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Star Valley Way Opens to Public

Borden, Ind. (Friday, December 11) – Star Valley Way, formerly referred to as Star Hill Road, is officially open to the public. Clark County and State of Indiana officials celebrated the grand opening of Star Valley Way on Friday, December 11th with a ribbon cutting hosted by One Southern Indiana (1si). The event was attended by representatives from the Clark County Commission, Borden Town Council, Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA), MAC Construction, Lochmueller Group, Jacobi, Tombs and Lanz, Inc., Koetter Woodworking, the public, and 1si Ambassadors and staff.

At the completion of the ceremony, attendees were welcomed to travel the new road. Borden natives and sisters Hazel Scott and Darlene Stillson were the first people to drive the full length of Star Valley Way. “I’m so excited,” Stillson said. “I love it; it’s so beautiful.”

The two-mile expanse directly connects Highway 60 to the intersection of Rake Road and St. John’s Road, allowing for increased traffic between Borden and Starlight, Ind. Star Valley Way features expanded driving lanes, paved shoulders for disabled vehicles, guardrails and for trucks. The project had been in varying stages of discussion and implementation before finally breaking ground on December 7, 2012. The creation of the road was primarily supported by federal funding channeled through INDOT with the remainder coming from Clark County, which included a \$1.1 million Disaster Recover grant from OCRA.

Jack Coffman, President of the Clark County Commissioners, is looking forward to the possibilities associated with the new construction. “The primary thing is that the road will increase the safety for people traveling to Starlight.” Coffman said, “They don’t have to use Dow Knob Road or Borden Greenville Road. We’re also excited about the infrastructure. This is a great opportunity for businesses to move into the area.”

About One Southern Indiana:

One Southern Indiana (1si) was formed in July of 2006 as the economic development organization and chamber of commerce serving Clark and Floyd counties. 1si’s mission is to provide the connections, resources and services that help businesses innovate and thrive in the Southern Indiana / Louisville metro area.

Since its inception, the organization has evolved to include a three-prong approach to serve its members and investors. Business Resources, as the chamber side of the organization, encompasses membership, signature events and programs which support and encourage business growth; Economic Development works to grow the regional economy through the attraction of new commerce and assists with retention and expansion of existing businesses; Advocacy supports businesses at the government level by engaging in the initiatives to preserve, protect and promote a business friendly environment free of obstacles to growth and development of commerce. For more information on One Southern Indiana: www.1si.org.

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Above, Clark County and the State of Indiana officially open the new Star Valley Way to the public. The project took three years, from groundbreaking to ceremonial opening, to complete.