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## FBI warned agencies of Iran's threat to U.S.



President Donald Trump publicly has minimized the possibility of Iranian attacks on American soil in response to other intelligence assessments in recent months. KEVIN LAMARQUE/REUTERS FILE

### White House sought to downplay risk of attack

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WASHINGTON – The FBI warned U.S. state and local law enforcement of an elevated threat posed by Iran's government to targets in the United States last month even as the White House sought to downplay the likelihood of an attack, a law enforcement intelligence report reviewed by Reuters shows.

In the March 20 report, the FBI and other federal intelligence agencies cautioned that the Iranian government "poses a persistent threat" to U.S. military and government personnel and buildings,

Jewish and Israeli institutions, and Iranian dissidents in the United States.

Despite those warnings, the FBI and National Counterterrorism Center had not identified broad threats to the American public, the report said.

President Donald Trump publicly has minimized the possibility of Iranian attacks on American soil in response to other intelligence assessments in recent months. When asked outside the White House on March 11 whether he was worried about Iran perpetrating an attack in the United States, Trump said, "No, I'm not."

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## Council OKs connecting road close to the SK Hynix site

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Drivers near the north boundary of city limits will soon encounter construction of a new road intended to meet the needs of increasing development in the area.

County Road 425 North, discussed in county plans that date back to at least 2017, will connect Soldiers Home Road to Yeager Road, running east to west for about 1.7 miles, after city councilors approved a joint county-city cost-sharing plan for the project Monday night. The new road's total cost has not yet been estimated, according to the plan.

The area around the new road site, currently a bridge between suburban and rural at the edge of city limits, will welcome subdivision expansion and a new hospital in years to come.

No project in the area has been more scrutinized than SK Hynix's semiconductor chip plant, which sits less than a half-mile to the south of CR 425 N.

The road's tie to the SK Hynix project in both timeline and proximity drew public discussion, including criticism from a group including Don Collier and Helen and Chris DeMarco, who have publicly opposed the chip plant for months.

SK Hynix construction activity is predicted to peak in 2027 and end in spring 2028, according to traffic commission reports. The new road will be built in two phases, with Phase 1 due to add new traffic lights to surrounding roads and road improvements, including a roundabout connecting CR 425 N to Salisbury Street. The plan councilors approved Monday reads that Phase 1 will be completed by March 2027, and Phase 2 by 2029.

The road will include a multi-use trail along one side and a sidewalk along the other, and landscaping between pedestrians and vehicles along with a landscaped median, according to plans shared on WLMoves.com.

A third-party study commissioned by the city to analyze the effect of additional traffic tied to SK Hynix construction and plant operation estimated that 3,000 vehicles would be added to the area daily during peak traffic hours.

"If we're gonna beef up the roads for industry so we can have some

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## Purdue students: Free carnival, movie and prizes at Ross-Ade

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Stadium Nights, a free event for Purdue students, is scheduled for April 29 at Ross-Ade Stadium. The festivities will run from 6 to 9:30 p.m., according to a community announcement.

Students can look forward to a variety of attractions. The event will feature a

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carnival, exclusive prizes, and a movie on the stadium's jumbotron.

The carnival portion will feature games and opportunities to win mer-

chandise. Free carnival food, including pretzels, popcorn and cotton candy, will also be available.

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receive a Purdue Pete plushie. Additionally, a shuttle service will be provided for Purdue students traveling from Indianapolis.

**A movie and a musical challenge**

The movie "First Man," which stars Ryan Gosling, will be shown from 6 to

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