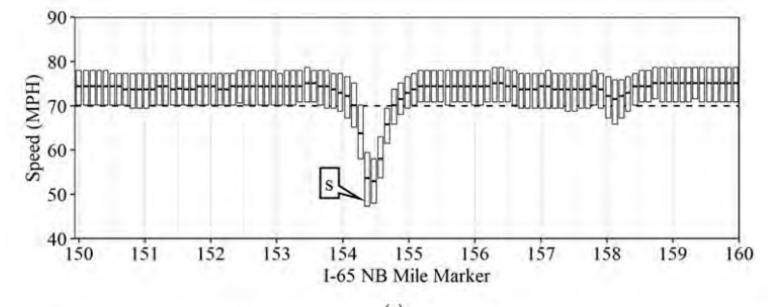
#### > After Lane Shift ends on 4/24

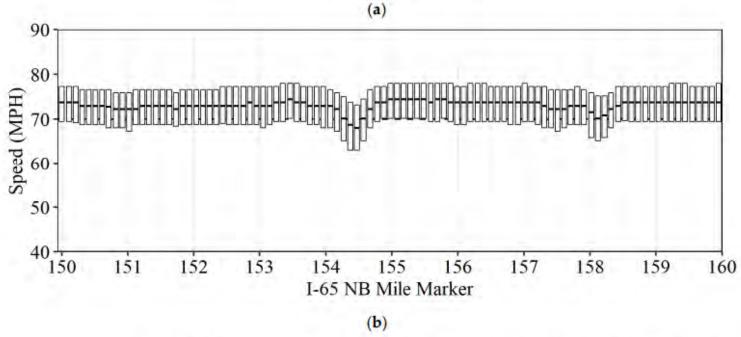
· Hard braking events reduce to near 0 and no crashes

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24	25	26	27	28	29



Connected Vehicle
Speeds During and
After the Lane Shift





**Figure 15.** Interquartile speeds for 0.1-mile segments during and after the lane shift on I-65 NB. (a) Speeds during the lane shift (Monday, 12 April–Sunday, 18 April 2021); (b) Speeds after the lane shift (Monday, 3 May–Sunday, 9 May 2021).



Hard-braking Events in Region of Lane Shift By Mile Marker

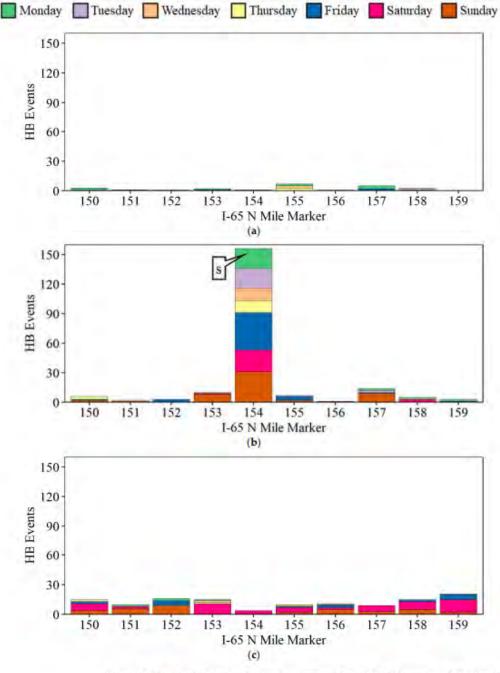
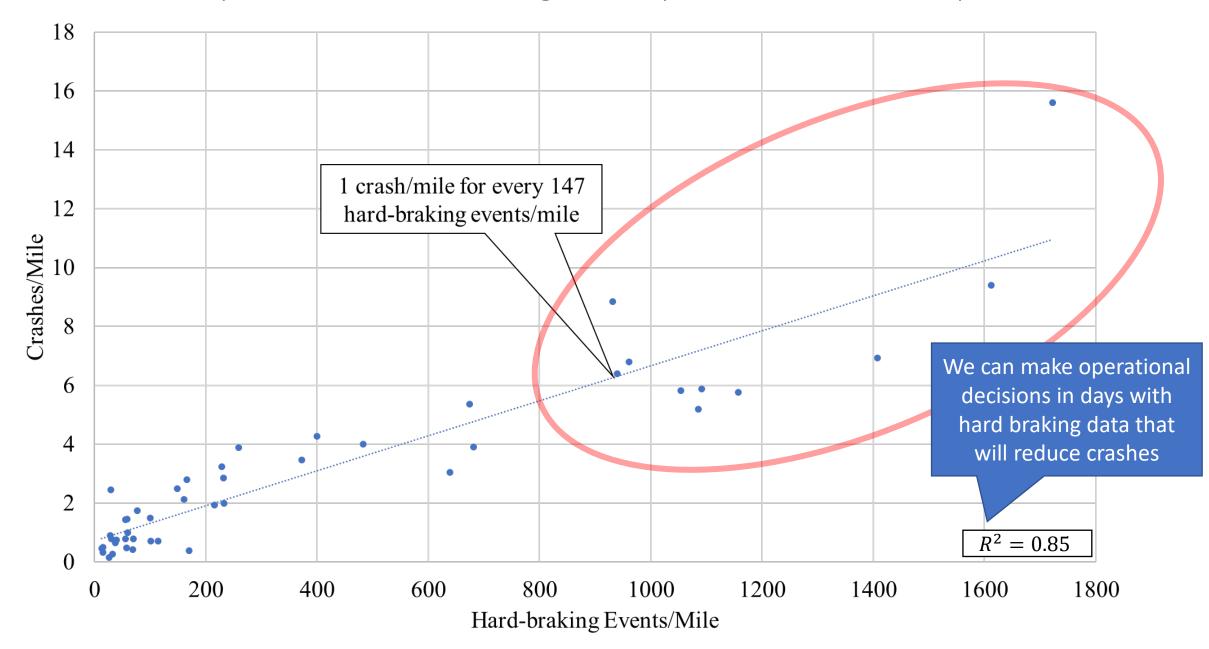


Figure 17. Hard-braking events by 1 mile-segments along I-65 NB between MM 150 and MM 160.

(a) Monday, 21 December 2020–Sunday, 27 December 2020 (before); (b) Monday, 5 April 2021–Sunday, 11 April 2021 (during crossover); (c) Monday, 3 May 2021–Sunday, 9 May 2021 (after return to normal).

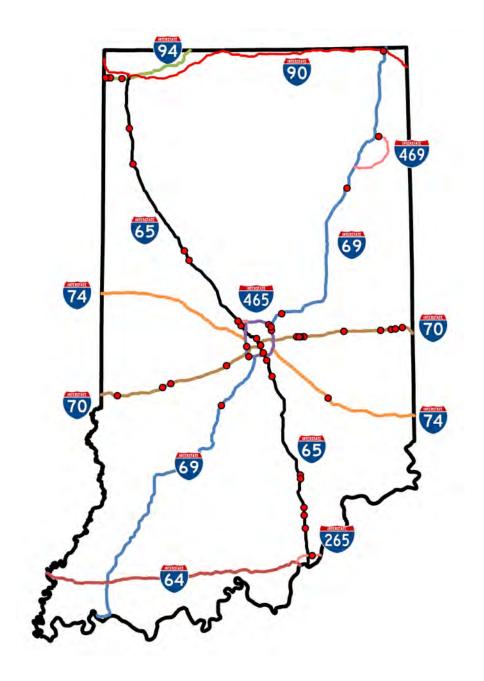
#### Relationship between hard-braking events per mile and crashes per mile



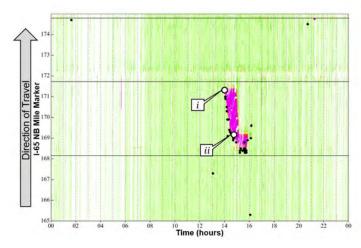
# Example of Why Hard Braking is Good Predictor

Location of 47
Primary Crashes on Indiana Interstates
Analyzed in Study

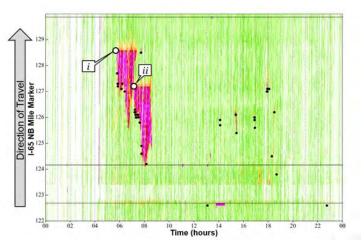
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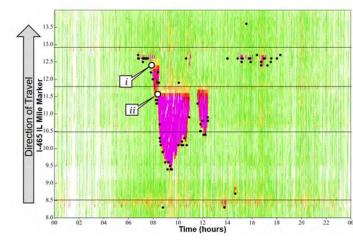
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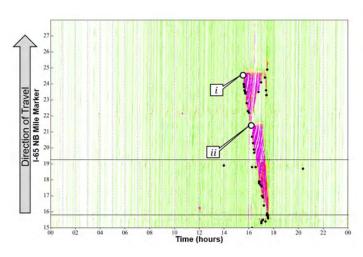
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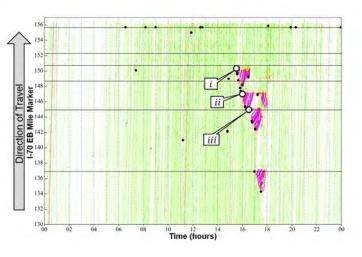
(c) I-65 NB, July 16, 2024



(d) I-465 IL, October 31, 2024

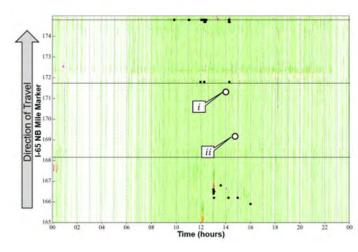


(e) I-65 NB, October 08, 2024

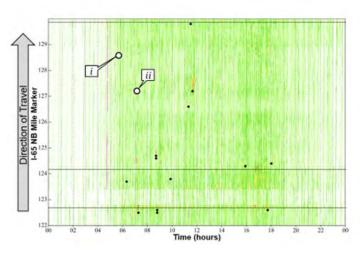


(f) I-70 EB, August 08, 2024

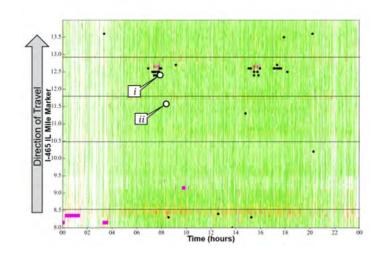
# Selected Examples week before or after crash event



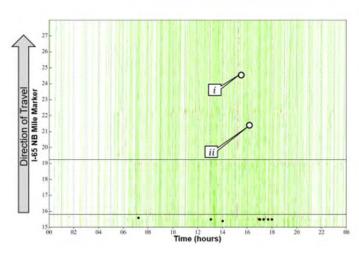
(b) I-65 NB, September 14, 2024



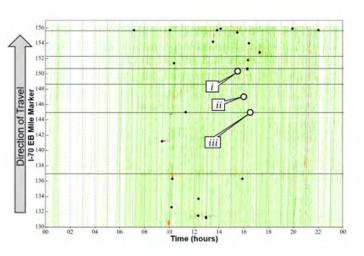
(c) I-65 NB, July 23, 2024



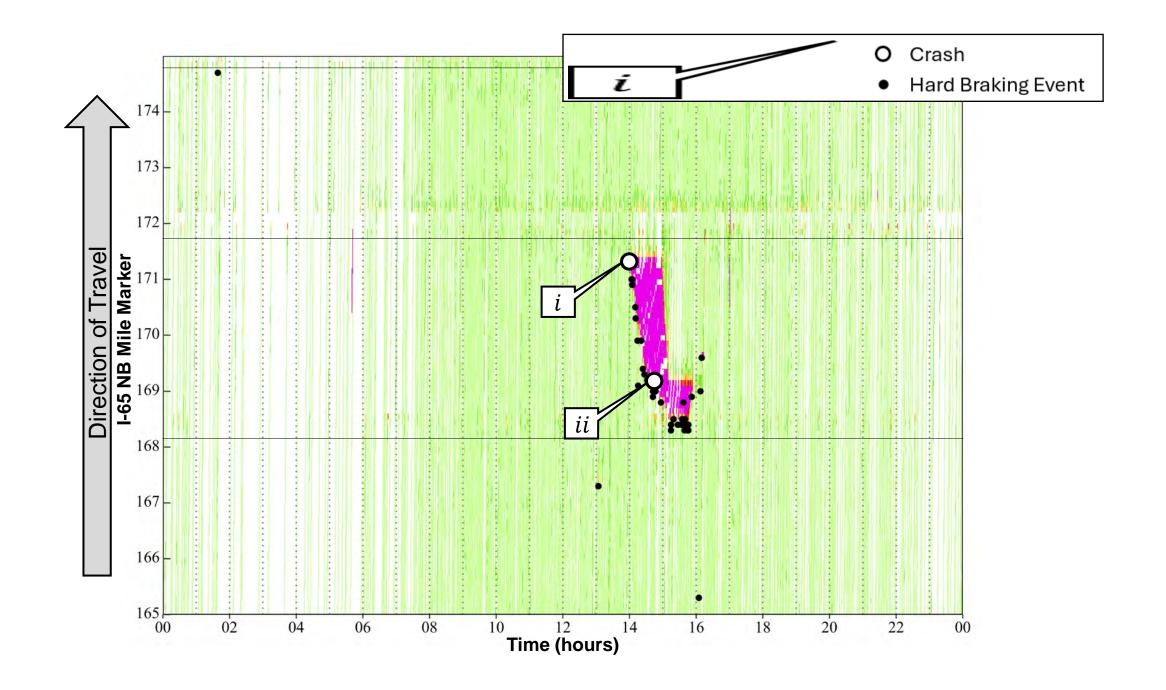
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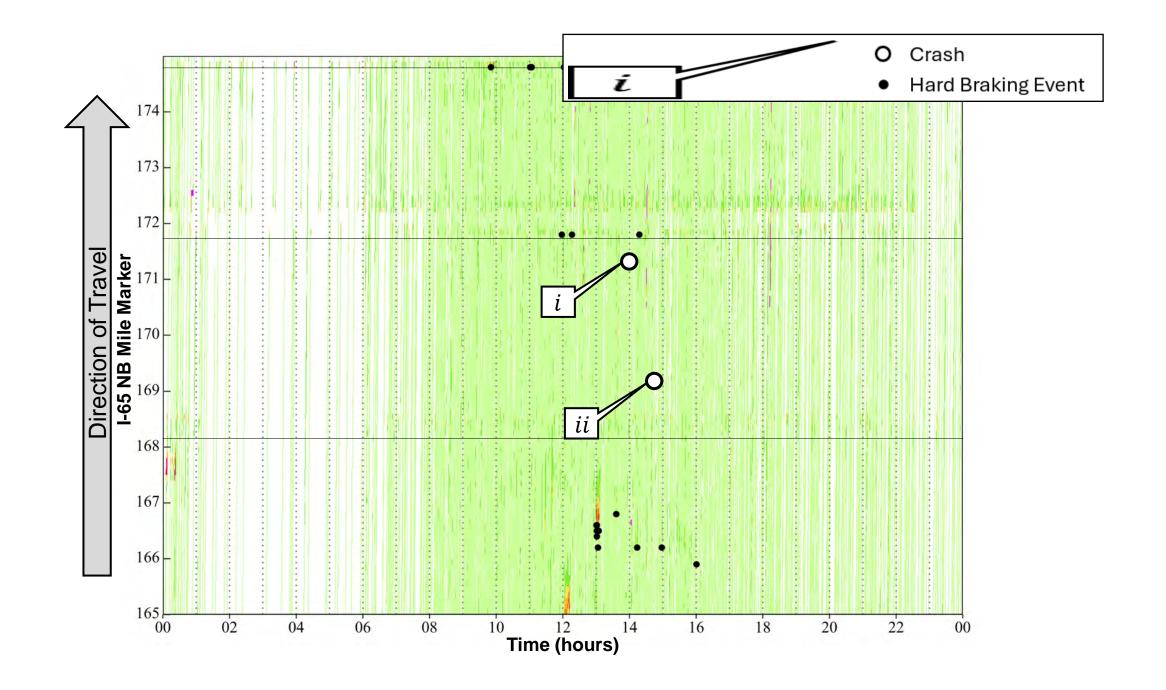


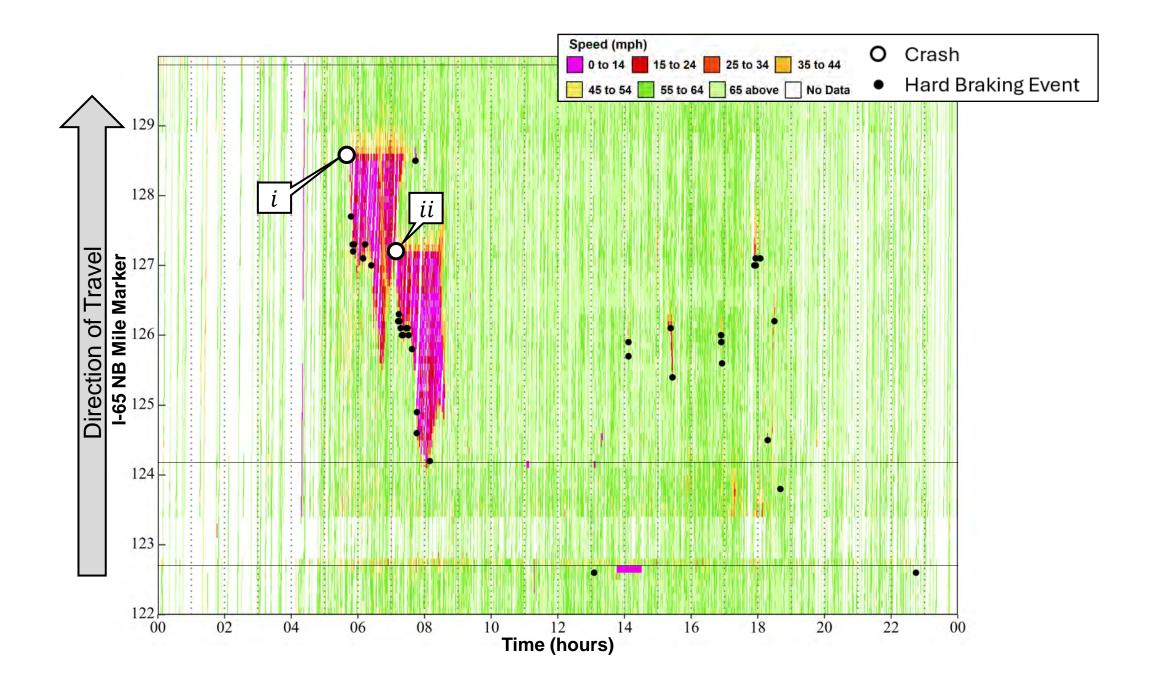
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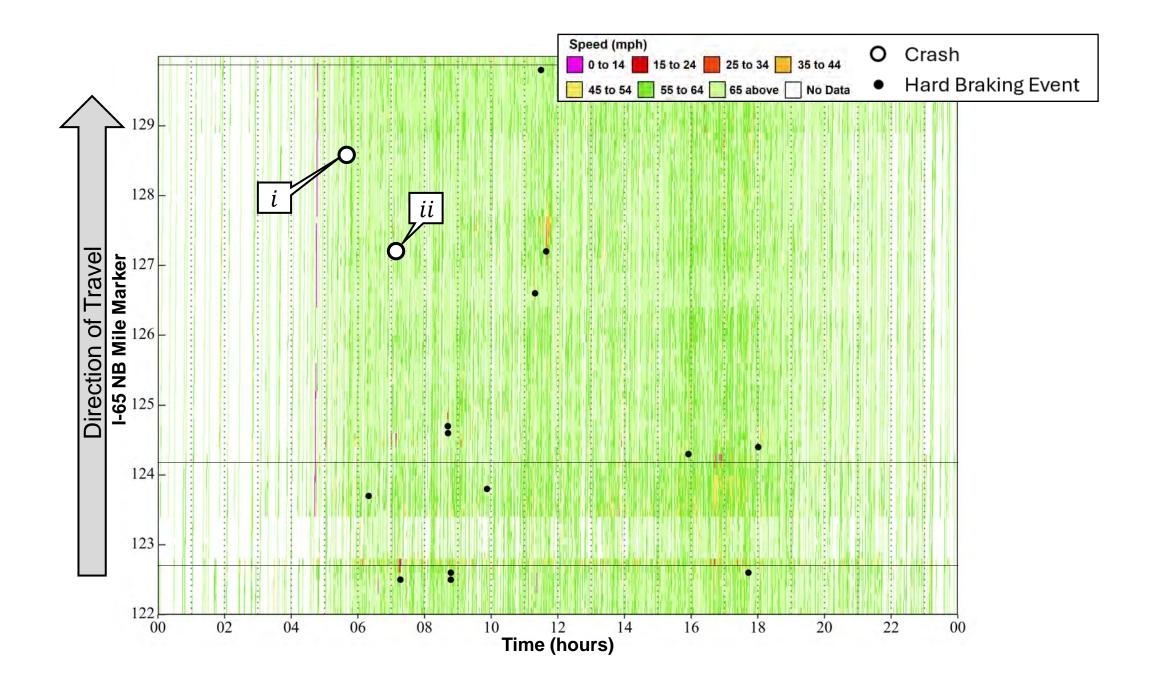


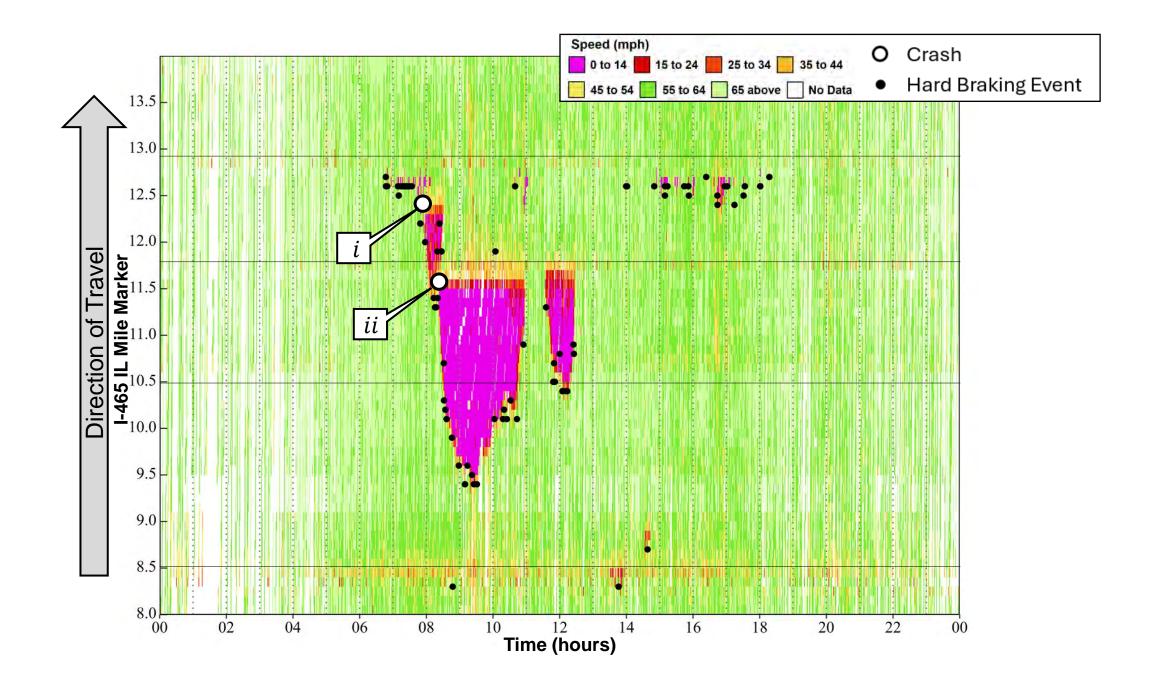
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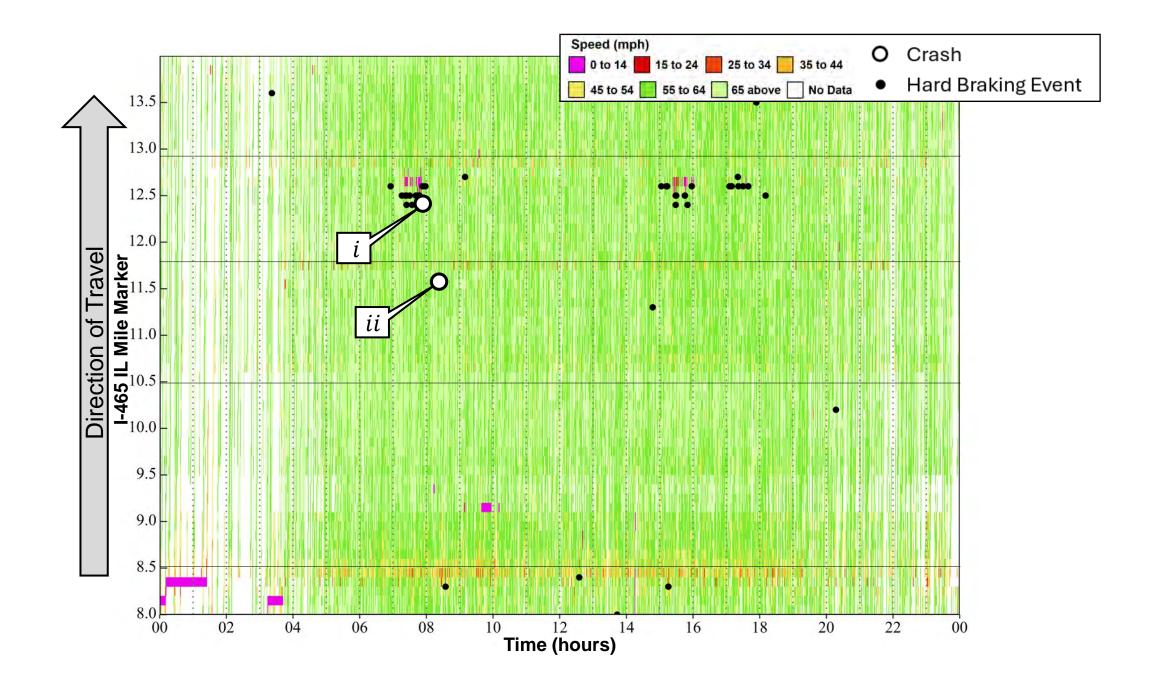


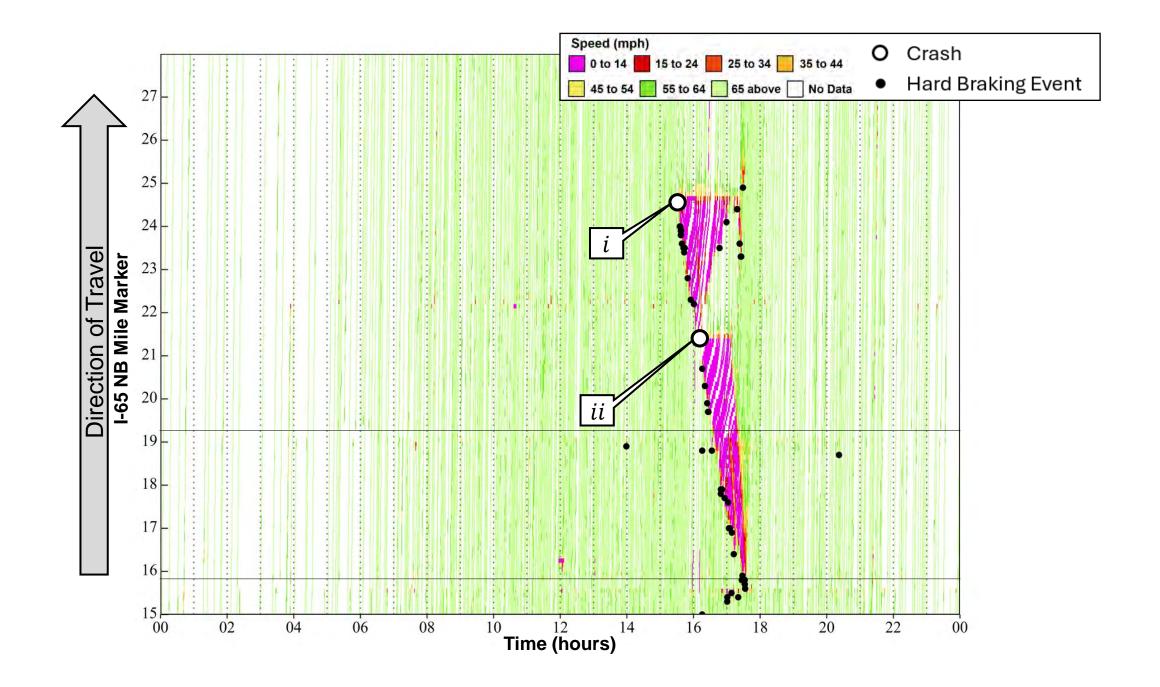


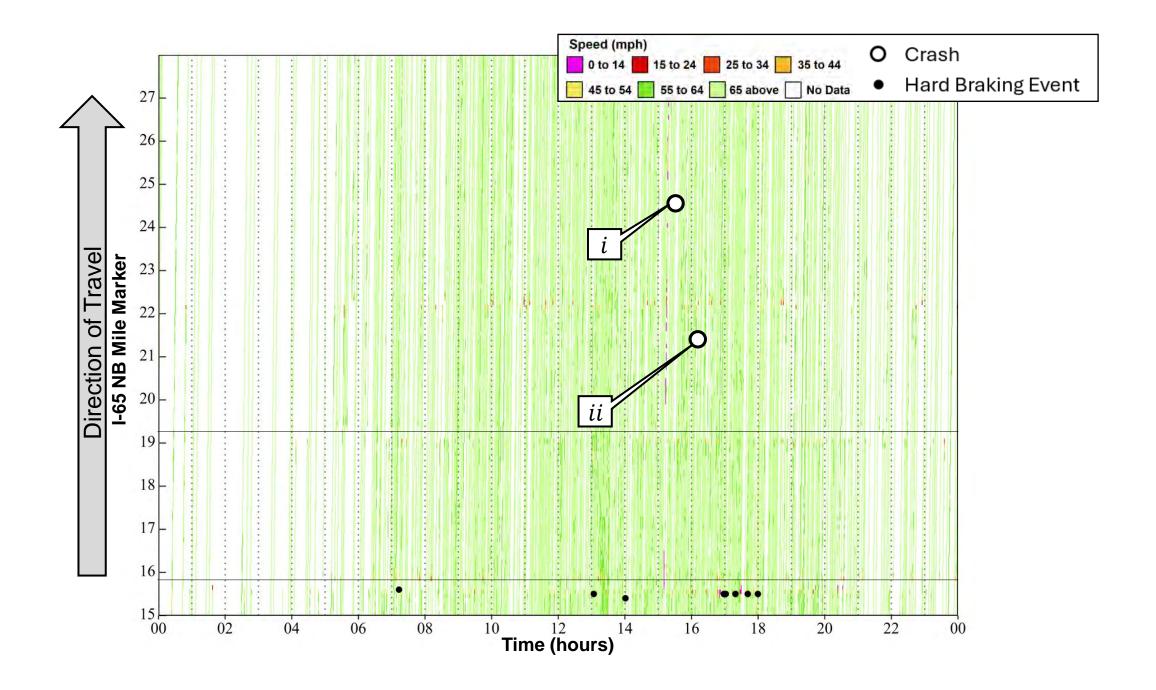


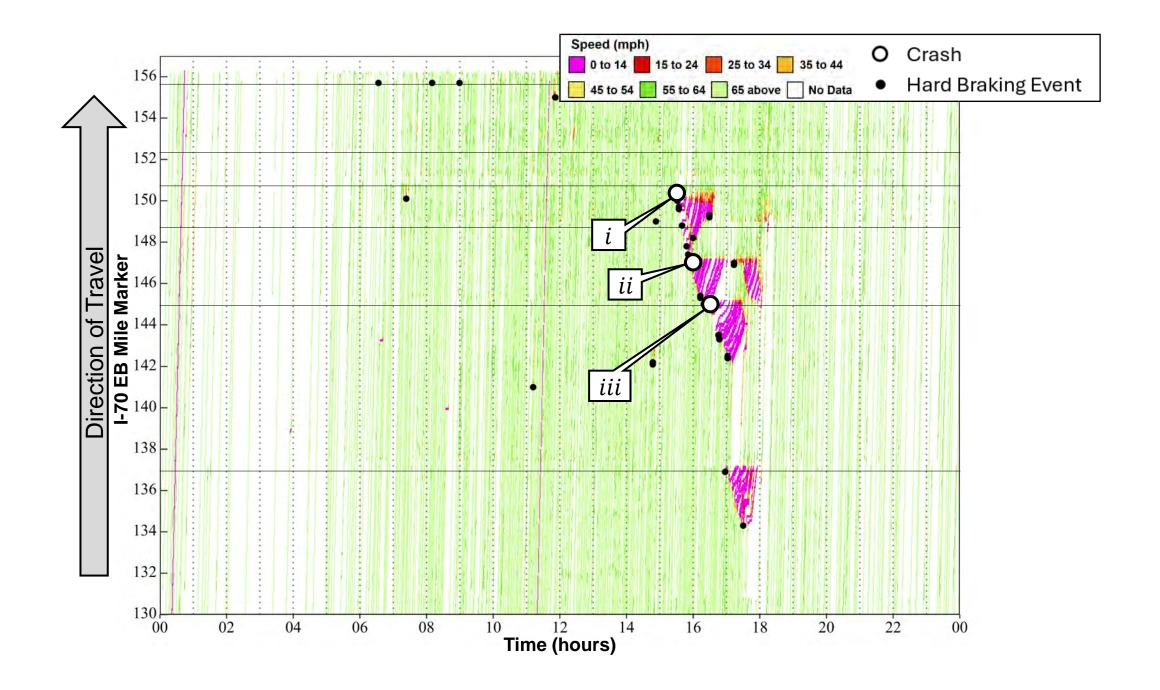


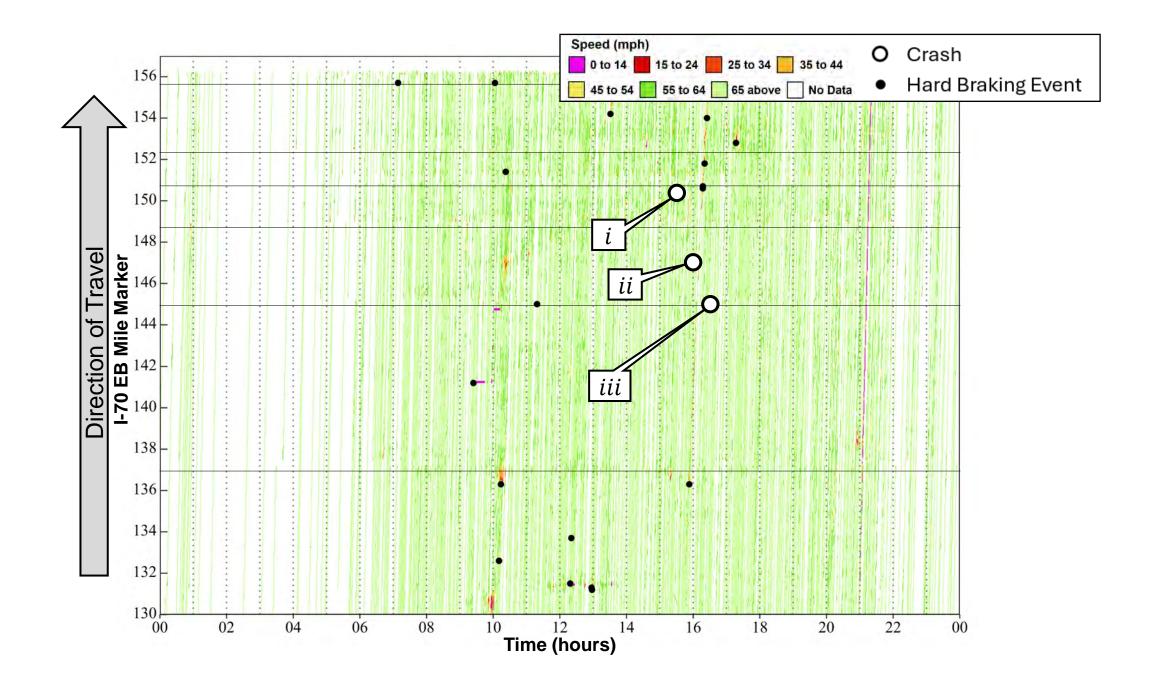




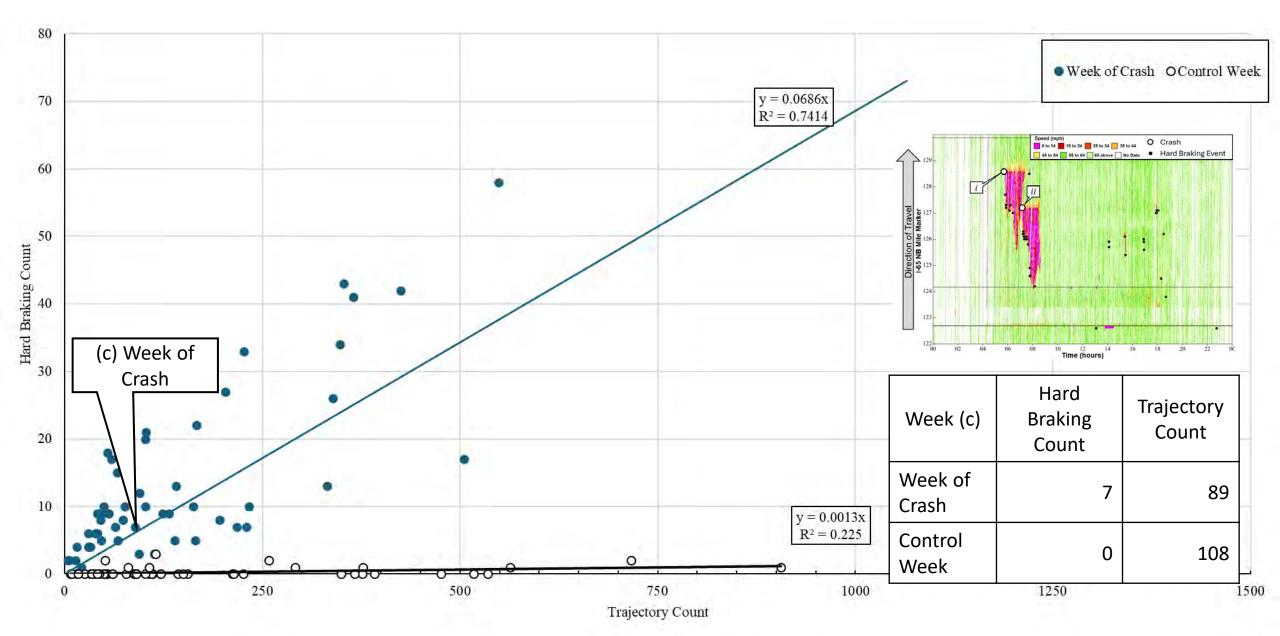




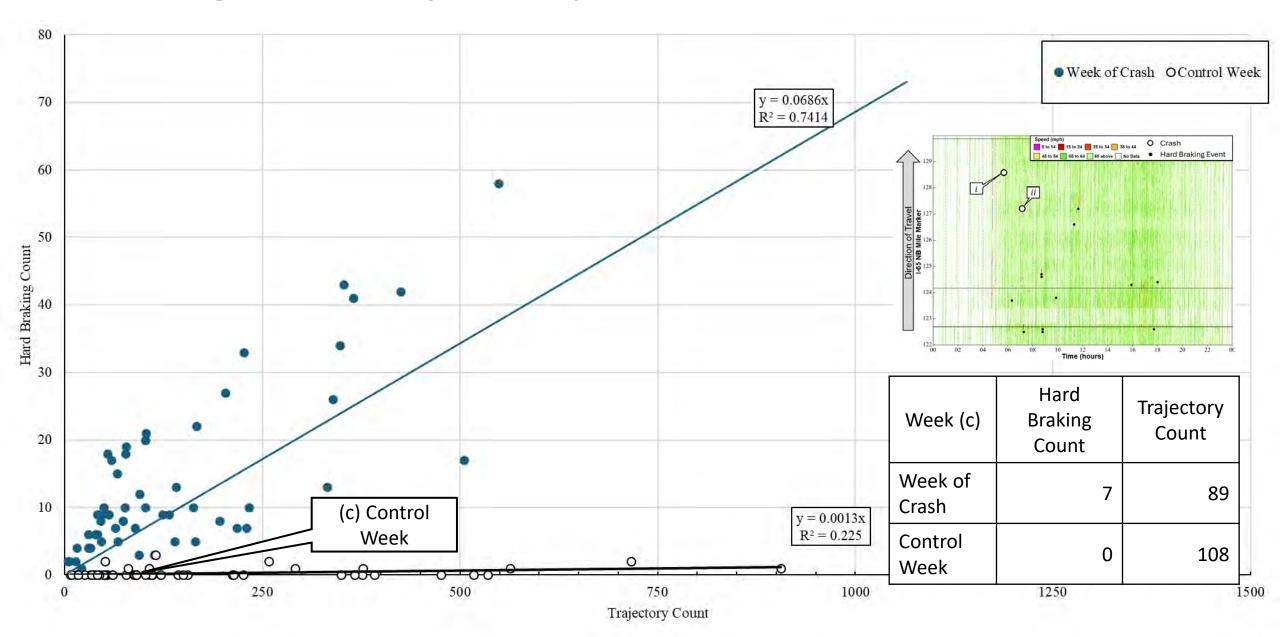




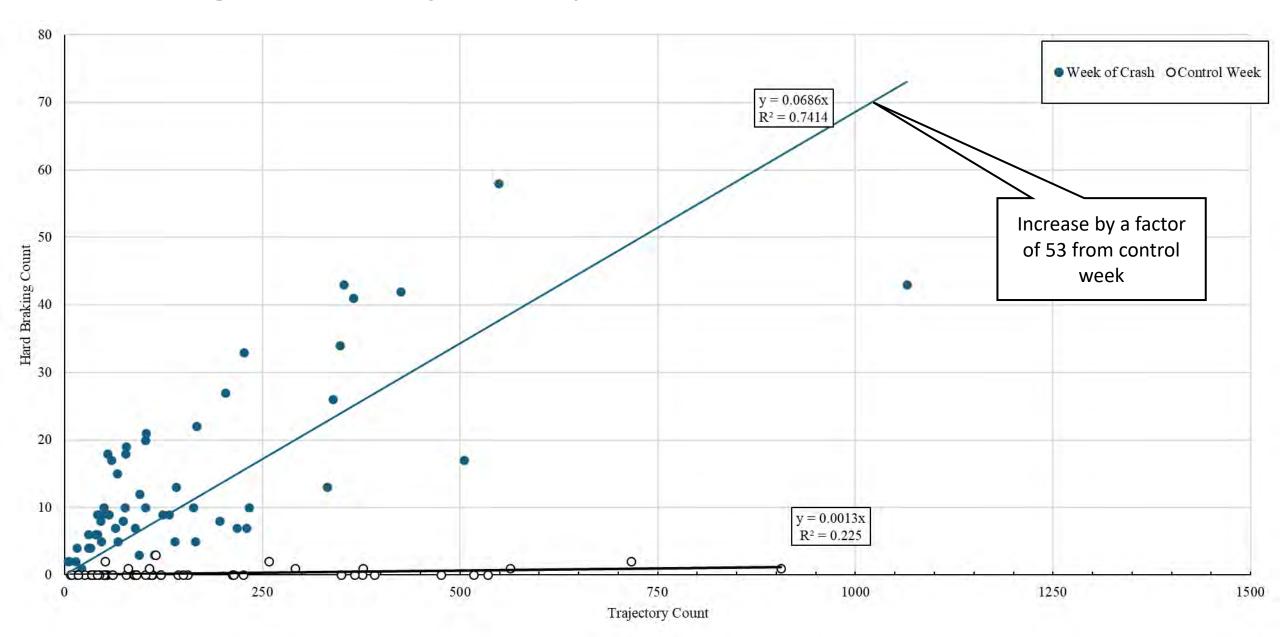
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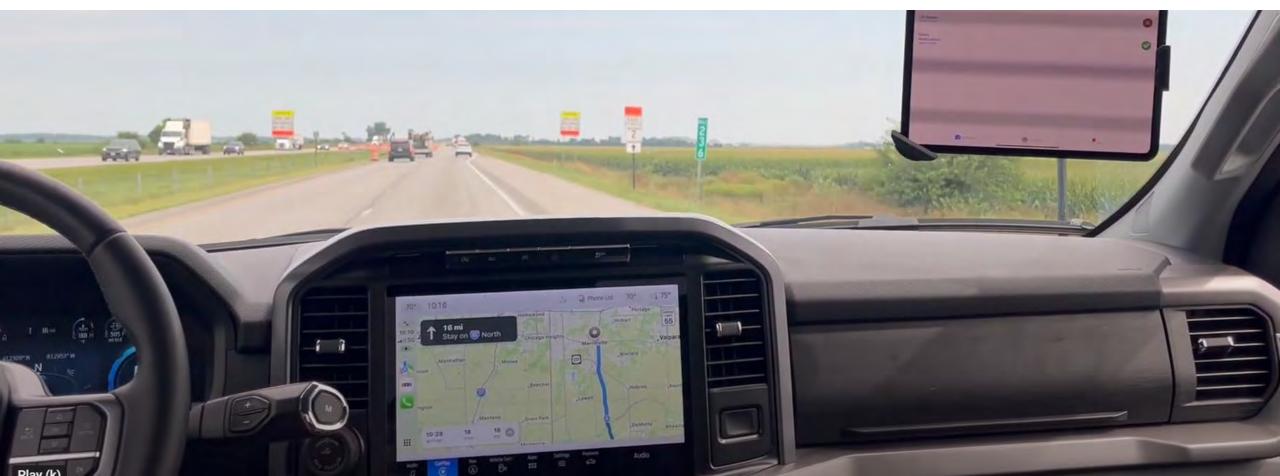


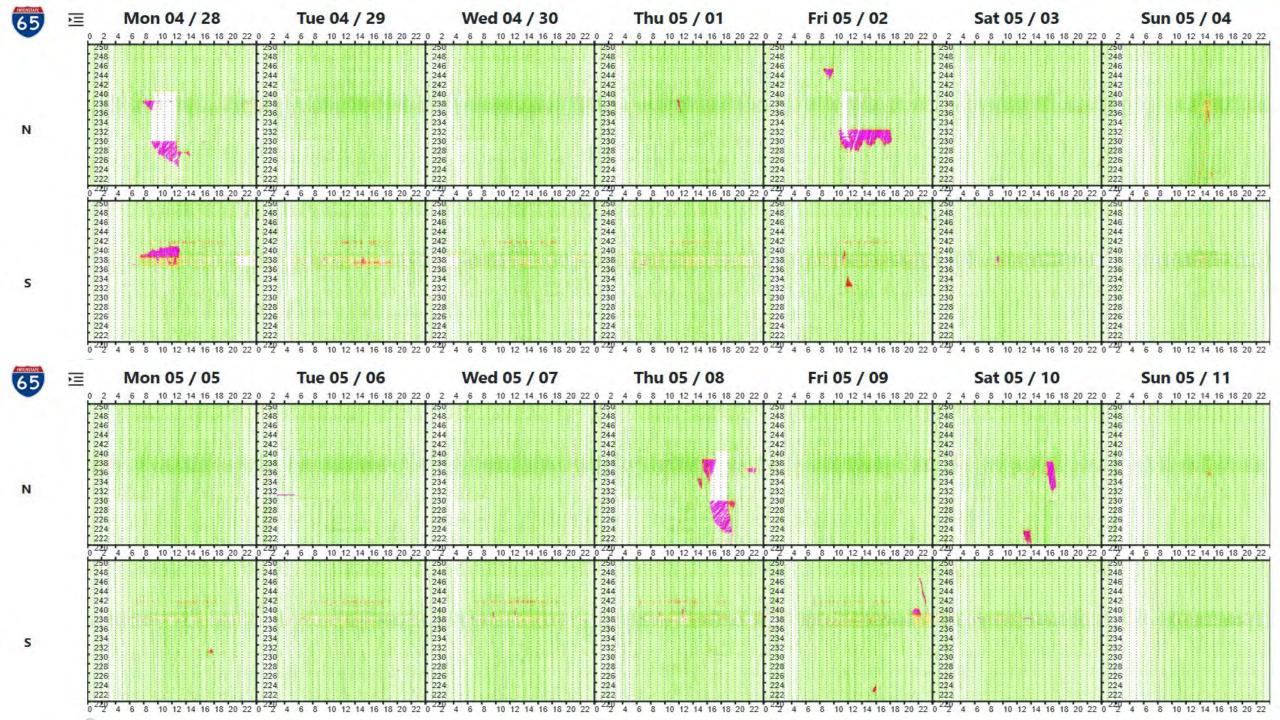
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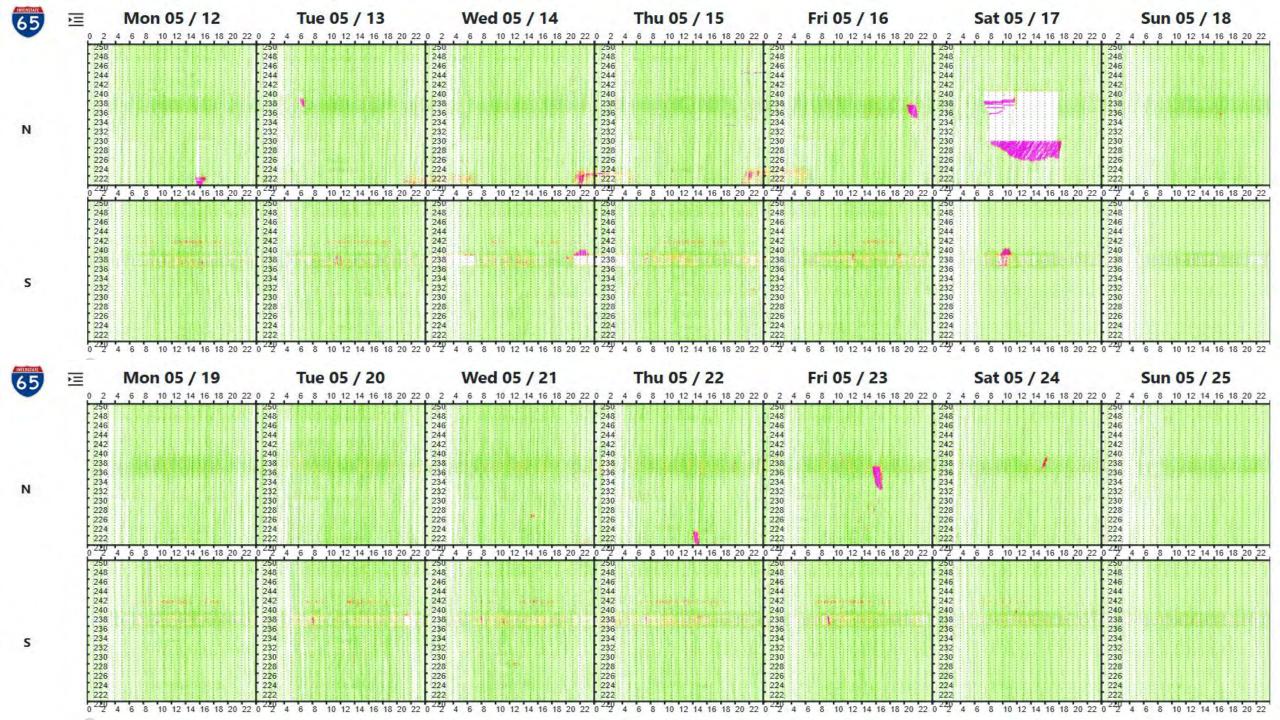


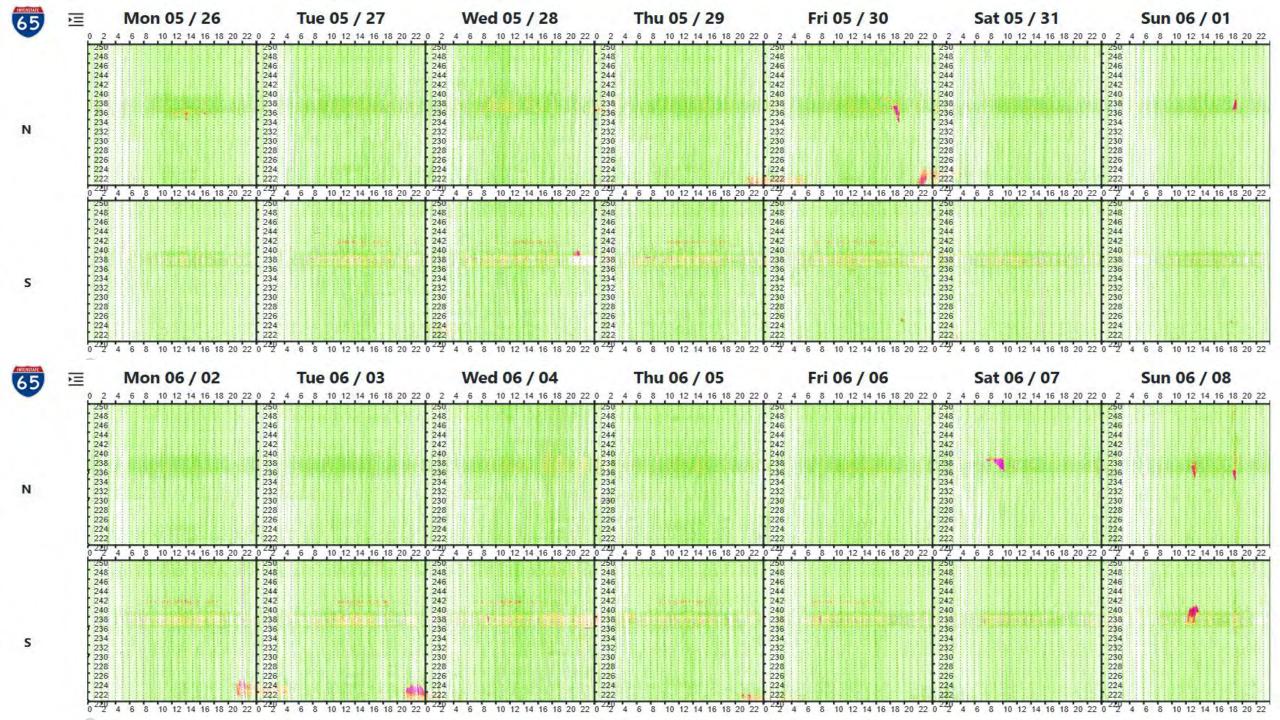
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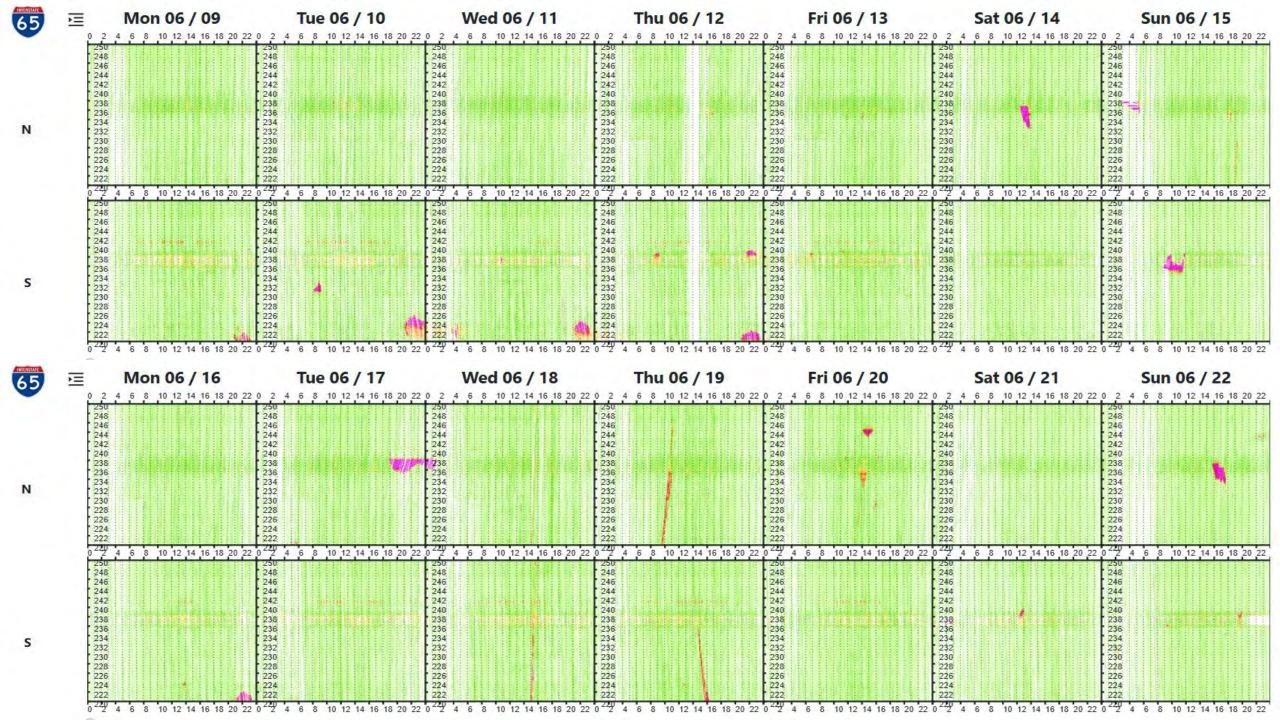


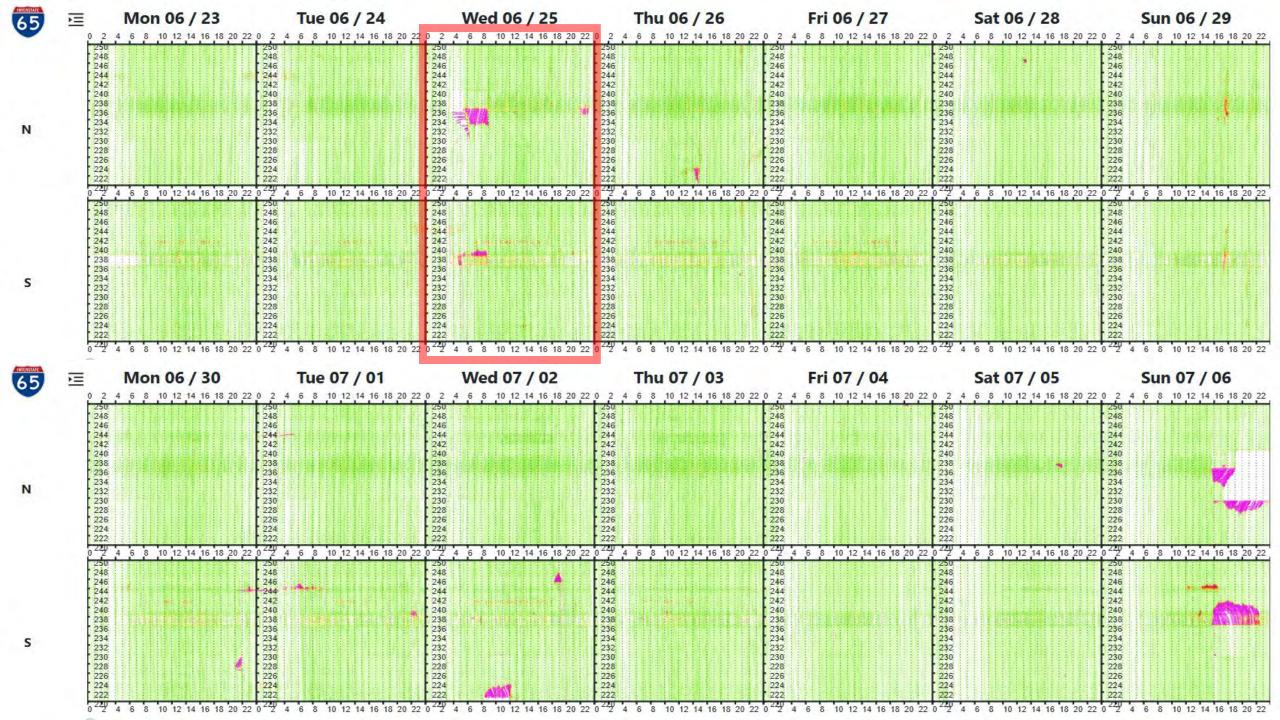


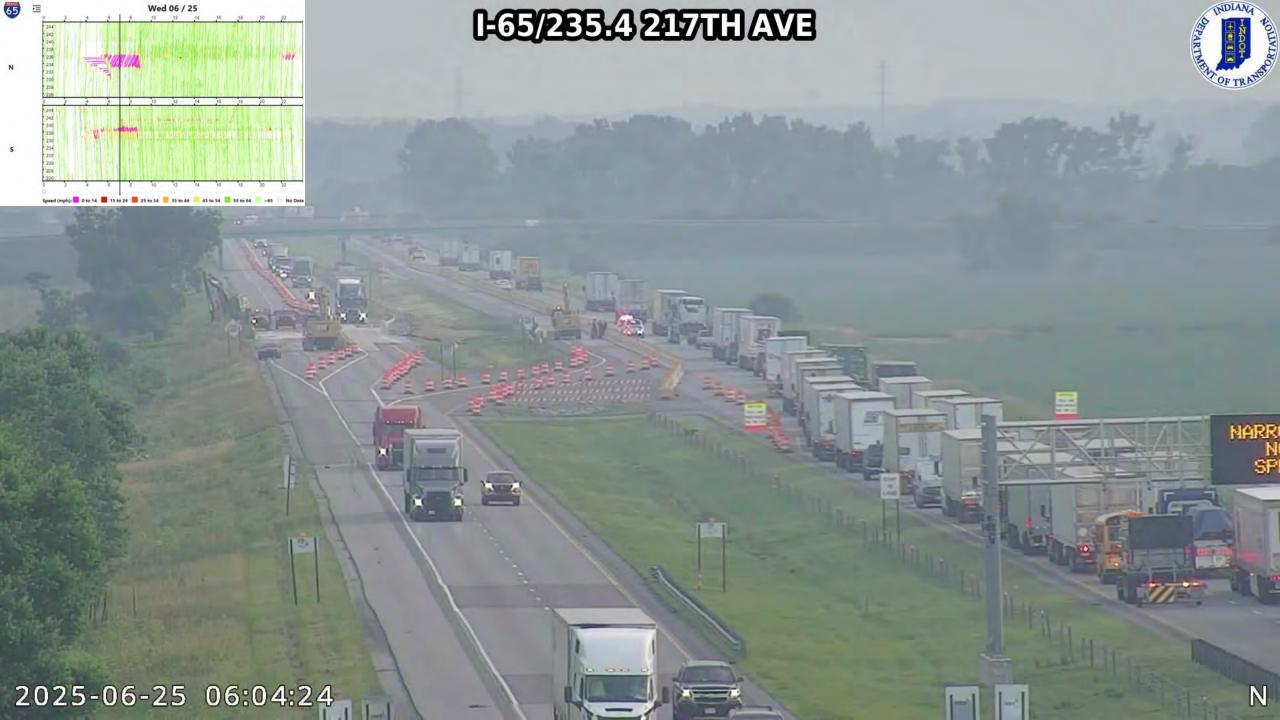


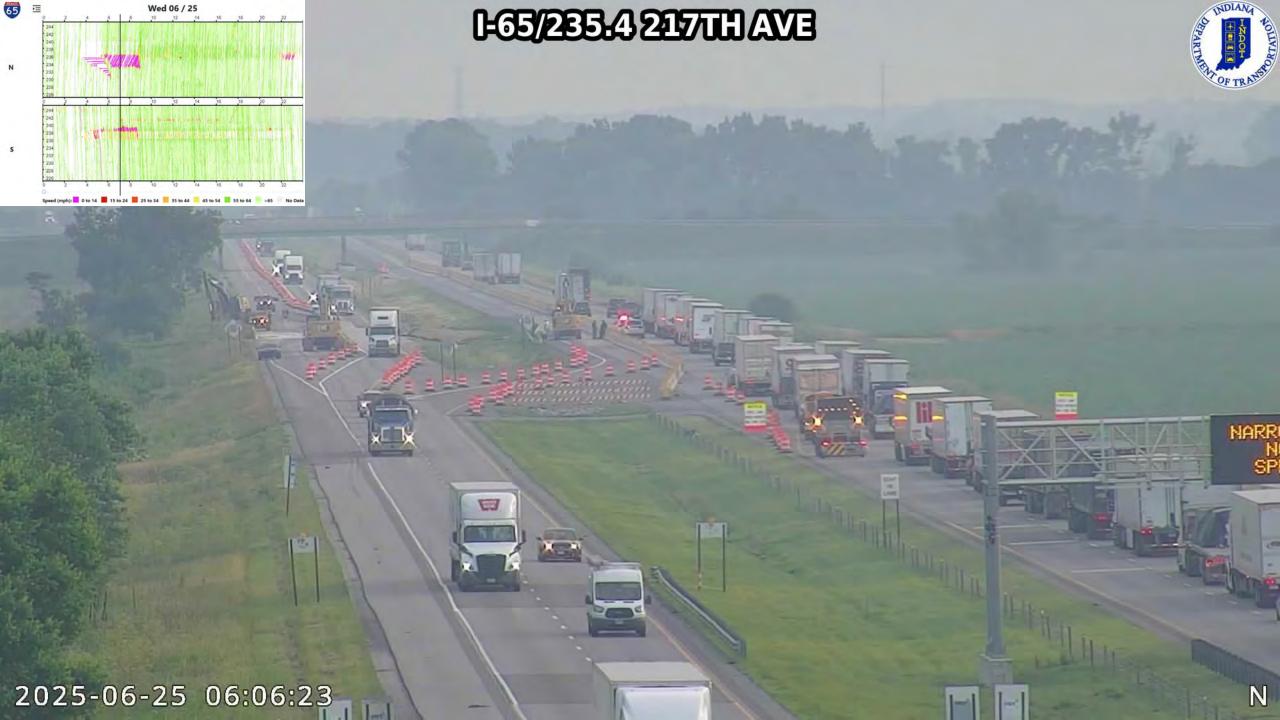




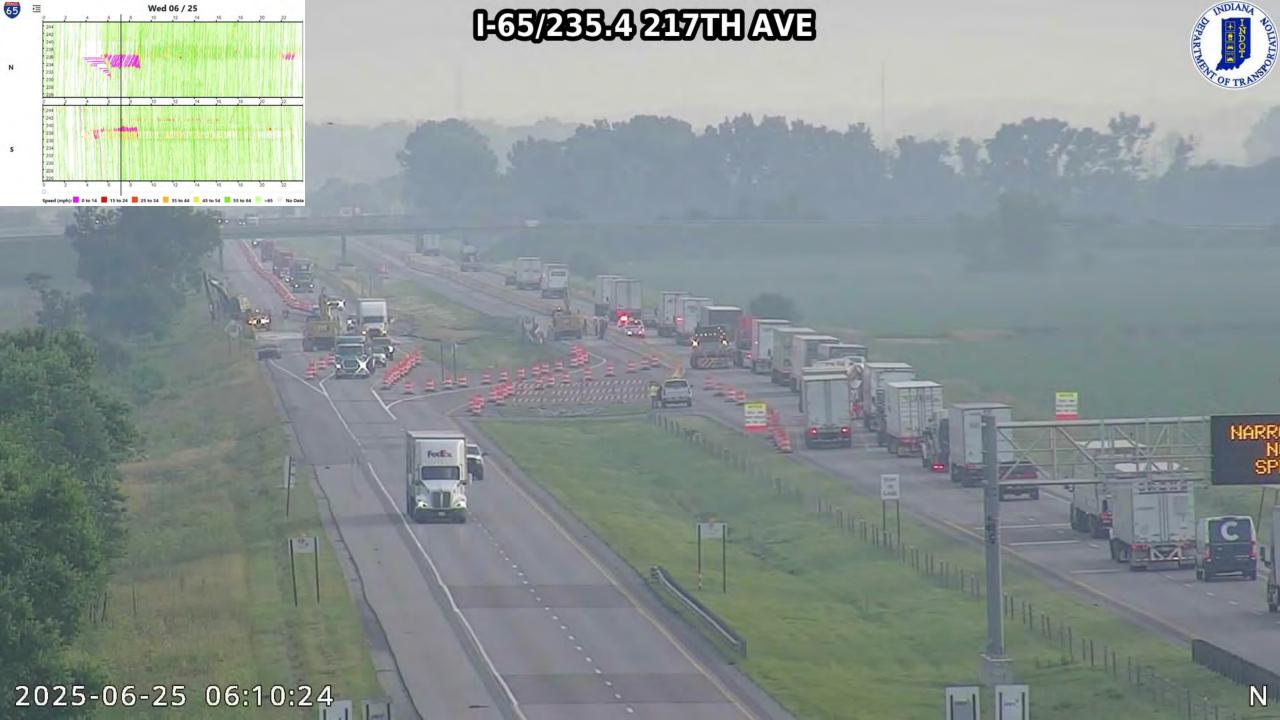


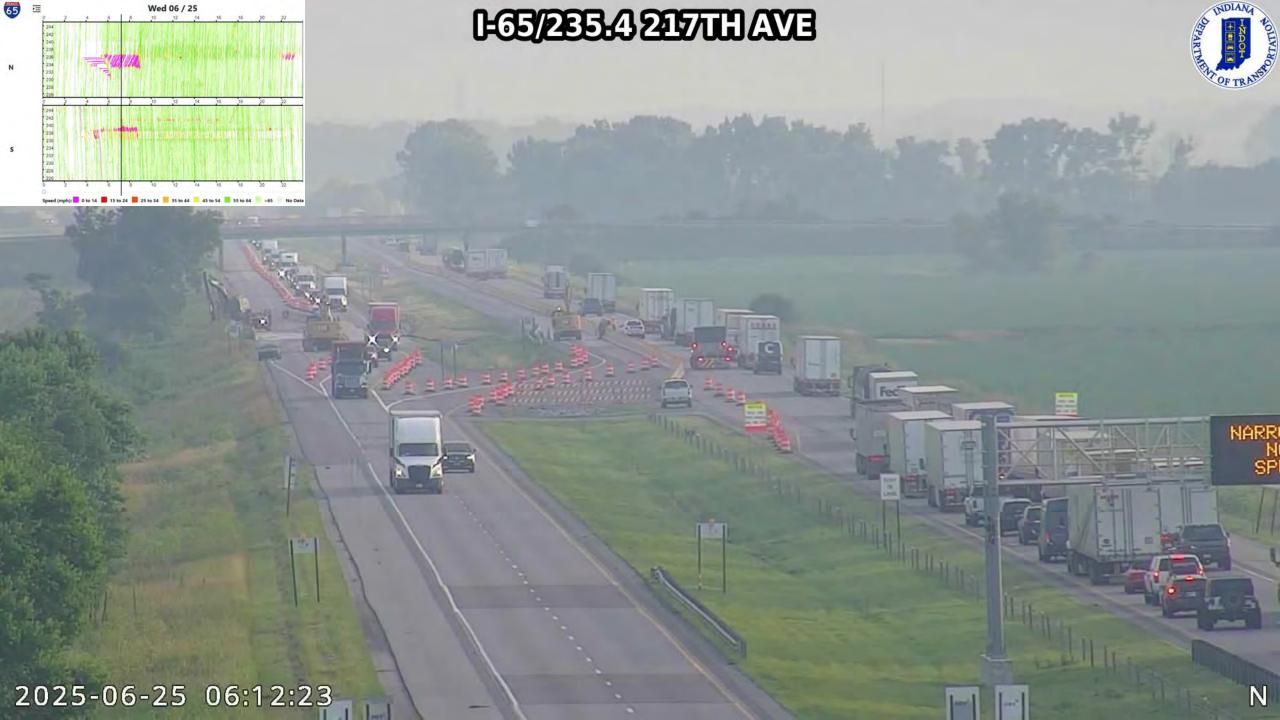


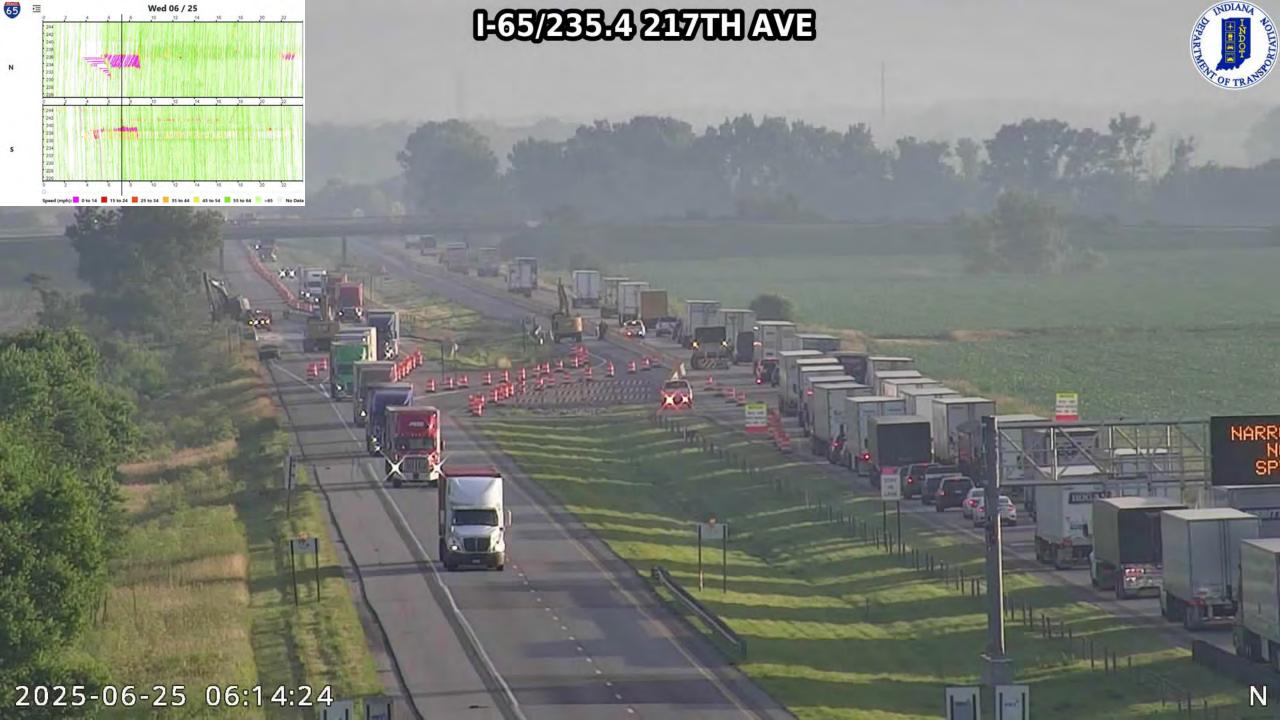


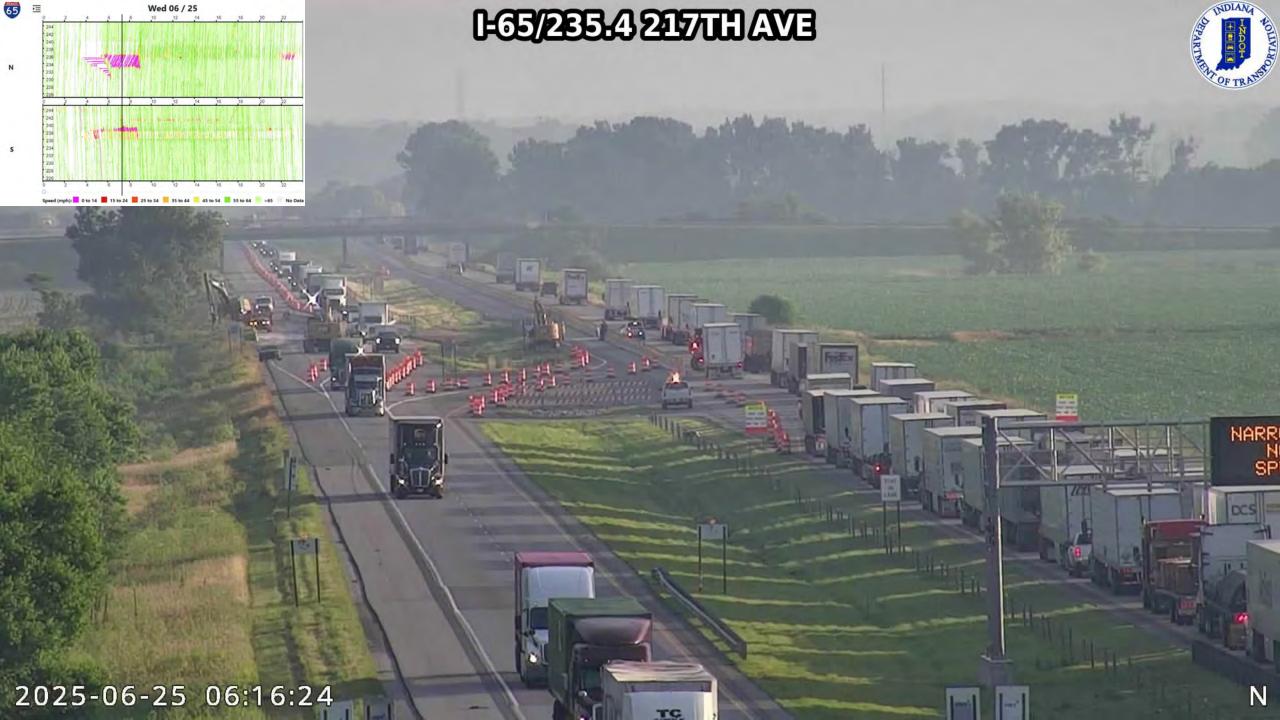


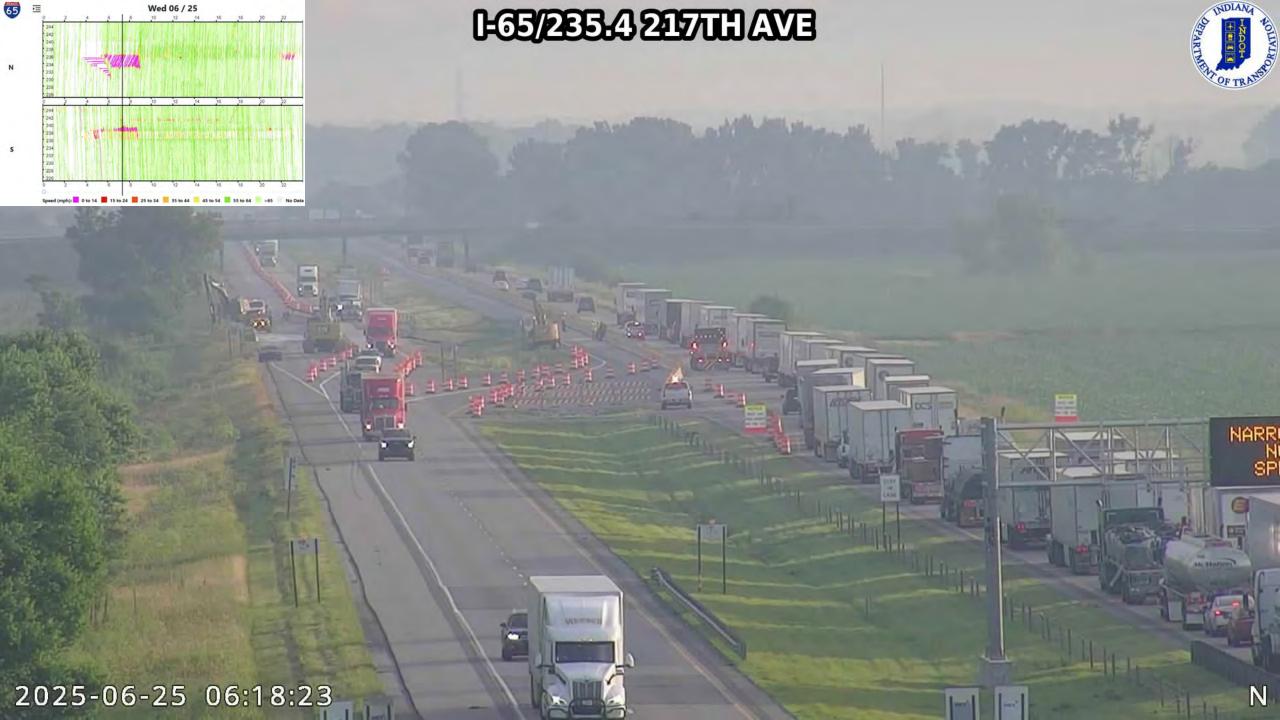


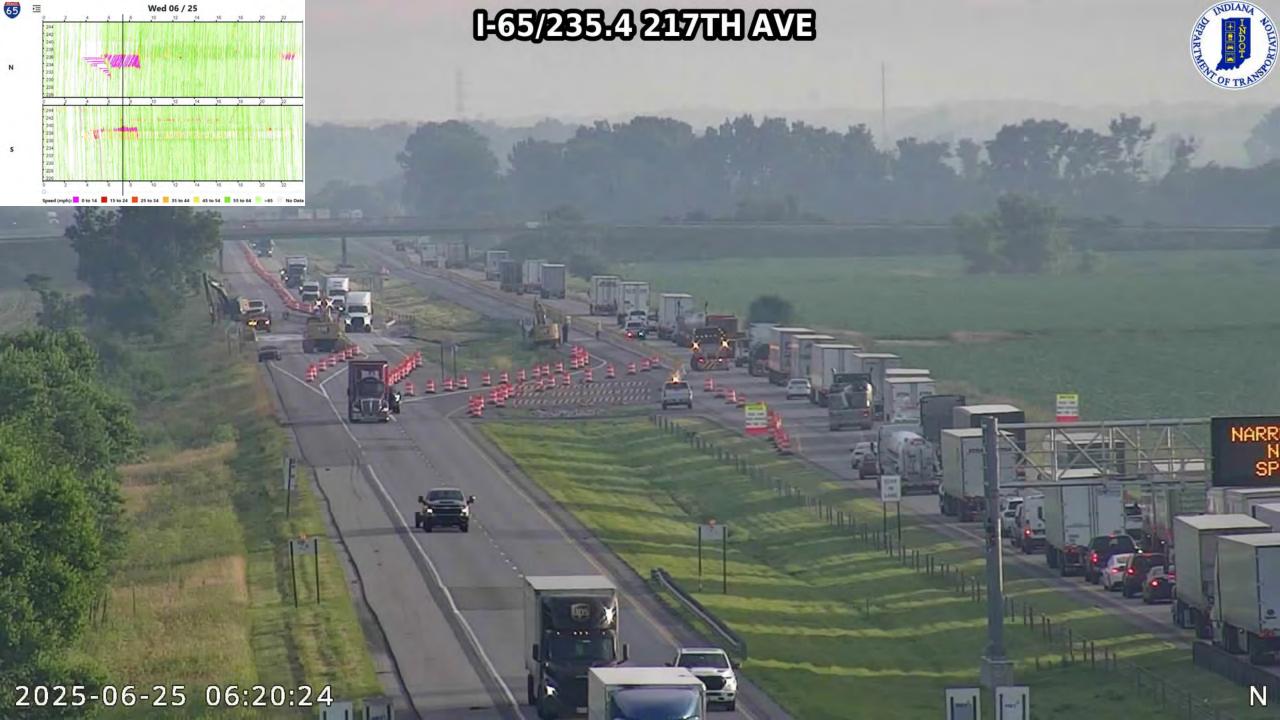


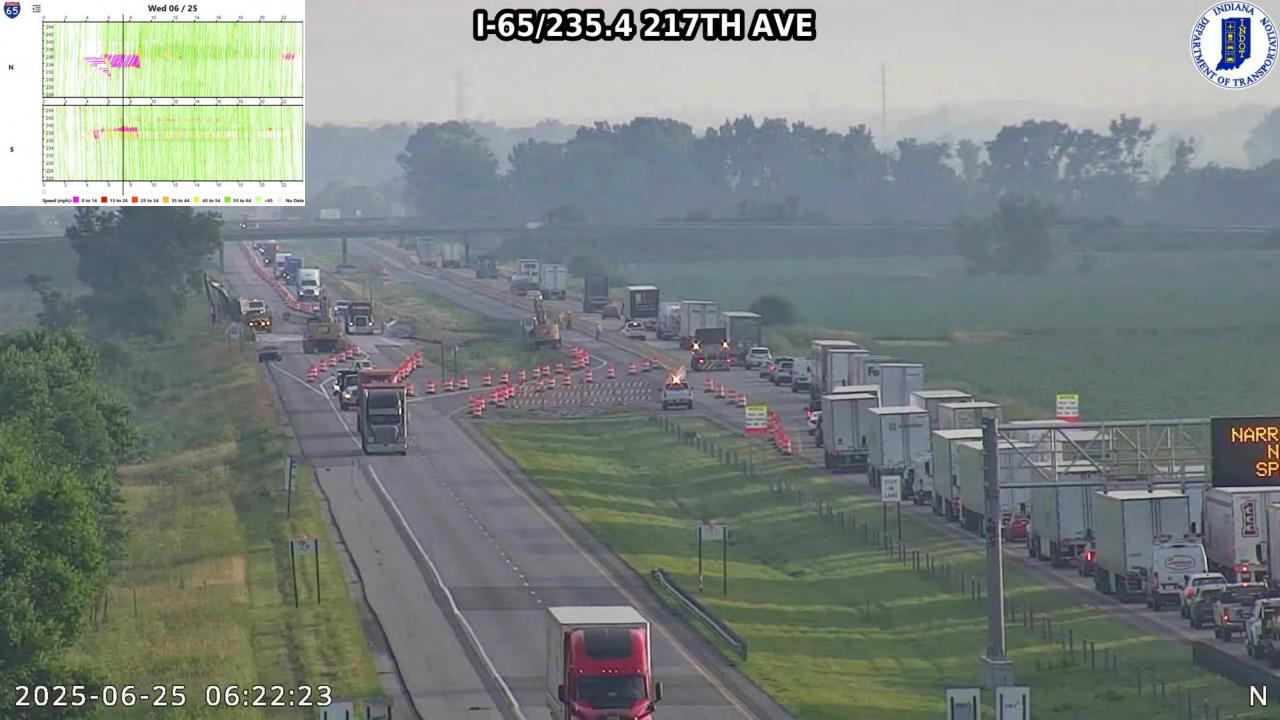


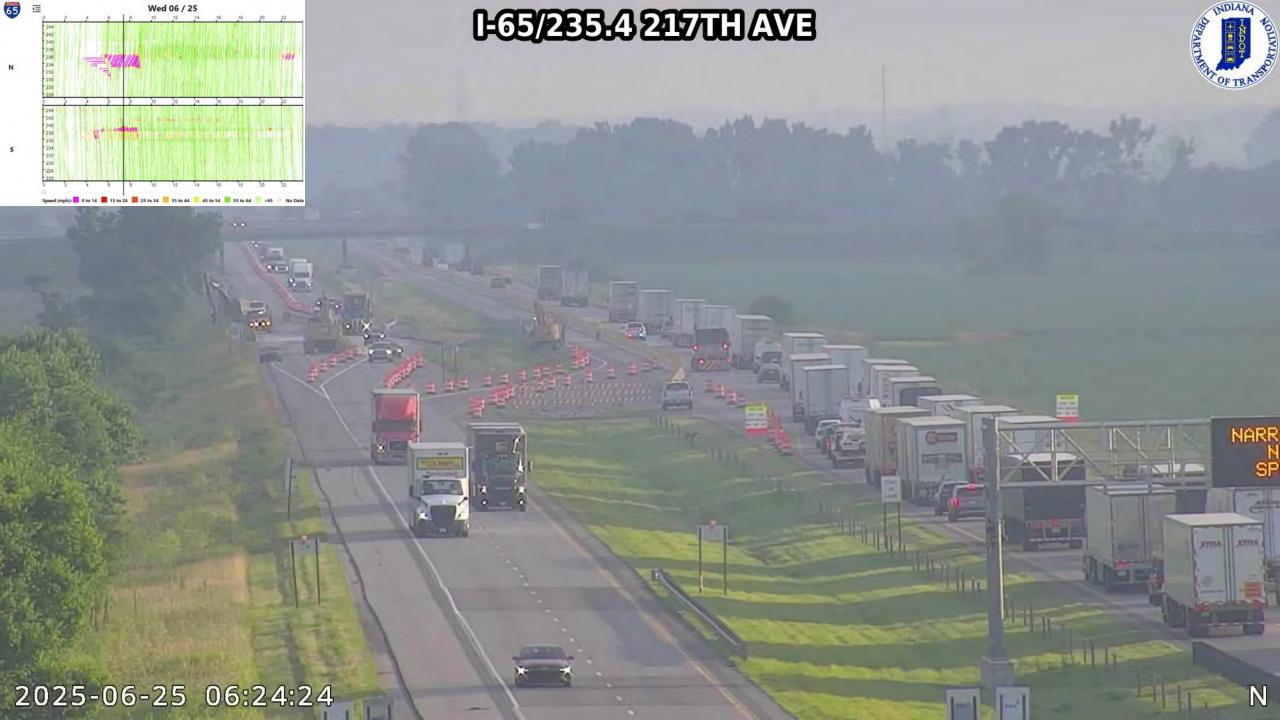


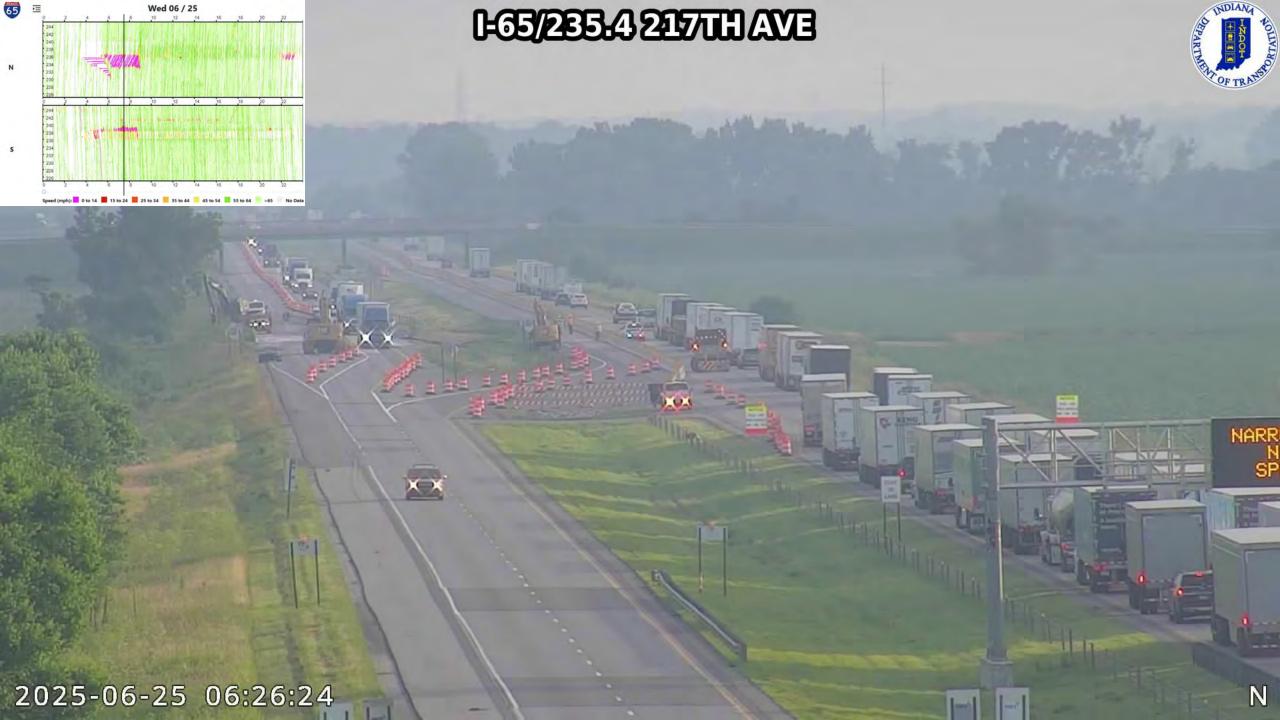


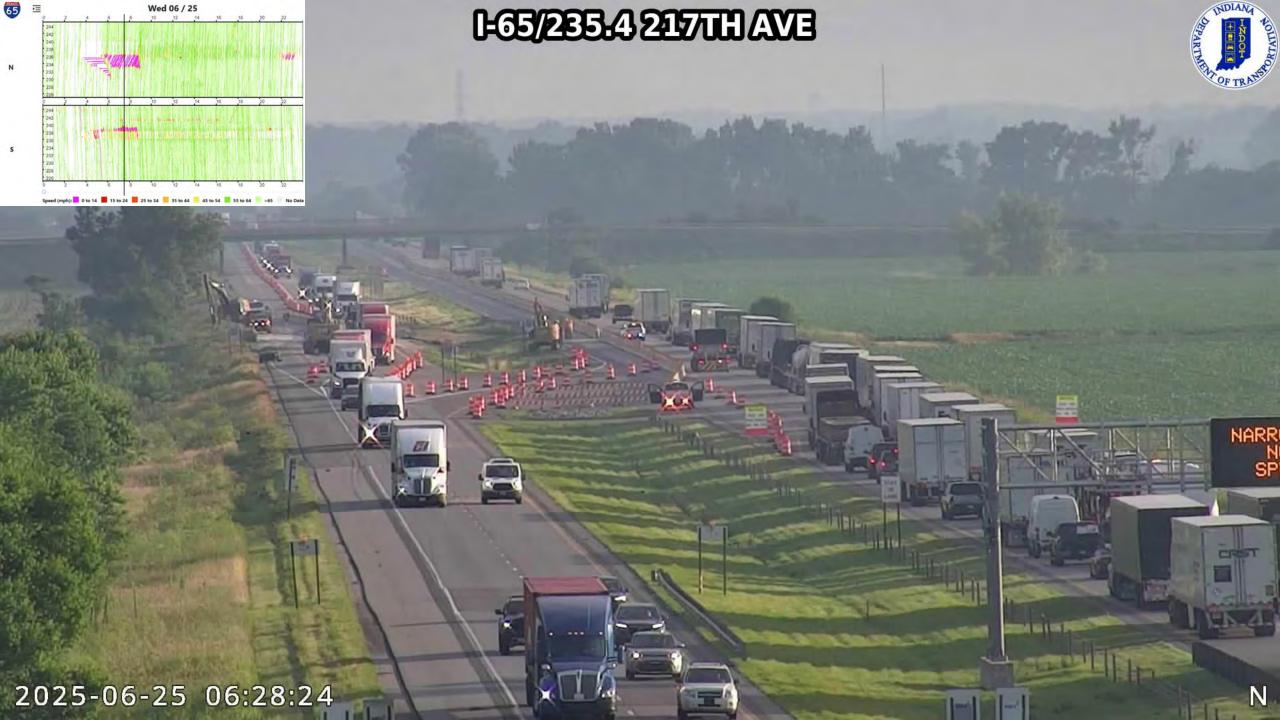


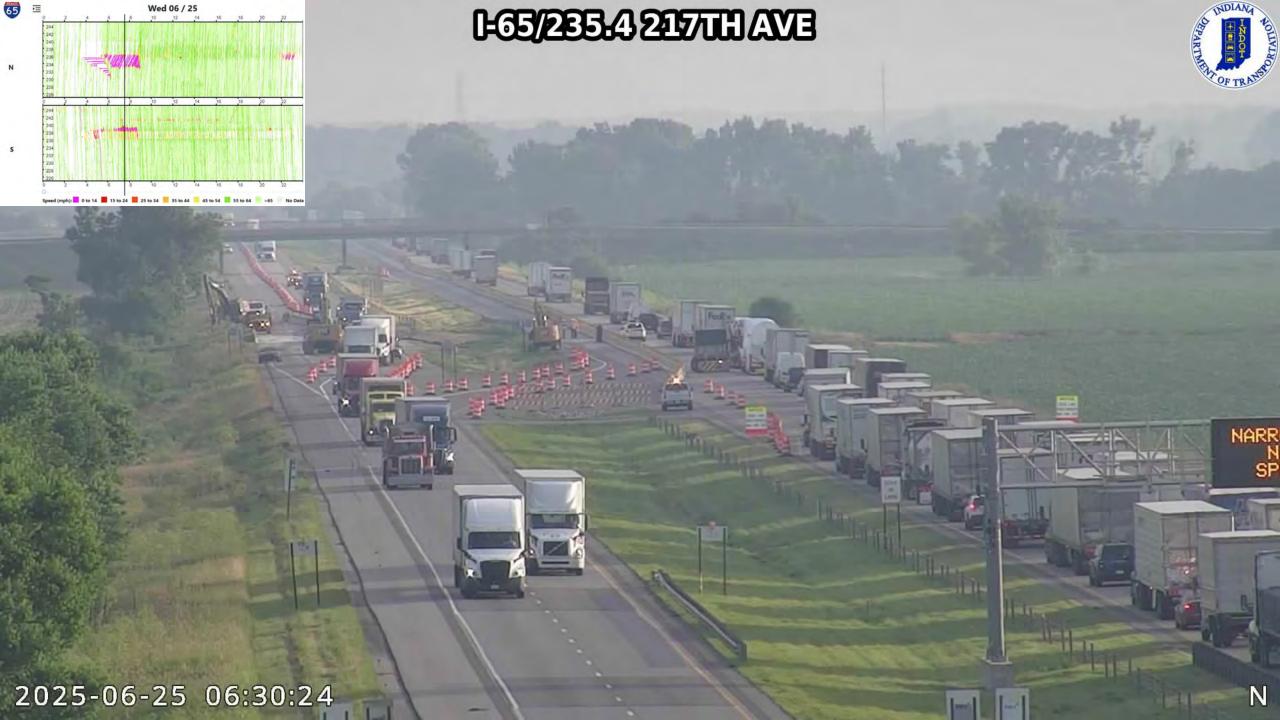


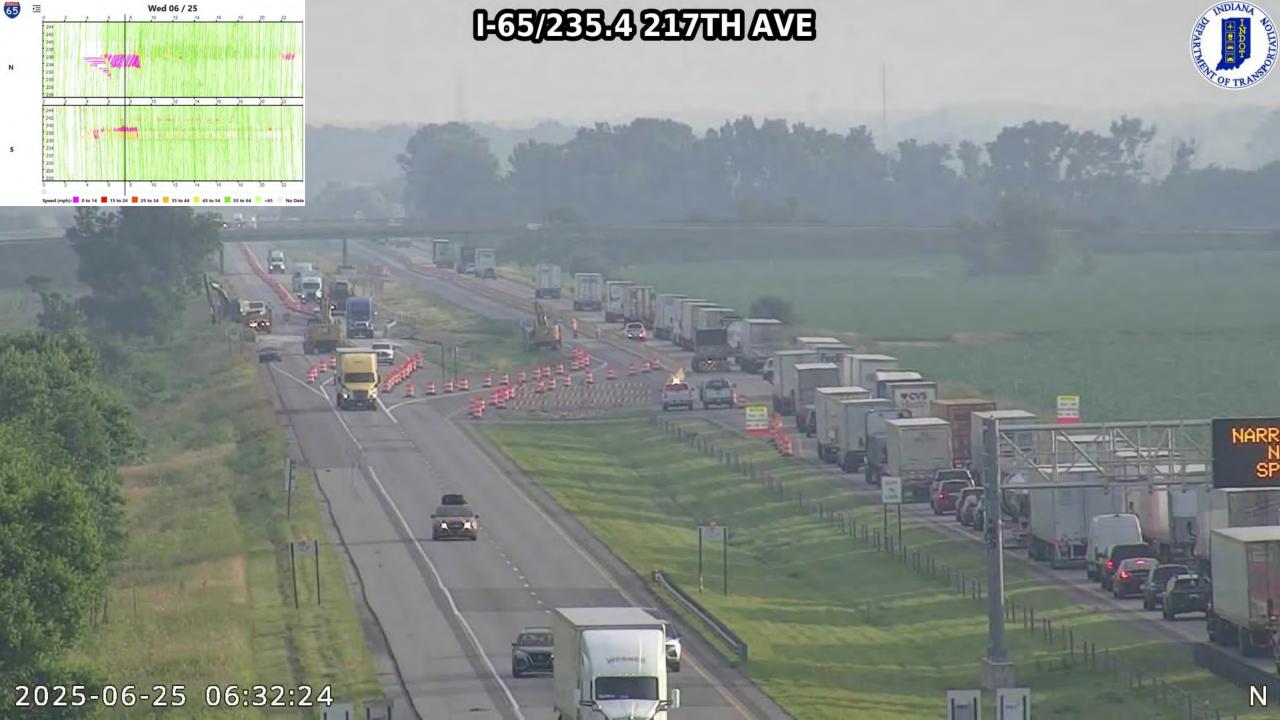


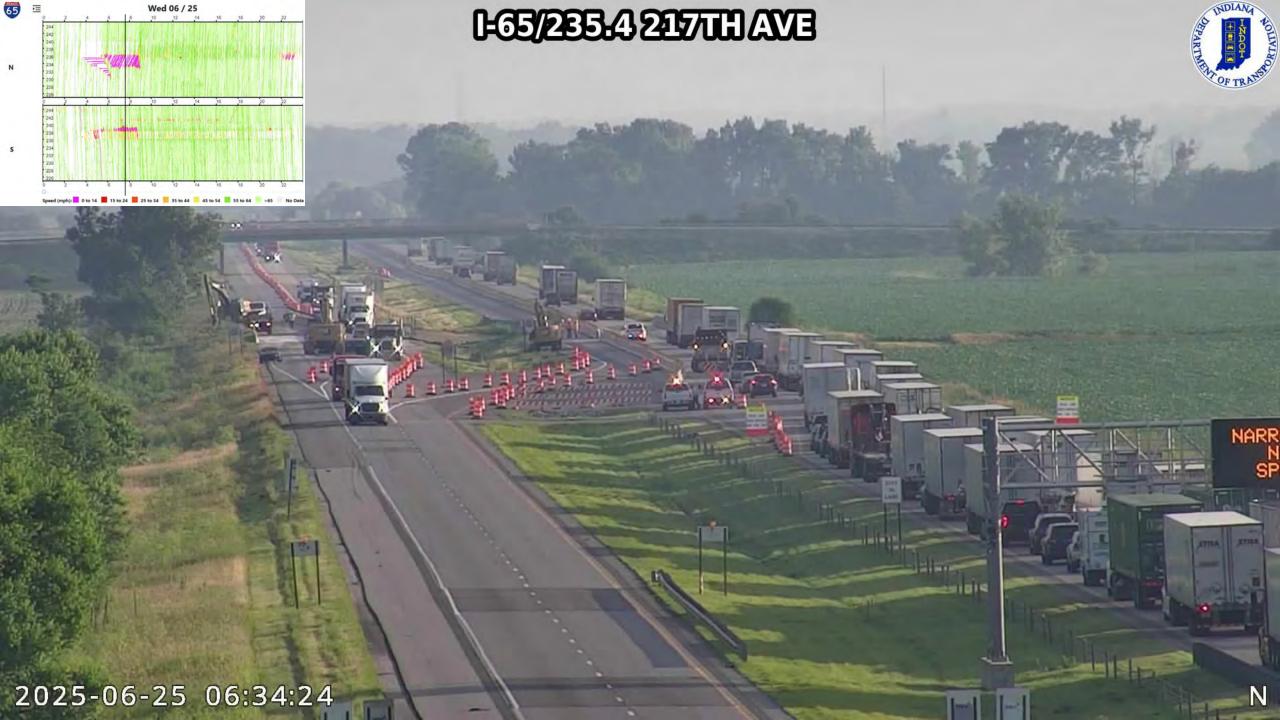


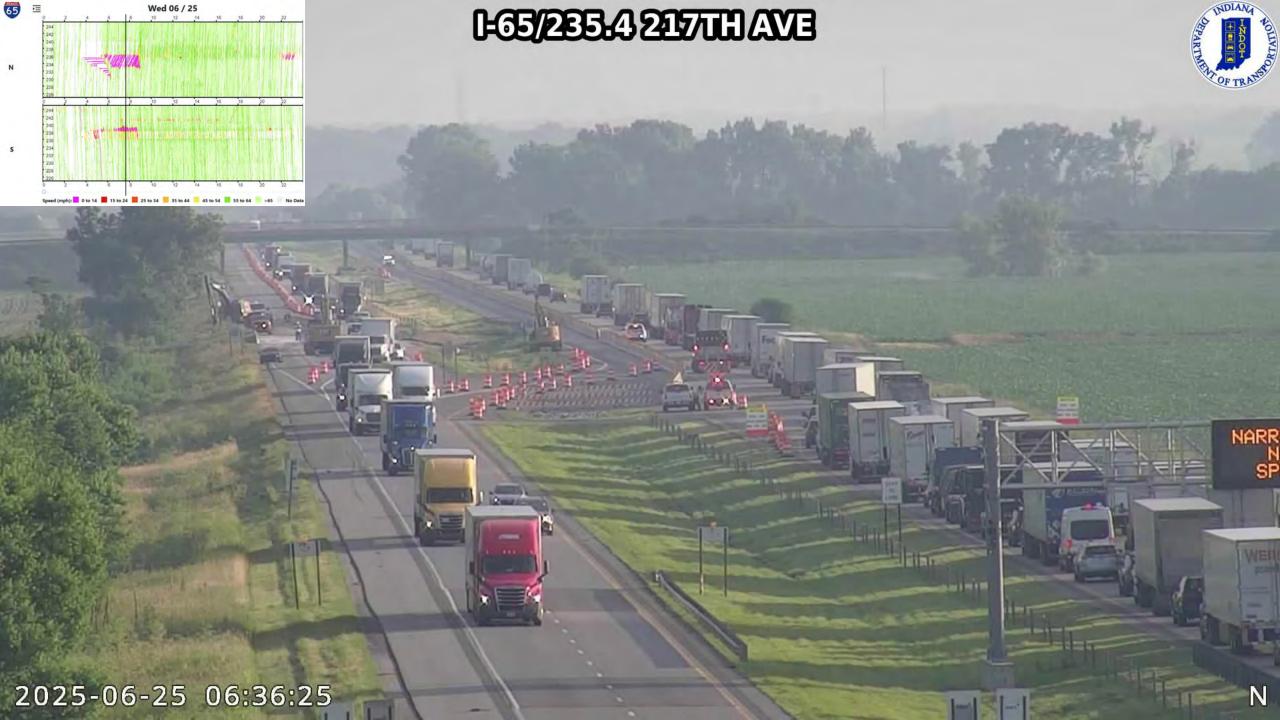


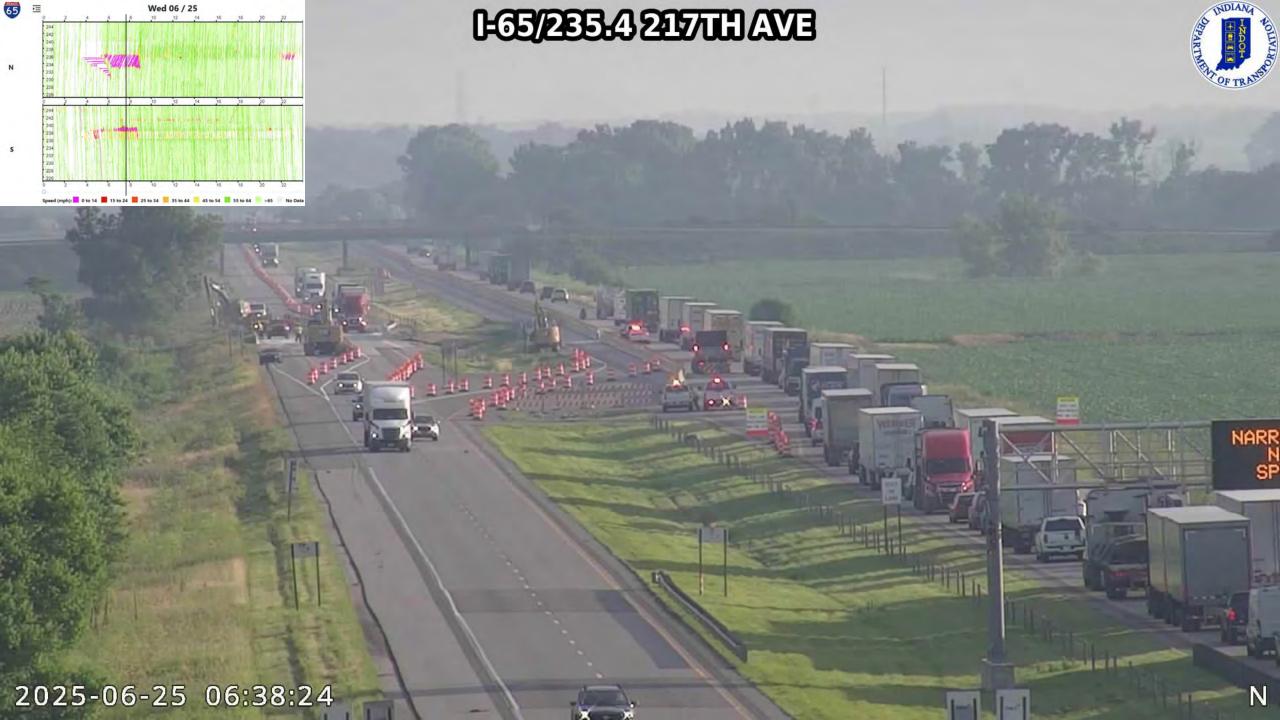


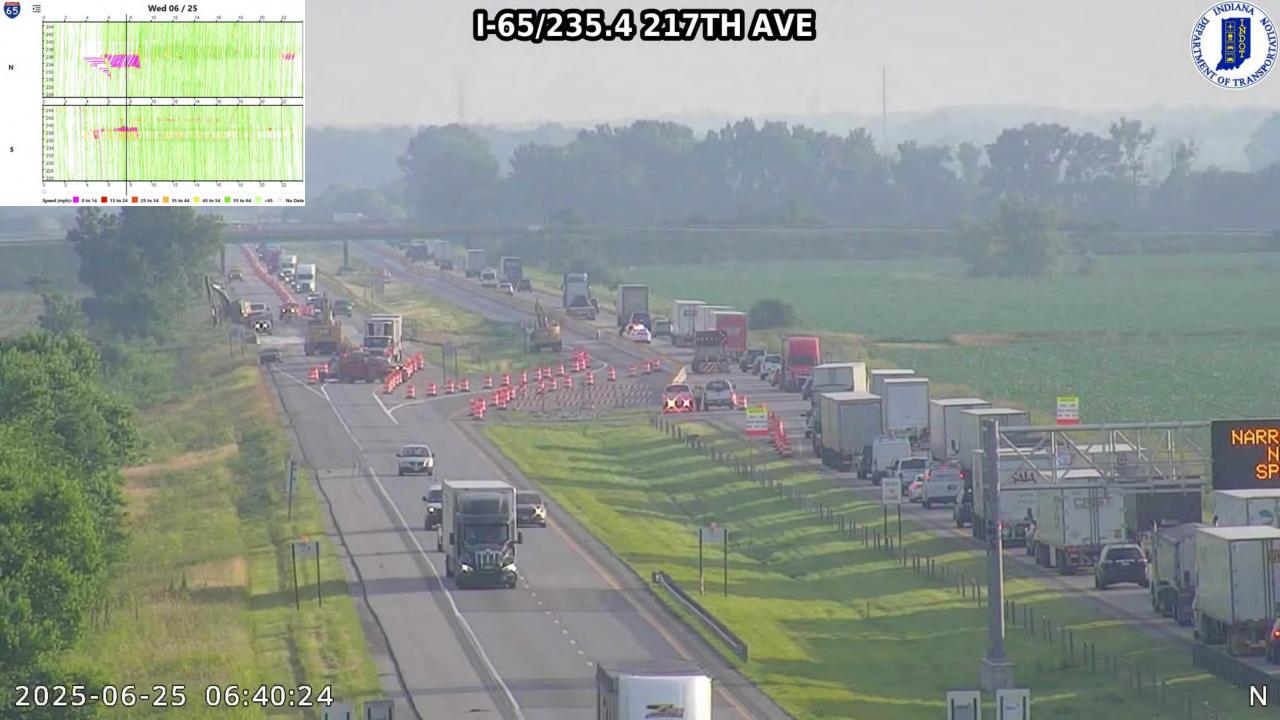


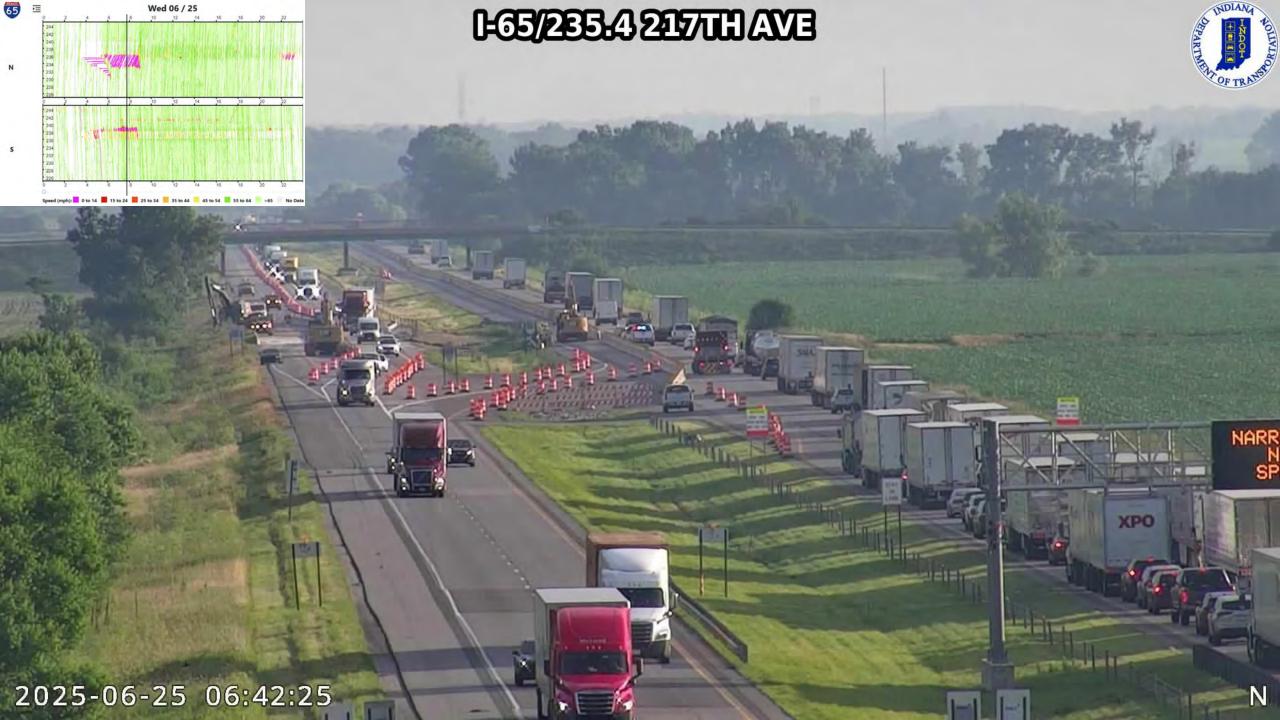


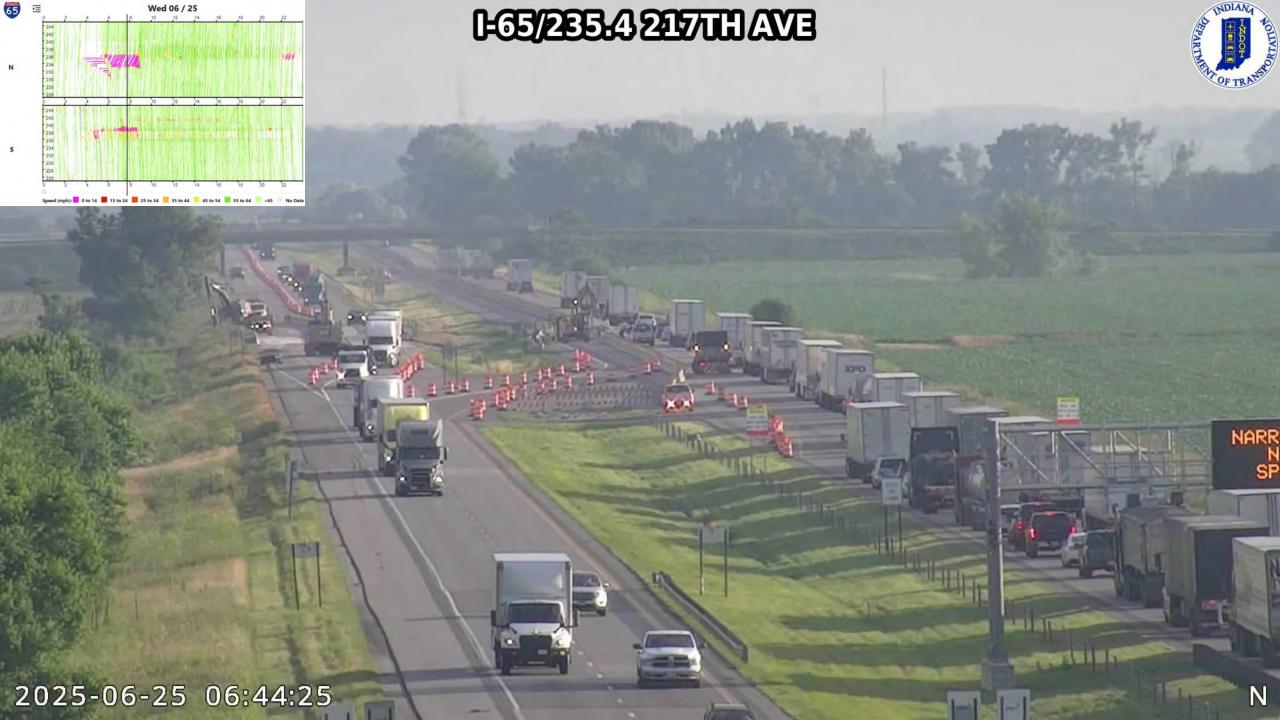


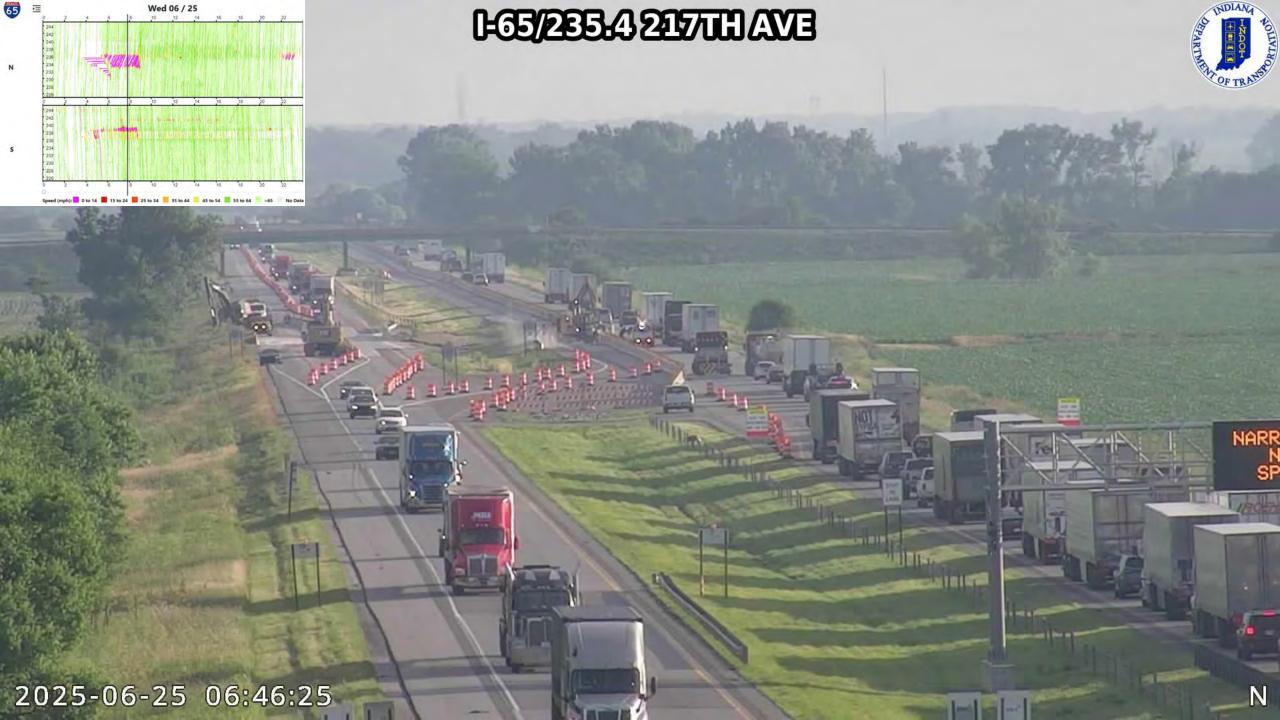


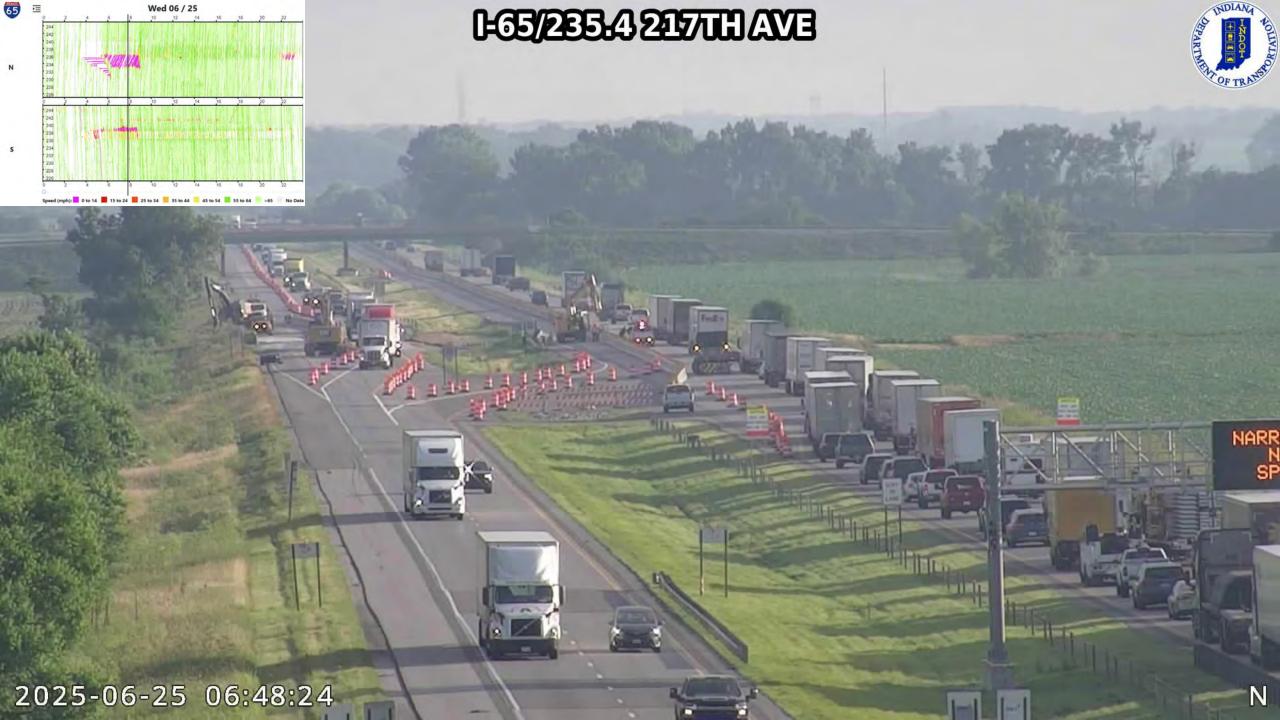


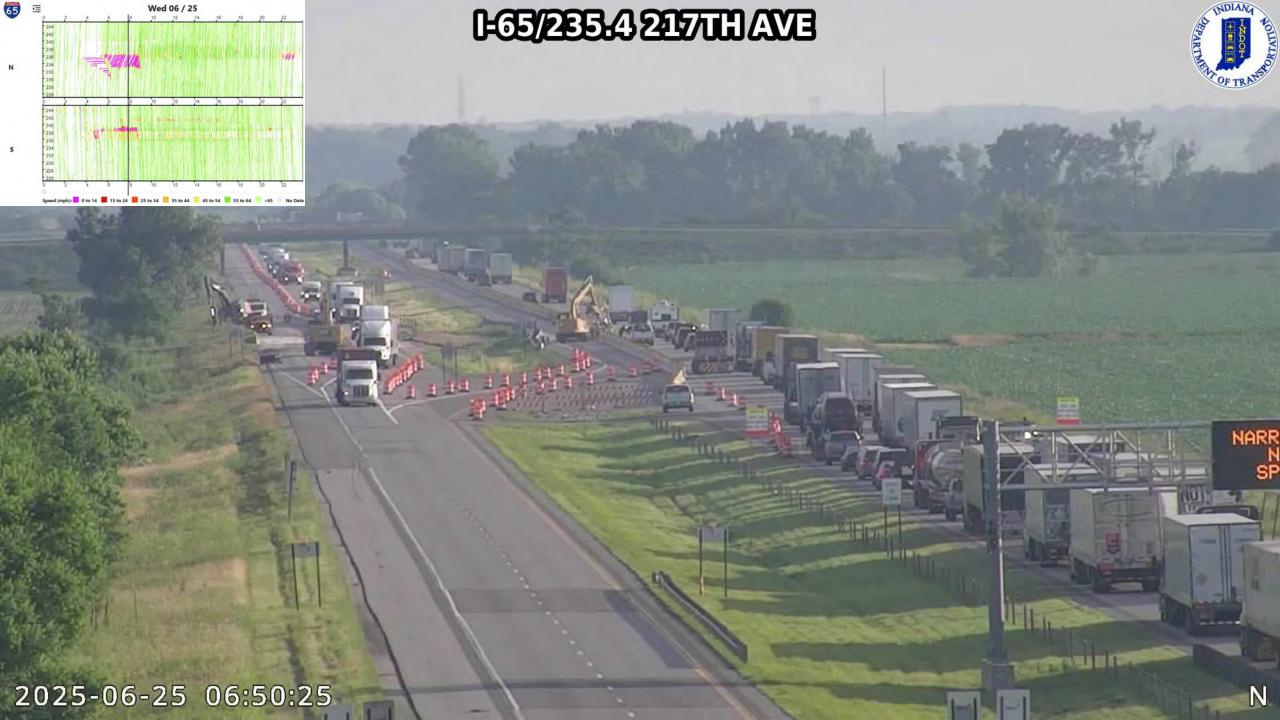


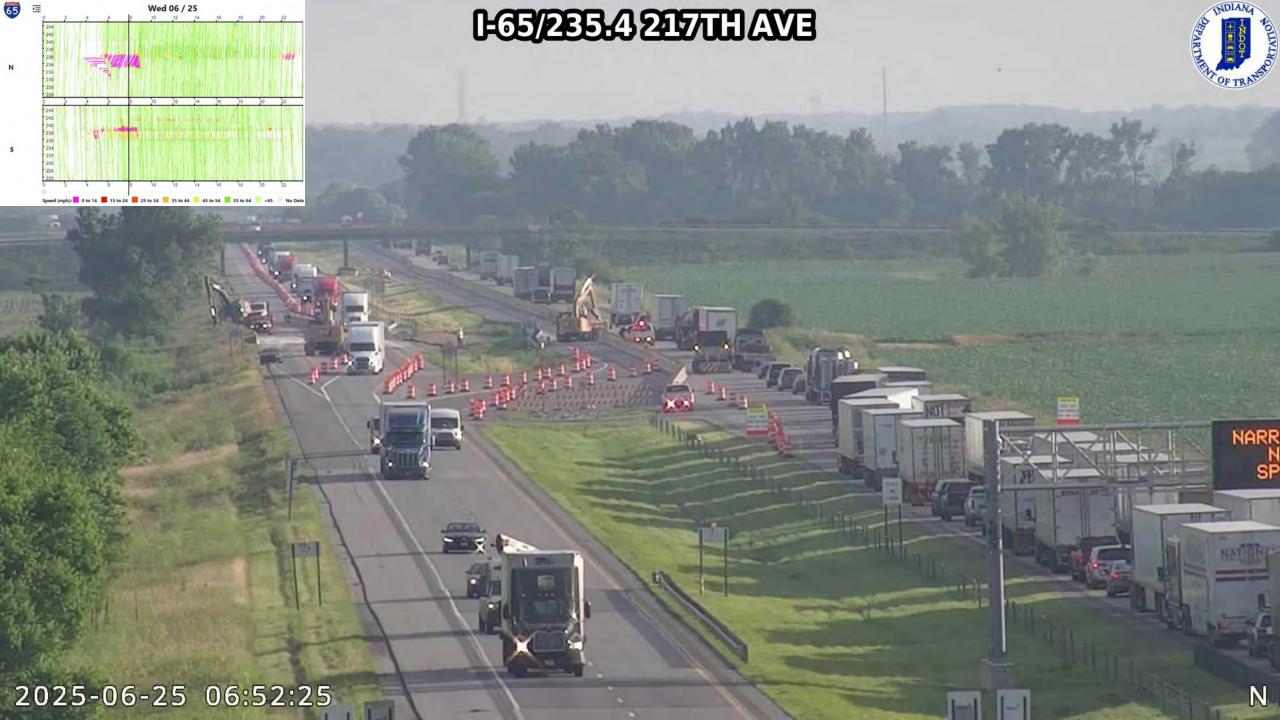


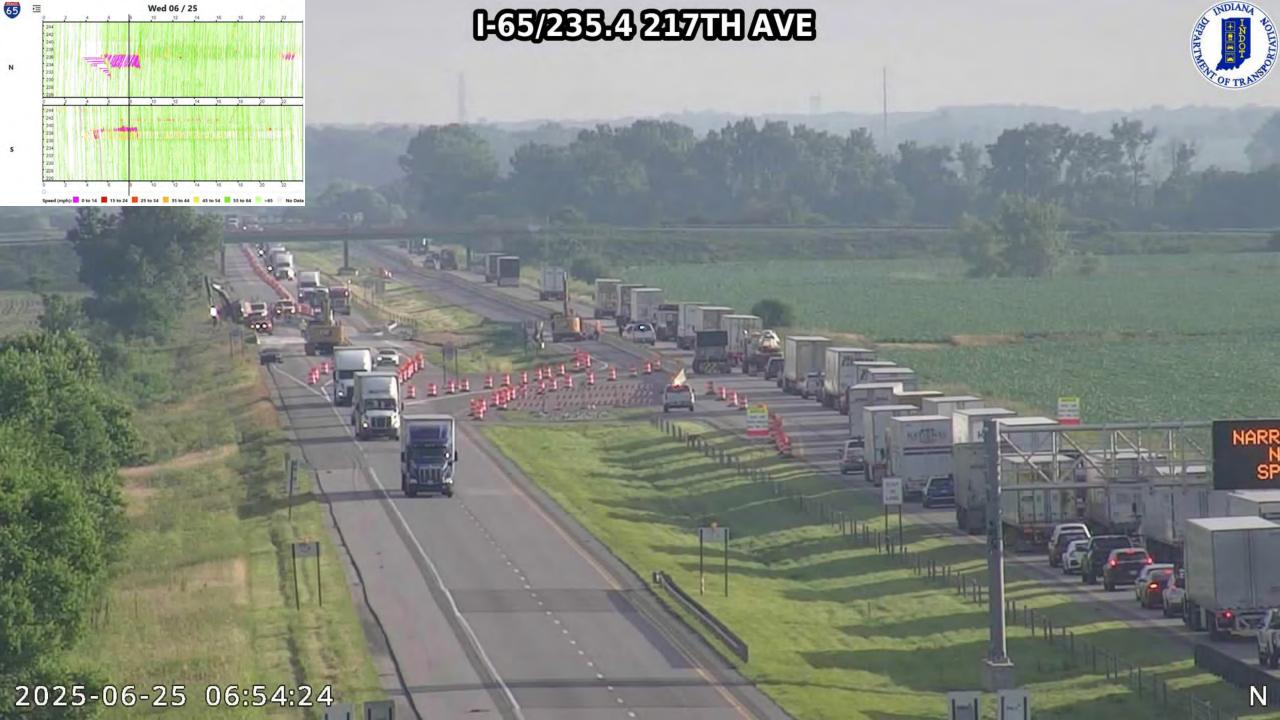


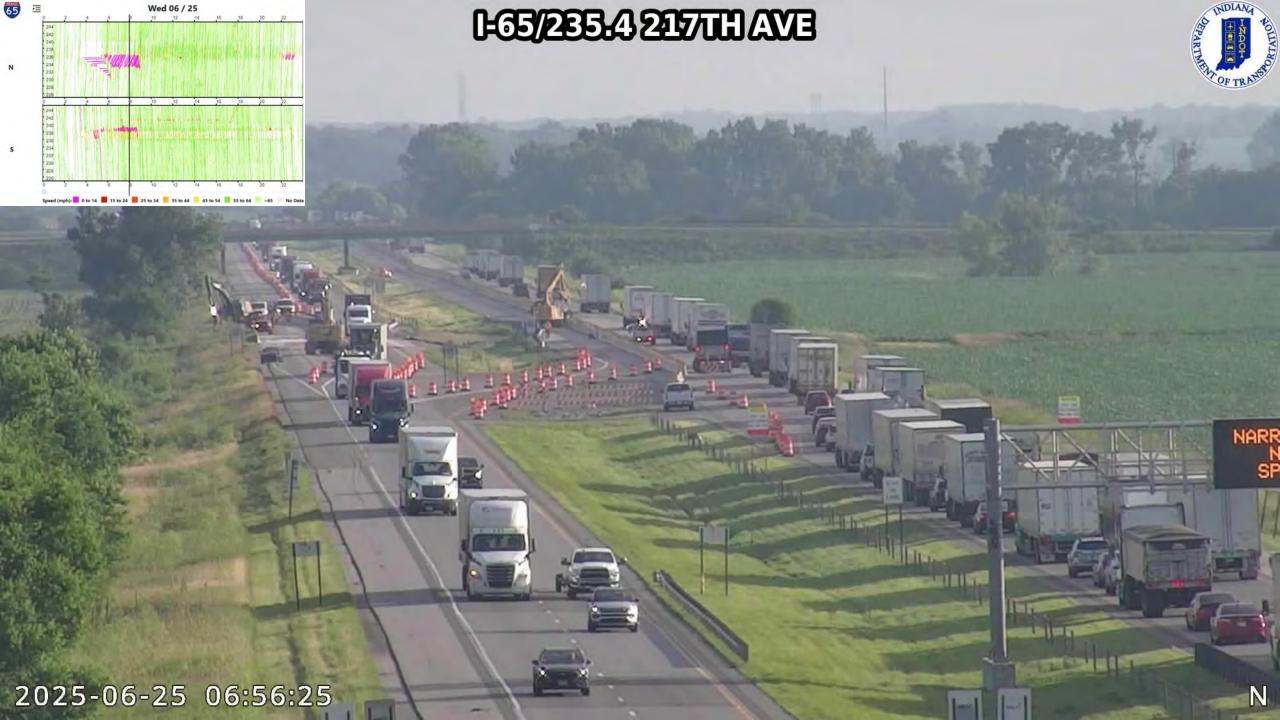


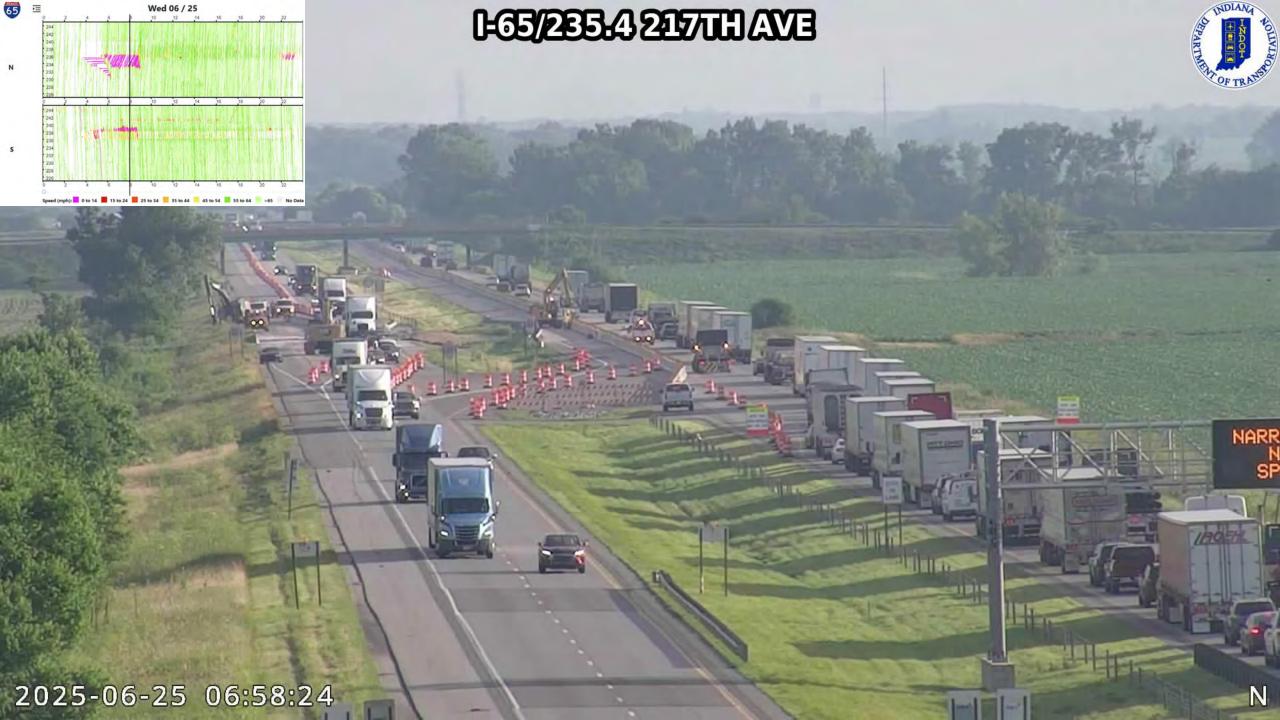


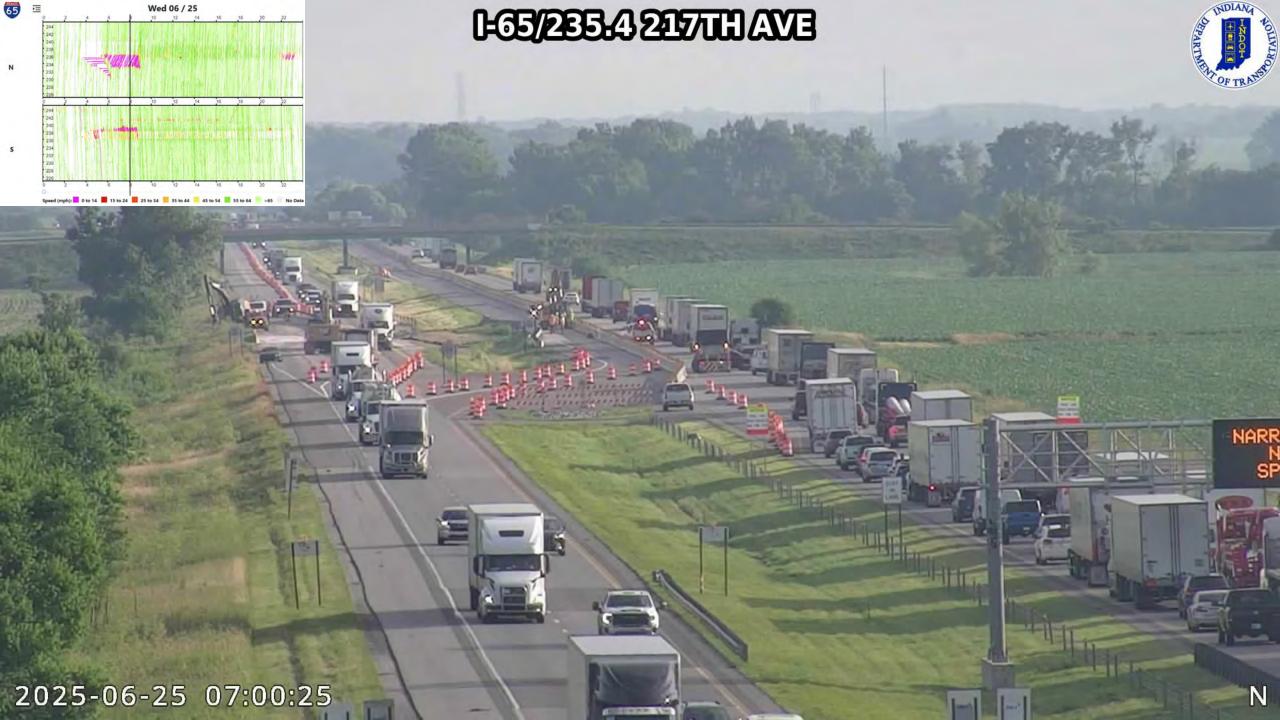








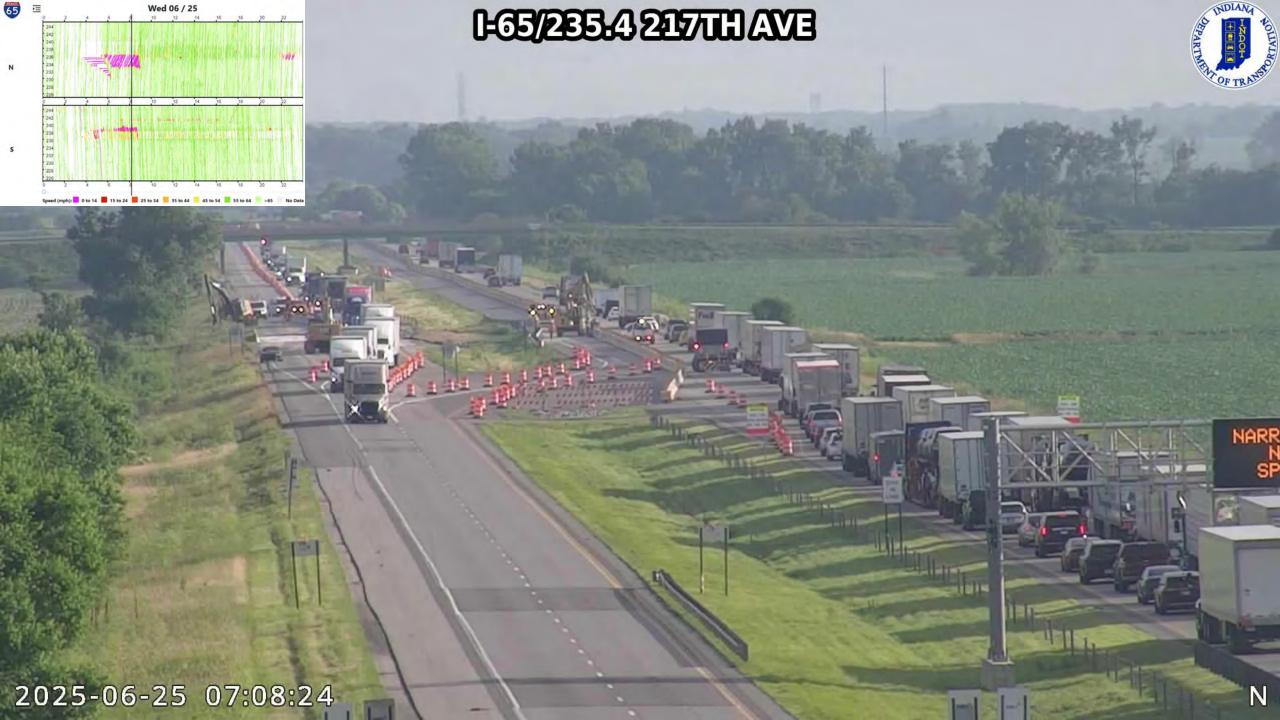




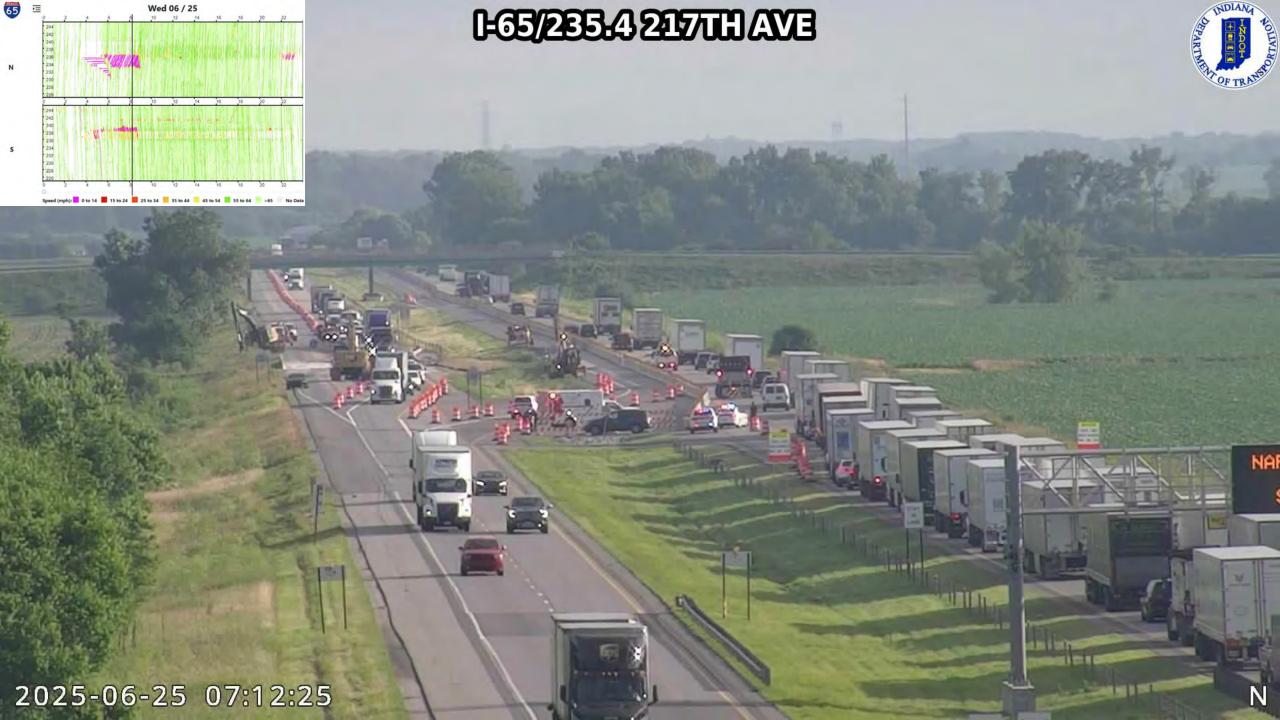


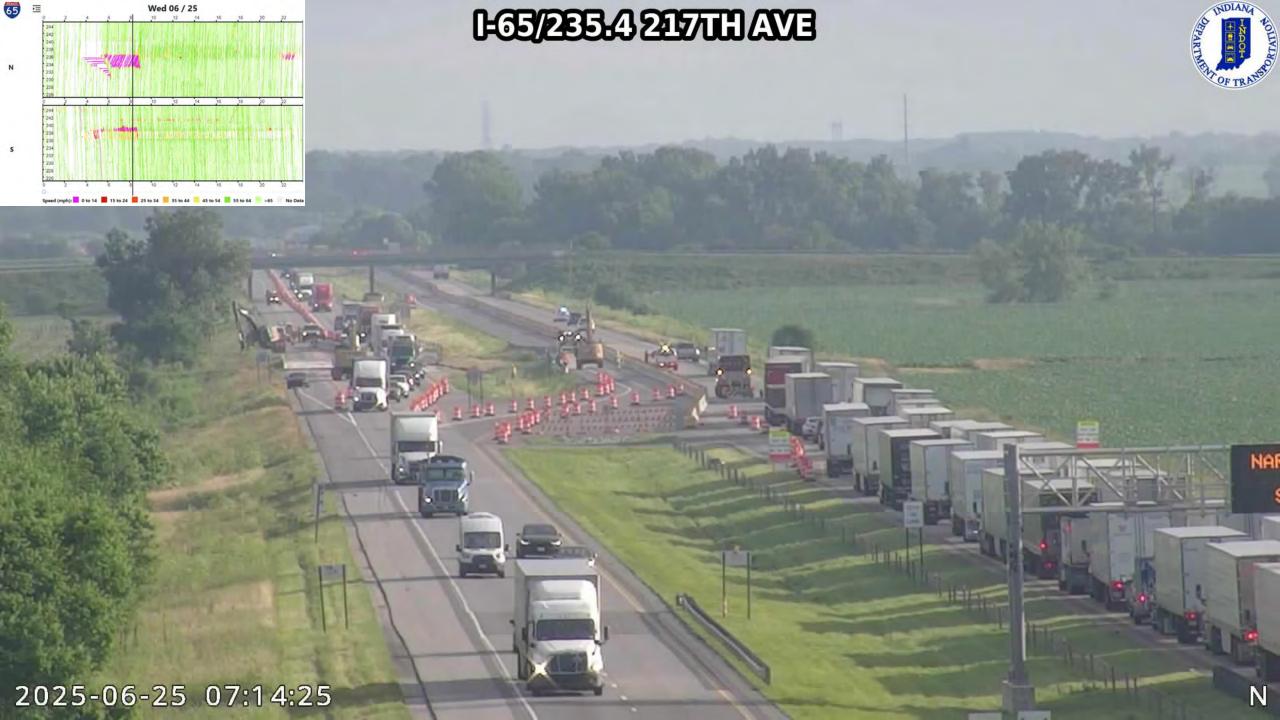




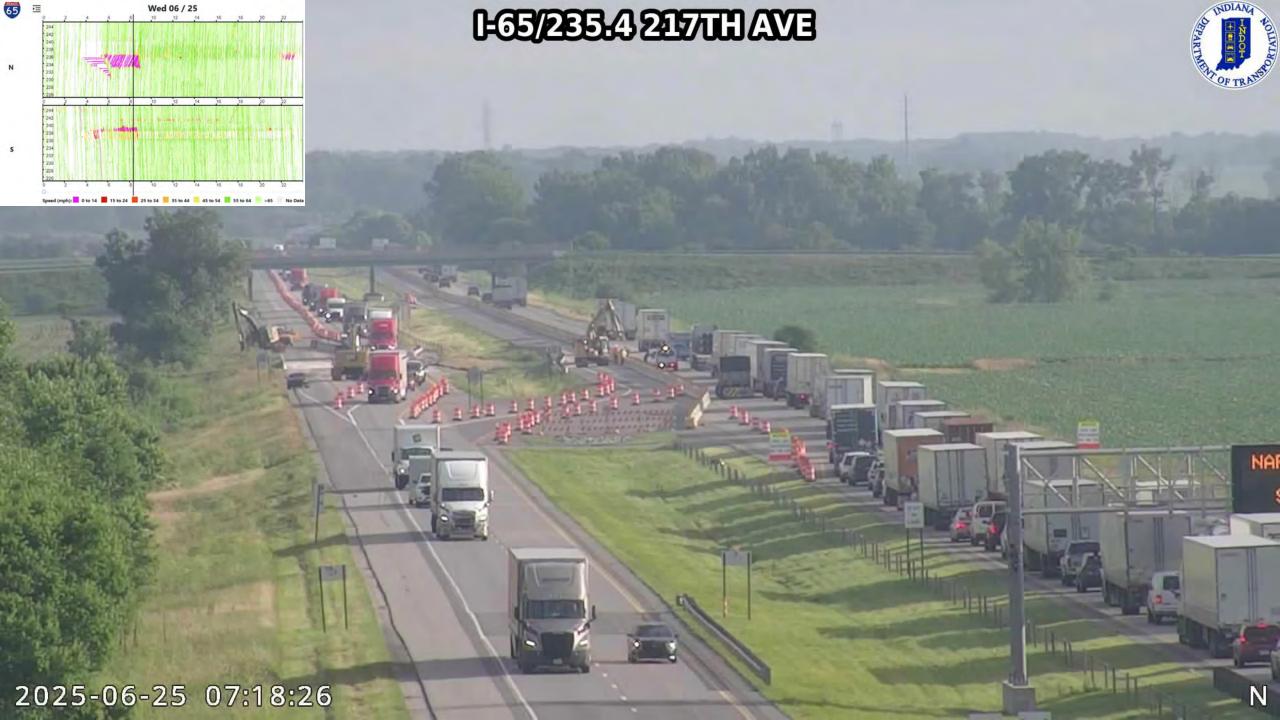


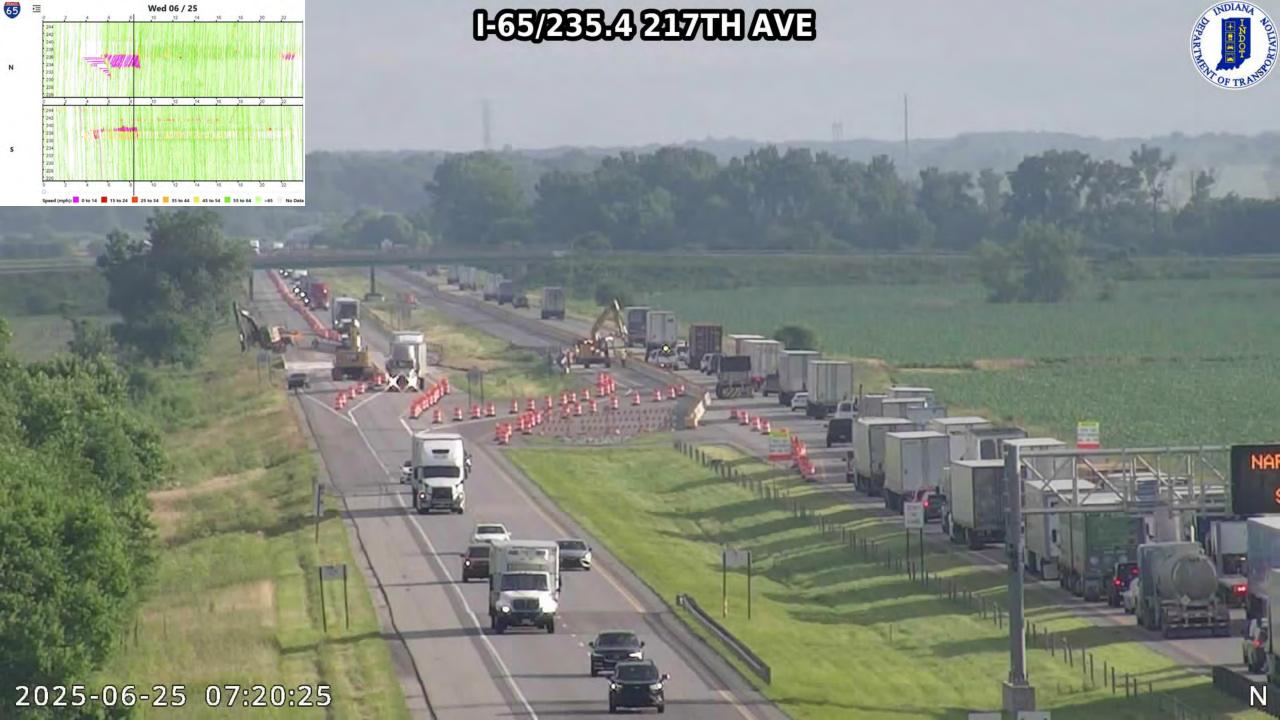


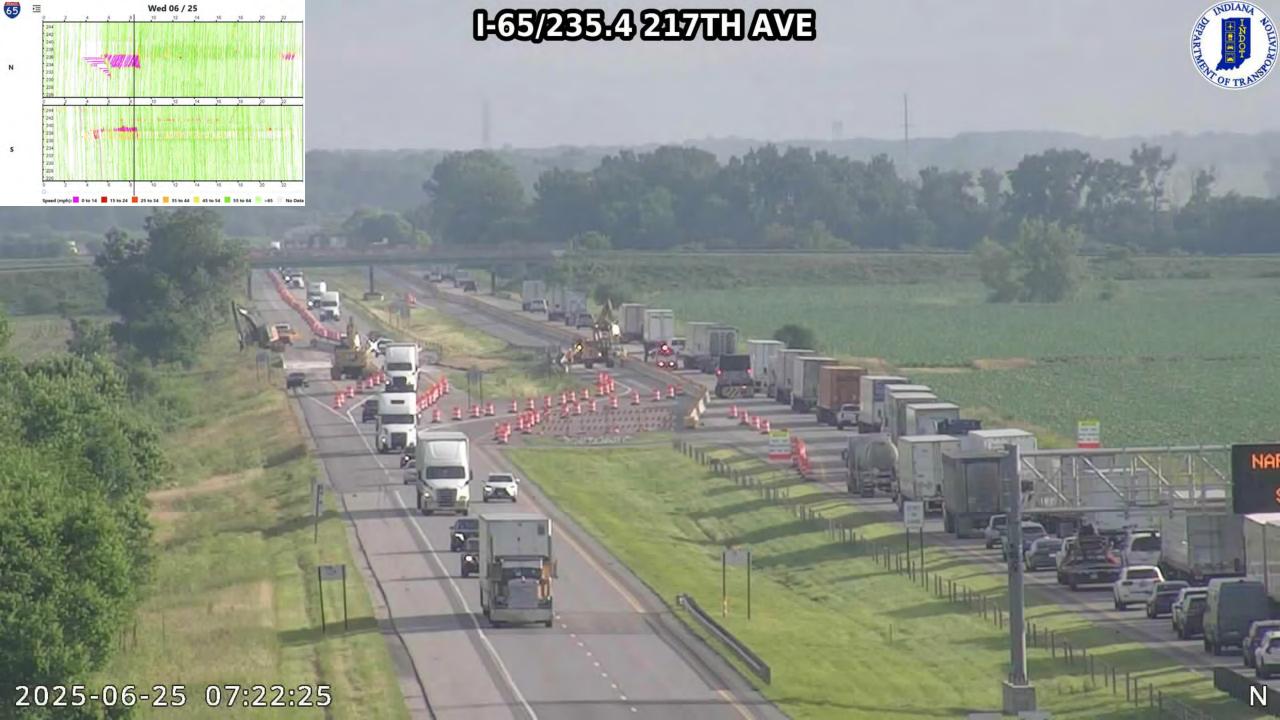


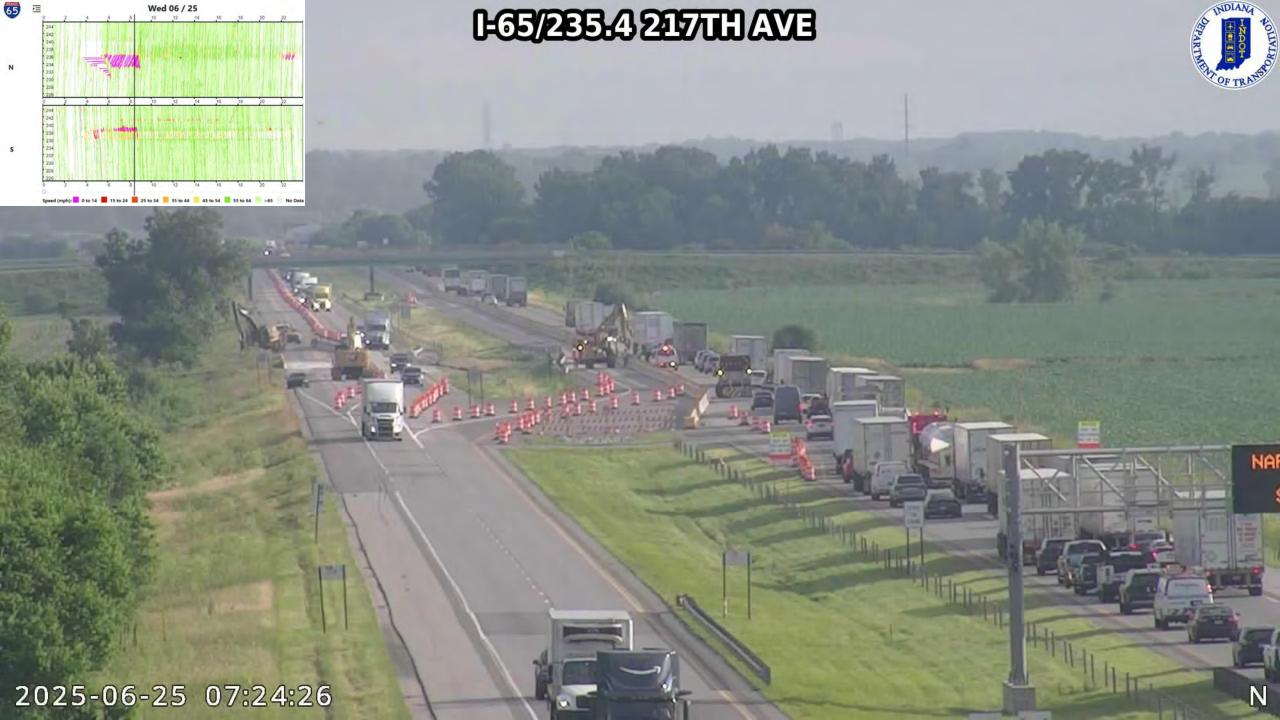


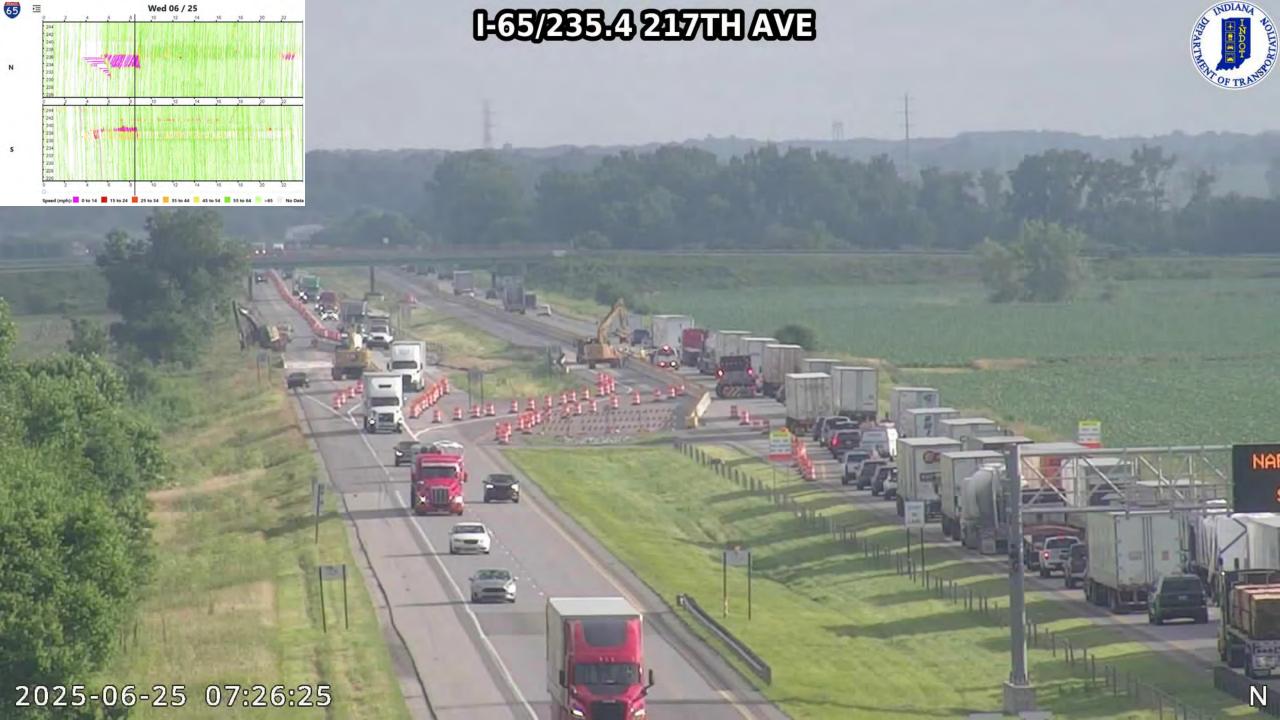


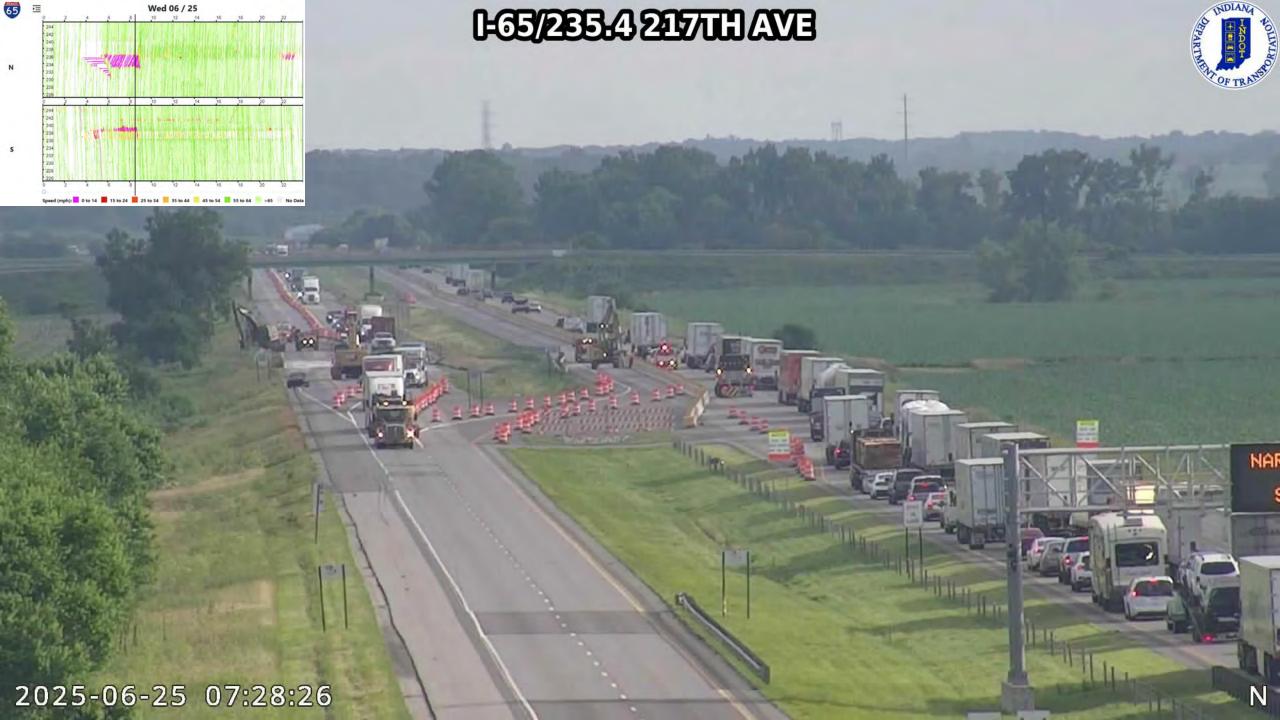


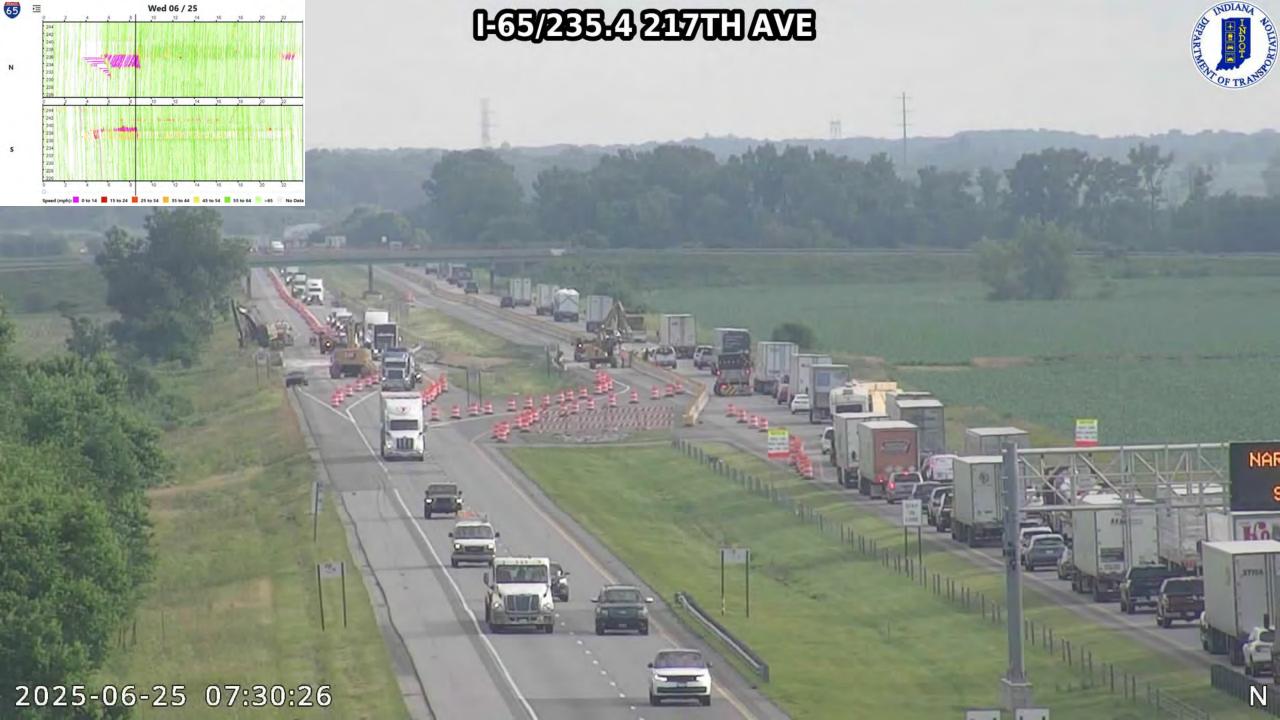


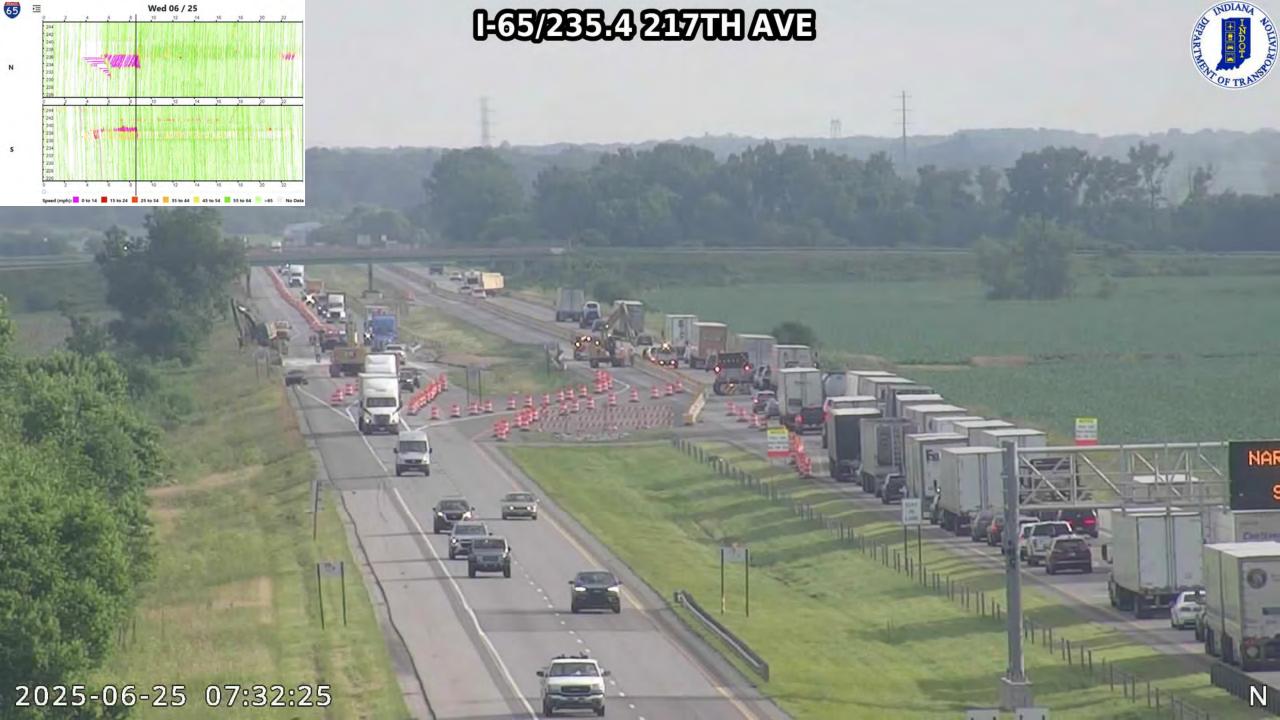


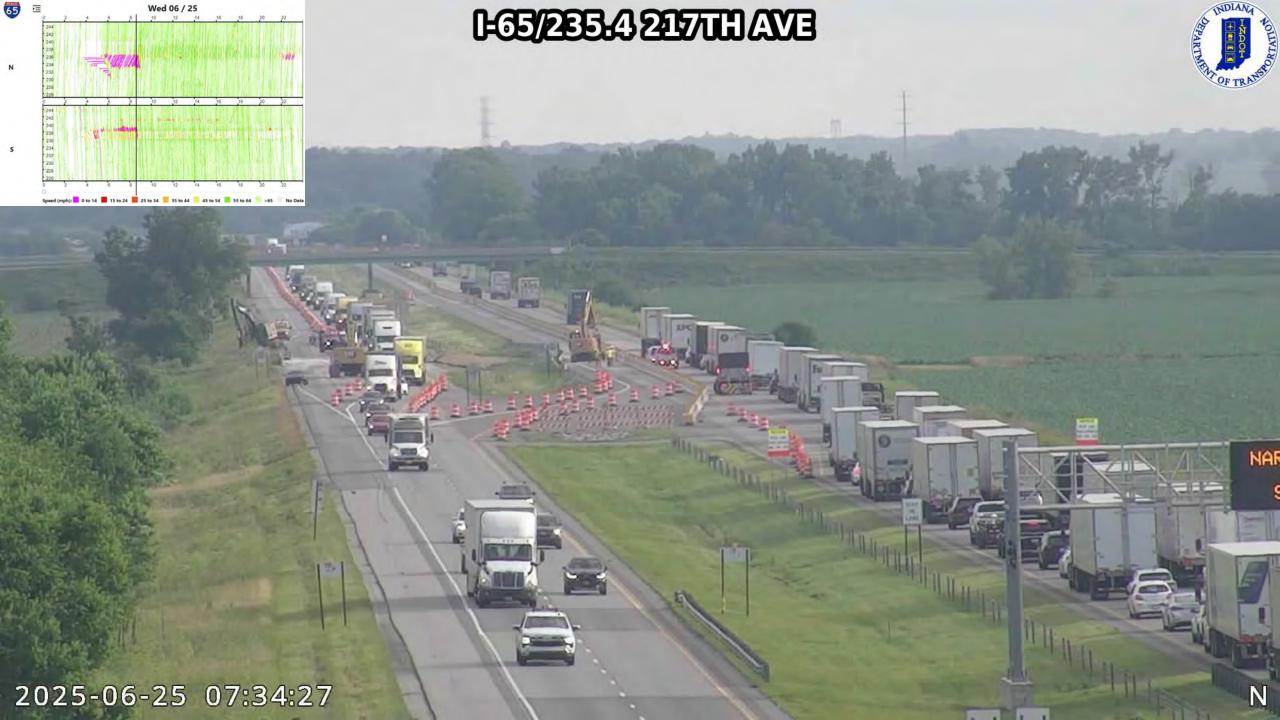


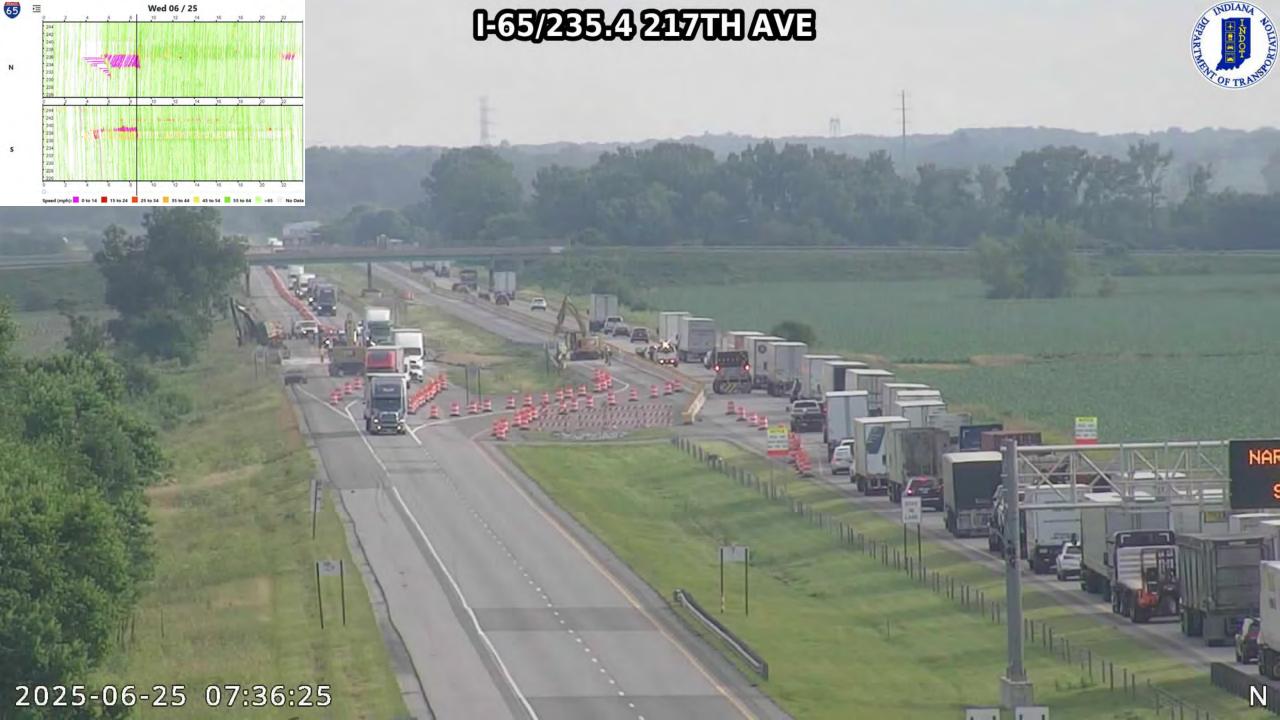


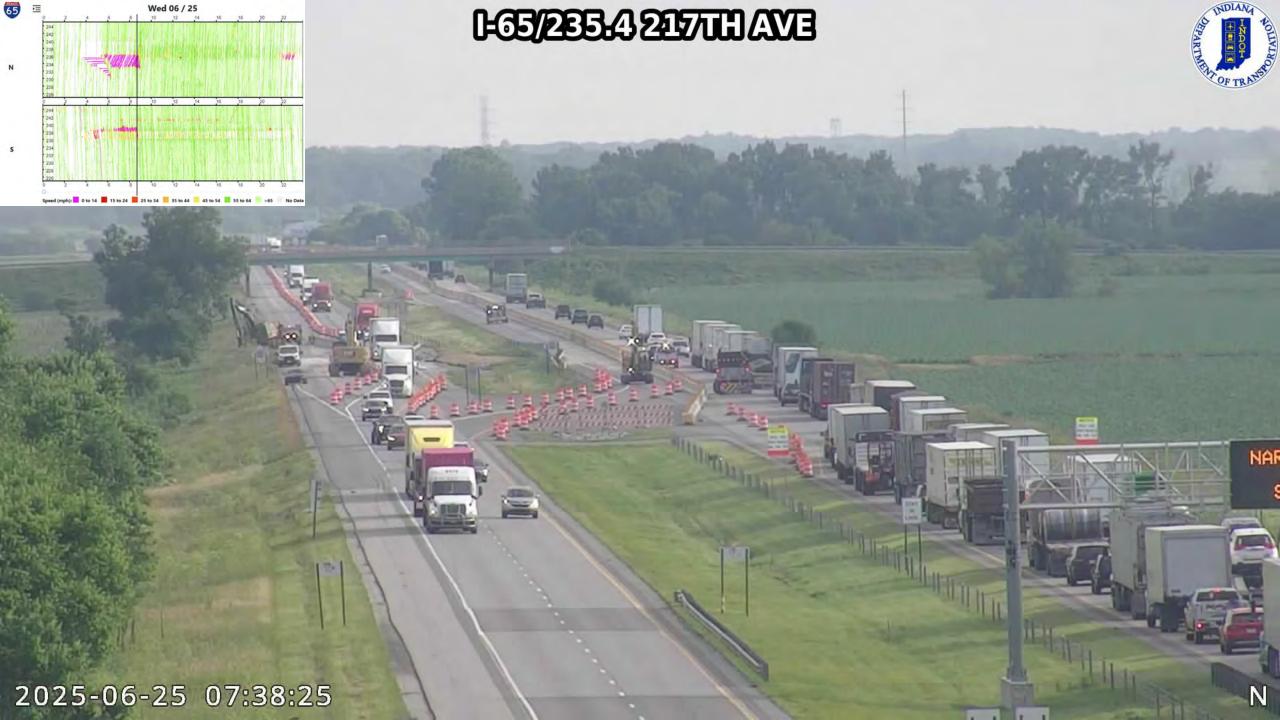












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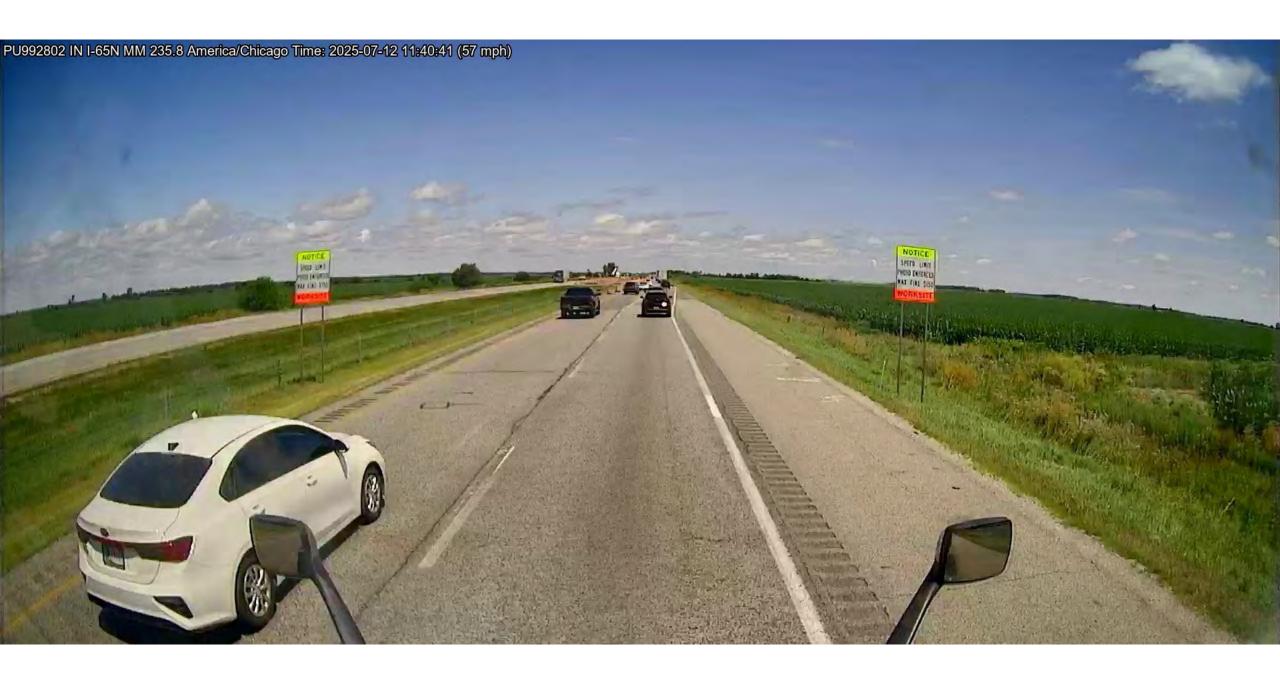


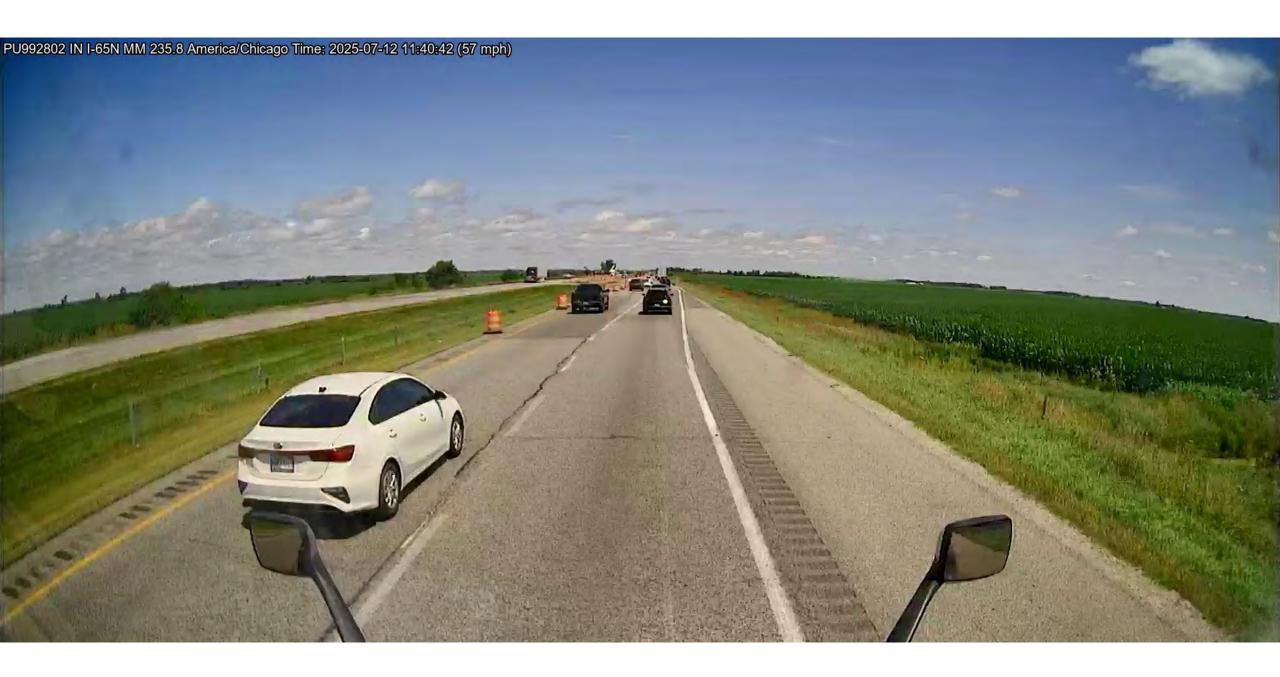


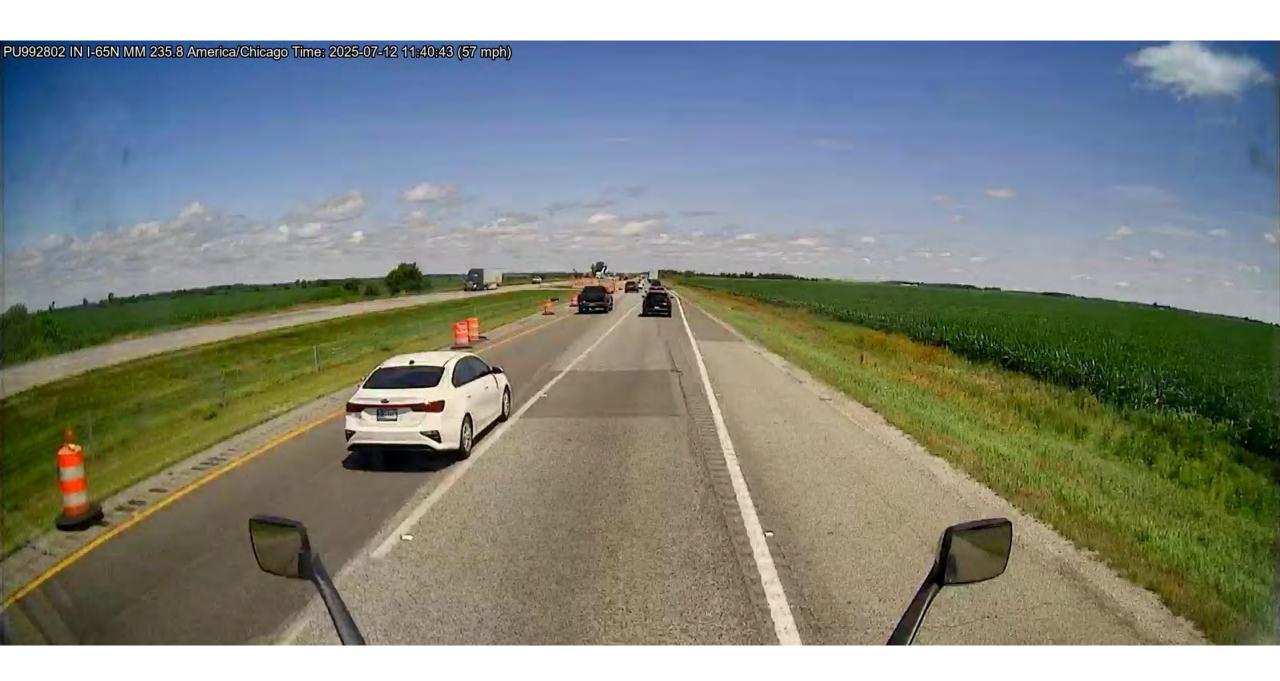


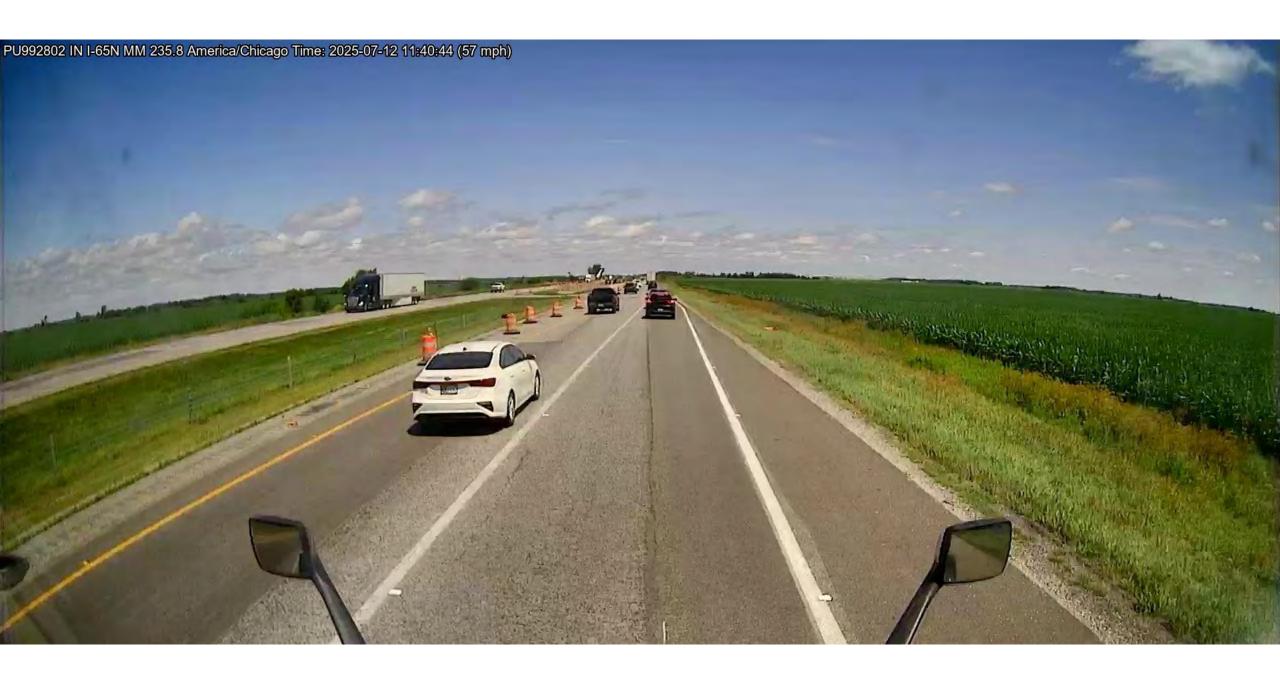




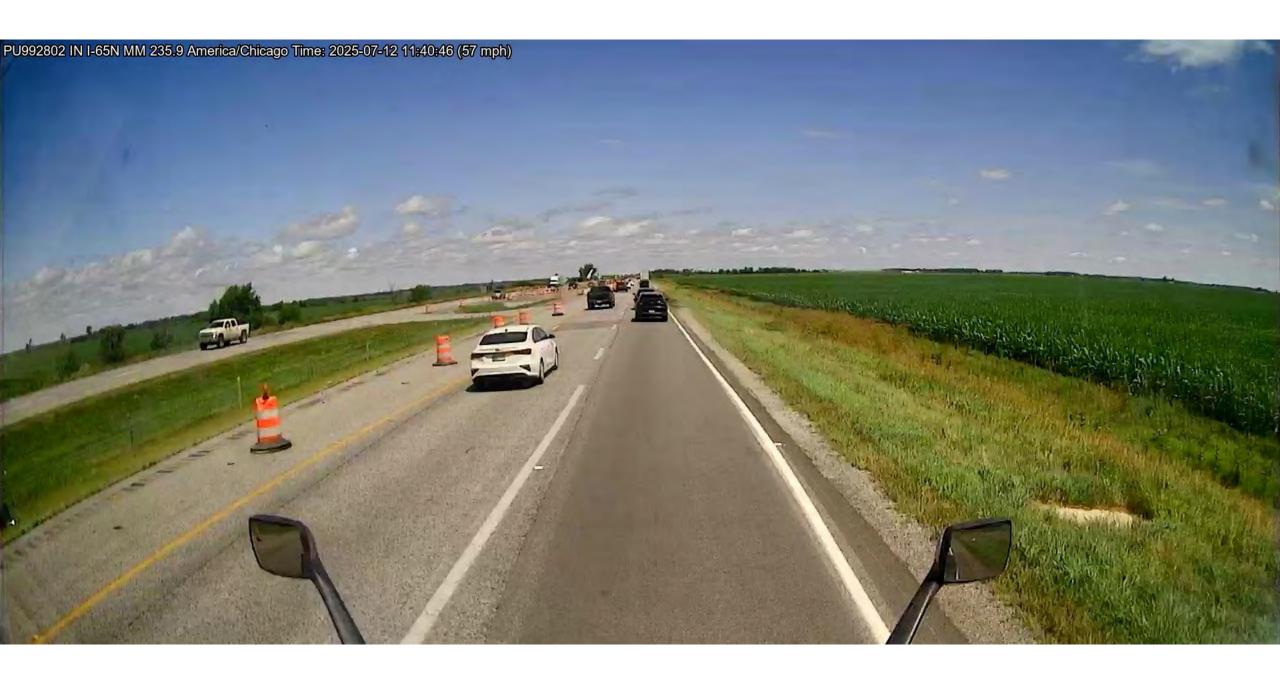


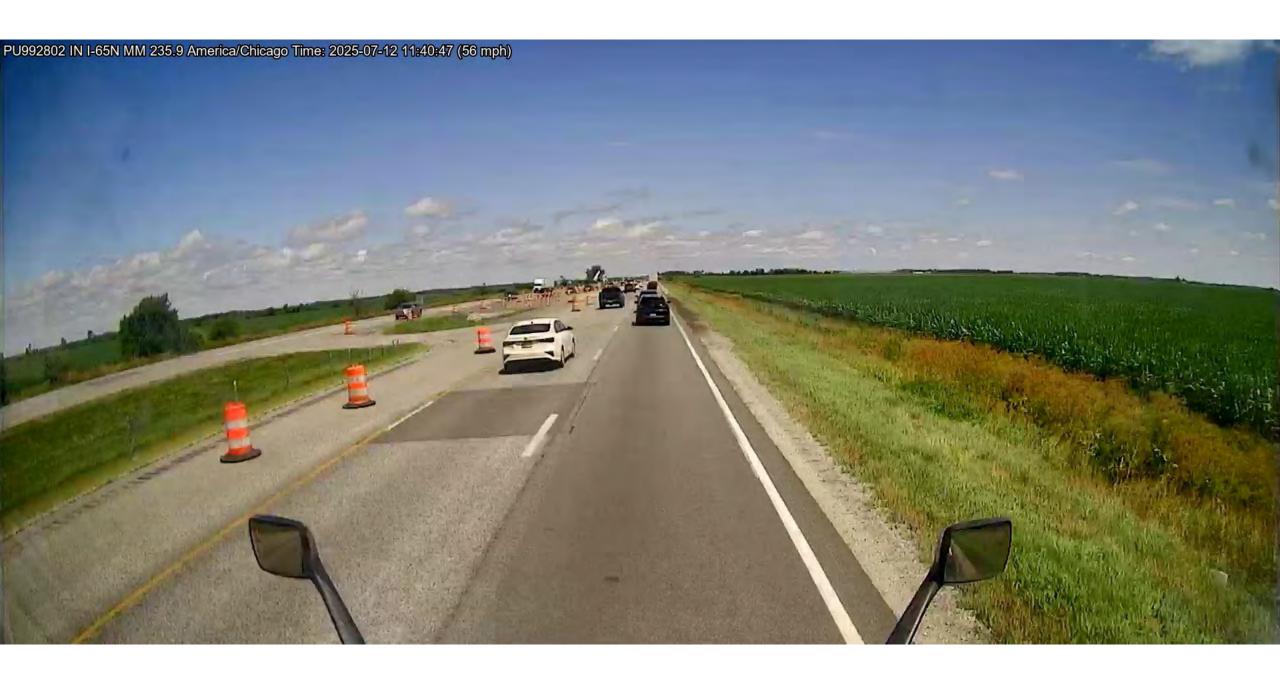


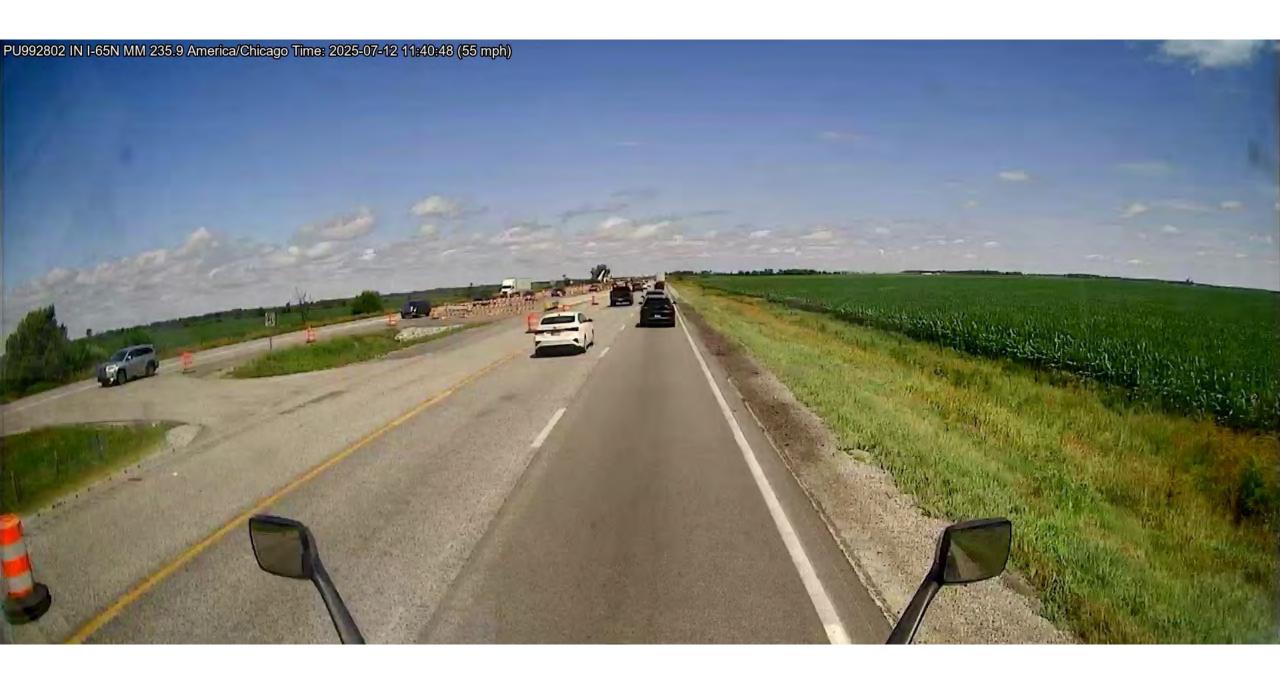


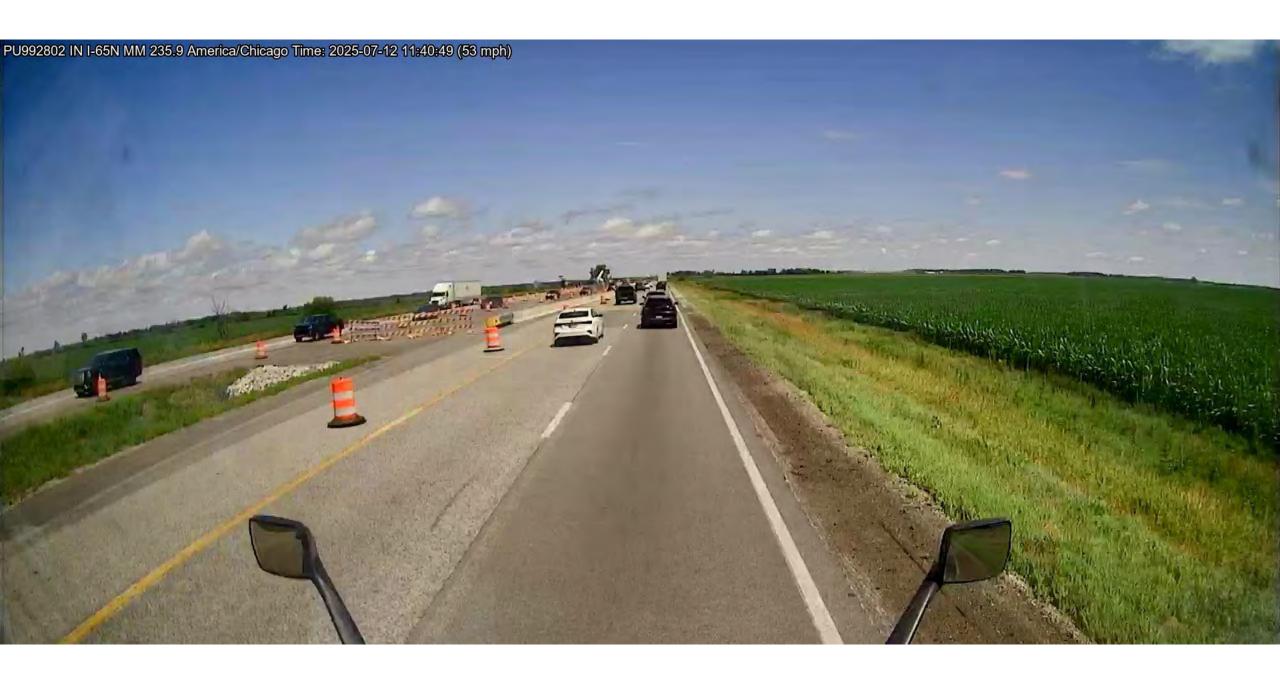


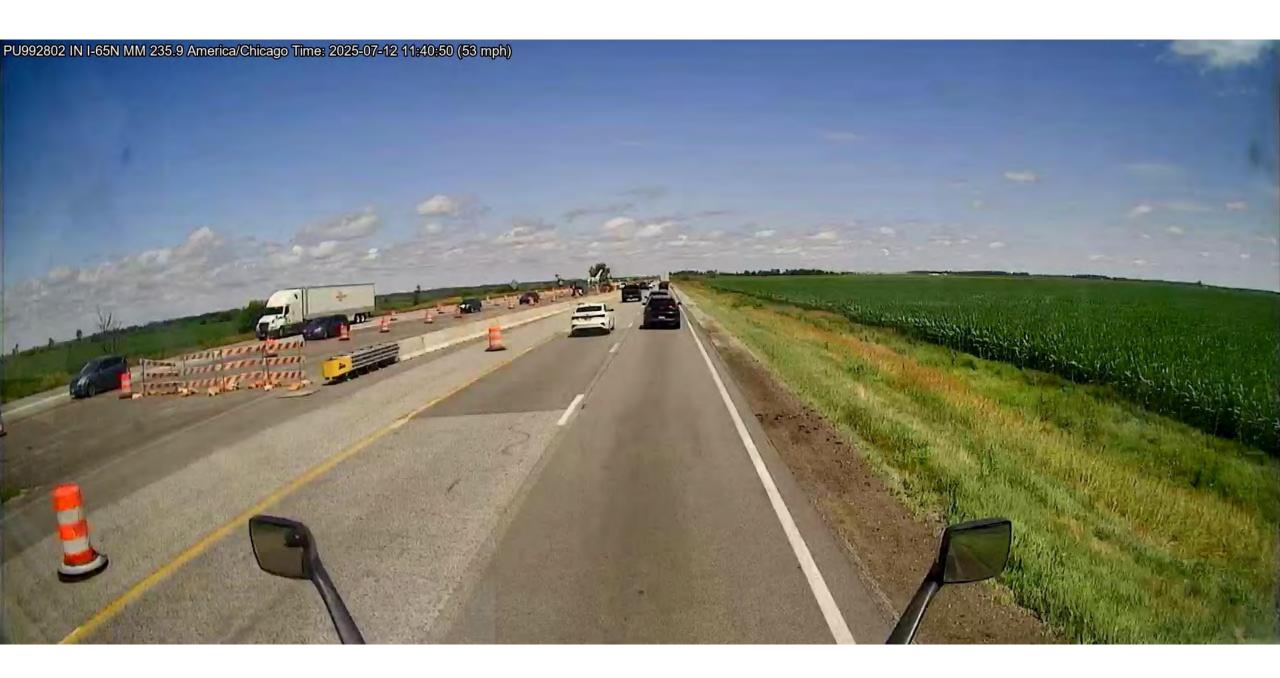


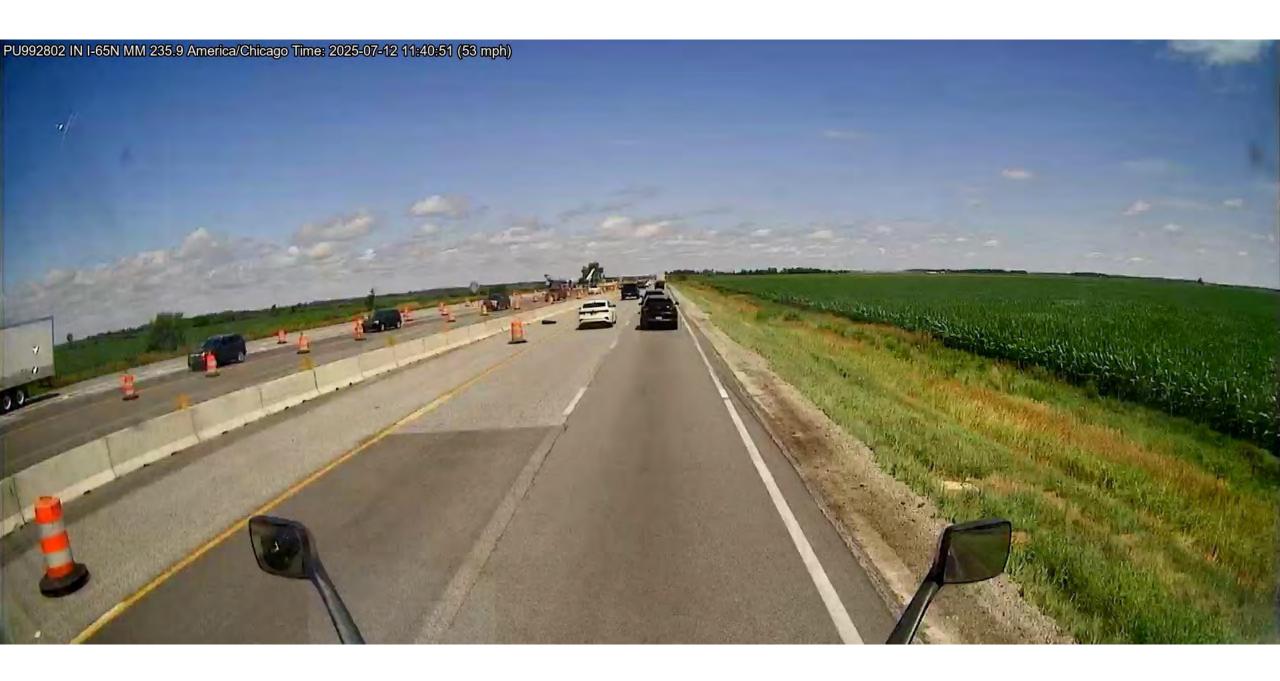


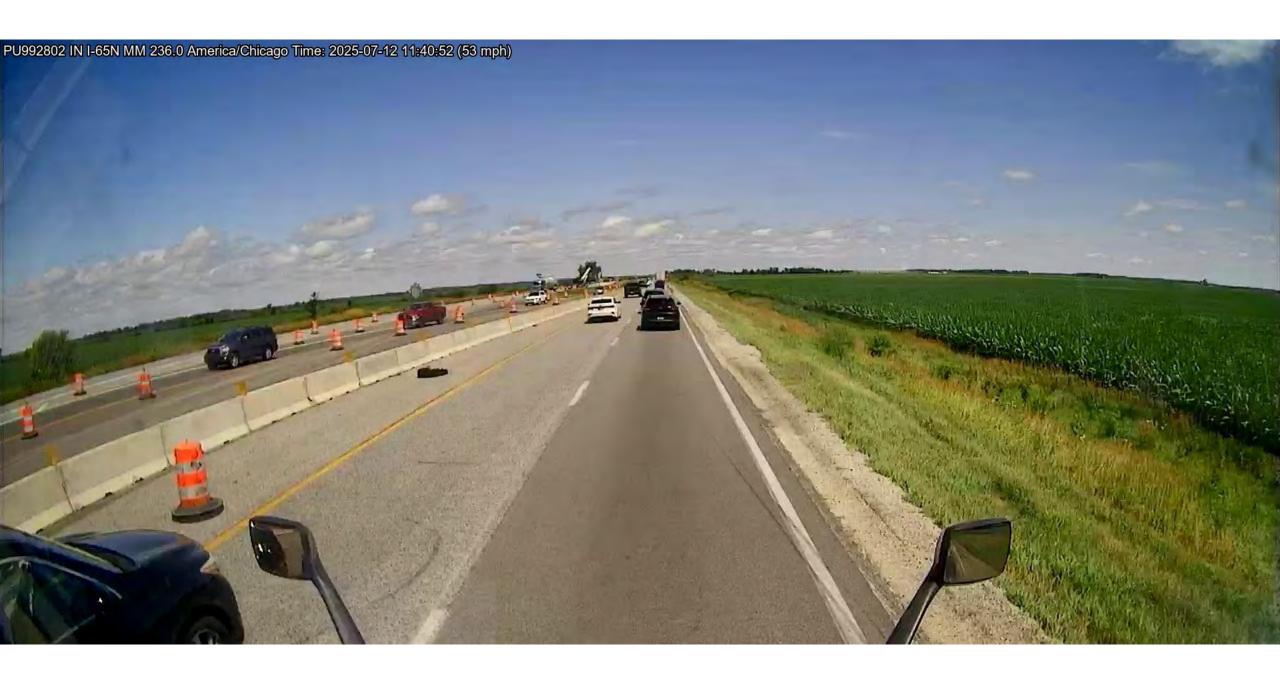


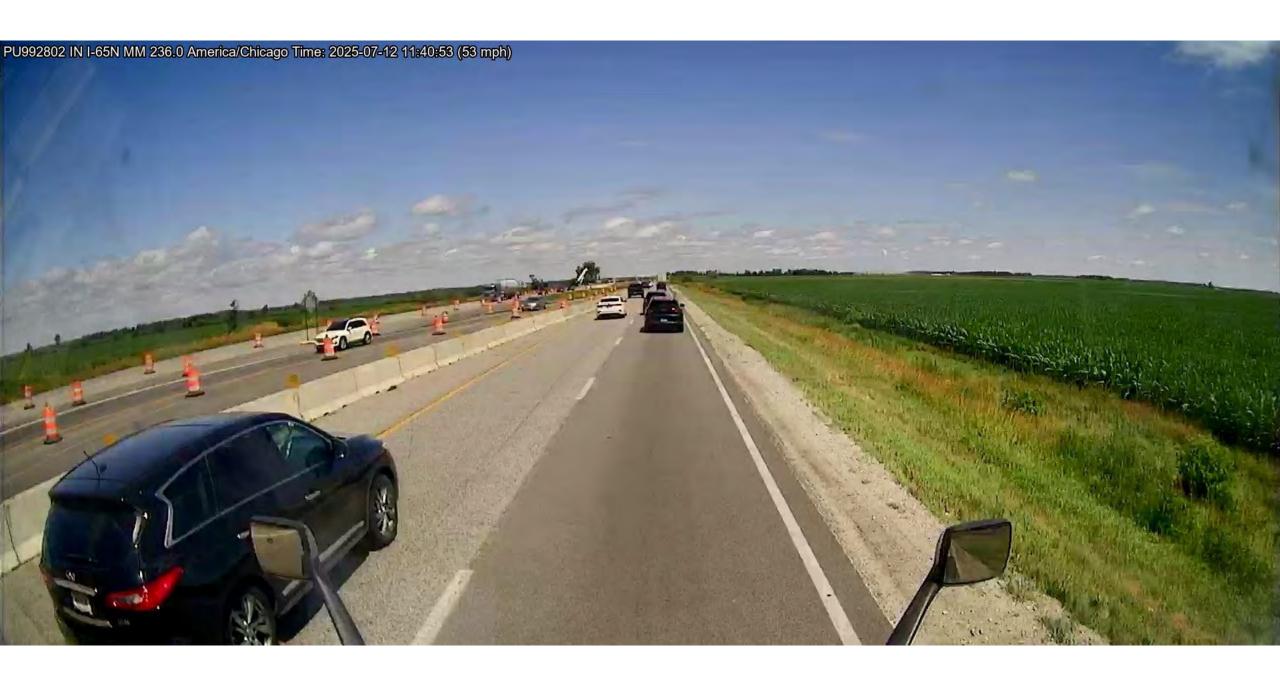


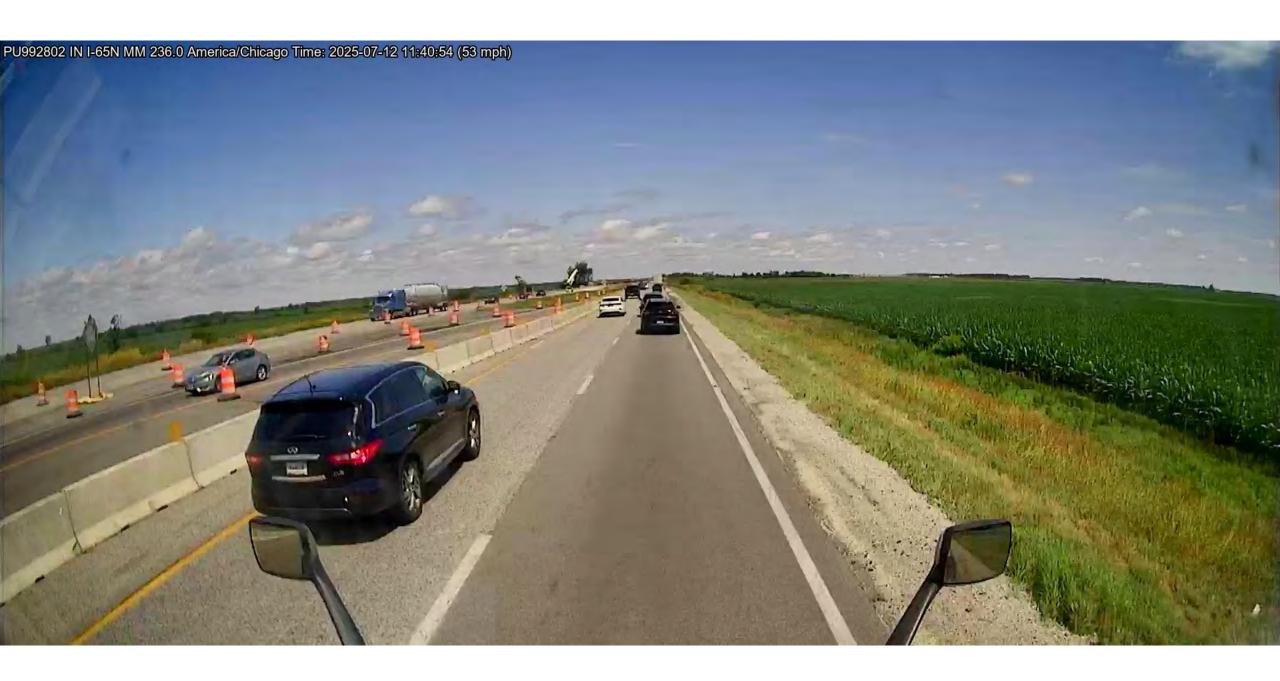


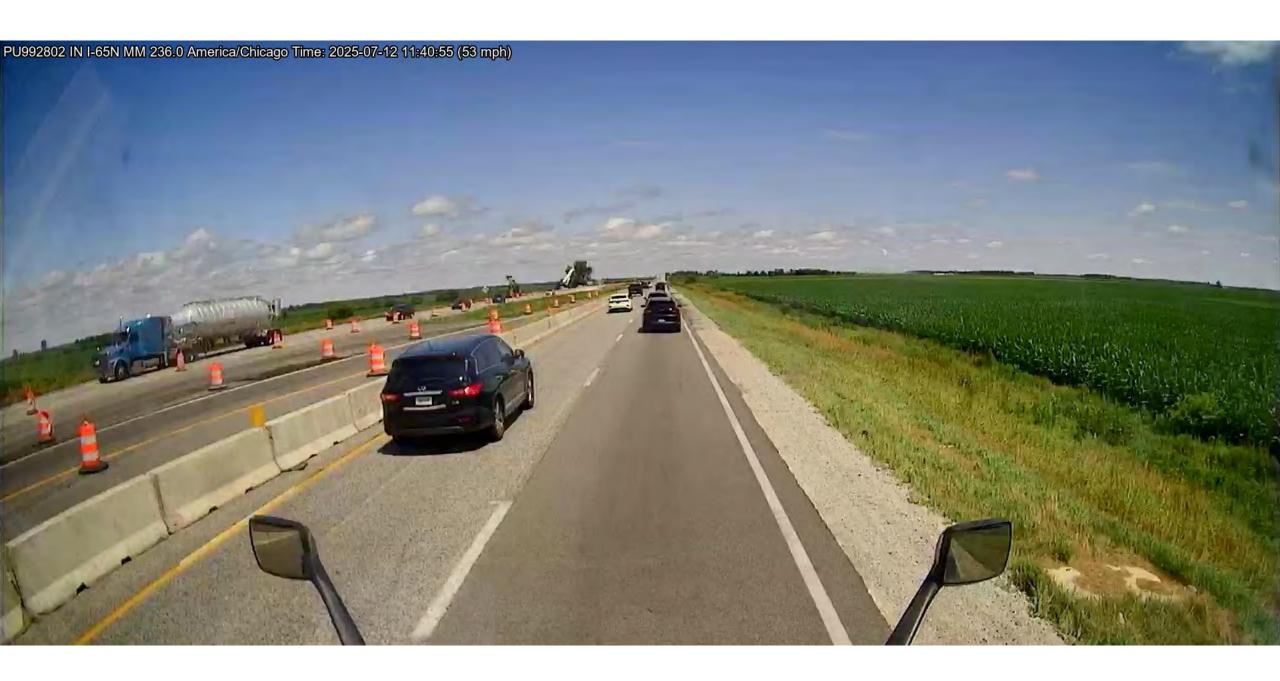


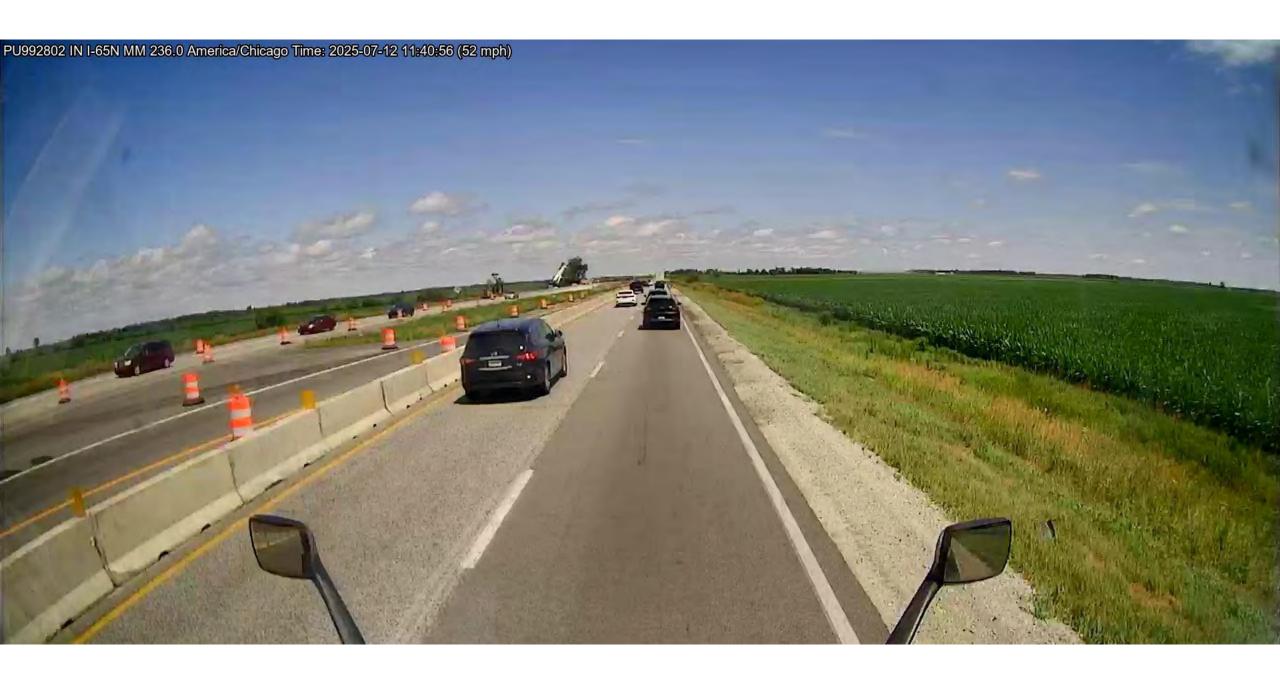




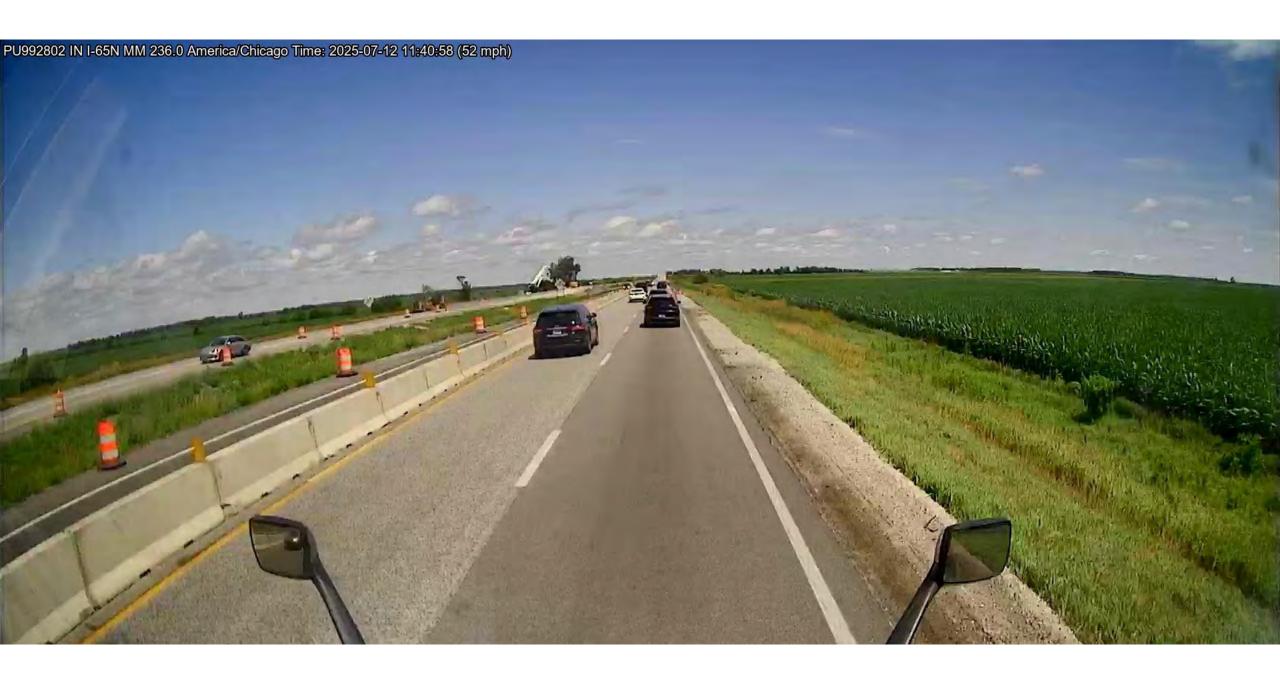




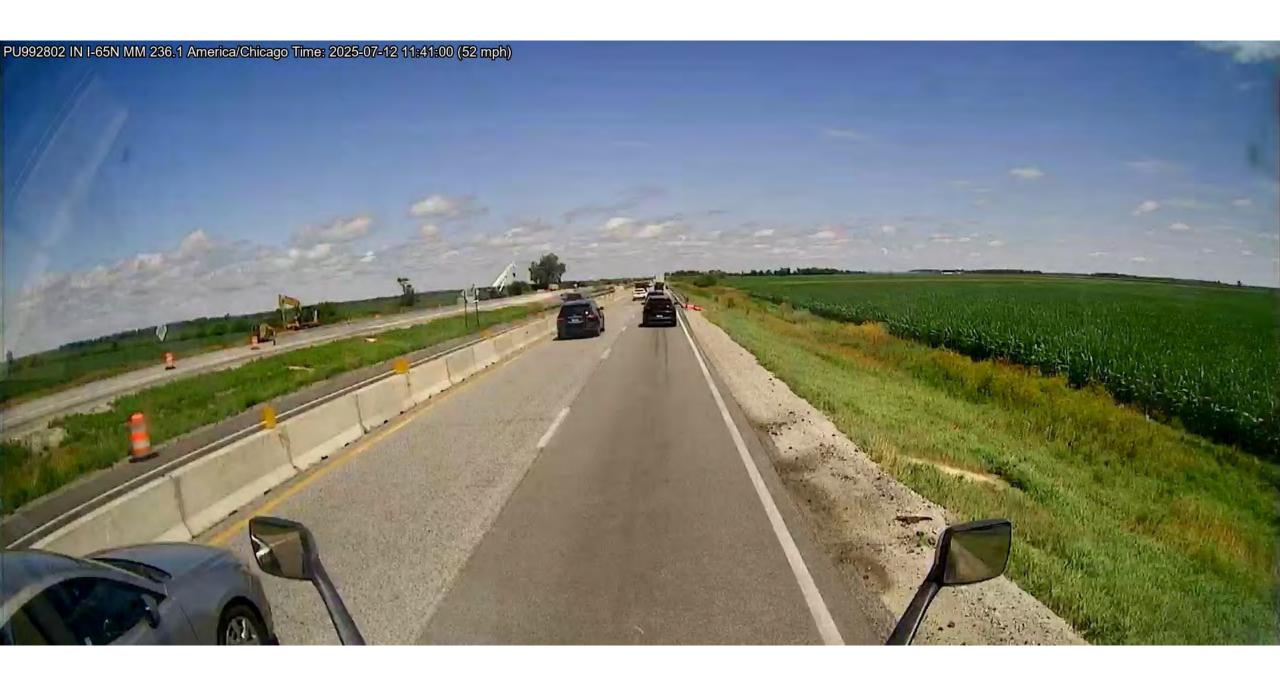


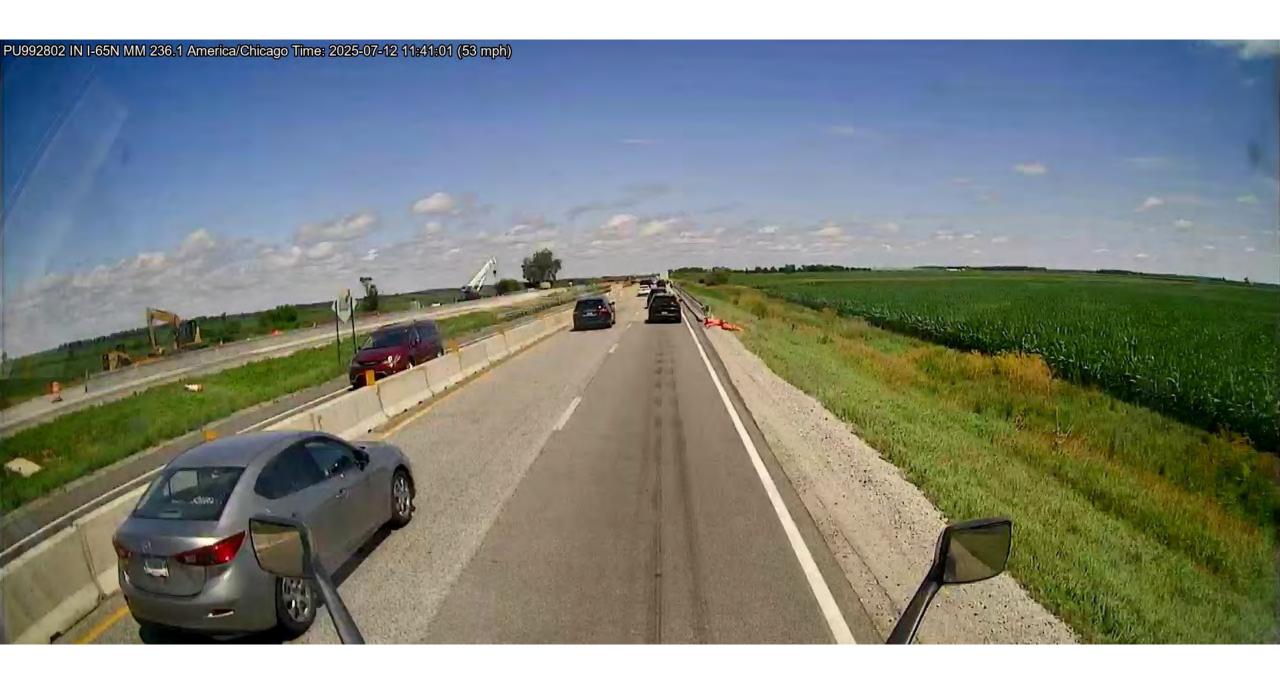


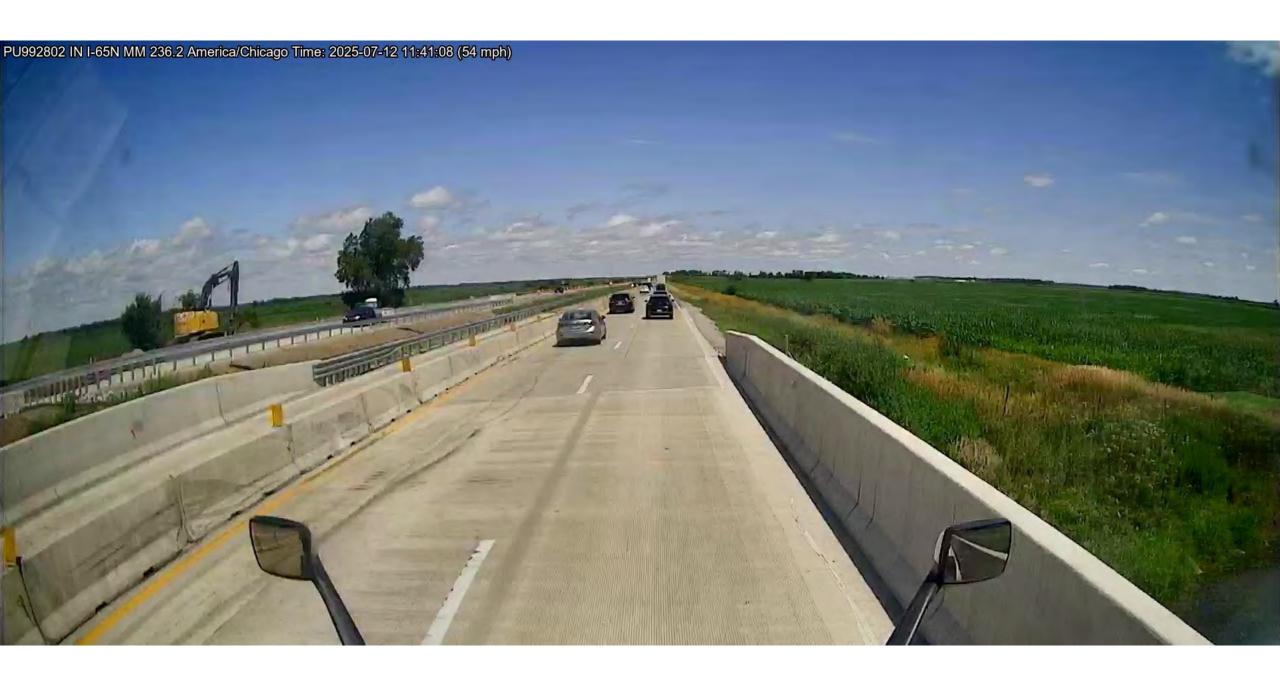


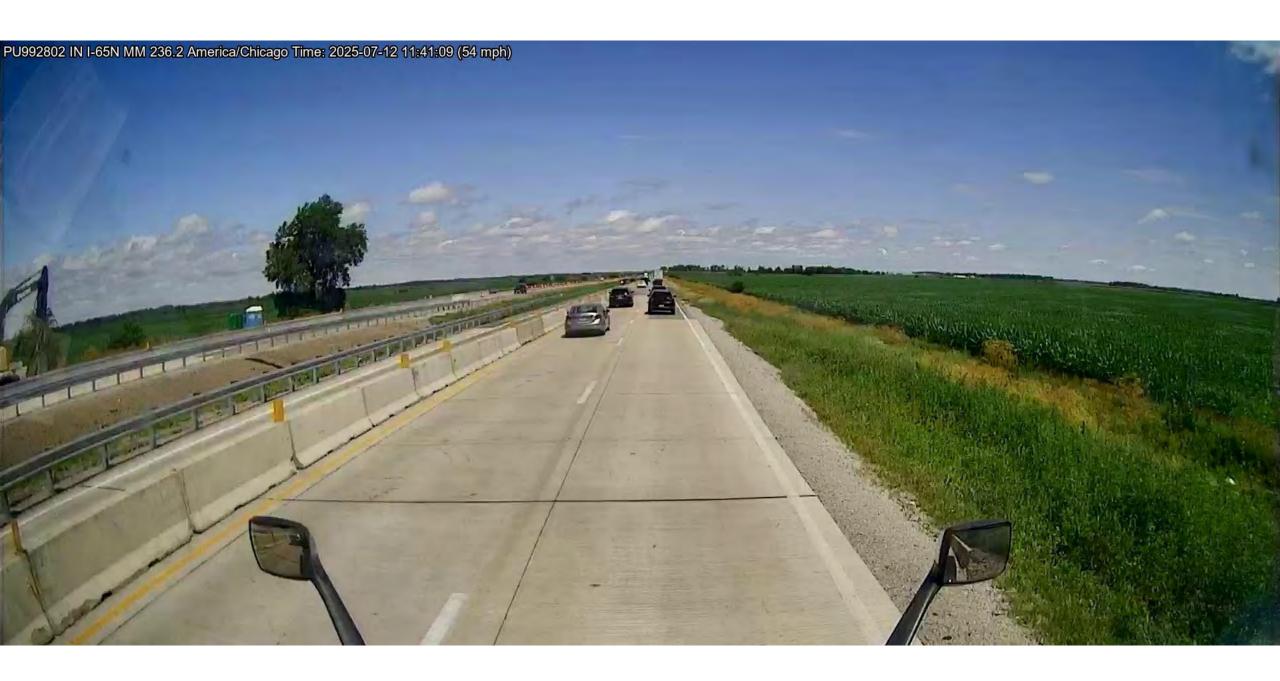




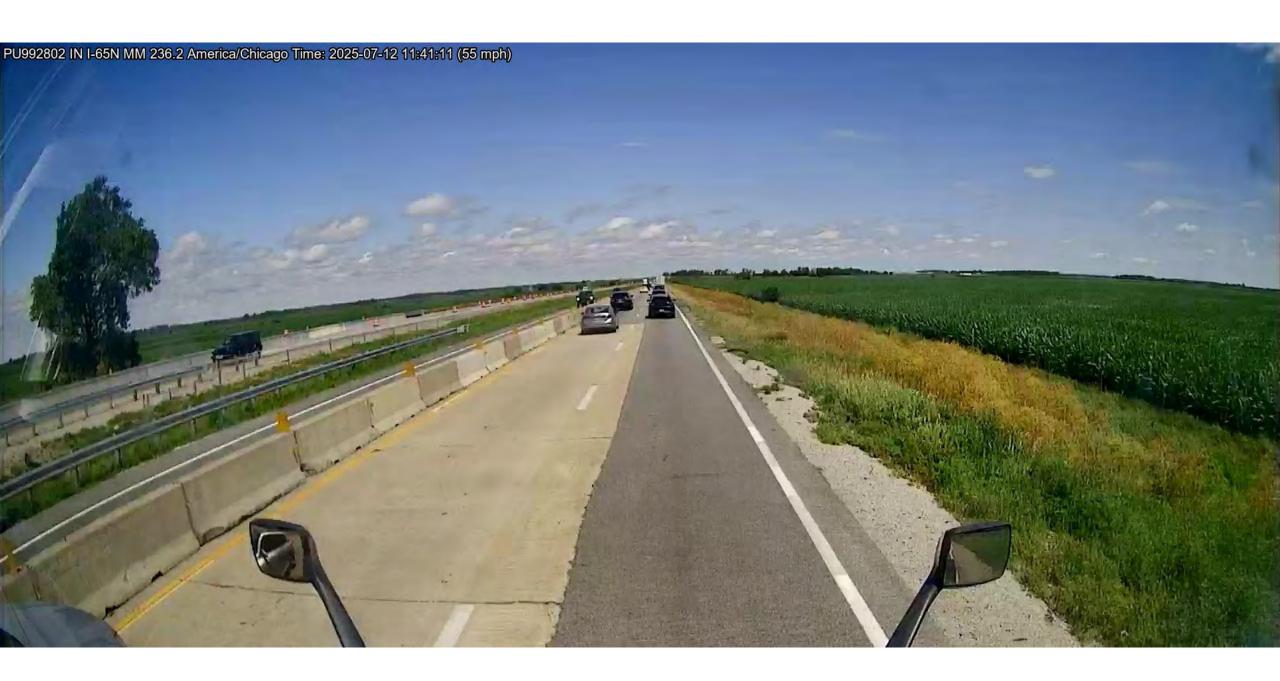


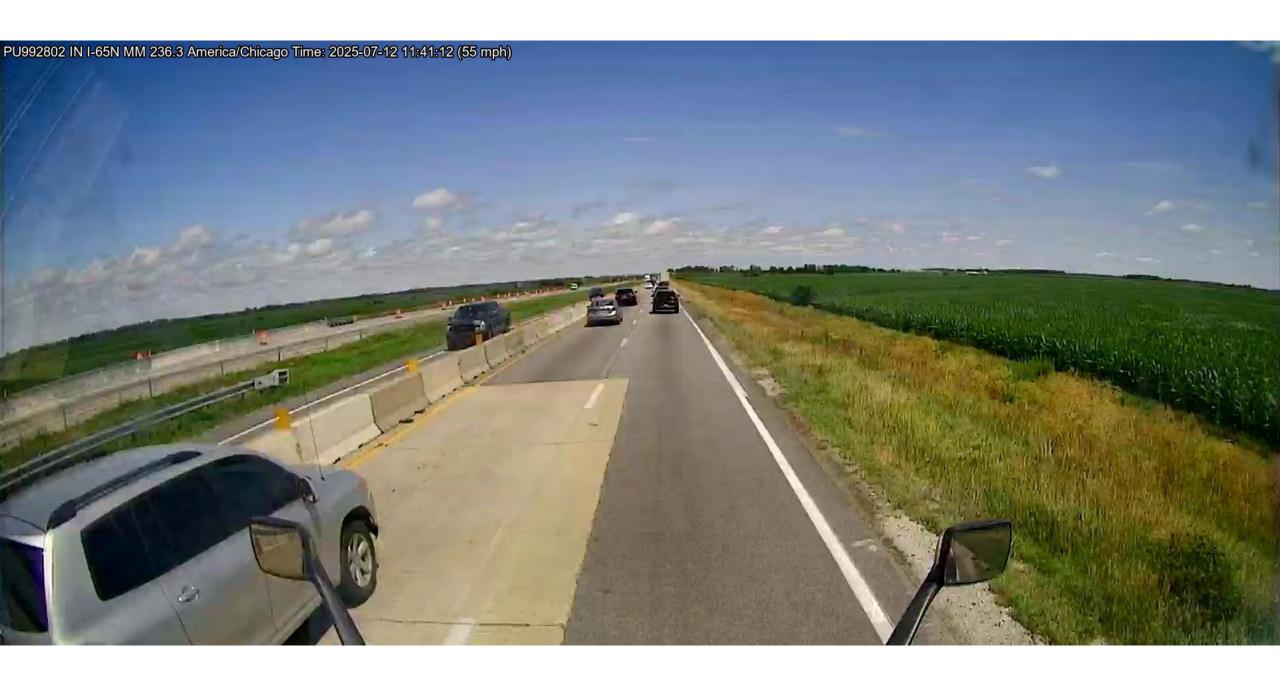


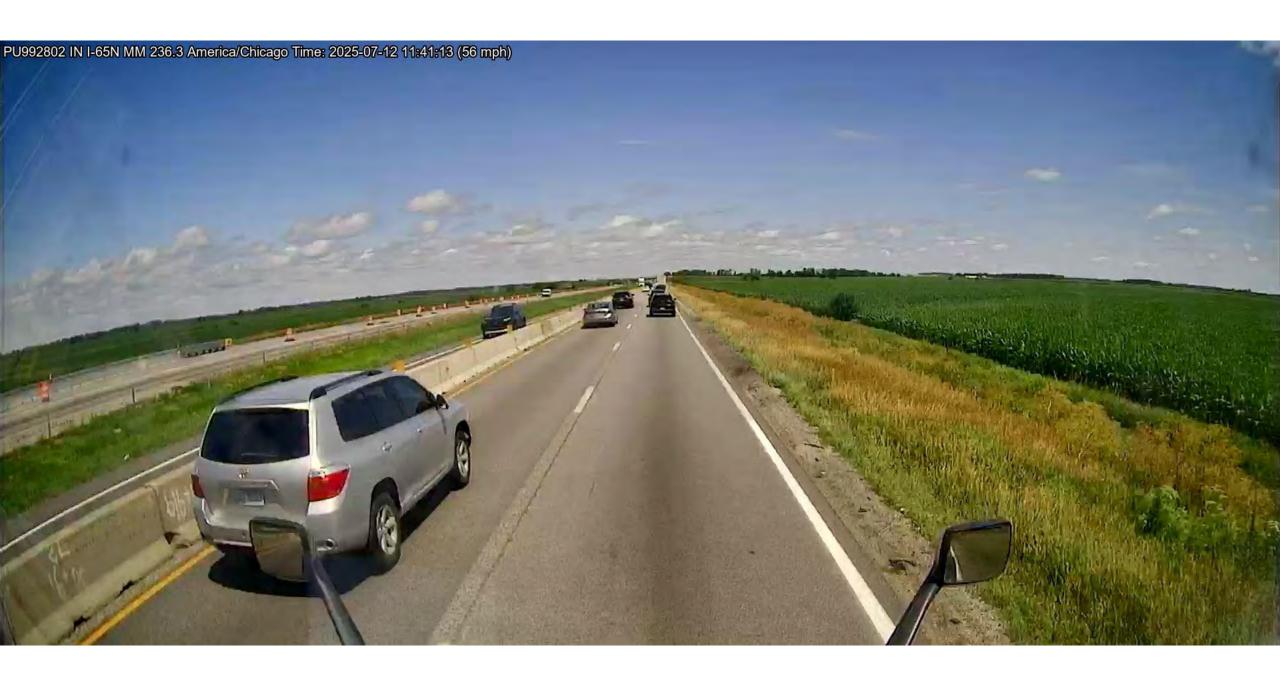


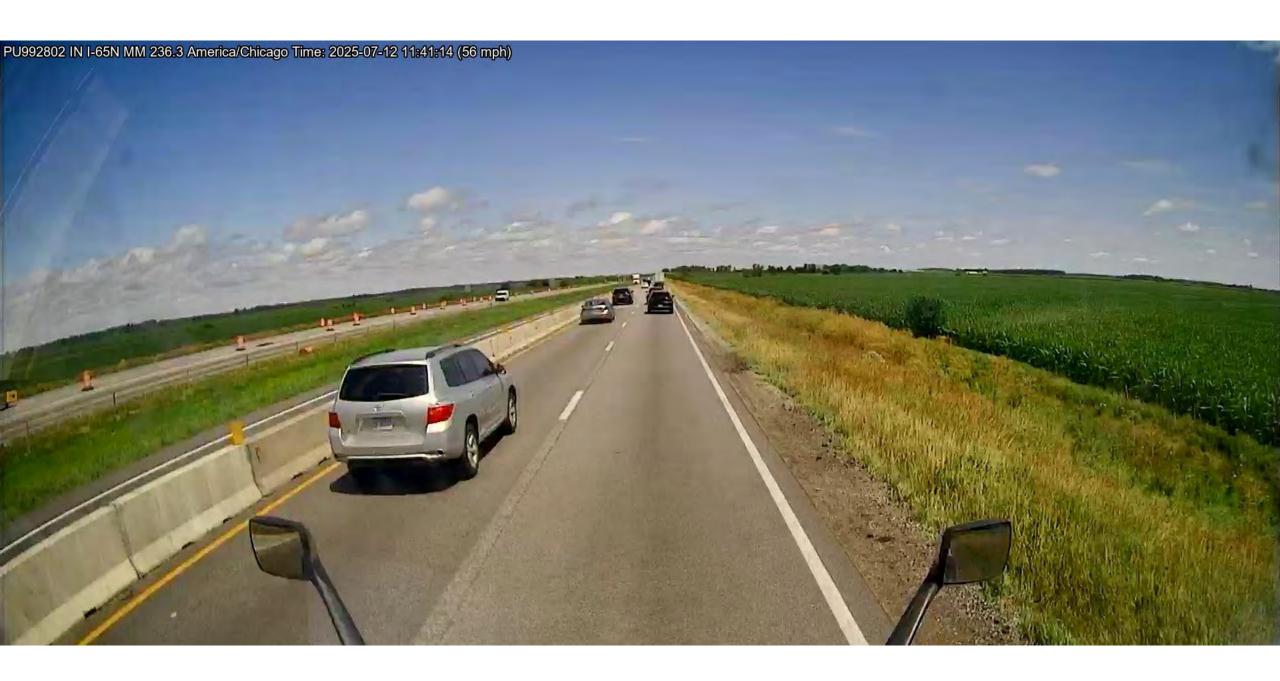




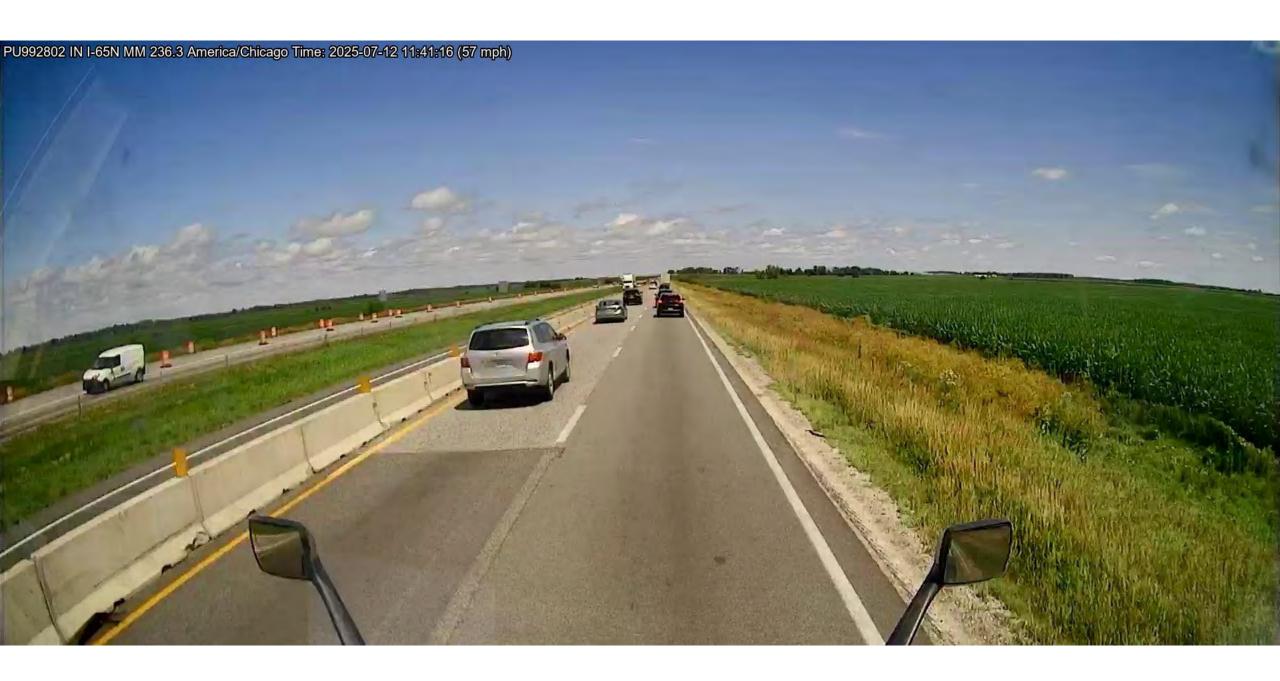


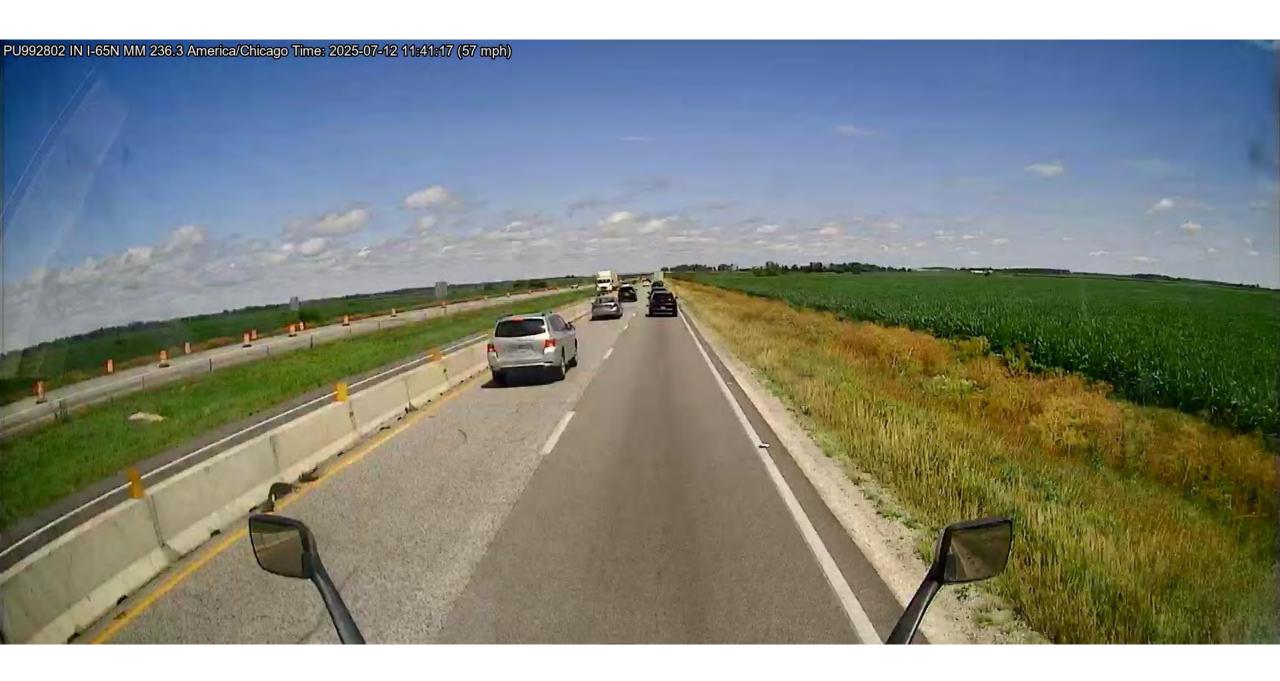






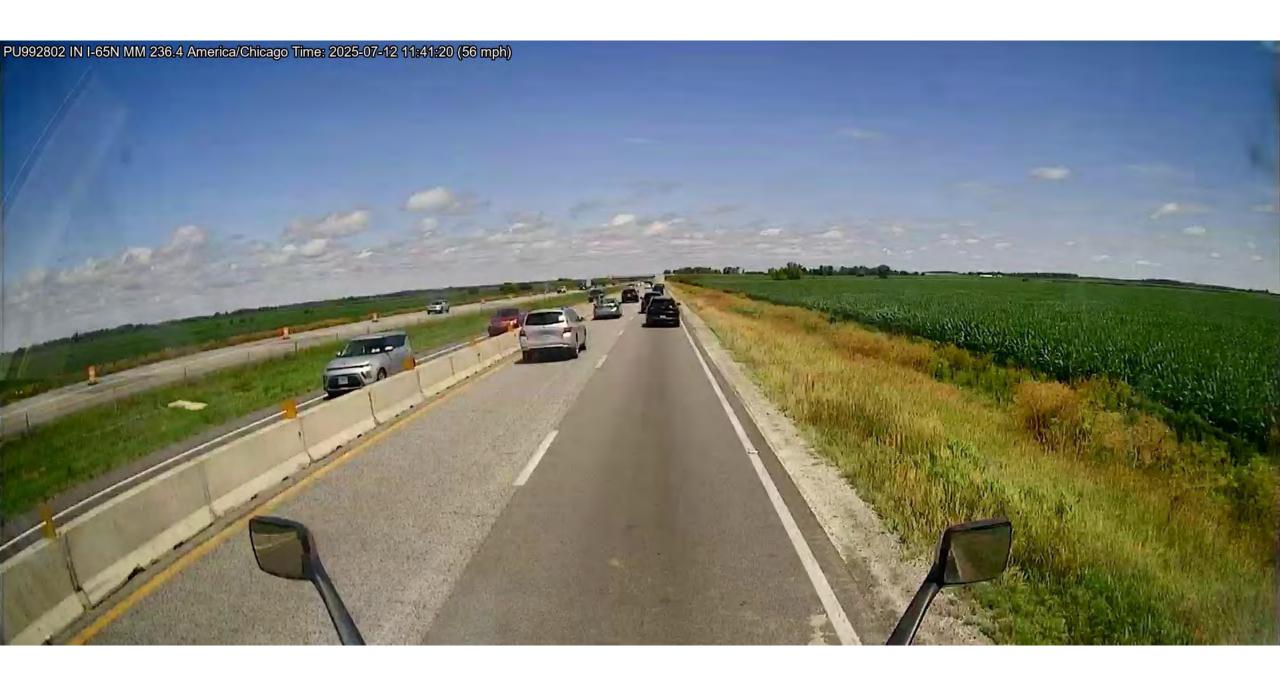


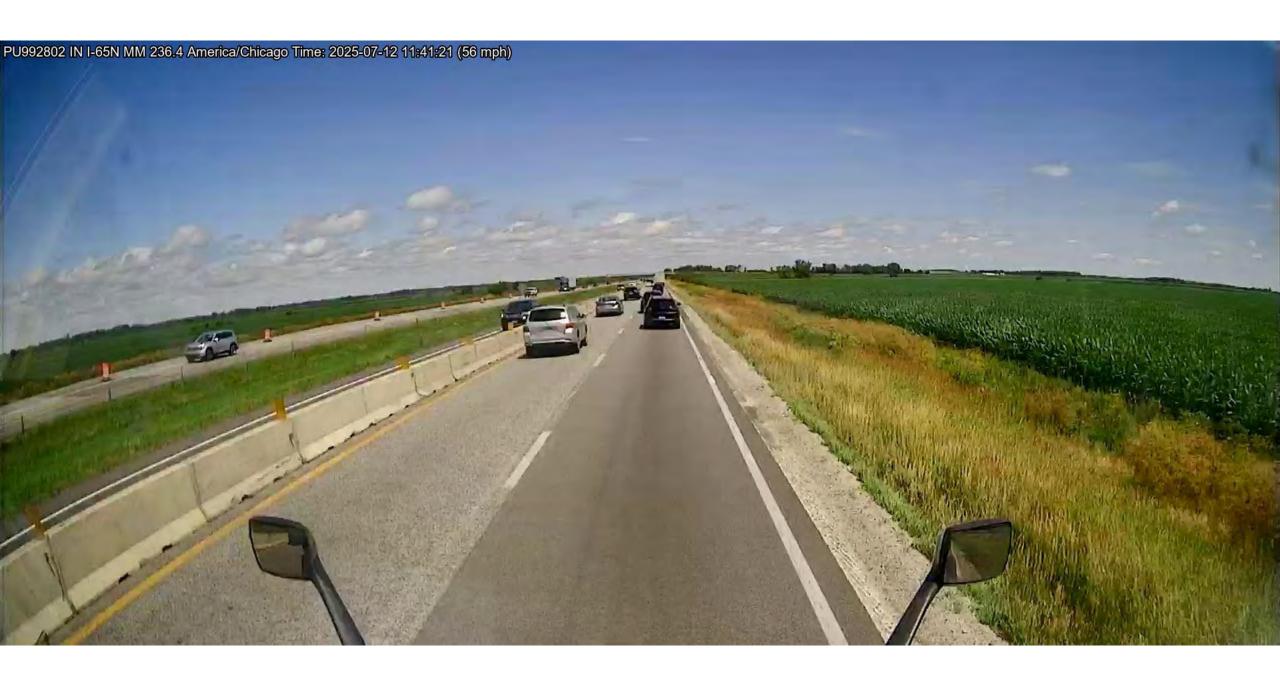


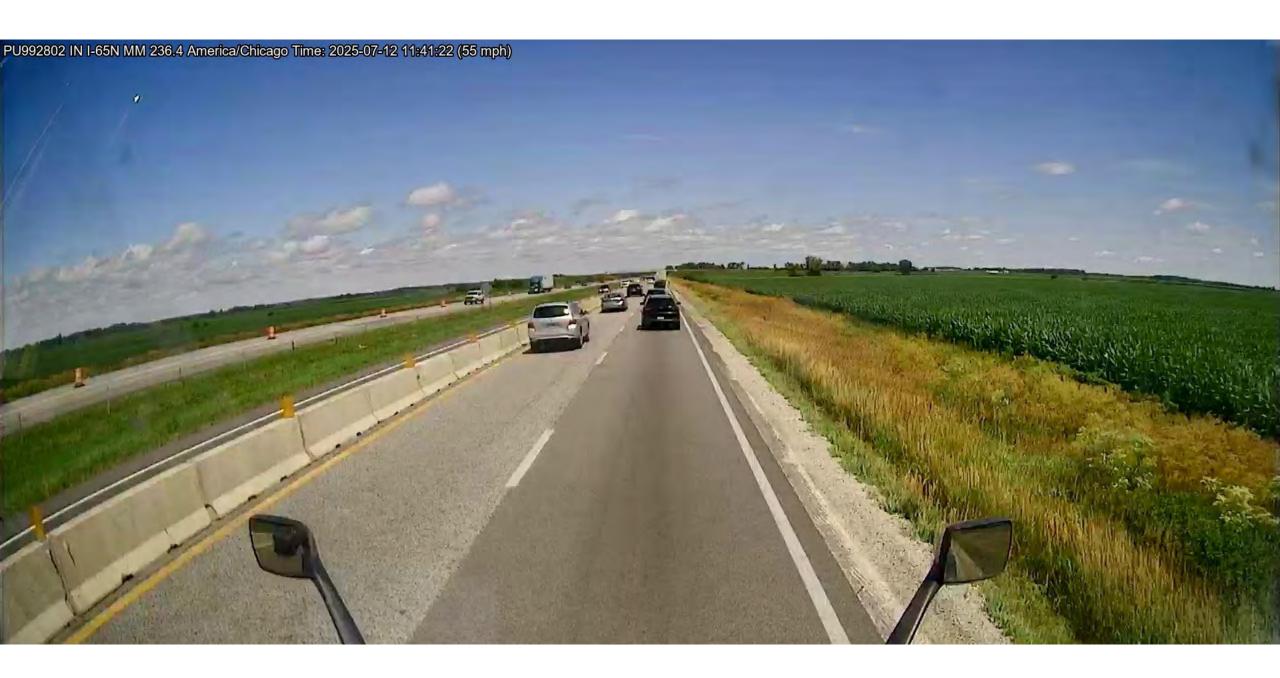




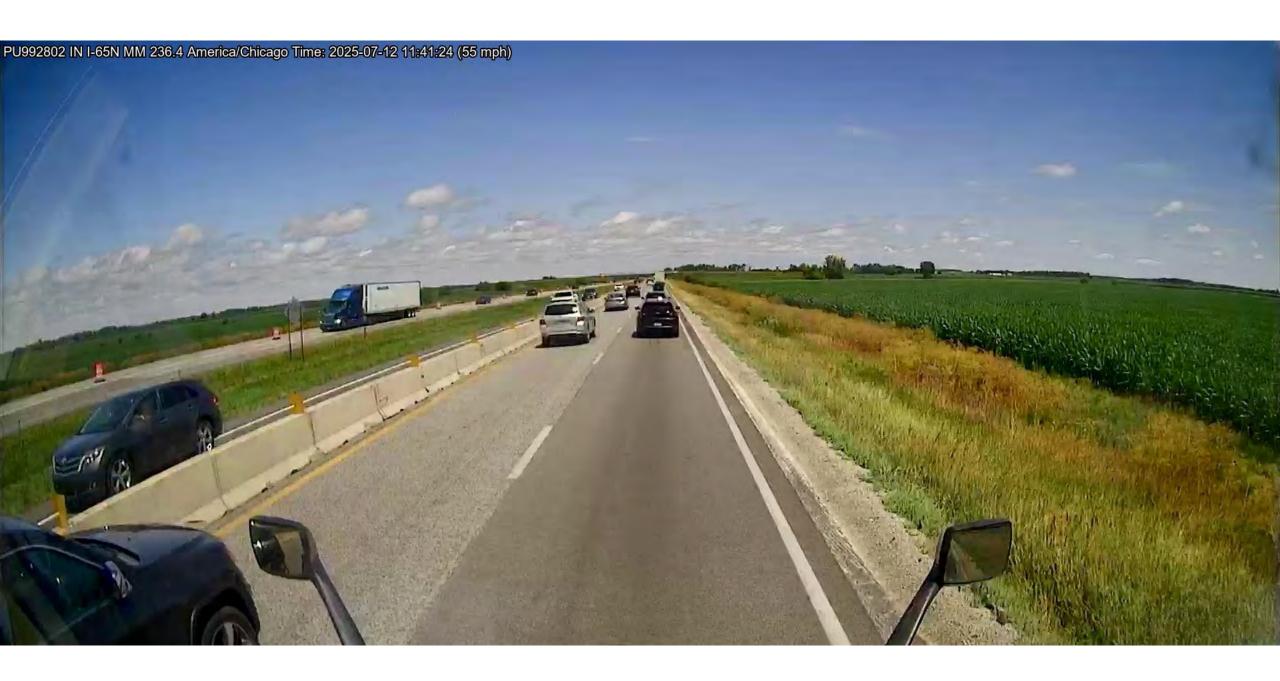


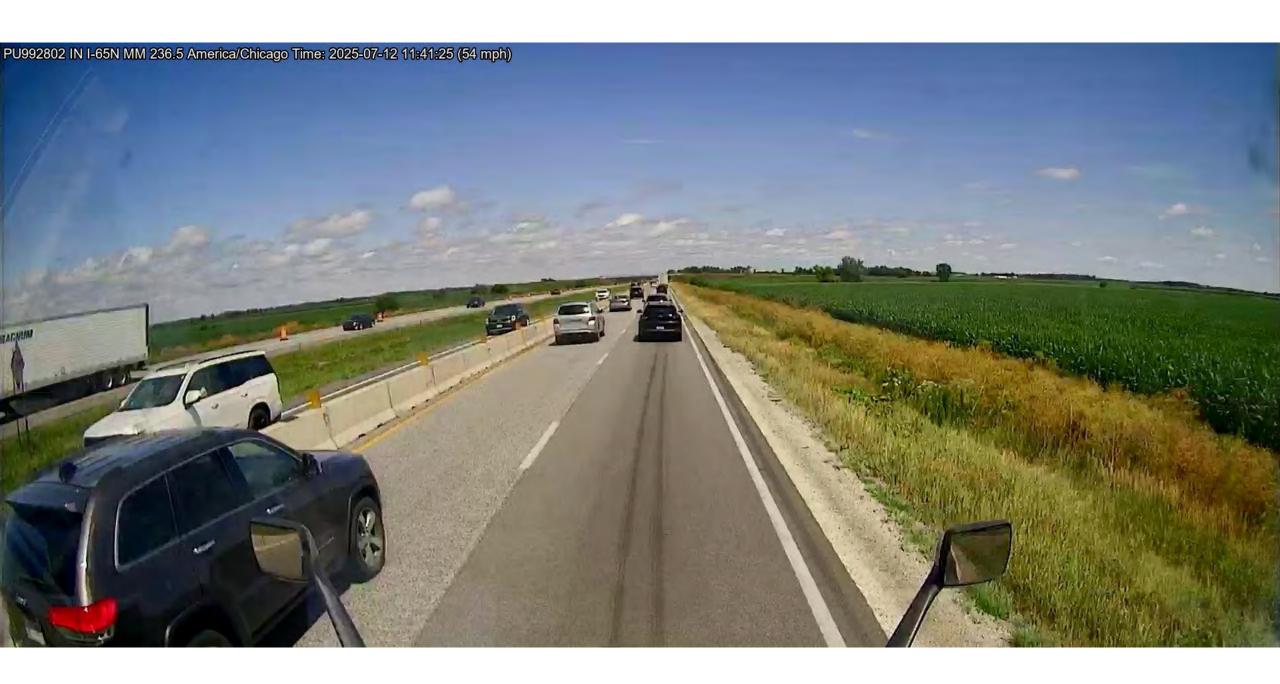


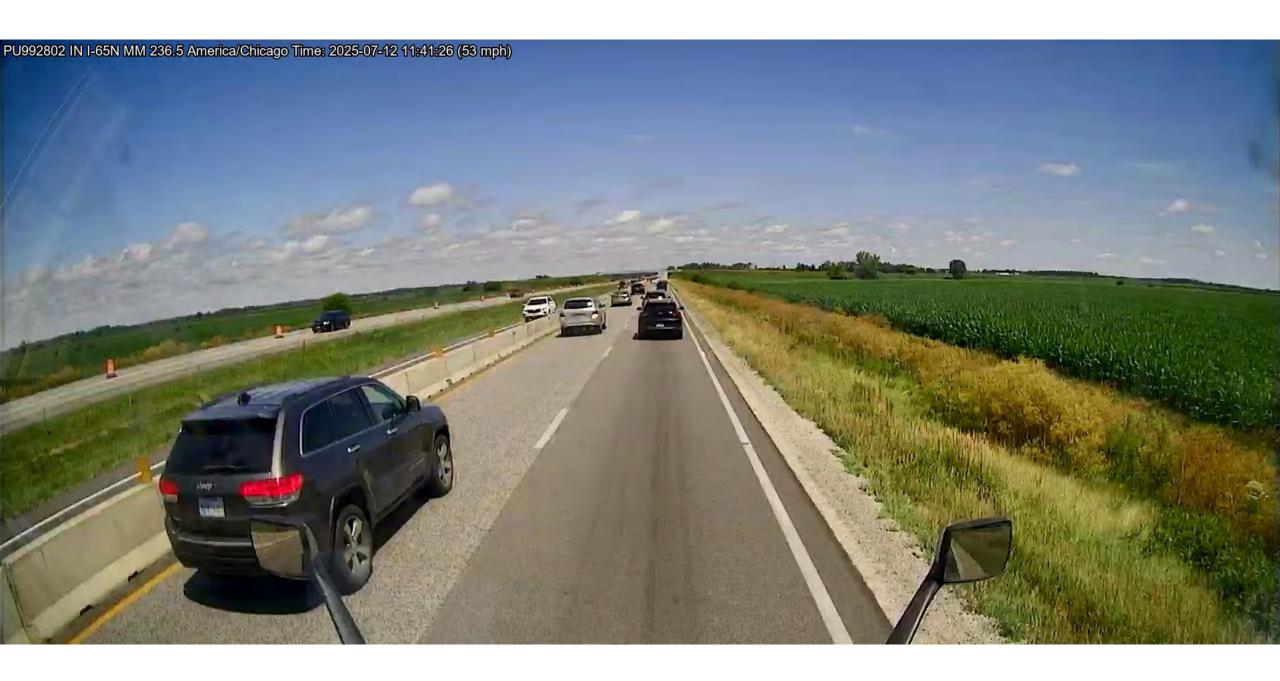










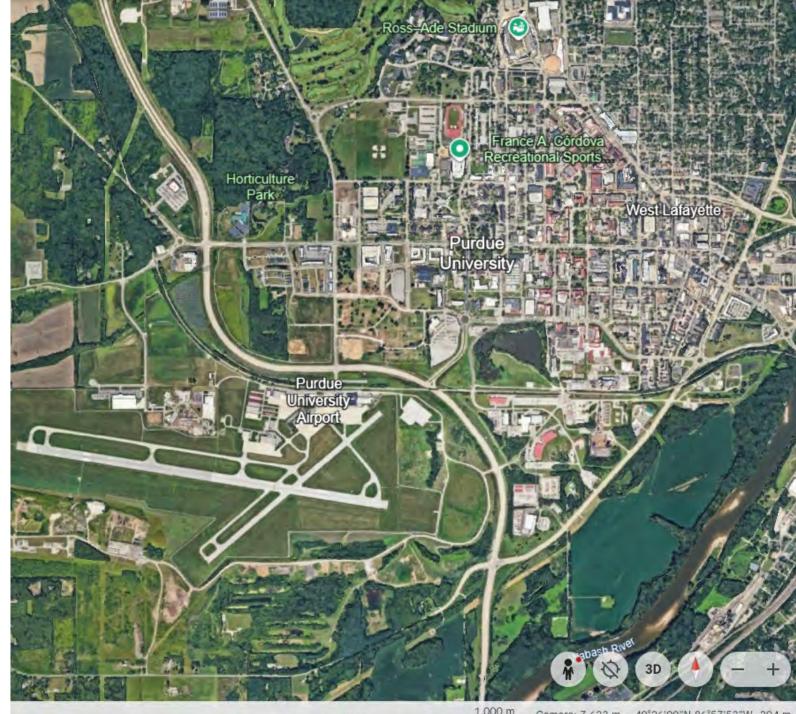


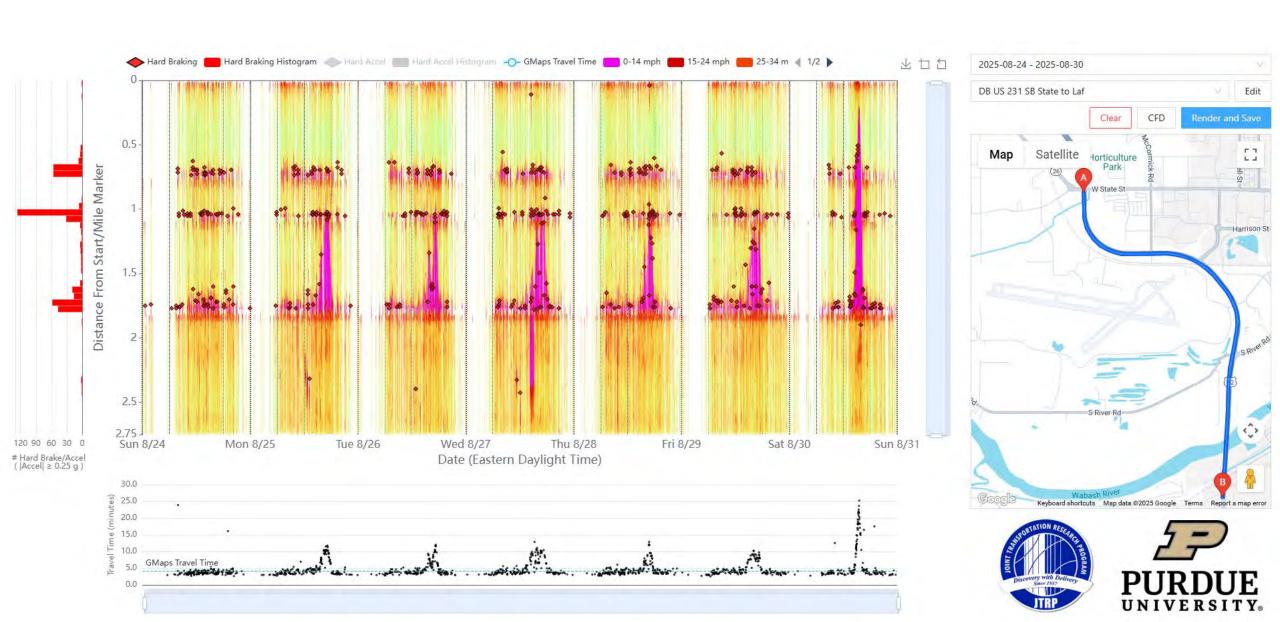
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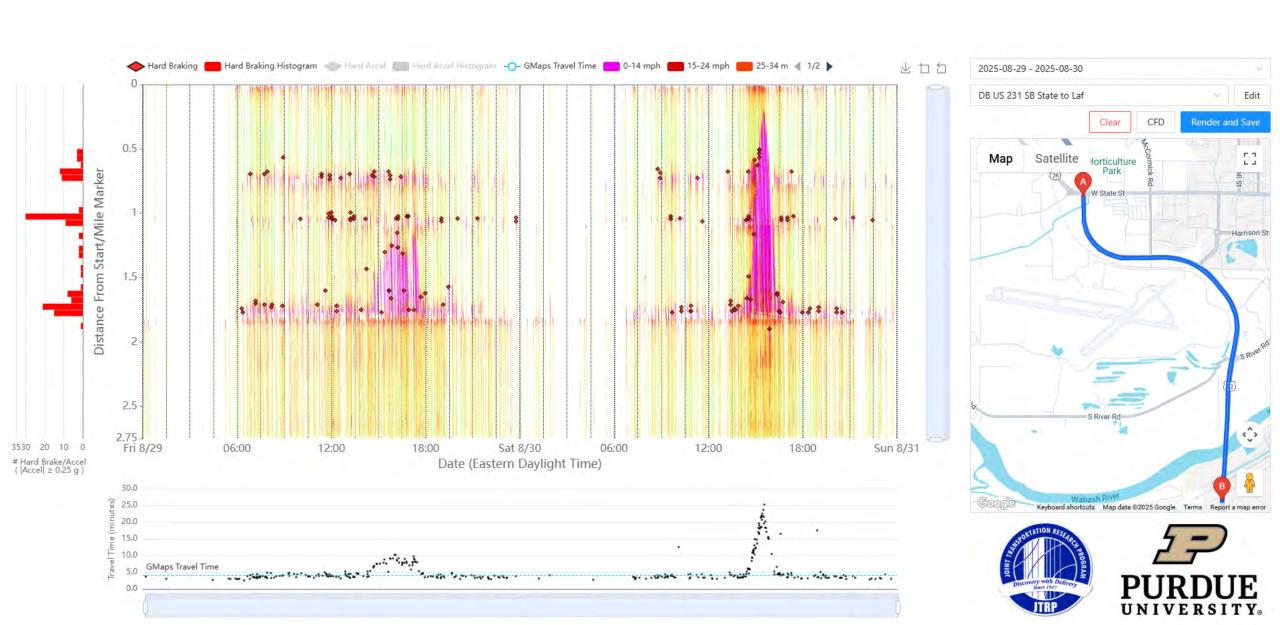
- Traffic Heatmap
- Selected ITS Camera Images
- Dash Cams

## And a bonus slide







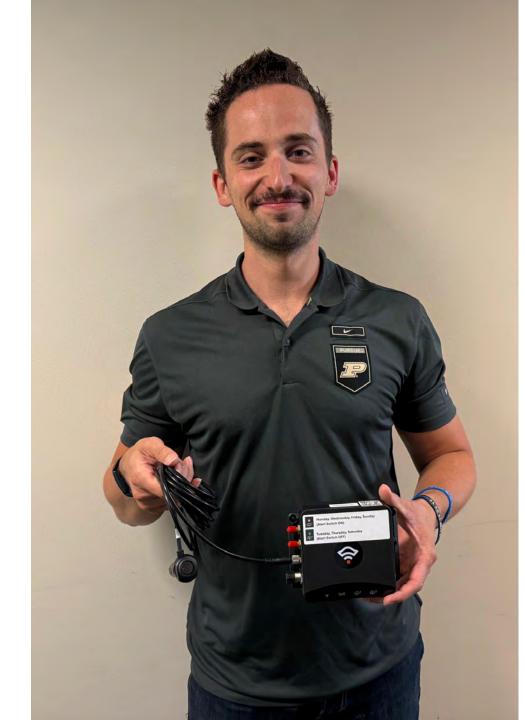


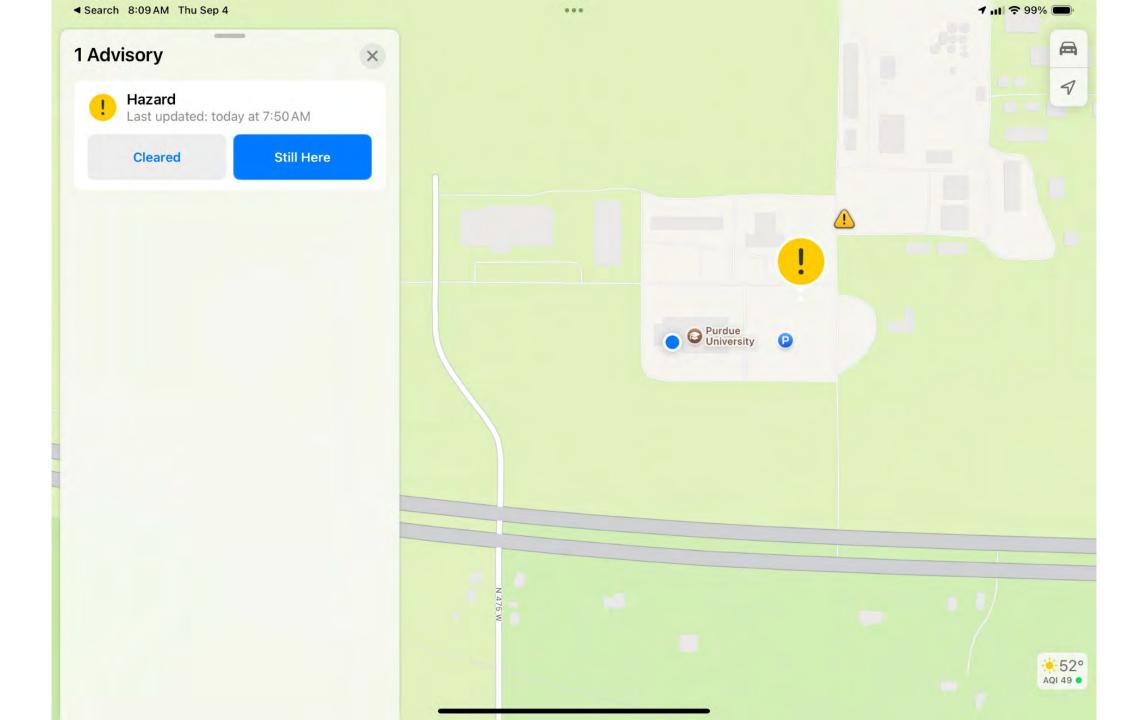
### What have we/are we learning?

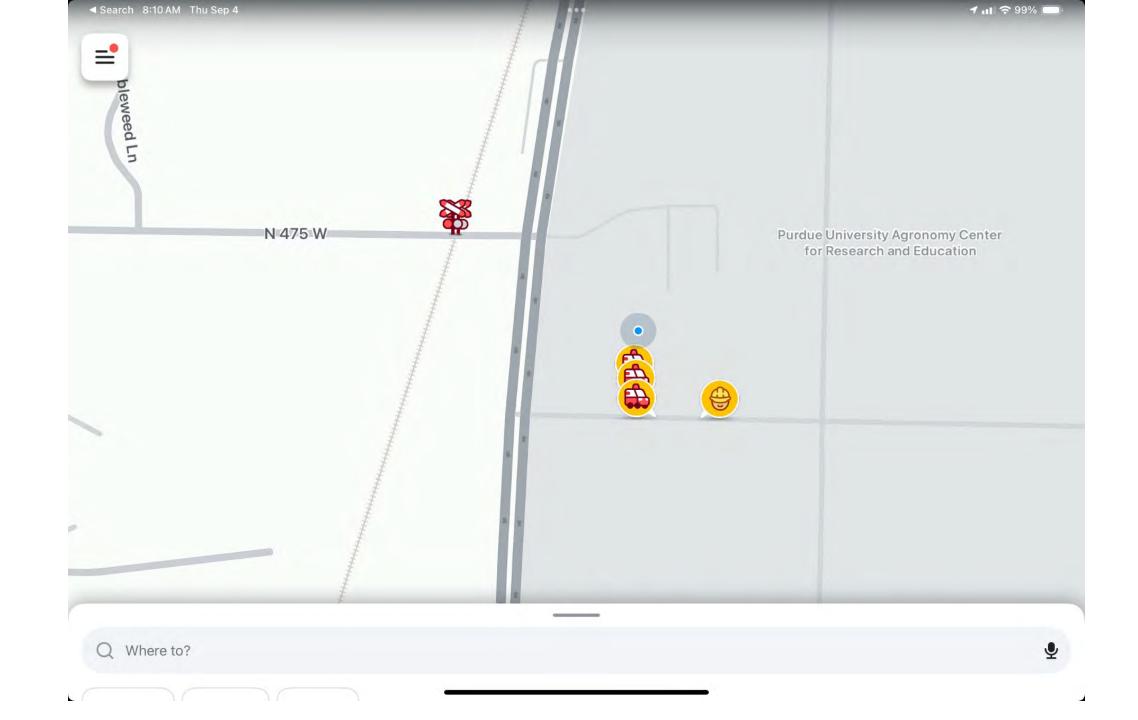
- 1. Hard Braking is powerful tool for monitoring crash risk.
- 2. Opportunities to mitigate back of queue crashes with queue trucks and in vehicle alerts.
- 3. Close proximity to unpaved shoulders should be avoided.
- 4. Hour of day is strong indication of queuing.
- 5. Connected Vehicle Data combined with past projects is particularly valuable for forecasting queues.
- 6. In-Vehicle Alerting is an important supplement to traditional construction signs and message boards.
- 7. Motorists follow Google/Apple/Waze more than our signs. We need to partner with them

#### And a demo









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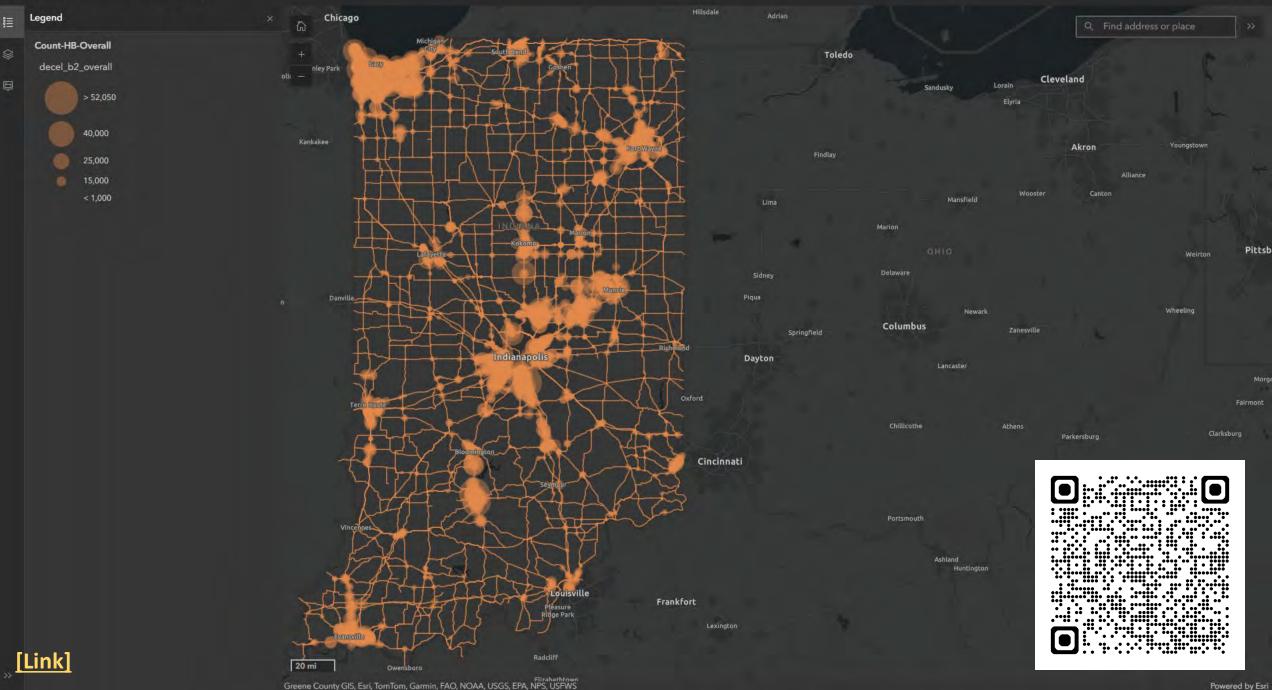




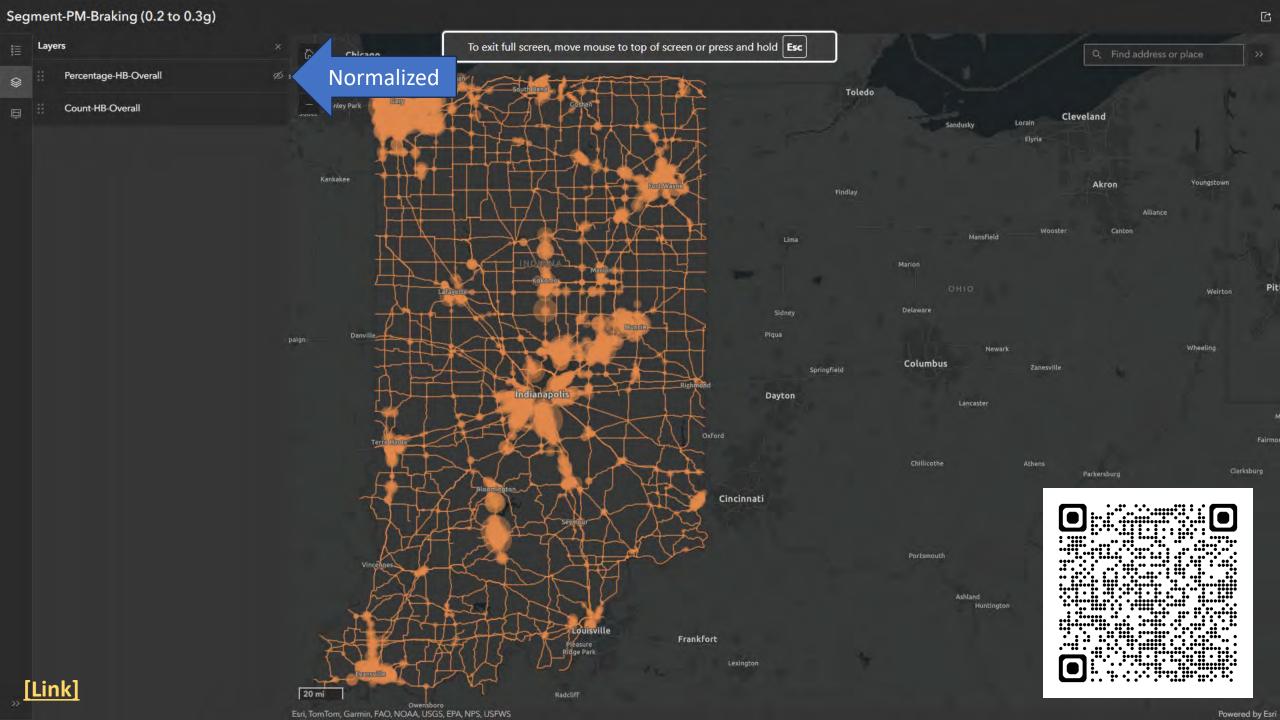




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Freeways PM	X				X	X
Work zones PM	X				X	Emerging
Signals PM	X	,		,	X	X
Incident Diversion	X					
Mobility impact of weather	X					
Surrogates for Crash/Safety Data Hard Braking/ABS	X				X	X
Pavement Condition		X				
Asset Inventory (Signs, Marking)			X	X		Emerging
Work zone activity				X		Emerging