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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Haimbaugh, John, Round Barn

other names/site number 049-544-00013

2. Location

street & number Indiana 25 at CR 400 North N/A not for publication

city or town Rochester vicinity

state Indiana code IN county Fulton code 049 zip code 46975

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date
Indiana Department of Natural Resources

State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

<p>I hereby certify that the property is:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> entered in the National Register. <input type="checkbox"/> See continuation sheet.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> determined eligible for the National Register <input type="checkbox"/> See continuation sheet.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> determined not eligible for the National Register.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> removed from the National Register.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> other, (explain:)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Signature of the Keeper</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Date of Action</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
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Haimbaugh Round Barn

Fulton Co., IN

Name of Property

County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property (Check only one box)

Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

- private, public-local, public-State, public-Federal

- building(s), district, site, structure, object

Table with 2 columns: Contributing, Noncontributing. Rows for buildings, sites, structures, objects, Total.

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

Round and Polygonal Barns of Indiana

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

AGRICULTURE: animal facility

AGRICULTURE: storage

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

OTHER: true-circular barn

foundation CONCRETE, walls WOOD: weatherboard, CONCRETE, roof ASPHALT, other

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

AGRICULTURE

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

1914-1936

Significant Dates

1914

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Kindig, Vernon; Kindig, Oral; and
Kindig, Hap

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibilography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: Historic Landmarks
Foundation of Indiana

Haimbaugh Round Barn
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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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Zone	Easting	Northing	

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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city or town Indianapolis state IN zip code 46202

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional Items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Haimbaugh Family Trust

street & number 740 Starkey Rd. telephone _____

city or town Zionsville state IN zip code 46077

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Located near Rochester in rural Fulton County, Indiana, the John Haimbaugh Round Barn is an unusual and picturesque circular farm structure. Brothers Vernon, Oral, and Hap Kindig built the barn in 1914 for Mr. Haimbaugh. It stands on the west side of Indiana 25 at the end of a long gravel drive that passes the original frame farmhouse (now abandoned) and a modern trailer house. Only the barn and an attached shed are included in this nomination. The site and barn are surrounded by mature trees on all sides and cultivated fields on the north and west. Overall, the barn has good integrity and meets all of the requirements established in the Multiple Property Documentation Form "Round and Polygonal Barns of Indiana".

The seventy-two foot diameter circle is two stories in height and is surrounded on half of its circumference (northwest side) by a twenty foot wide semi-circular one story shed. The roof is a three pitch gambrel with a large shed dormer on the northeast and a metal aerator in lieu of a cupola. The shed, beginning on the northwest side of the main doors on the northeast, proceeds around the back half of the barn to the other main doors on the south west and is covered by a gently sloping roof. The balloon framing of the walls rest on tall (about four feet tall) concrete block walls which in turn rest on poured concrete foundations. Gravel from the farm was used in making the poured concrete. Legend has it that Mr. Haimbaugh insisted on filling the block walls with poured concrete as well, in order to insure stability. The block walls still show no signs of failure.

The roof surfaces are now covered in asphalt shingles rather than wood shingles, a change which does not significantly detract from the building. The roof has a modest eaves with exposed rafters. Exterior frame walls are sheathed in original vertical wood siding. Simple boards are used to frame door and window openings.

The main facade on the northeast (Photo 1) is defined by the large sliding doors mounted on overhead tracks. These doors are composed of vertical planks with an applied diamond panel for

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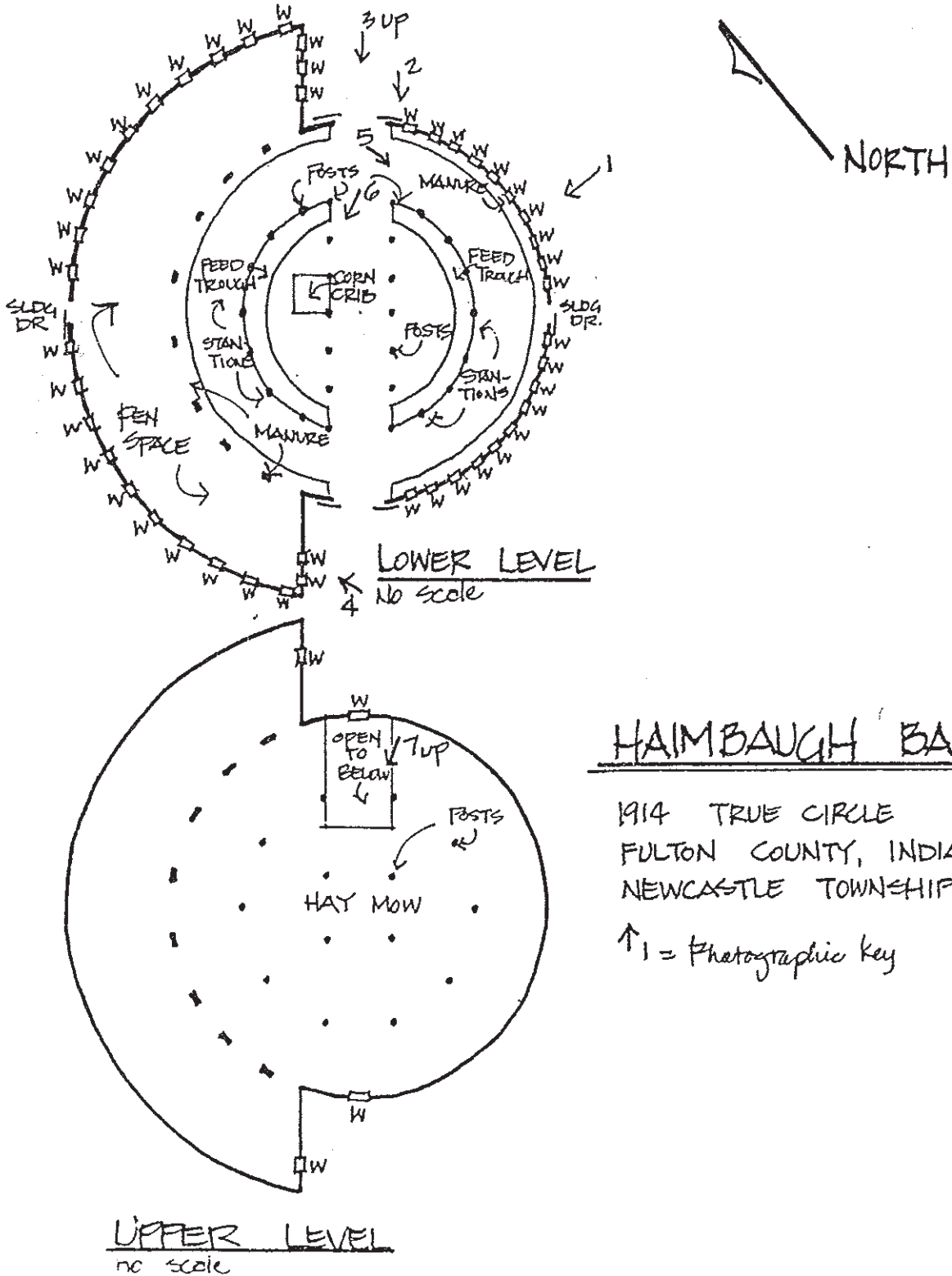
decoration (Photo 2). Further, the door on the northwest side has a smaller human-sized door that allow access to the interior without opening the large main doors. Centered above on the roof is the dormer (Photo 3) with vertical siding on the walls, a single four light window on the north face and a gently sloping pitched roof with exposed rafters. Continuing around the barn and shed in a clockwise manner (Photo 1), there is a series of ten, four light windows before the smaller door on the southeast side and then another ten, four light windows before the other set of main doors on the southwest, identical to those on the northeast. There are no upper level windows on this side of the barn. Next, the shed juts out into the landscape with two, four light windows and a single, upper level four light window centered between these two (Photo 4). The shed is then composed of a series of ten equally spaced four light windows that march around the southwest side, followed by a door and another set of ten, equally spaced four light windows. Finally, the shed returns to the main barn walls by the doors on the northeast with an arrangement identical to that on the southwest side, except that there are three lower level windows instead of two.

The interior of the barn (see floor plan) is a composition of efficiently arranged spaces that facilitated a early twentieth century dairy operation. There is a central drive that runs from the main doors on the northeast and southwest, with the drive delineated by a series of large posts. These posts in turn support huge beams that offer bracing for the radiating floor joists of the upper level. On either side of the main drive are feed alleys that are created by the central posts and a concrete feed trough which forms a circle some forty feet in diameter. On the east side (Photo 5), this concrete trough is followed by a ring of support posts that brace a laminated beam above which helps to carry the weight of the floor joists. Stantions for the milk herd are fitted between the posts, followed by a manure alley along the outer perimeter. The west side (Photo 6) has a similar arrangement but there is a corn crib built into the middle of the feed alley. Finally, along the outer reaches of the west side, there are openings into the attached shed where pens could accommodate the storage of animals.

The upper level, reached by a moveable ladder, is an elaborate engineering feat that is composed of a series of laminated beams and support posts that brace the three roof sections and the dormer (Photo 7). There is an upper laminated beam at the base of the metal aerator section that is braced by a series of cross-timbers that form a web of support. Out from this is another laminated beam that marks the juncture of the upper and second roof pitch and this beam is braced by four support posts spaced equally around the circle. These posts extend from the upper reaches of the barn, through the floor level and finally are braced on the lower level by posts located along

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HAIMBAUGH BARN

1914 TRUE CIRCLE
FULTON COUNTY, INDIANA
NEWCASTLE TOWNSHIP

↑ 1 = Photographic key

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the sides of the central drive. At the intersection of the second and final roof pitches and the top of the dormer unit is the last laminated beam that, like its predecessor, is support by a series of posts, this time numbering ten. These posts also extend through the floor level and are in turn offered lower level support by the ring of posts at the outer reaches of the feed trough. A circular hay track is mounted just inside of this beam and it curves gracefully into the dormer thus allowing for efficient handling of hay and straw inside of the main doors. The roof trusses are then composed of balloon frame stick lumber pieces that radiate upwards toward the barn's center. The floor area of the upper level is open, with the exception of the area just inside of the northeast doors which is left open to accommodate loading and unloading of upper level feed.

The John Haimbaugh barn, quite interesting and unique, is still well-maintained and owned by a private, family trust. The family is quite proud of its heritage to not only the family lines but also to the broader patterns of Indiana history. It is as if the family is aware of the importance of the development of round and polygonal barns in the evolution of agriculture in the state.

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The John Hamibaugh Round Barn, located in Newcastle Township, Fulton County, Indiana, is eligible for the National Register under Criteria A and C for its association with the development of agriculture in Indiana (as illustrated through the development of round and polygonal barns-see historic context "Round and Polygonal Barns of Indiana). The Haimbaugh Barn was built by locally prominent carpenters C.V. Kindig & Sons and features an unusual semi-circular attached shed section. The barn is an important and direct link to the agricultural development that occurred in Indiana from 1850 to 1936 (and beyond) and has changed very little since its construction in 1914. The period of greatest significance of the barn was from 1914 to 1936. After 1936, round and polygonal barns were considered obsolete and the last round structure was built in the state to replace a 1915 round barn that had burned (Grant County, Richland Township, extant).

The original owner of the barn was John Haimbaugh who commissioned prominent Fulton County builders C.V. Kindig & Sons to erect the barn. The Haimbaugh family was well established in the county. John Haimbaugh operated a dairy for which the barn seemed ideal. Timber was harvested from the farm and processed at the nearby Talma sawmill. Gravel for the concrete was mined from a nearby creek. After completion, there were 38 milking stations around the lower level and numerous windows providing ample light to the interior. According to family records, the Haimbaugh boys milked the cows in the morning, evening, and at week's end, each boy receiving one cent for each cow milked. The boys also cleaned the barn every Sunday before church. 1

The Haimbaugh family has always maintained ownership of the barn; the Haimbaugh Family Trust being the owner today. The trust was established for the ongoing maintenance of the barn. Although no longer used as a barn, it remains a well-preserved structure. 2

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The Haimbaugh barn is quite unusual and unique among Indiana examples. Being one of the 77 remaining true circular barns of the 151 that were built (219 round and polygonal barns were built in Indiana), the barn is even more distinct due to the twenty foot deep shed that wraps half way around the barn on the west side. Only one other Indiana example has this type of shed that was integral to the original design, the Dr. Horace Jones barn of Madison County's Boone Township (extant). Furthermore, the decorative qualities of the barn and the attention to detail distinguish it from other examples, from its white trim to the diamond trimmed openings to the quarry-faced concrete block base.

The Haimbaugh round barn, a wonderful example of Indiana's round barns, possesses all of the essential physical features that were present at the time of its period of significance, from 1914 to the mid 1930s. The building has aged but has not been significantly altered since its dedication in 1914 and therefore serves as a link to the development and history of agriculture in Indiana.

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ENDNOTES

1. Doris Hood, Fulton County's Round Barns, (Rochester, IN: Fulton County Round Barn Festival, 1971)
2. John Haimbaugh, Trustee of the Haimbaugh Family Trust, Indianapolis, IN. Interviewed by Jerry McMahan, 17 September 1991.

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10. Geographical Data-continued

Verbal Boundary Description

The Haimbaugh Round Barn is located in the SWSW of Section 22, T31N-R3E in Newcastle Township, Fulton County, Indiana. Referring to the site plan, beginning at point A, which is located 50 feet west of the northwest corner of the house, proceed 100 feet north to point B, then 200 feet west to point C, then 250 feet south to point D, which is on the north bank of Chippewanuck Creek, then proceed 200 feet east to the edge of a private drive at point E, then proceed north to point A, points A, B, and E being points on an imaginary line parallel to yet 50 feet west of the west wall of the house.

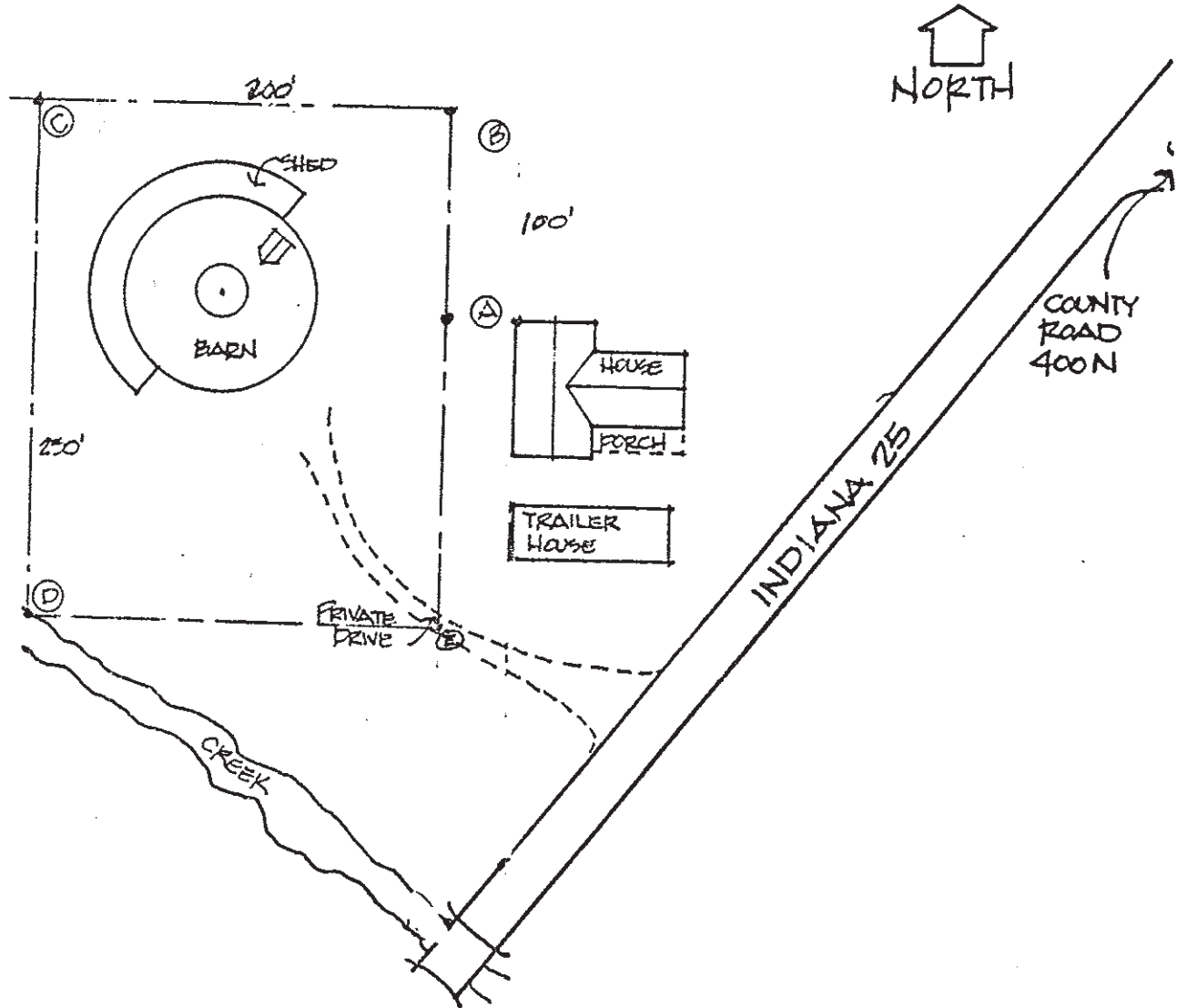
Boundary Justification

The boundary includes only the nominated resource, using local geography and permanent items as reference points.

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HAIMBAUGH BARN

SITE PLAN
NO SCALE

1914 TRUE CIRCLE
FULTON COUNTY, INDIANA
NEWCASTLE TOWNSHIP