



INSPECTOR GENERAL ARRA REPORT

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ARRA REVIEW OF US 31, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY, INDIANA RESURFACING

Indiana Inspector General David O. Thomas, after an inspection and review by Special Agent Darrell Boehmer, reports as follows:

This report addresses an inspection and evaluation by Special Agent Darrell Boehmer regarding the progress of a project funded by money from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).¹ The ARRA intends to provide a stimulus to the United States economy by providing \$787 billion in program funding and tax credits.² Indiana is to receive over \$4 billion in ARRA funding.

The purpose of this report is to document a physical inspection of a project funded in whole or in part by ARRA funds.

The OIG's enabling statute provides that the OIG is responsible for addressing fraud, waste, abuse and wrongdoing in agencies. IC 4-2-7-2(b). The

¹ American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, P.L. No. 111-5, 123 Stat. 115 (2009).

² See: <http://www.recovery.gov>.

OIG is also to review and recommend policies and carry out other activities designed to deter, detect, and eradicate fraud, waste, abuse, mismanagement, and misconduct in state government. IC 4-2-7-3(2).

Based upon these authorities, random ARRA projects were selected from the Invest Indiana website map (<http://www.in.gov/gov/countyarra.htm>). This website specifies ARRA projects by county.

A physical inspection was then made of the selected project. The inspection was limited to a visual review of the work that had occurred.

In this case, Contract SRS-31875-A was inspected. This was an asphalt resurfacing of US 31 Fulton County Line to Old US 31, Kosciusko County, Indiana. The location of this project began at US 31 Fulton County Line to Old US 31, Kosciusko County, Indiana. This project did not appear to have been recently resurfaced.

In addition to a visual inspection, photographs were taken of the area and are included in Exhibit A, attached hereto.

As the inspection revealed that the type of work to be performed was not completed, this case will be suspended and monitored for completion.

Dated this 16th day of March, 2012.

APPROVED BY:

/s/

David O. Thomas, Inspector General

EXHIBIT A:

