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Focus Question: What problems do you foresee by expanding U.S. 51 to four lanes?

Negative Impacts On Access for Farmers & Property Owners	Negative Impact on Downtown Business	Negative Impact on Landowner's & Schools	Negative Affect on Property Taxes & Reduced Tax Base		Quality of Life for Residents Along Route	Environmental & Conservation
Farm equipment access	Hurt businesses	Economic Impact on Landowner's & Schools.	Impact on Property taxes for Municipalities	•	Relocation for homeowners & businesses	Dirt & Culvert. Water run-off concerns.
Access to Hwy both directions. Private Drive	Loss of business	Landowner concerns - buy-outs "Eminent Domain"	Effect on Property Taxes		"Closeness" to Residential Property	Natural Waterway concerns. River Bottoms
Connectivity - access to private properties	Effect on downtown business	Land Values			If rerouting? Bypass Vandalia??	
	How close to existing Rt. 51?	Property Acquisition		Safety: Roadway design, turnover (Decatur)	Historical Preservation Concerns.	
	By-pass - loss of business activity downtown	Will schools be affected		Safety thru town		
		Four lanes thru town possible?		Safety - more traffic, faster speeds "School Access"		
				Heavier Traffic		