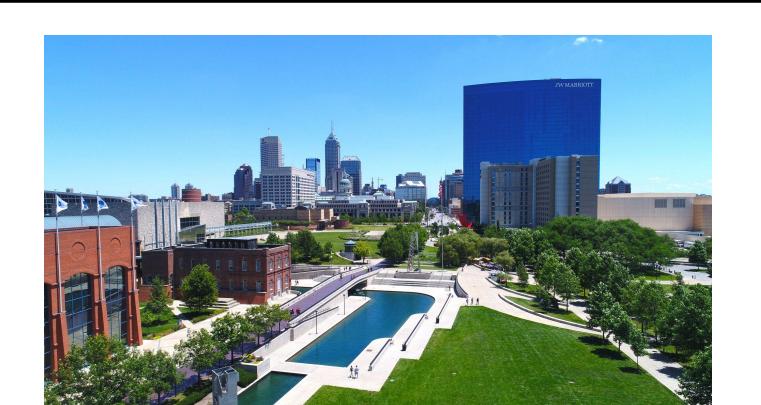
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## Visit Indy: Solar Eclipse Event Planning

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### Introduction



White River State Park



Visit Indy Convention Center Office

- The coming total solar eclipse will occur on April 8, 2024.
- The next solar eclipse passing over the US will not be until August 23, 2044.
- The next solar eclipse that will pass over Indianapolis will be in 2153.
- Indianapolis needs to take advantage of the eclipse to create a great tourism experience.

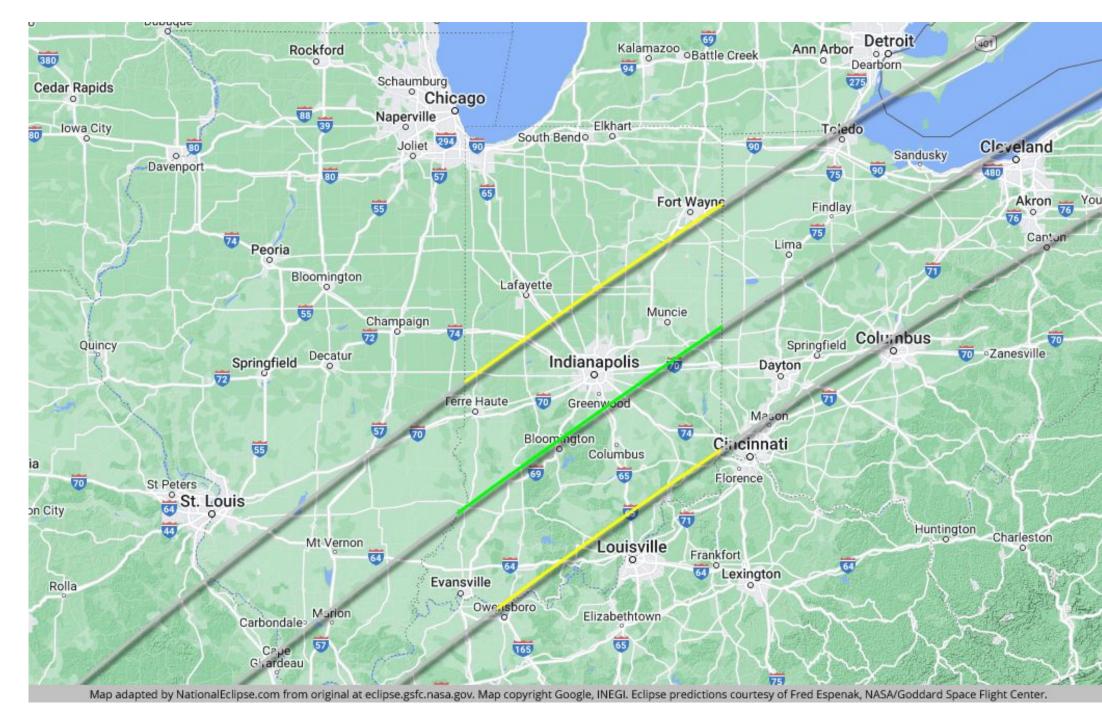
### Timeline



### **Critical Considerations:**

- Eclipse filter lead time
- Eclipse filter manufacturers in high demand as event approaches
- Stakeholder representation
- Public safety
- 2024 Eclipse to be most viewed eclipse to date

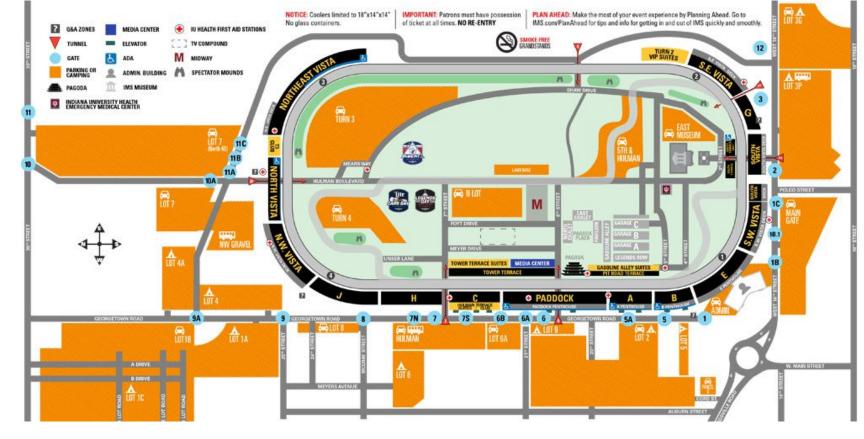
# Competitor Analysis



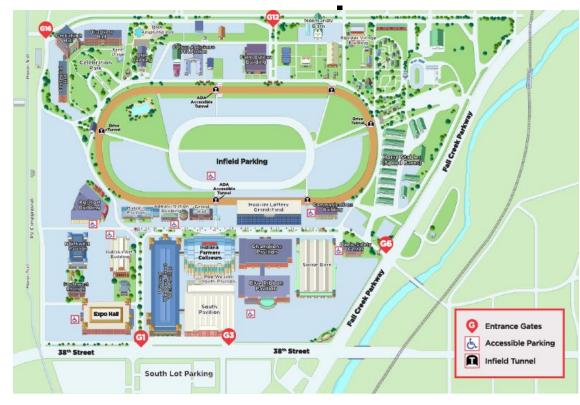
Path of totality through Indianapolis

- Serviceable Operable Market: All states surrounding Indiana
- Cleveland, OH only comparable city in the SOM
- Cities outside SOM: Dallas, Tx; Austin, Tx; New Haven, CT
- Past Events: 2017 Eclipse Fest in Casper, Wyoming and 2017 Music, Arts and Eclipse Festival in Nashville, TN

### RV Research



Indianapolis Motor Speedway RV spots



Indianapolis Fairgrounds RV spots

RV Locations were chosen based off of size, proximity, and RV hookup options.



RV Hookup with Water and Electricity

### RV Hookup Needs and Amenities:

- Fresh water
- Electricity
- Sewage
- Parking pad
- Gas
- Propane
- Laundry Services

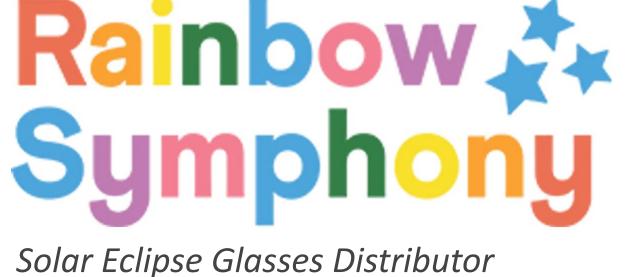
## Eclipse Filters & Branding

### Eclipse Filter Requirements:

- Optical density of five or greater
- Only visible object should be the sun
- Must filter 100% UV light and 100% infrared
- Normal sunglasses let in 1,000x the appropriate amount of light







Smartphone Camera Filter

## Summary



Indianapolis Airport

 Provided valuable information and ideas to Visit Indy prior to their company wide meeting in January for a smooth start.



Total Solar Eclipse

 Proposed possible candidates for Visit Indy's LOC (Local Organizing Committee).



Indianapolis Convention Center

- Developed a timeline for setting up solar eclipse viewing events.
- Brainstormed possible events and viewing locations.