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CLINE AVENUE BRIDGE EMERGING ON THE HORIZON

East Chicago, Ind., February 26, 2020 – Cline Avenue Bridge, LLC, owned and operated by United Bridge Partners, just marked another milestone by securing the 343rd concrete segment in its place within the bridge. With the erection of this segment, one of 685, the bridge is now intact from the west end up to the Indiana Harbor and Ship Canal, making it more than halfway finished and steadily advancing towards completion.

While segment erection progresses from the west end of the mile-long new construction to the east, finishing touches are being added to the driving deck, including the addition of lighting structures, fabrication of barrier walls, and installation of the tolling system. Since Cline Avenue Bridge construction began in June of 2017, the foundations and support columns have been constructed, existing steel bridge preservation work is complete, all the segments have been fabricated, and now superstructure erection has surpassed the halfway point.

When the bridge opens to the public later this year, it will serve as the Gateway of Lake County and help reduce congestion and emissions, spur economic growth, and provide local first responders with a more efficient route while making Lake County more accessible to all. Project and progress updates can be found on the company's social media sites, which are linked through their website at clineave.com.

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Cline Avenue Bridge, LLC is owned by United Bridge Partners (UBP), a private infrastructure company that finances, designs, builds, owns, and operates private toll bridges across the United States, meeting the needs of under-funded state and municipal governments to replace failing bridge infrastructure. UBP is funded by a \$1 billion capital commitment from the New American Bridges Fund, an affiliate of American Infrastructure Funds, and uses no local, state, or federal financing to accomplish private bridge projects. The Cine Avenue Bridge will reconnect SR 912 to Interstate 90 and serve as "The Gateway of Lake County" while providing the most direct route into Lake County and the most timesaving route to Chicago. For more information, visit clineave.com.