nty F	ranklin	Route SR	252	Des. No1700194
CA	ΓEGORICAL EXCI	LUSION / EN	vironmental Document VIRONMENTAL	ASSESSMENT FORM
Road	No./County:	State Road (SI	R) 252/Franklin Count	y
Desig	nation Number:	1700194		
Proje	ct Description/Termini:	Slide Correction of US 52.	on Project along SR 25	52, approximately 0.80 mile eas
	mpleting this form, I conclude pprove if Level 4 CE):	that this project qualific	es for the following type of C	Categorical Exclusion (FHWA must
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				eria for Categorical Exclusion Manu S (Environmental Services Division
			osed action meets the crite ired Signatories: ESM, ES	eria for Categorical Exclusion Manu S, FHWA
			uire a separate FONSI. Activironment. Required Sign	dditional research and documentationatories: ES, FHWA
Approv	ESM Signature	Date	ES Signature	Date
Release	FH for Public Involvement	WA Signature	Date	
ESM I	nitials	Date	ES Initials	Date
Certific	cation of Public Involveme	ntOffice of Public	Involvement Da	ute
Note: Do	o not approve until after Section	n 106 public involveme	ent and all other environment	al requirements have been satisfied.
	ES/District Env. er Signature:		Date:	
Name as Prepares	nd Organization of CE/EA r:	Chad Costa/Lochmue	eller Group	
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	nring is required for all on a	historic bridges processe	ed under the Histori	c Bridges Programmatic A	greement between INDOT,
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*If other is	selected, please identi	fy the funding source:			
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PURPO	SE AND NEED	:						
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	ose of the projec	t is to restore the sectential for future slide						
PROJE	CT DESCRIPTI	ON (PREFERRED	ALTERN	ATIVE):				
County:	Franklin		Municipa	ality: <u>Brookville</u>				
Limits of	Proposed Work:	Along SR 252, begin of US 52 for a total l			ast of US 52 and	ending approx	ximately 0.8	6 mile east
Total Wo	rk Length:	0.20 Mile(s)		Total Work	Area: 1.	80 Acre	e(s)	
		ntion Study / Interchal A grant a conditional a			JS) required?		'es ¹ Date:	No X
	r IJS is required; the IMS/IJS.	a copy of the approv	ed CE/EA d	document must be	submitted to the	e FHWA with	n a request	for final
preferred all improve safe The Federal	ternative. Include ety or roadway de eral Highway Ad	escribe existing condi- e a discussion of logical eficiencies if these ar eministration (FHWA ong SR 252 in Frank	cal termini. Te issues. A) and the l	Discuss any majo	or issues for the	project and	how the pr	oject will
Location The proje	: ect is located alor	ng SR 252, approxima 1 28, Township 9 N	ately 0.8 mi	ile east of US 52. S				
	•	00 quadrangles (App	endix B, pa	age B2).				
Within the travel lar	nes (one in each d	SR 252 is functional irection) with a 1 to 4 osted speed limit on S	4-foot wide	usable shoulder a	long the westbo	und lane and	l no should	er along
via a road	side ditch draining	from east to west. The hese structures all di	e ditch out	lets into three sma	ill structures wit	thin the proje	ect area (A	ppendix
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runs parallel to SR 252 south of the project limits. Adjacent land use within the project area includes residential and forested land (Appendix B, page B3).

Preferred Alternative:

The preferred alternative will construct a soldier pile wall with ground anchors along SR 252 to reinforce the landslide area along the south side of the roadway. The piles will be installed on varying 7 feet and 8 feet centers and will be embedded to a minimum of 10 feet into the weathered shale and an additional 2 feet into bedrock. Concrete lagging panels will be installed between the soldier piles to retain the earth. Drilling to a depth of 30 feet will occur to install shafts for the new retaining wall. Installation of this new retaining wall will require the removal of the existing stone retaining wall along the south side of the roadway. New guardrail, approximately 1,088 feet in length will be installed along the eastbound shoulder.

The proposed roadway typical section will consist of two 11-foot travel lanes, a 4-foot paved shoulder with guardrail along the eastbound lane, and a 2-foot paved shoulder along the westbound lane. A concrete gutter will accommodate drainage along the westbound lane. To accommodate construction of the wall and provide maintenance access a 12-foot wide aggregate haul road will be constructed along the south side of the wall (Appendix B, page B19). Beyond the haul road, Class II riprap will be placed along the sideslope for erosion control.

To help minimize impacts to the existing westbound roadside ditch, adjacent steep wooded hillside, and utilities, the proposed roadway will be shifted south 2 feet to 4 feet. This shift will allow the required 2-foot paved shoulders on the north side to be constructed and the 4-foot paved shoulder on the south side to accommodate guardrail. Also, to help improve safety of the roadway, the horizontal curve superelevation and associated transition rates are being improved. These improvements will be completed with a combination of widening, mill and overlay, and variable depth intermediate hot mix asphalt (HMA) pavement.

The roadway reconstruction will involve full-depth replacement of the roadway along the eastbound lanes. Beginning about midway into the eastbound lane to the edge of the shoulder along the westbound lane, the roadway surface will be milled to a depth of 1.5 inches and an HMA overlay will be applied the entire length of the project.

Two culverts conveying stormwater and roadside drainage under SR 252 will be replaced with culverts that are hydraulically sufficient in size. Excavation will occur to replace the existing CMP culverts, remove the existing stone retaining wall, and reconstruct the roadway and will not exceed 10 feet. No new permanent lighting will be installed and the use of temporary lighting during construction is not anticipated. Please refer to Appendix B for maps depicting the project area (Appendix B, pages B1 to B4), photographs of the project area (Appendix B, pages B5 to B13), and the Preliminary Design Plans (Appendix B, pages B14 to B23).

The termini of the project provide the logical beginning and end point necessary to complete the slide correction. The project is independent of any other action and able to be constructed without relying on the completion of any other project.

The proposed maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan includes the complete closure of SR 252 within the project area. An official detour utilizing will be established. Please refer to the *Maintenance of Traffic* section of this document for full details.

The preferred alternative meets the purpose and need of the project by correcting the existing deficiencies in the roadway pavement and stabilizing the roadway sideslope which will prevent any further landslides.

OTHER ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

Describe all discarded alternatives, including the Do-Nothing Alternative and an explanation of why each discarded alternative was not selected.

<u>Soil Nail Wall:</u> This alternative would involve the construction of a soil nail wall to stabilize the land slide. Due to the slope and extent of the slide, the soil nailing would have to extend further down the slope along the eastbound lane of SR 252 than the preferred alternative. This would require additional tree clearing and have resulted in more stream impacts. Additionally,

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Route	SR 252	Des. No.	1700194				
No Build Alternative: This alternative involved not improving the roadway along SR 252 where a landslide is causing for the road to fracture. Not addressing slide and roadway deterioration in the roadway would likely result in the continued sliding of the roadway side slope and the eventual failure of the road. While this alternative eliminates costs and any environmental impacts, it would not have met the objectives of the purpose and need of the project because it would result in the failure of the roadway. Therefore, this alternative was discarded from further consideration.							
The Do Nothing Alternative is not feasible, prudent or practicable because (Mark all that apply): It would not correct existing capacity deficiencies; It would not correct the existing roadway geometric deficiencies; It would not correct existing deteriorated conditions and maintenance problems; or It would result in serious impacts to the motoring public and general welfare of the economy. Other (Describe)							
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Existing	Proposed						
Travel lanes	Travel lanes 28 ft. 2-4 ft. N/A ft. N/A ft.						
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DESIGN CRITERI	A FOR BRIDGE	S:			
Structure/NBI Num	ber(s): N/A		Sufficiency Rating:	N/A (Rating, Source	te of Information)
	Exist	ing	Proposed		
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Will the structure b	e rehabilitated or re has multiple bridge	placed as part of th	es, this section should be filled	Yes	No N/A
Provisions will be Provisions will be Provisions will be Will the proposed N	dway proposed? blve the use of a delete made for access e made for through e made to accomn MOT substantially of	by local traffic and a n-traffic dependent be nodate any local spe hange the environm		·	Yes No
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Date projec	t incorporated into STIP	July 2, 2019						
Is the proje	ct in an MPO Area? [Yes No X						
If yes,								
Name of M	MPO N/A							
Location o	f Project in TIP N/A							
Date of inc	corporation by reference	e into the STIP N//	A	_				_
RIGHT OF	WAY:							
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Commercia	I				0		0	
Agricultural					0		0	
orest					1.73		0	
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Other:	itained Roadside				0		0	
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	UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River flows southwest within the survey area, north of SR 252. The ordinary high water mark (OHWM) was 4.6 feet wide by 0.8 feet deep. UNT 4 would likely be considered jurisdictional due to the hydrologic connectivity to Whitewater River, a TNW, via East Fork Whitewater River. This stream is outside of the construction limits of the project and will not be impacted.								
	River, a USACI Certification (W	E Section 404 Re	gional Go	eneral Permit l. Because im	(RGP) and an pacts are below	n IDEM Section w the 300 linear to	ast Fork Whitewater 401 Water Quality feet and/or 0.1 acre ikely be required.		
	of Natural Resor	arces (IDNR) Div ly 18, 2019 (App	ision of I	Fish and Wild	life (DFW), an	nd the US Army	Indiana Department Corps of Engineers spond to the early		
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		bilities			Presence	Yes No			
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	A Waters of the U.S. Determination Report was approved by INDOT EWPO on August 29, 2019 (Appendix F, pages F1 to F23). It was determined that no other surface water resources exist within the project area. The USACE makes all final determinations regarding jurisdiction.								
Early coordination letters were sent to the USFWS, the IDNR DFW, and the USACE on July 18, 2019 (Appendix C, pages C1 to C4). The USACE did not respond to the early coordination letter. The USFWS responded on July 30, 2019 and had no recommendations relating to other surface waters (Appendix C, pages C14 to C15). The IDNR responded on August 16, 2019 and had no recommendations relating to other surface waters (Appendix C, pages C45 to C47).									
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				ONR DFW, and the USA to the early coordination l	
	The USFWS respo	nded on July 30, 2019 ar	nd had no recomme	ndations relating to wetlar	nds (Appendix C, pages
	impacts to fish, with C47). Their resp	ldlife, and botanical re-	sources to the great mmendations perf	dations to avoid, minimi test extent possible (App aining to wetland imp	endix C, pages C45 to
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•	ligh Quality Habitat	ted (i.e. forested, grassl	X	X	Use the remarks box to identify each
Remarks:	project area (Appe Dominant vegetat (Schedonorus arum 1.2 acre of ground roadway and 0.2 a remove the existin a depth of 30 feet v is not feasible as th	andix B, page B3) there ion within the project dinaceus), and Kentuck disturbance. The project icre of maintained road g stone retaining wall, a will also occur to install see project limits are require roadway which meets	is upland forest a area includes Shry bluegrass (<i>Poa p</i> t will disturb appro- side. Excavation v and reconstruct the shafts for the new re- tired for the correct	r Lochmueller Group, and maintained roadside water and so ak (Quercus stratensis). The project will eximately one acre of forest will occur to replace the croadway and will not exceptaining wall. The avoidartion of the slide, replacement for the project, as detained and maintain and the slide of the project, as detained and the slide of the project will be slide of the project will be slide.	within the project area. humardii), tall fescue require approximately at within 100 feet of the existing CMP culverts, eed 10 feet. Drilling to nee of terrestrial habitat ent of the culverts, and
	Early coordination C1 to C4).	letters were sent to the	USFWS and the II	ONR DFW on July 18, 20	19 (Appendix C, pages
	wildlife crossings		to C15). All appli	ons to avoid or minimize in cable USFWS recommen	
	potential bat habita	at and any potential wil	dlife crossings wit	mmendations to avoid on the project area (Appuded in the <i>Environmental</i>	endix C, pages C45 to
	Applicable recommon vegetation, impler permitting agency	mendations from the Properties erosion and se	roposed Roadway diment control mo I recommendation	on July 19, 2019 (Append Letter include limiting c easures, and coordinating s are included as comm	disturbance of riparian g with the appropriate
		ovements observed in the prize in the prize of the prize		ges and other areas appear to	o be the sole corridor for

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	proposed project located v rst features located within				Yes	No X X
	If yes, will the project in the project in the project and the project area (Appendix there are no karst feats Geological Survey (IGC10 to C12). The IGS of they identified low pot with the designer on M	view, the proposed pr r 13, 1993 Memorano x B, page B2) and the ares identified within S) did not indicate the did identify high poten ential for bedrock and	project area. (Karst oject is located outs dum of Understanding water resources may the project area. In at karst features may nitial for liquefaction d sand and gravel re	side the designated ng (MOU). Accord nap of the RFI report the early coordinate y exist in the project and slope instabilit	karst reging to the rt (Apportion reset area (Ayr) in the	gion of Indiana, as ne topo map of the endix E, page E8), ponse, the Indiana Appendix C, pages area. Additionally,
Within ti Any criti Federal State sp	d or Endangered Specie he known range of any fer ical habitat identified withi species found in project are pecies found in project are	deral species n project area area (based upon info a (based upon consu	Itation with IDNR)	Presence X S No X	[Impacts Yes No X
Remarks:	Based on a desktop rev Franklin County Endar E, page E11. The high within the county. According C, pages C39 to C41), species listed as state evicinity. Project information was portal, and an official sof the federally endang (NLEB) (Myotis septenthan the Indiana bat and The project qualifies follong-eared bat (NLEB Administration (FRA), completed on July 26, Adversely Affect" the 29, 2019, and requeste received from USFWS finding. Avoidance and Commitments section of the county of the commitments section of the county of the c	agered, Threatened, ar alighted species on the ording to the IDNR Do the Natural Heritage I for federally threatened as submitted through species list was generally threatened as the Range-wide Proposition of the Range-	and Rare Species List the list reflect the fed FW early coordination of Program's Database and, endangered or rate the USFWS's Informated (Appendix C, protes sodalis) and the mal species were found bat. The responses proving the responses proving the finding (Appendix C, proving FE) and the responses proving the finding (Appendix C) and the finding (Appendix C)	has been checked a deral and state ident on response dated A has been checked. The have been report mation for Planning pages C45 to C47). The federally threatened and within or adjaced and USFWS. An effect ded, the project was eviewed and verified ndix C, pages C22 fefore, it was conclusive to the ded, the state of the project was eviewed and verified ndix C, pages C22 fefore, it was conclusive to the ded, the project was eviewed and verified ndix C, pages C22 fefore, it was conclusive to the ded, the project was eviewed and verified ndix C, pages C22 fefore, it was conclusive to the ded.	nd is inceptified ETA august 1 To date, ted to one of the project of the end of the end of the end of the end of the effect determines found at the effect of C37). Indeed the	eluded in Appendix IR species located 6, 2019 (Appendix no plant or animal ccur in the project consultation (IPaC) ect is within range ern long-eared bat e project area other as bat and northern Federal Railroad rmination key was to "Not Likely to ect finding on July No response was by concur with the

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	Species Act, as am	need for further consulta ended. If new informati anged, USFWS will be o	on on endange	ered species a		
SECTION	IB – OTHER RESC	URCES				
	Vater Resources			Presence	Impa Yes	ncts No
	nd Protection Area Vater System(s)					
	ntial Well(s)					
	Water Protection Area	(s)				
Sole So	ource Aquifer (SSA)					
If a SSA	A is present, answer th	e following:		Yes	No	
ls t	the Project in the St. J	oseph Aquifer System?				
	the FHWA/EPA SSA N					
	tial Groundwater Asse					
De	tailed Groundwater As	ssessment Required?				
	States Environment to this project. No The IDEM Wellhe was accessed on Ju Area or Source Wa The IDNR Water V on July 19, 2019 by anticipated. Based on a desktop Group on July 19, 2 Area Boundary loc Based on a desktop	egally designated sole so al Protection Agency Solimpacts are expected. and Proximity Determinately 18, 2019 by Lochmuel ter Area. No impacts are Vell Web Record Databar Lochmueller Group. No preview of the INDOT 2019 and the RFI report (action. No impacts are expected.	tor website (her Group. The expected. se website (http://www.expected.) MS4 website (Appendix E, poected.)	ttp://www.in.jis project is no eps://www.in.stated near the full (https://entapp.page E3); this	gov/idem/cleanwa to located within a gov/dnr/water/359 project area. There ps.indot.in.gov/MS project is not located within a control of the	ter/pages/wellhead/) Wellhead Protection 5.htm) was accessed fore, no impacts are 44/) by Lochmueller ted within an Urban all map of the project
Transve Project Homes	dinal Encroachment erse Encroachment located within a regula located in floodplain w	ithin 1000' up/downstrea			Yes	No
וטiscuss impa	cts according to classi	fication system described	ı ın tne "Proce	aurai Manual	τοr Preparing Envi	ronmental Studies".
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Remarks:	accessed on July 17, 2 approved IDNR floodr	019 by Lochmueller (lain maps (Appendix	Group. This project F, page F19). There	ttp://dnrmaps.dnr.in.gov/aris not located in a regulate efore, it does not fall within. No impacts are expected	ory floodplain from n the guidelines for
			Presence	<u>Impacts</u>	
	ural Lands armland (per NRCS)			Yes No]
	nts (from Section VII of C greater, see CE Manual for g		N/A		
See CE Manu Remarks:	area (Appendix B, pa Protection Policy Act apply to this project; th	view, a site visit on Juge B3), there is no (FPPA) within or adjectefore, no impacts are conservation Service (ane 24, 2019 by Loc land that meets the facent to the project e expected. An early (NRCS). The NRCS	hmueller Group, the aerial definition of farmland u area. The requirements o coordination letter was ser responded on December 2	nder the Farmland of the FPPA do not nt on July 18, 2019,
SECTION	C - CULTURAL RES	OURCES			
Minor Projec	cts PA Clearance		e INDOT Ap	pproval Dates	N/A
Results of F	Research	Eligible and/or Resource Pr			
Archaeology NRHP Build NRHP Distri NRHP Bridg	ings/Site(s) ict(s)				
Project Effec	t				
No Historic F	Properties Affected	No Adverse E	ffect A	dverse Effect	
Historic Prop Historic Prop Archaeologic Archaeologic Archaeologic Archaeologic Archaeologic	cal Records Check/ Reviecal Phase la Survey Repo cal Phase lc Survey Repo cal Phase II Investigation cal Phase III Data Recove ity and Effect Determinati	rt	ES/FHWA Approval Date(s)	SHPO Approval Date	(s)
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Memorandui	m of Agreement (MOA)		MOA Signature Date	s (List all signatories)
categories out in local newsp	tlined in the remarks box. The col	mpletion of ion date, na	the Section 106 proce me of paper(s) and the	nary of the Section 106 process, using the less requires that a Legal Notice be published e comment period deadline. Likewise include ligation or deep trenching.
Remarks:	guidelines of Category A, Type (MPPA) (Appendix D, pages E covers installation, replacement. There is a pipe that begins at a st of SR 252. According to researc of mid to late twentieth century late nineteenth or early twentiet	9 and Catego 1 to D7). 6, repair, linitone head who done by V construction h century context tha	gory B, Type 9 under the Category A-9 covers and or extension of cultural lands and the SR 252 and Veintraut & Associate and The stone head wall construction. The culve the suggests it might head was constructed to the cultural lands and the suggests it might be categories.	determined that this project falls within the he Minor Projects Programmatic Agreement erosion control measures and category B-9 verts and other drainage structures. d protrudes from a stone retaining wall south s, the stone retaining wall south of SR 252 is on the north side of SR 252 appears to be of ert that conveys drainage through these head have engineering or historical significance. bry B-9.
SECTION	archaeological deposits, no arch	naeological process an	investigation was per d the responsibilities	ils or on a slope that is too steep to contain formed. No further consultation is required. of the FHWA under Section 106 have been
Parks & Ot Publicl Publicl	f) Involvement (mark all that apply ther Recreational Land ly owned park ly owned recreation area (school, state/national forest, bikew		<u>Presence</u>	Yes No
"D	ogrammatic Section 4(f)* e minimis" Impact* dividual Section 4(f)		Evaluations Prepared	FHWA Approval date
Nation Nation State V	Waterfowl Refuges al Wildlife Refuge al Natural Landmark Wildlife Area Nature Preserve		<u>Presence</u>	Yes No
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"De Indi	grammatic Section 4(f)* minimis" Impact* vidual Section 4(f)		Evaluations Prepared Presence	FHWA Approval date Use	
Historic Pro Sites el	operties igible and/or listed on the NRHP			Yes No	
"De Indi <i>*FHWA appro</i> v		t also serve	Evaluations Prepared es as approval of a	FHWA Approval date any Section 4f Programmatic and/or De minimis	
Discuss Programmatic Section 4(f) and "de minimis" Section 4(f) impacts in the remarks box below. Individual Section 4(f) documentation must be separate Draft and Final documents. For further discussions on Programmatic, "de minimis" and Individual Section 4(f) evaluations please refer to the "Procedural Manual for the Preparation of Environmental Studies". Discussion or proposed alternatives that satisfy the requirements of Section 4(f). Remarks: Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966 prohibits the use of certain public and historic lands for federally funded transportation facilities, unless there is no feasible and prudent alternative. The law applies to significant publicly owned parks, recreational areas, wildlife/waterfowl refuges, and NRHF eligible or listed historical properties regardless of ownership. Lands subject to this law are considered Section 4(f) resources. Based on a desktop review, a site visit on June 24, 2019 by Lochmueller Group, the aerial map of the project area (Appendix B, page B3), and the RFI report (Appendix E, page E7), there are no Section 4(f) resources within or adjacent to the project area. Therefore, no impacts are expected.					
Section 6(f)) Involvement		<u>Presence</u>	<u>Use</u>	
Section 6(f)) Property			Yes No	
Discuss propo Remarks:	The U.S. Land and Water Conse (LWCF) which was created to Section 6(f) of this Act prohibits A review of Section 6(f) proper total of six properties in Frankli	ervation Fur preserve, of s conversion ty list on the n County (A	nd Act of 1965 esta develop, and assur n of lands purchase e INDOT ES webs Appendix J, page J	ablished the Land and Water Conservation Fund e accessibility to outdoor recreation resources. Ed with LWCF monies to a non-recreation use. Site (https://www.in.gov/indot/2523.htm) revealed a 11). None of these properties are located within pacts to Section 6(f) resources as a result of this	
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SECTION	E – Air Qual	ity					
Co Is t If Y	he project in ar (ES, then: Is the project is the project of the project is Is the project is a hot sport of MSAT An	in the most current exempt from conformation in the Transport analysis required?	t MPO TIP? ormity? on conformity, rtation Plan (1 ed (CO/PM)?				
Remarks:	The FY 2020-2024 STIP is listed based on the lead Des. No. in the contract. The lead Des. No. for this contract is 1700195. The FY 2020-2024 STIP includes Des. No. 1700194 by reference with the contract number R-40431 (Appendix H, page H1). This project is located within Franklin County, which is currently in attainment for all criteria pollutants according to the IDEM website (https://www.in.gov/idem/airquality/2339.htm). Therefore, the conformity procedures of 40 CFR Part 93 do not apply. This project is of a type qualifying as a categorical exclusion (Group 1) under 23 CFR 771.117(c), or exempt under the Clean Air Act conformity rule under 40 CFR 93.126, and as such, a Mobile Source Air Toxics analysis is not required.						
SECTION	F - NOISE						
	nalysis require	No			OT's traffic noise policy?	Yes	No X
Remarks: This is a Type III project. In accordance with 23 CFR 772 and the current <i>INDOT Traffic Noise Analysis Procedure</i> , this action does not require a formal noise analysis.							
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G – COMMUNITY II	MPACTS					
posed action comply woosed action result in so posed action result in so ction activities impact community have an approve steps being made to	th the local/regional devubstantial impacts to corubstantial impacts to local community events (festivoved transition plan? advance the community	nmunity cohesion? al tax base or property values? als, fairs, etc.)? 's transition plan?	Yes No			
The project will ultimately be beneficial to local businesses and properties due to improvements of deteriorating roadway condition and it will not substantially change access to properties within the area. Overall, the negative impacts to property owners within the project area will be minimal and will consist primarily of short-term construction impacts. No relocations are expected. Property owners will be provided access throughout the duration of the project to reduce impacts as much as possible. The project is not anticipated to result in substantial impacts to community cohesion, because it will not change access to properties within the area. The project is not expected to impact the surrounding community or cause economic impacts to the surrounding area. Therefore, this project will have minimal or no negative impacts to the community or local economy. According to the Fairs and Festivals website (www.indianafestivals.org), accessed on July 22, 2019 by Lochmueller Group, there are 13 fairs and festivals scheduled within 10 miles of the project. The project will close SR 252 and utilize a detour during construction, which will last approximately 6 months (Appendix B, page B20). Although a detour will be required and traffic delays may occur, this project should not adversely affect access to these festivals. The MOT may pose delays and temporary inconveniences to traveling motorists (including school buses and emergency services); however, all inconveniences will cease upon project completion. The MOT for the project is not anticipated to impact access to community events. The project sponsor will be responsible for contacting school districts and emergency services at least two weeks prior to any construction activities that would limit access, this is included as a commitment in Section J: Environmental Commitments. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan for Franklin County, Indiana was approved and implemented on October 9, 2018. The						
		nulative impacts?	Yes No X			
but are still reasonal related to induced chaffect the environment and reasonably fores The purpose of the activity. As such, the to any currently under	oly foreseeable. Indirect anges in the pattern of lent which result from the it which result from the it eeable future actions regular project is to correct exproject will not add capateveloped area. Therefore	t effects may include growth in and use, population density, or g neremental impact of the action of gardless of what agency or person cisting roadway condition deficacity to the existing roadway network, the project is not expected to	ducing effects and other effects growth rate. Cumulative impacts when added to other past, present, in undertakes such other actions. iencies resulting from landslide work or provide additional access			
	G – COMMUNITY INCOMMUNITY INCO	Community & Neighborhood Factors posed action comply with the local/regional deviposed action result in substantial impacts to corposed action result in substantial impacts to locition activities impact community events (festivormunity have an approved transition plan? esteps being made to advance the community oject comply with the transition plan? (explain in the project comply with the transition plan? (explain in the project comply with the transition plan? (explain in the project to property owners within the project construction impacts. No relocations are explained on the project to reduce impacts a substantial impacts to community cohesion, be project is not expected to impact the surrour area. Therefore, this project will have minimarea. Therefore, this project will have minimarea. Therefore, this project will have minimarea. Therefore, this project will be required affect access to these festivals. The MOT may pose delays and temporary in emergency services); however, all inconver project is not anticipated to impact access to contacting school districts and emergency services would limit access, this is included as a community access. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) implemented on October 9, 2018. The project or create any additional barriers to access. Therefore, no pedestrian facilities will be imposed action result in substantial indirect or currently and the project is to correct exactivity. As such, the project is to correct exactivity. As such, the project will not add capt to any currently undeveloped area. Therefore	Community & Neighborhood Factors posed action comply with the local/regional development patterns for the area? posed action result in substantial impacts to community cohesion? posed action result in substantial impacts to local tax base or property values? ction activities impact community events (festivals, fairs, etc.)? ction activities impact community events (festivals, fairs, etc.)? community have an approved transition plan? re steps being made to advance the community's transition plan? roject comply with the transition plan? (explain in the remarks box) The project will ultimately be beneficial to local businesses and properties due roadway condition and it will not substantially change access to properties with impacts to property owners within the project area will be minimal and will construction impacts. No relocations are expected. Property owners will be duration of the project to reduce impacts as much as possible. The project substantial impacts to community cohesion, because it will not change access project is not expected to impact the surrounding community or cause econ area. Therefore, this project will have minimal or no negative impacts to the According to the Fairs and Festivals website (www.indianafestivals.org), Lochmueller Group, there are 13 fairs and festivals scheduled within 10 mile close SR 252 and utilize a detour during construction, which will last appropage B20). Although a detour will be required and traffic delays may occur, affect access to these festivals. The MOT may pose delays and temporary inconveniences to traveling moto emergency services); however, all inconveniences will cease upon project would limit access, this is included as a commitment in Section J: Environme. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan for Franklin Complemented on October 9, 2018. The project will comply with the publish not create any additional barriers to access. No existing pedestrian facilities Therefore, no pedestrian facilities will be impacted by the project.			

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Will the properties with t	ilities & Services posed action result in suites, emergency services facilities? Discuss how	s, religious institutions,	airports, public	ransportation or pedes	trian	No X			
Remarks:	area (Appendix B, pa within 0.5 mile of the	ge B3), and the RFI re project area. No publi	port (Appendix ic facilities are v	Lochmueller Group, the E, page E7) there are the sylvithin or adjacent to the e, no impacts are expected.	five public fac e project area	cilities located			
	Early coordination information was sent to Franklin County Community School Corporation, Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Franklin County Council, Franklin County Highway Department, and Franklin County Surveyor's Office on July 18, 2019. No response was received from these agencies.								
		of the project sponsor nstruction that would be		cess.	ergency servic	es at least two			
Environme	e ntal Justice (EJ) (Pres	idential EO 12898)			Yes	No			
Does the pr If YES, ther Are ar	development of the project require an EJ anant: any EJ populations locate in project result in advented in the project result in the project result in advented in the project result in the project re	lysis? ed within the project are	ea?		X	X			
Remarks:	Under FHWA Order ensure that their prog minority or low-income Environmental Justice additional ROW. This temporary ROW. The Potential EJ impacts population to determine and adverse impacts community of compact overlaps the project limit An AC has a population low-income or minor year estimates data (2)	6640.23A, FHWA and rams, policies, and actime populations. Per the (EJ) Analysis is required a project will require 2 perefore, an EJ analysis are detected by location if populations of EJ to them. The referencies on (COC). In this mits is called the affection of concern for EJ if ity population is 125% 014-2018) was obtained to chmueller Group. The	I INDOT, as recivities do not have current INDO ired for any production in a required. In a minority and concern exist a recepopulation in project, the CO ted community (and the population of the COC. I red from the U.S.	ipient of funding from we a disproportionately T Categorical Exclusive that has two or move permanent ROW and downward low-income populating whether there could may be a county, city, and be a county, city, and a Brookville Town AC). In this project, the is more than 50% minor than 50% mino	whigh and advisor Preparations relocations approximated ions relative in the disproportion of the AC is Censority or low-introduced in Community te (https://dat.	verse effect on manual, an or 0.5 acre of by 0.02 acre of to a reference tionately high is called the mmunity that us Tract 9697. come or if the value of the va			
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	COC	AC 1
	Brookville Township, Franklin County, Indiana	Census Tract 9697
LOW-INCOME POPULATION		
Total Population for Whom Poverty Status is Determined	5,617	2,504
Total Population Below Poverty Level	456	347
Percent Low-Income	8.1%	13.9%
125 Percent of COC	10.1%	
AC Percent Low-Income Greater Than 125 Percent of COC?		Yes
AC Percent Low-Income Greater Than 50 Percent?		No
Population of EJ Concern?		Yes
MINORITY POPULATION		
Total Population	5,698	2,504
Minority Population	59	34
Percent Minority	1.04%	1.36%
125 Percent of COC	1.29%	
AC Percent Minority Greater Than 125 Percent of COC?		Yes
AC Percent Minority Greater Than 50 Percent?		No
Population of EJ Concern?		Yes

The AC, Census Tract 9697 has a percent low-income of 13.9% which is below 50% but is above the 125% COC threshold. Therefore, the AC is a low-income population of EJ concern.

The AC, Census Tract 9697 has a percent minority of 1.36% which is below 50% but is above the 125% COC threshold. Therefore, the AC is a minority population of EJ concern.

Overall, the negative impacts to property owners within the project area will be minimal and consist primarily of short-term construction impacts and the loss of a strip of ROW. No relocations are anticipated. The ROW to be acquired will not substantially diminish the existing use of the affected property owners. The MOT during construction will close SR 252 and a detour route will be established. Property owners will be provided access throughout the duration of the project to reduce impacts as much as possible. No permanent impacts to community cohesion are anticipated. Long-term impacts from the project to any EJ community in this area will be beneficial due to the improved safety of travel along SR 252 at this location. It is expected the project will not have a disproportionately high and adverse environmental or health impact to low-income or minority populations of EJ concern when compared to non EJ populations. The EJ analysis along with maps and data were submitted to INDOT Environmental Services on May 18, 2020 and they concurred that the project will not have a disproportionately high and adverse impact to EJ populations (Appendix I, pages I1 to I10).

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Will the place is a Business Is a Con	iness Information Survey (E ceptual Stage Relocation S	e relocation of people, businesses or farms' BIS) required?	Yes No X			
Number	r of relocations: Reside	ences: 0 Businesses: 0 F	Farms: 0 Other: 0			
f a BIS or (Remarks	No relocations of peo	the results in the remarks box. ple, businesses, or farms will take place as a segun and will continue through project	a result of this project. development to ensure impacts to utilities in			
SECTIO	ON H – HAZARDOUS M	ATERIALS & REGULATED SUBSTAN	NCES			
Red Flag Phase I Phase II	ous Materials & Regulated g Investigation Environmental Site Assess Environmental Site Assess Specifications for Remediat	sment (Phase II ESA)	Documentation X			
ES Revi	ew of Investigations	August 16, 2019				
<i>nclude a s</i> Remarks	Group and approved E1 to E11). One unde No sites are within th	GIS and available public records, a RFI was on August 16, 2019 by INDOT Site Asses erground storage tank (UST) site is located	s completed on June 17, 2019 by Lochmueller sment and Management (Appendix E, pages within the 0.5 mile radius of the project area. om the project area. No impacts are expected concerns is not required at this time.			
SECTIO	ON I – PERMITS CHECK	KLIST				
Permits	(mark all that apply)	Likely Required				
Army Corps of Engineers (404/Section10 Permit) Individual Permit (IP) Nationwide Permit (NWP) Regional General Permit (RGP) Pre-Construction Notification (PCN) Other Wetland Mitigation required Stream Mitigation required Section 401 WQC X						
	Isolated Wetlands determin Rule 5 Other s page 21 of 24 Project n	X	_ Date: _ July 14, 2020			

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IDNR	Wetland Mitigation required Stream Mitigation required				
	Construction in a Floodway Navigable Waterway Permit Lake Preservation Permit Other Mitigation Required ast Guard Section 9 Bridge Permit (Please discuss in the remarks box be	elow)			

Remarks:

Due to total impacts of 192 linear feet (0.02 acre below OHWM) to UNT 2 and UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River, a USACE Section 404 RGP and an IDEM Section 401 WQC will likely be required. Because impacts are below the 300 linear feet and/or 0.1 acre below OWHM threshold to require mitigation, mitigation for impacts to streams will not likely be required.

The project may disturb up to 1.2 acres of land. Therefore, the project is expected to exceed the minimal guidelines of soil disturbance and an IDEM Rule 5 Notice of Intent will be required.

Applicable recommendations provided by the permitting agencies are included in the Environmental Commitments section of this document. If any permit is found to be necessary, the conditions of the permit will be requirements of the project and will supersede these recommendations.

It is the responsibility of the project sponsor to identify and obtain all required permits.

SECTION J- ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS

The following information should be provided below: List all commitments, name of agency/organization requesting the commitment(s), and indicating which are firm and which are for further consideration. The commitments should be numbered.

Remarks:

Firm:

- 1. It is the responsibility of the project sponsor to notify school corporations and emergency services at least two weeks prior to any construction that would block or limit access. (INDOT ESD)
- If the scope of work or permanent or temporary right-of-way amounts change, the INDOT ES and INDOT Seymour District Environmental Services Division will be contacted immediately. (INDOT ESD)
- 3. Delineate all environmental resources, UNT 1 to UNT 4 to Whitewater River, on the plans. Beyond construction limits, mark these resources as "Do Not Disturb". If additional impacts are required beyond those considered in the environmental document, additional documentation or permits may be needed. (INDOT ESD)
- USFWS Bridge/Structure Assessment shall take place no earlier than two (2) years prior to the start of construction. If construction will begin after June 24, 2021, an inspection of the structures by a qualified individual, must be performed. Inspection of the structures should check for presence of bats/bat indicators and/or presence of birds. The results of the inspection must indicate no signs of bats or birds. If signs of bats or birds are documented during this inspection, the INDOT District Environmental Manager must be contacted immediately. (INDOT Seymour District)
- 5. Coordination will occur with the Ohio Department of Transportation regarding the usage of Ohio SR 128 and Ohio SR 126 as part of the detour for this project. (INDOT Seymour District)
- General AMM 1: Ensure all operators, employees, and contractors working in areas of known or presumed bat habitat are aware of all FHWA/FRA/FTA (Transportation Agencies) environmental commitments, including all applicable AMMs. (USFWS)

	JSFWS)	Direct temporary lighting away from suitable	e habitat during the	active season.
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8. **Tree Removal AMM 1:** Modify all phases/aspects of the project (e.g., temporary work areas, alignments) to avoid tree removal. (USFWS)

- 9. **Tree Removal AMM 2:** Apply time of year restrictions for tree removal when bats are not likely to be present, or limit tree removal to 10 or fewer trees per project at any time of year within 100 feet of existing road/rail surface and **outside of documented** roosting/foraging habitat or travel corridors; visual emergence survey must be conducted with <u>no bats observed</u> (no tree clearing from April 1 to September 30). (USFWS)
- 10. **Tree Removal AMM 3:** Ensure tree removal is limited to that specified in project plans and ensure that contractors understand clearing limits and how they are marked in the field (e.g., install bright colored flagging/fencing prior to any tree clearing to ensure contractors stay within clearing limits). (USFWS)
- 11. **Tree Removal AMM 4:** Do not remove **documented** Indiana bat or NLEB roosts that are still suitable for roosting, or trees within 0.25 miles of roosts, or **documented** foraging habitat any time of year. (USFWS)

For Further Consideration:

- 1. Restrict below low-water work in streams to placement of culverts, piers, pilings and/or footings, shaping of the spill slopes around the bridge abutments, and placement of riprap. (USFWS)
- 2. Culverts should span the active stream channel, should be either embedded or a 3-sided or open-arch culvert, and be installed where practicable on an essentially flat slope. When an open-bottomed culvert or arch is used in a stream, which has a good natural bottom substrate, such as gravel, cobbles and boulders, the existing substrate should be left undisturbed beneath the culvert to provide natural habitat for the aquatic community. (USFWS)
- 3. Minimize the extent of hard armor (riprap) in bank stabilization by using bioengineering techniques whenever possible. If rip rap is utilized for bank stabilization, extend it below low-water elevation to provide aquatic habitat. (USFWS)
- 4. Avoid all work within the inundated part of the stream channel (in perennial streams and larger intermittent streams) during the fish spawning season (April 1 through June 30), except for work within sealed structures such as caissons or cofferdams that were installed prior to the spawning season. No equipment shall be operated below Ordinary High Water Mark during this time unless the machinery is within the caissons or on the cofferdams. (USFWS)
- Evaluate wildlife crossings under bridge/culverts projects in appropriate situations. Suitable crossings
 include flat areas below bridge abutments with suitable ground cover, high water shelves in culverts,
 amphibian tunnels and diversion fencing. (USFWS)
- 6. If box or pipe culverts are used, the bottoms should be buried to a minimum of 6" (or 20% of the culvert height/pipe diameter, whichever is greater up to a maximum of 2") below the stream bed elevation to allow a natural streambed to form within or under the crossing structure. Crossings should: span the entire channel width (a minimum of 1.2 times the bankful width); maintain the natural stream substrate within the structure; have a minimum openness ratio (height x width/length) of 0.25; and have stream depth and water velocities during low-flow conditions that are approximate to those in the natural stream channel. (IDNR DFW)
- 7. The new, replacement, or rehabbed structure should not create conditions that are less favorable for wildlife passage under the structure compared to the current conditions. (IDNR DFW)
- 8. Riprap must not be placed in the active thalweg channel or placed in the streambed in a manner that precludes fish or aquatic organism passage (riprap must not be placed above the existing streambed elevation). Where riprap must be used, we recommend placing only enough riprap to provide stream bank toe protection, such as from the toe of the bank up to the OHWM. The banks above the OHWM must be restored, stabilized, and revegetated using geotextiles and a mixture of grasses, sedges, wildflowers, shrubs, and trees native to the area and specifically for stream bank/floodway stabilization purposes as soon as possible upon completion. (IDNR DFW)
- 9. Do not cut any trees suitable for Indiana bat or Northern Long-eared bat roosting from April 1 through September 30. (IDNR DFW)
- 10. Do not construct any temporary runarounds or causeways. (IDNR DFW)

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- 11. Do not excavate in the low flow area except for the placement of piers, foundations, and riprap, or removal of the old structure. (IDNR DFW)
- 12. Use minimum average 6 inch graded riprap stone extended below the normal water level to provide habitat for aquatic organisms in the voids. (IDNR DFW)

SECTION K-EARLY COORDINATION

Please list the date coordination was sent and all agencies that were contacted as a part of the development of this Environmental Study. Also, include the date of their response or indicate that no response was received. INDOT and FHWA are automatically considered early coordination participants and should only be listed if a response is received.

Remarks:

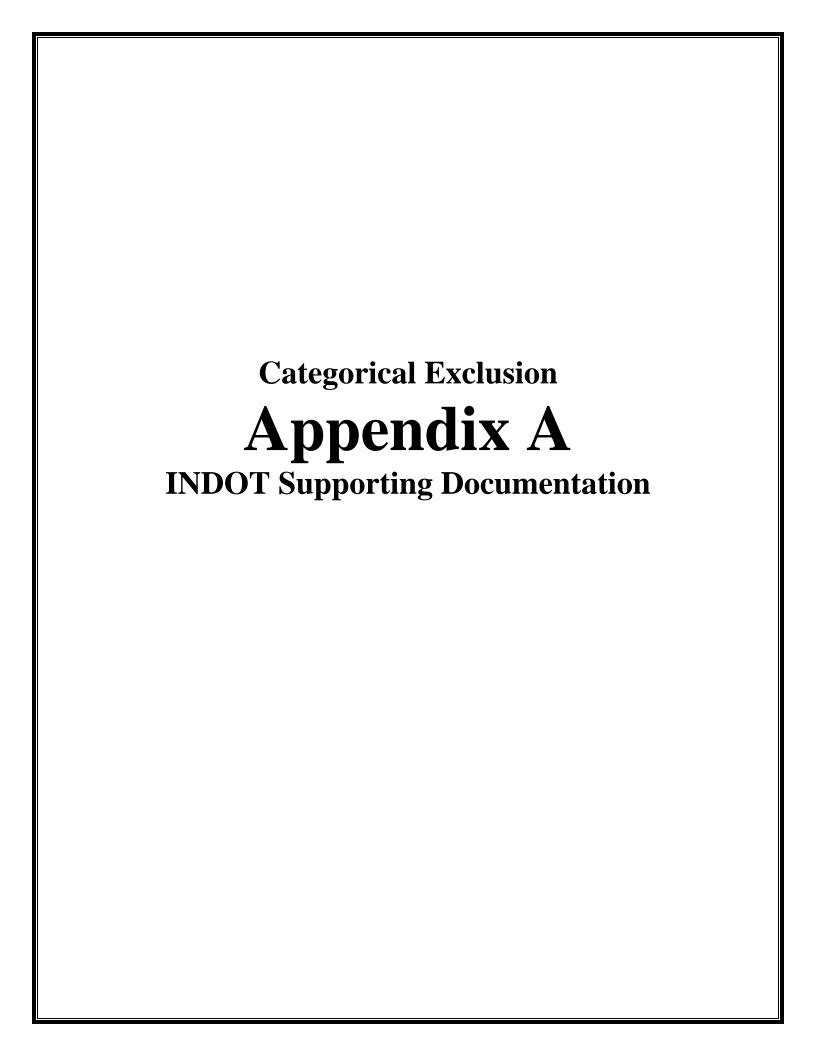
Early coordination with the regulatory agencies was completed on July 18, 2019 (Appendix C, pages C1 to C4). If no response was received, it was assumed the agency did not feel the project will result in substantial impacts. The following agencies/individuals were contacted during the coordination phase.

Agency Date of Respo		
1.	USACE, Louisville District	No Response
2.	USFWS, Bloomington Field Office	July 30, 2019; July 29, 2019;
		May 17, 2020
3.	USDA, NRCS	December 30, 2019
4.	National Park Service, Midwest Regional Office	No Response
5.	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	No Response
7.	IDNR, Division of Fish and Wildlife	August 16, 2019
8.	Indiana Geological Survey	July 18, 2019
9.	Indiana Department of Environmental Management	July 19, 2019
10.	INDOT, Office of Public Involvement	July 22, 2019
11.	INDOT, Environmental Services	August 8, 2019
12.	Franklin County Board of Commissioners	No Response
13.	Franklin County Council	No Response
14.	Franklin County Highway Department	No Response
15.	Franklin County Surveyor's Office	No Response
16.	Franklin County Emergency Management Agency	No Response
17.	Franklin County Community School Corporation	No Response
18.	Franklin County Sheriff's Department	No Response
19.	Franklin County EMS	No Response
20.	Brookville Township Trustee	No Response
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Categorical Exclusion Level Thresholds

	PCE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4 ¹
Section 106	Falls within guidelines of Minor Projects PA	"No Historic Properties Affected"	"No Adverse Effect"	-	"Adverse Effect" Or Historic Bridge involvement ²
Stream Impacts	No construction in waterways or water bodies	< 300 linear feet of stream impacts	≥ 300 linear feet of stream impacts	-	Individual 404 Permit
Wetland Impacts	No adverse impacts to wetlands	< 0.1 acre	-	< 1 acre	≥ 1 acre
Right-of-way ³	Property acquisition for preservation only or none	< 0.5 acre	≥ 0.5 acre	-	-
Relocations	None	-	-	< 5	≥ 5
Threatened/Endangered Species (Species Specific Programmatic for Indiana bat & northern long eared bat)	"No Effect", "Not likely to Adversely Affect" (Without AMMs ⁴ or with AMMs required for all projects ⁵)	"Not likely to Adversely Affect" (With any other AMMs)	-	"Likely to Adversely Affect"	Project does not fall under Species Specific Programmatic
Threatened/Endangered Species (Any other species)	Falls within guidelines of USFWS 2013 Interim Policy	"No Effect", ""Not likely to Adversely Affect"	-	-	"Likely to Adversely Affect"
Environmental Justice	No disproportionately high and adverse impacts	-	-	-	Potential ⁶
Sole Source Aquifer	Detailed Assessment Not Required	-	-	-	Detailed Assessment
Floodplain	No Substantial Impacts	-	-	-	Substantial Impacts
Coastal Zone Consistency	Consistent	-	-		Not Consistent
National Wild and Scenic River	Not Present	-	-	-	Present
New Alignment	None	-	-		Any
Section 4(f) Impacts	None	-	-	-	Any
Section 6(f) Impacts	None	-	-	-	Any
Added Through Lane	None	-	-	-	Any
Permanent Traffic Alteration	None	-	-	-	Any
Coast Guard Permit	None	-	-	-	Any
Noise Analysis Required	No	-	-	-	Yes
Air Quality Analysis Required Approval Level	No Concurrence by INDOT District	-	-	-	Yes ⁷
District Env. SupervisorEnv. Services DivisionFHWA	Environmental or Environmental Services	Yes	Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes

¹Coordinate with INDOT Environmental Services. INDOT will then coordinate with the appropriate FHWA Environmental Specialist.

²Any involvement with a bridge processed under the Historic Bridge Programmatic Agreement.

³Permanent and/or temporary right-of-way.

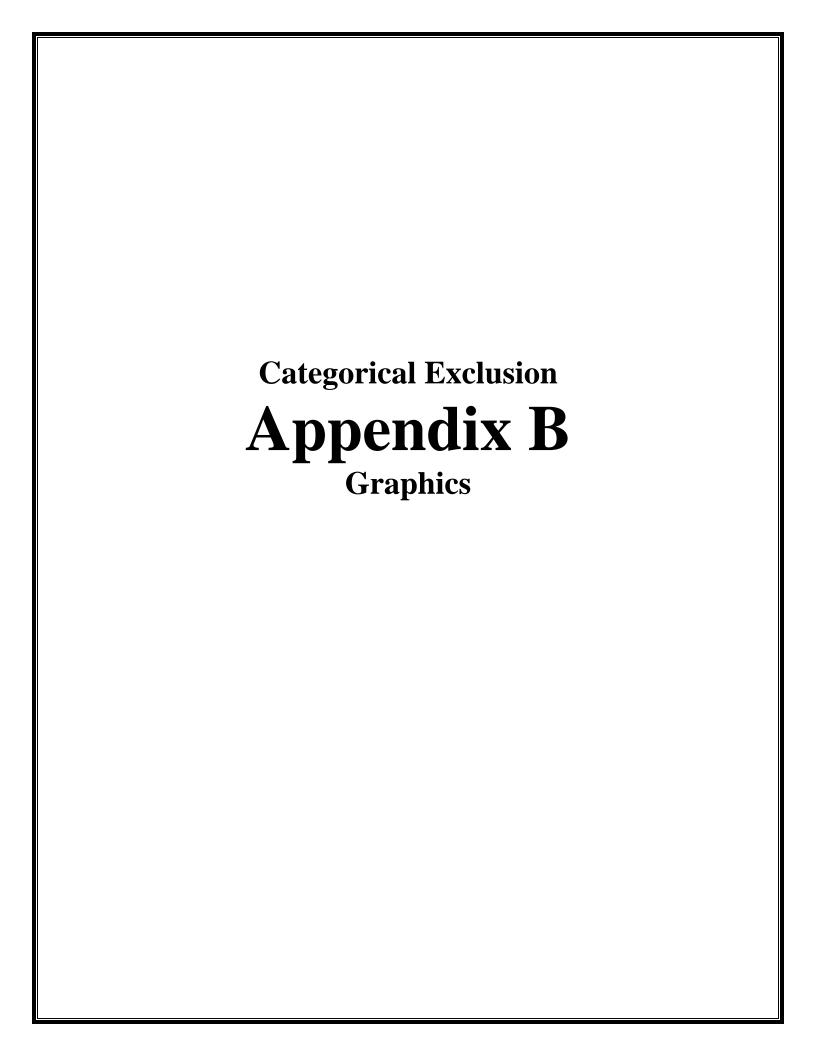
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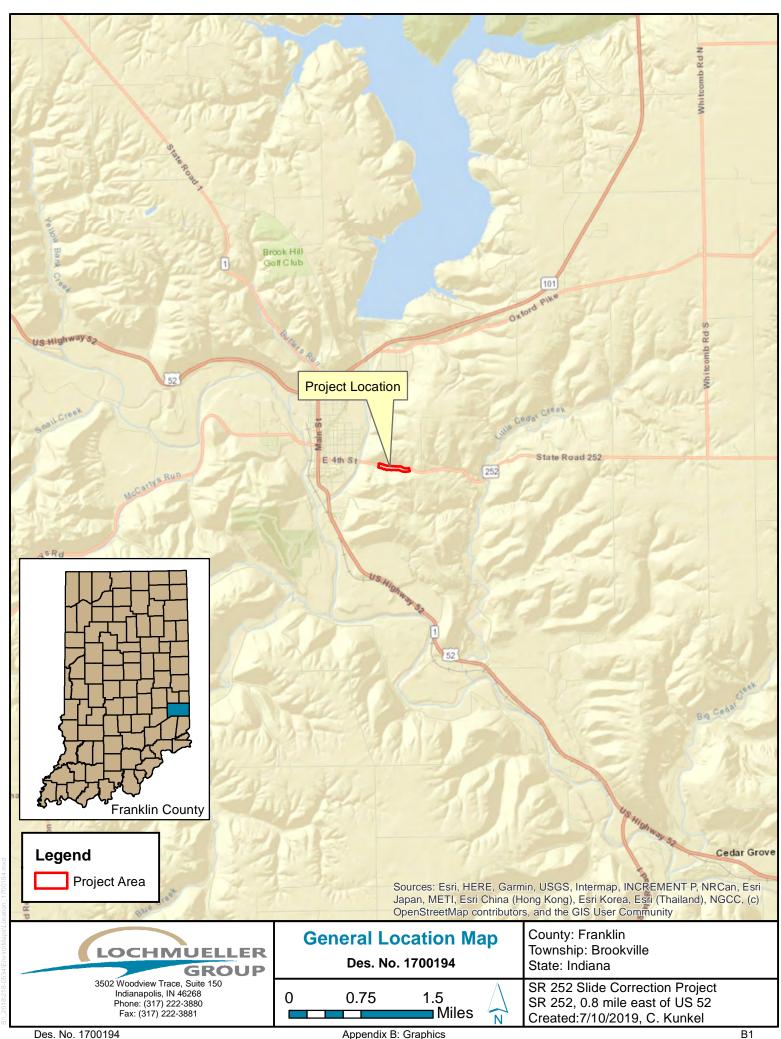
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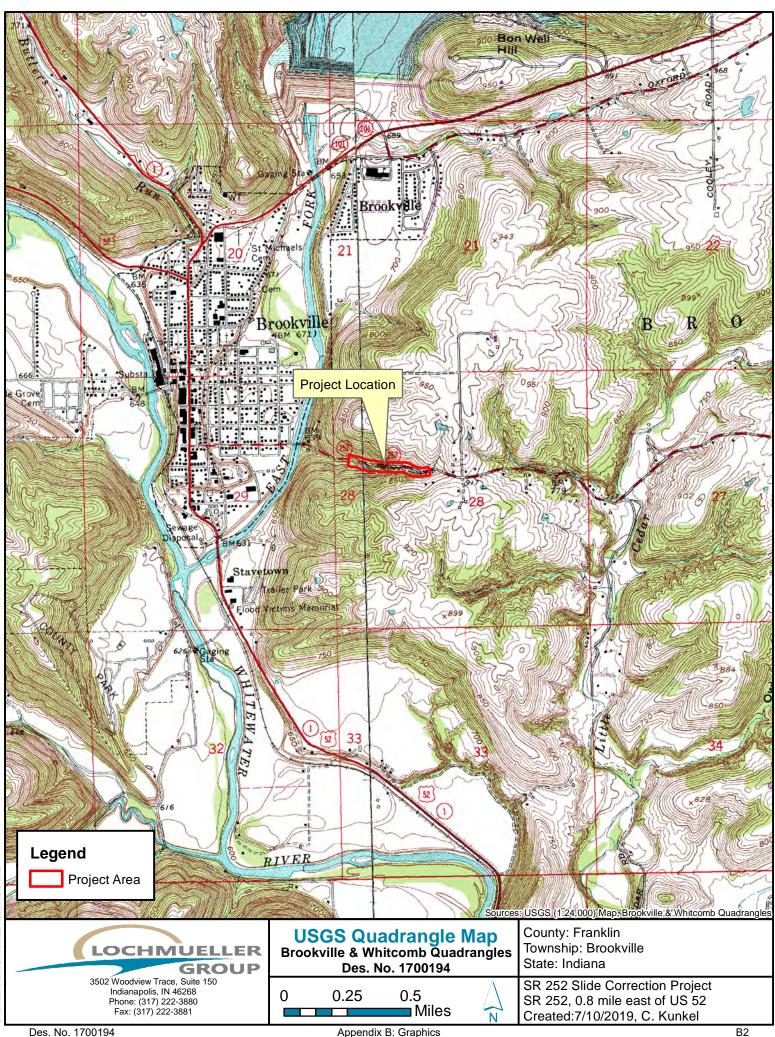
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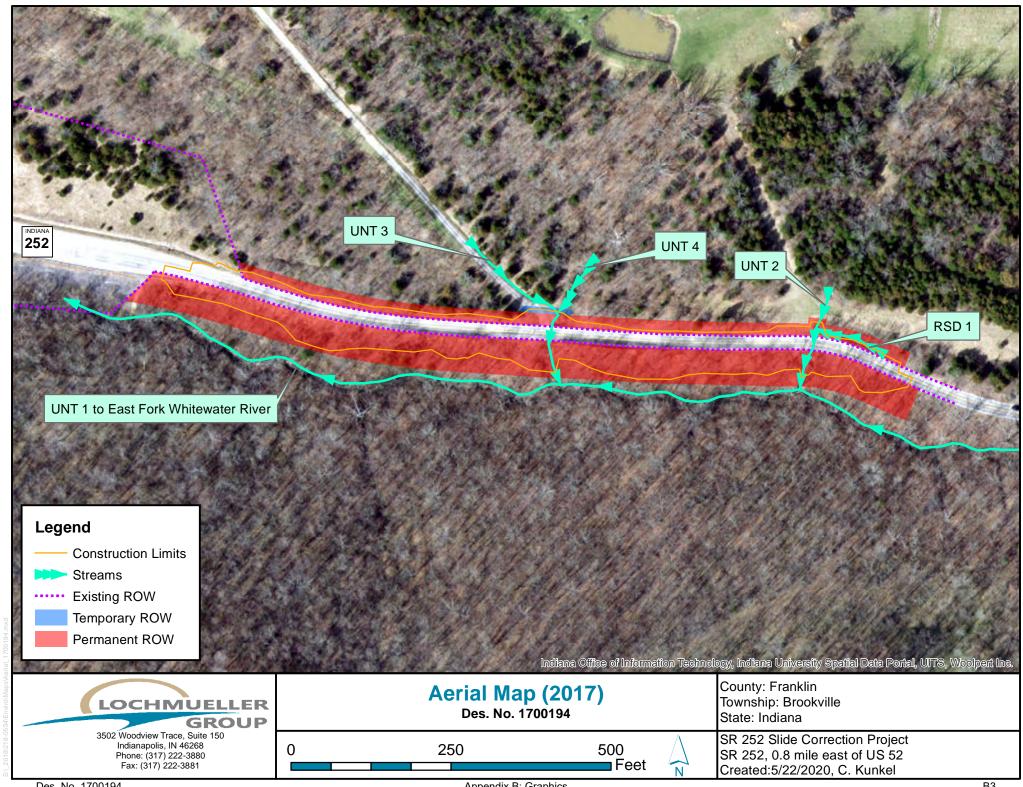
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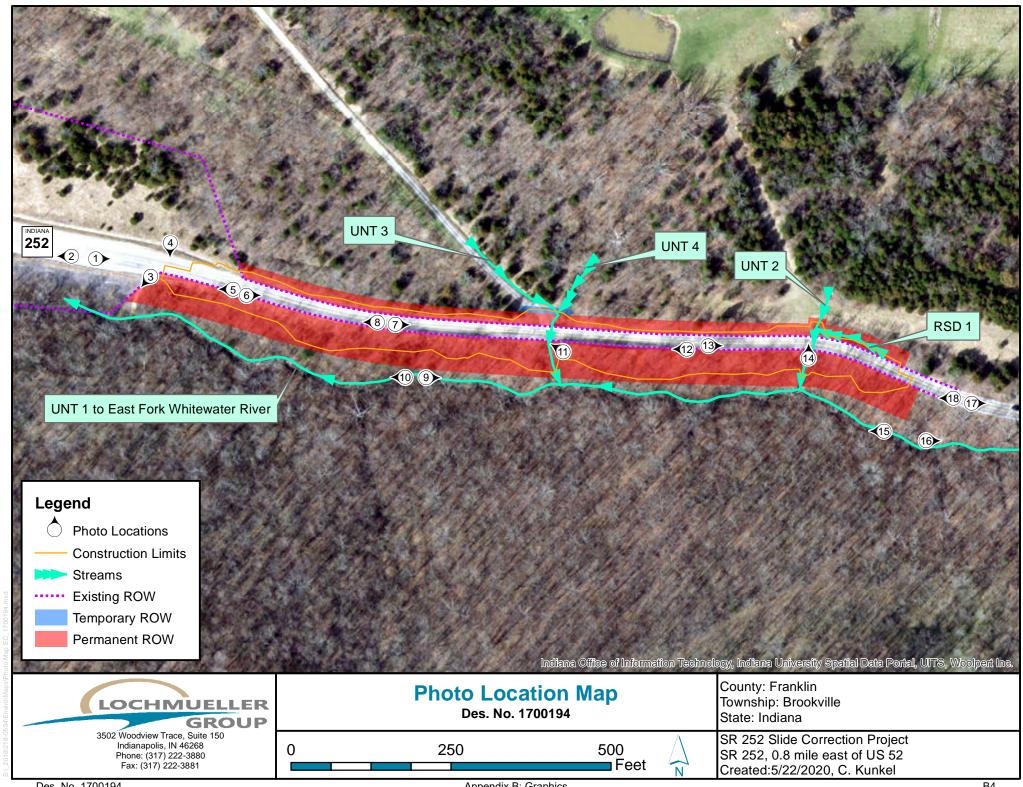
^{*}Substantial public or agency controversy may require a higher-level NEPA document.











Franklin County, Indiana Photos taken: June 24, 2019



1. Looking east along SR 252



2. Looking west along SR 252

Franklin County, Indiana Photos taken: June 24, 2019



3. Looking southwest at culvert from SR 252 $\,$



4. Looking south at culvert under SR 252

Franklin County, Indiana Photos taken: June 24, 2019



5. Looking west along SR 252



6. Looking east along SR 252



7. Looking east along SR 252



8. Looking west along SR 252



9. Looking east upstream along UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River



10. Looking west downstream along UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River



11. Looking northwest at culvert conveying UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River



12. Looking west along SR 252



13. Looking east along SR 252



14. Looking north at culvert conveying UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River



15. Looking west downstream UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River



16. Looking east upstream UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River



17. Looking east along SR 252



18. Looking west along SR 252



19. Looking west along SR 252



20. Looking east along SR 252

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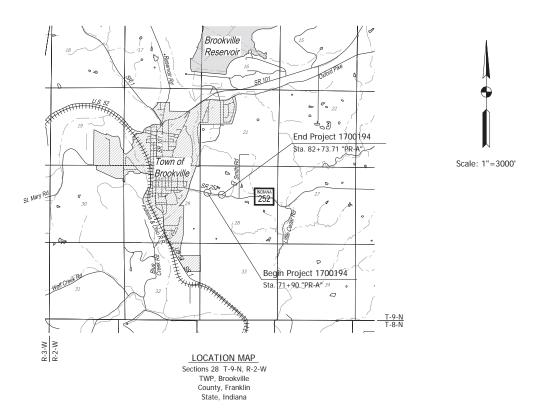
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Slide Correction Project is Located Along S.R. 252, Approximately 0.8 Miles East of U.S 52.



TRAFFI	C DATA		
A.A.D.T.	(2020)	1,195	V.P.D.
A.A.D.T.	(2040)	1,195	V.P.D.
D.H.V	(2040)	105	V.P.H.
DIRECTIONAL DISTR	BUTION	48	%
TRUCKS		3.10%	A.A.D.T
		2.83%	D.H.V.
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DESIGN DATA

DESIGN SPEED	55 M.P.H.
PROJECT DESIGN CRITERIA	3R (Non-Freeway)
FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION	Major Collector
RURAL/URBAN	Rural
TERRAIN	Rolling
ACCESS CONTROL	None
	PROJECT DESIGN CRITERIA FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION RURAL/URBAN TERRAIN



BRIDGE LENGTH:	N/A	_ MI.
ROADWAY LENGTH:	0.203	_ MI.
TOTAL LENGTH:	0.203	_ MI.
MAX. GRADE:	9.397	_ %
HYDROLOGIC UNIT CODE: E	05080003070180 East Fork Whitewater R-Wolf C	reek

 BEGINNING
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 LONGITUDE: 85° 00' 01" W

 ENDING
 LATITUDE: 39° 25' 03" N
 LONGITUDE: 85° 00' 02" W

PRELIMINARY PLANS 5/14/2020

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS DATED 2020 TO BE USED WITH THESE PLANS

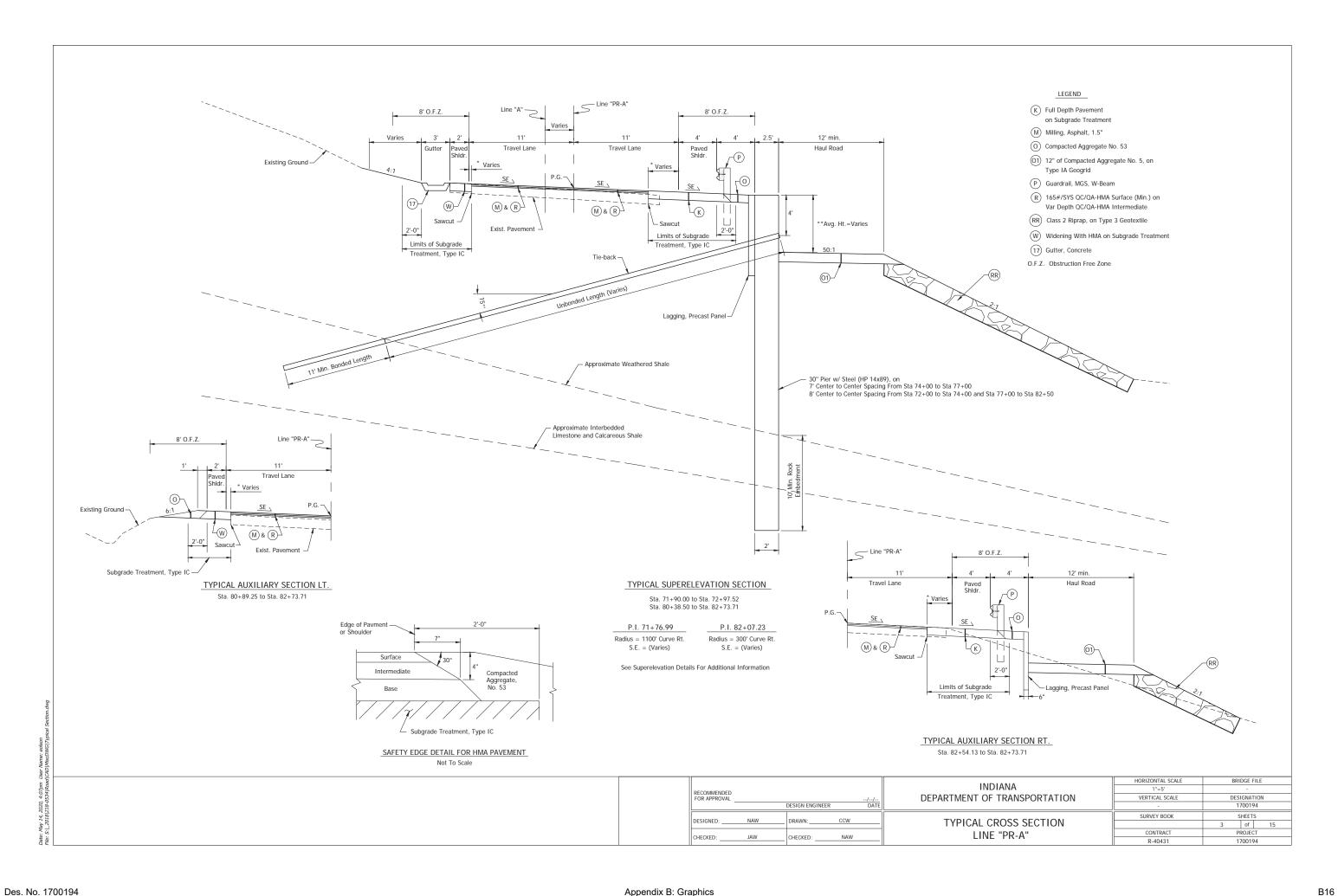


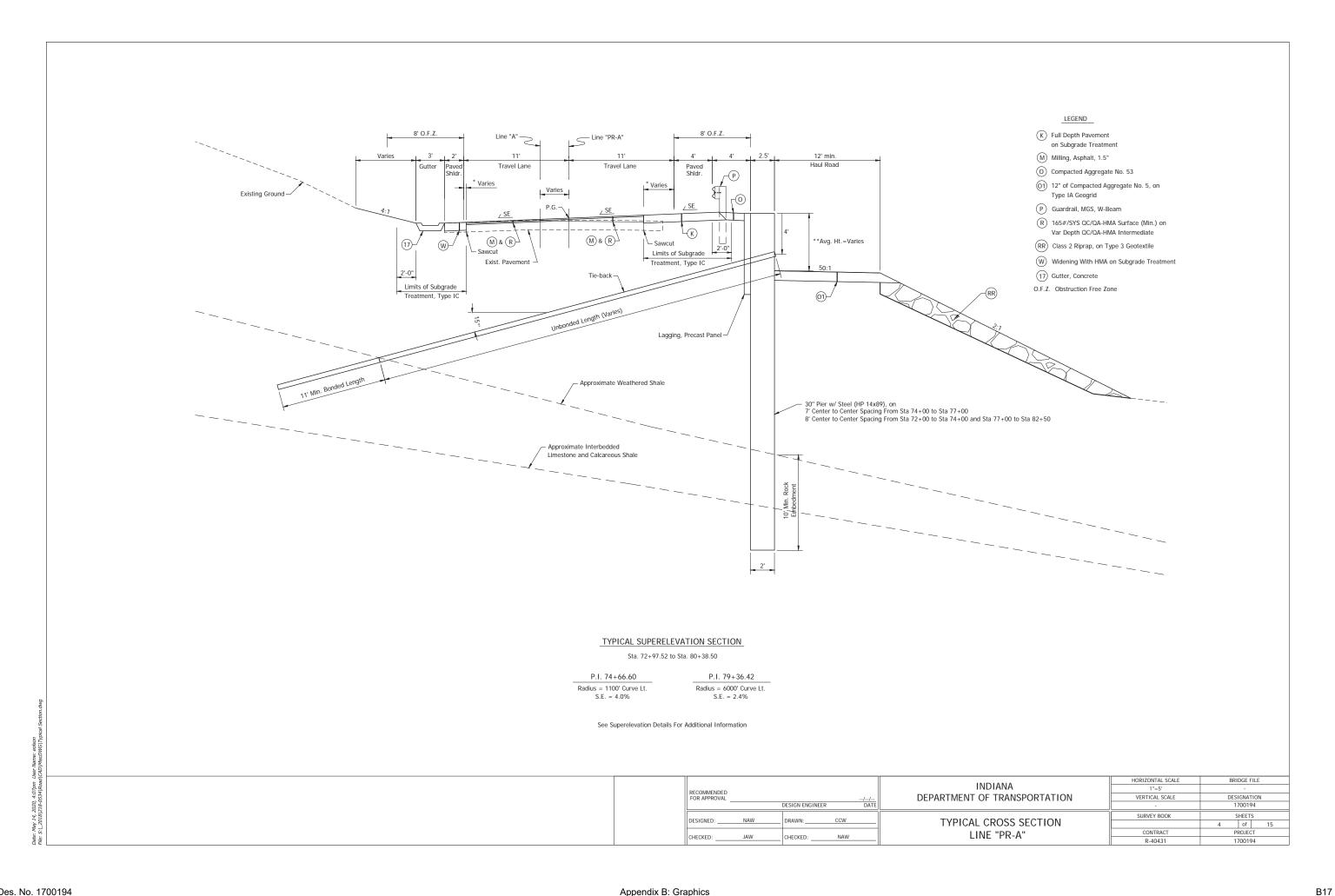
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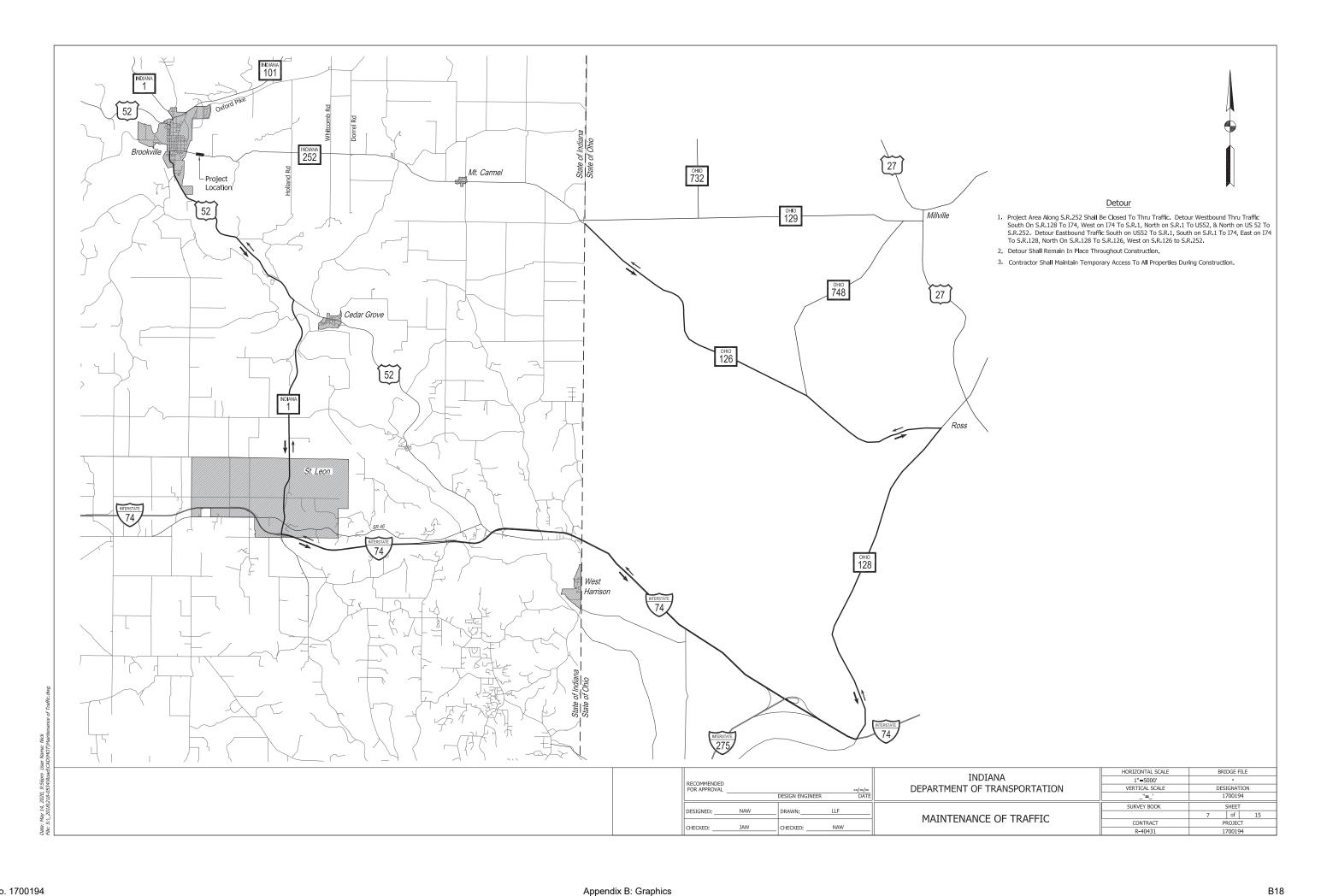
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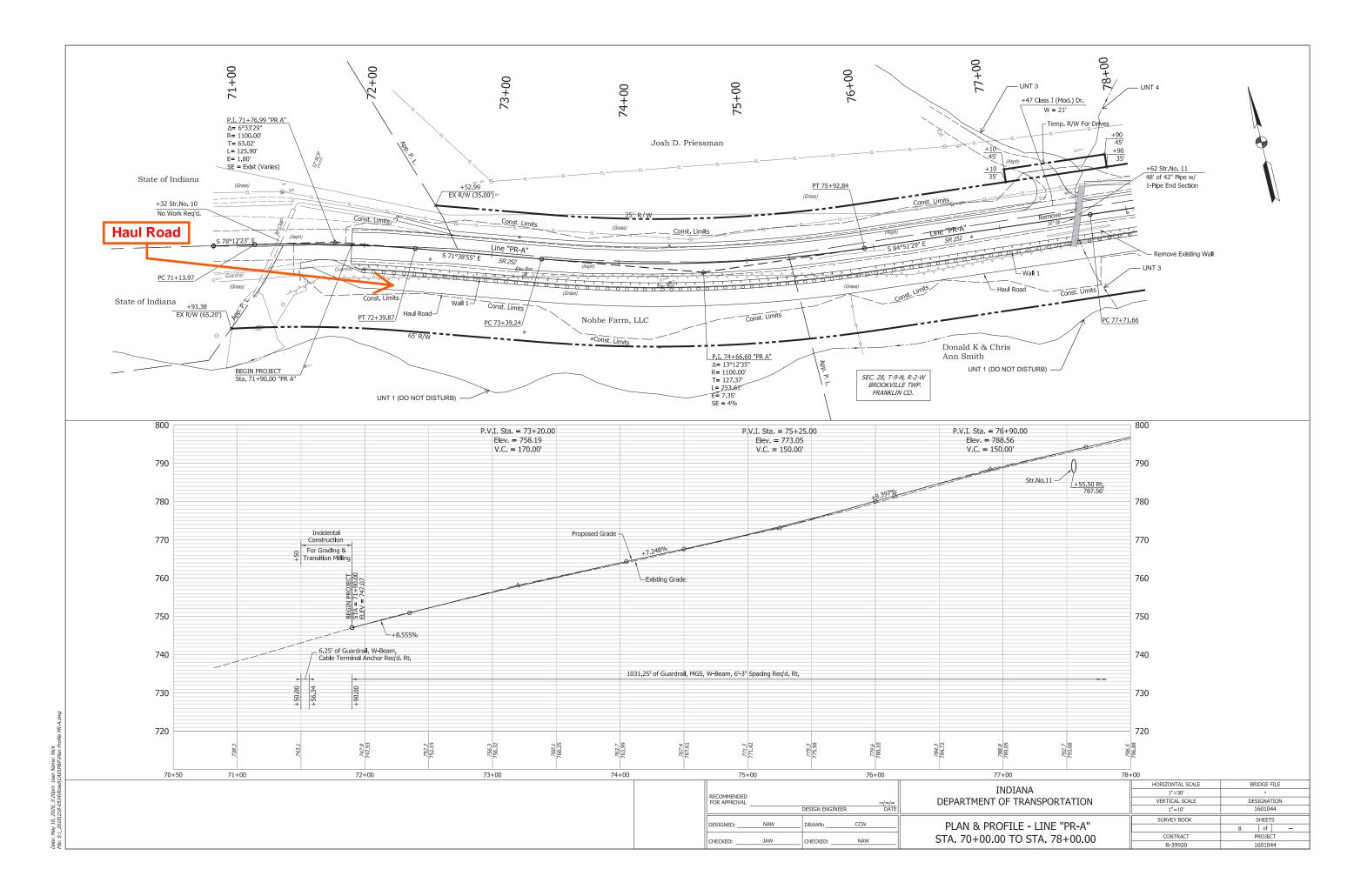
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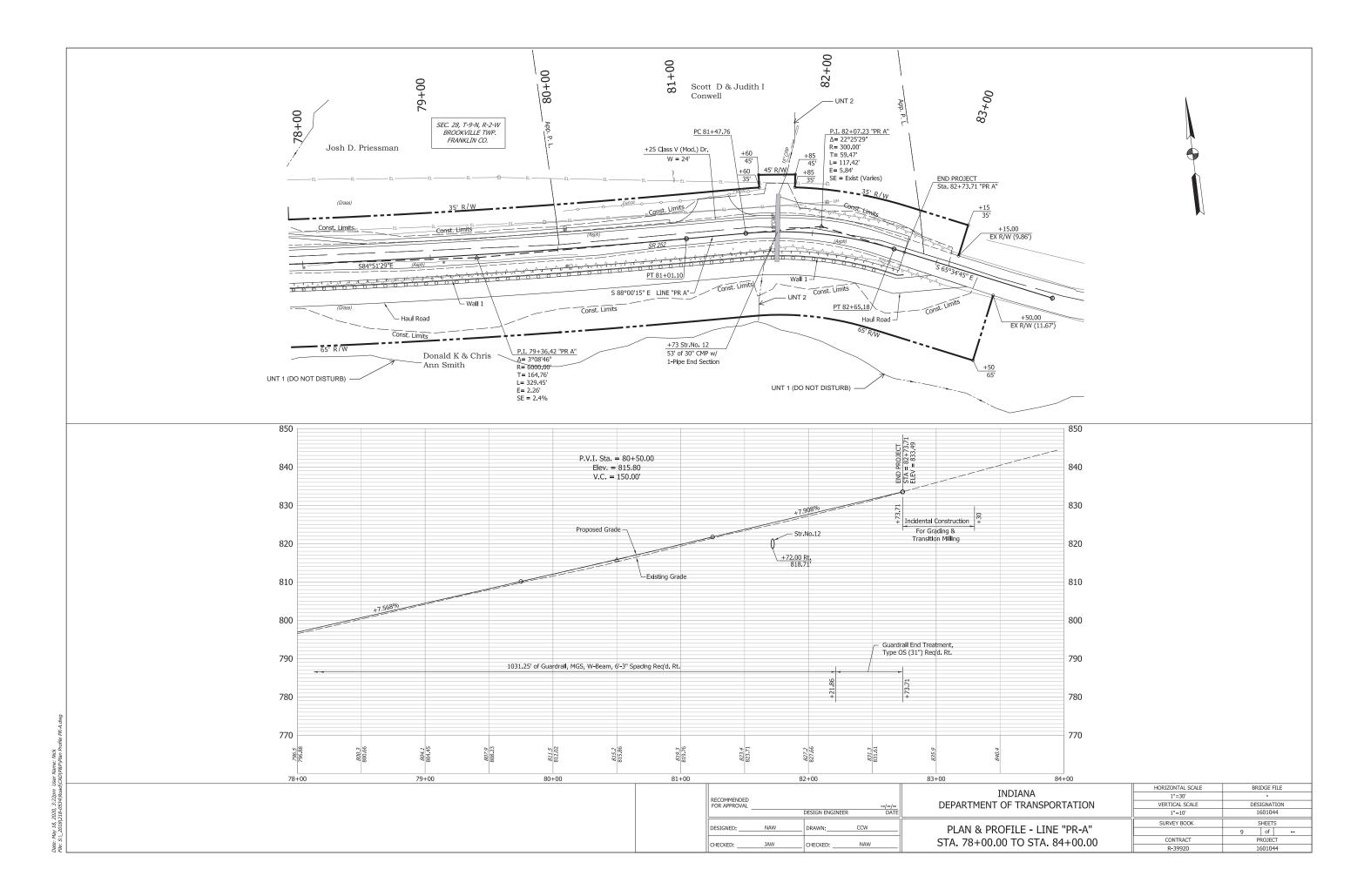
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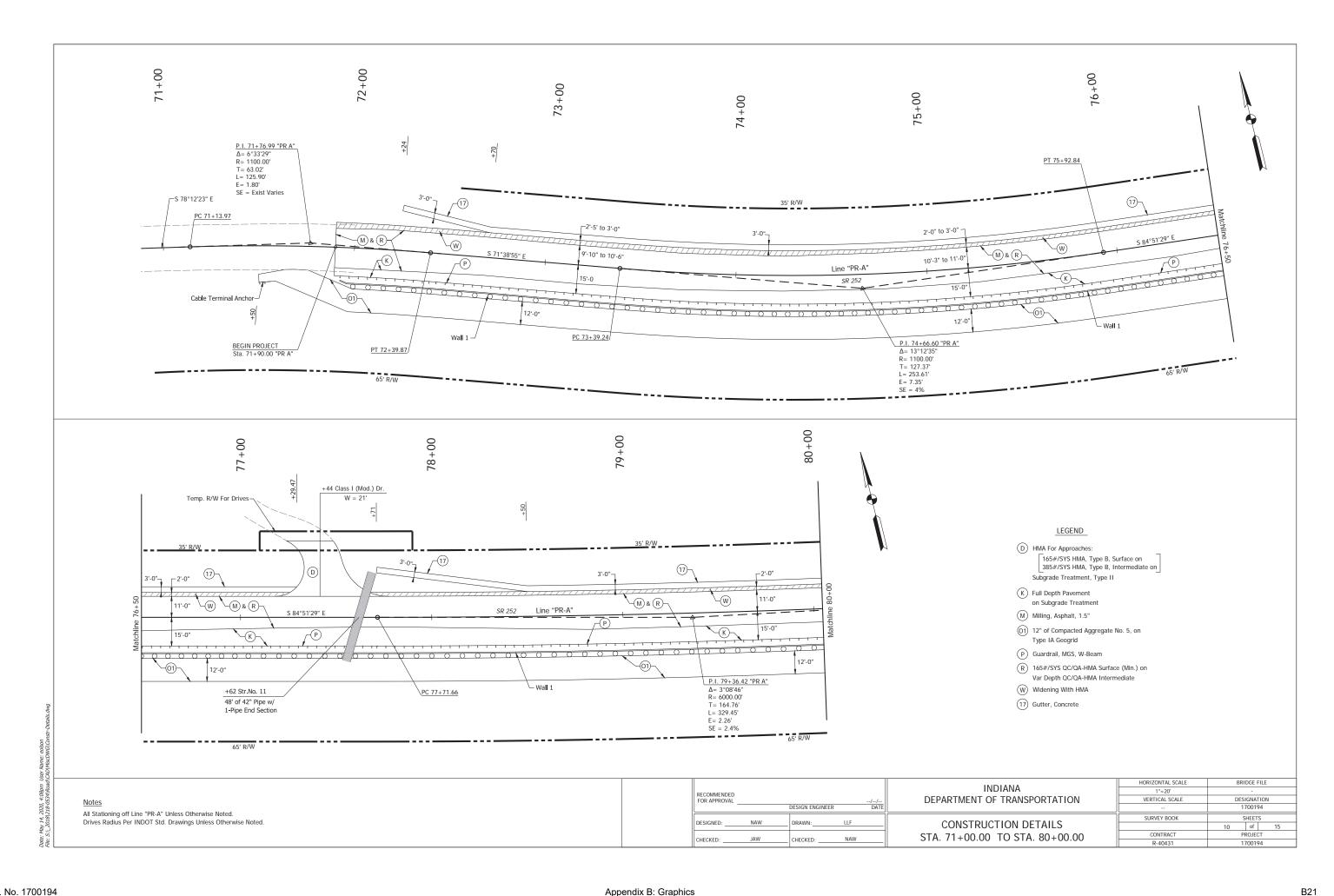


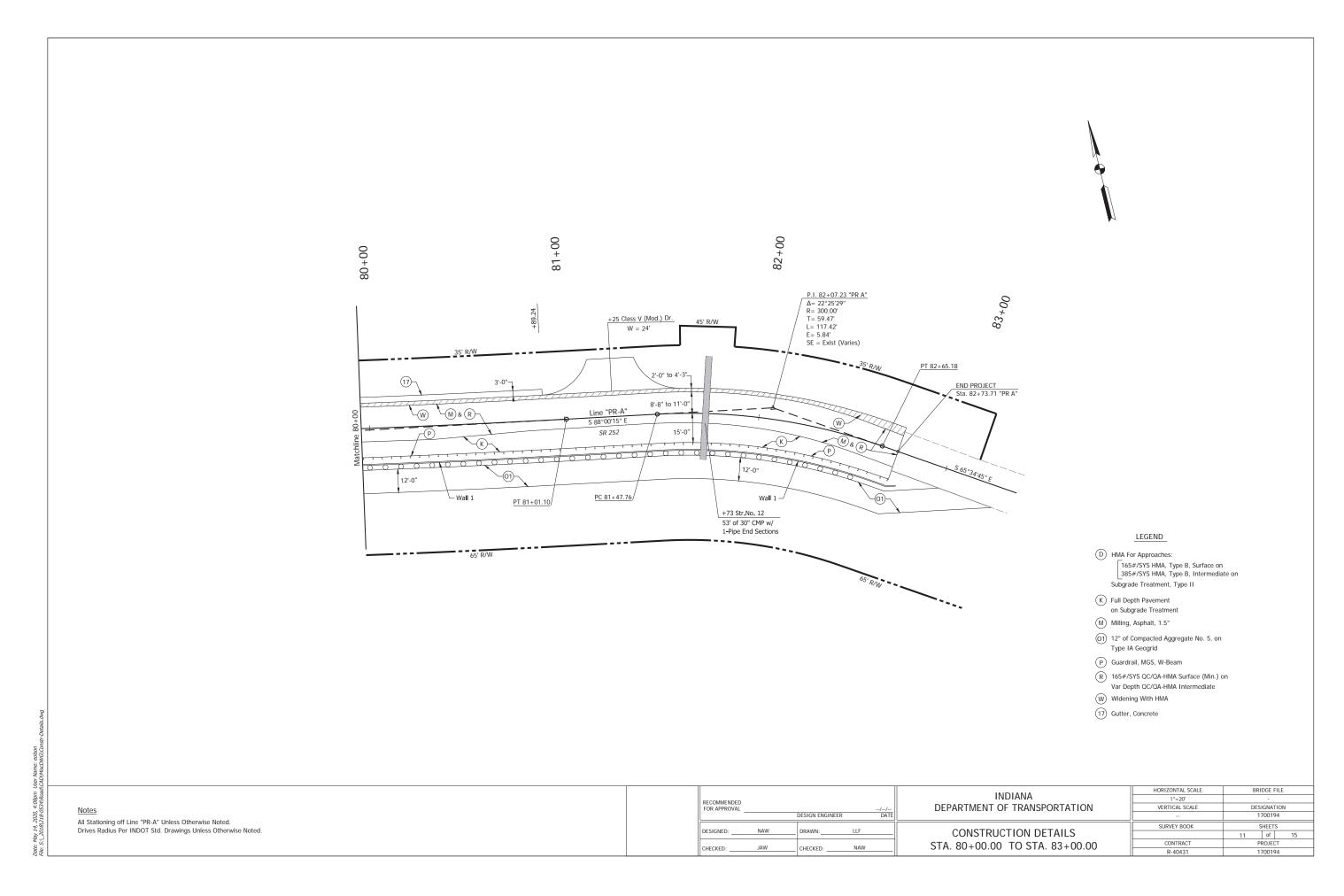


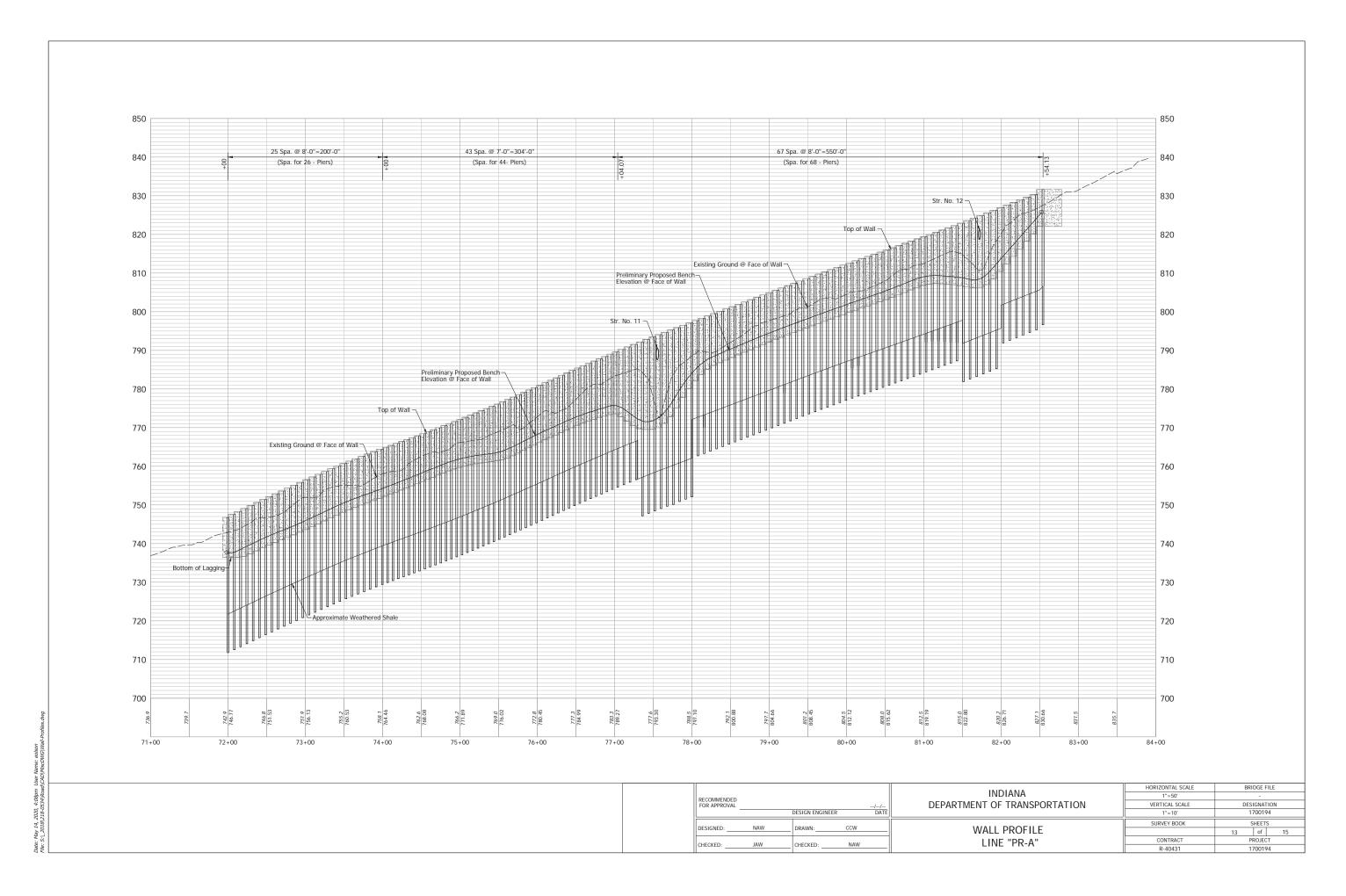


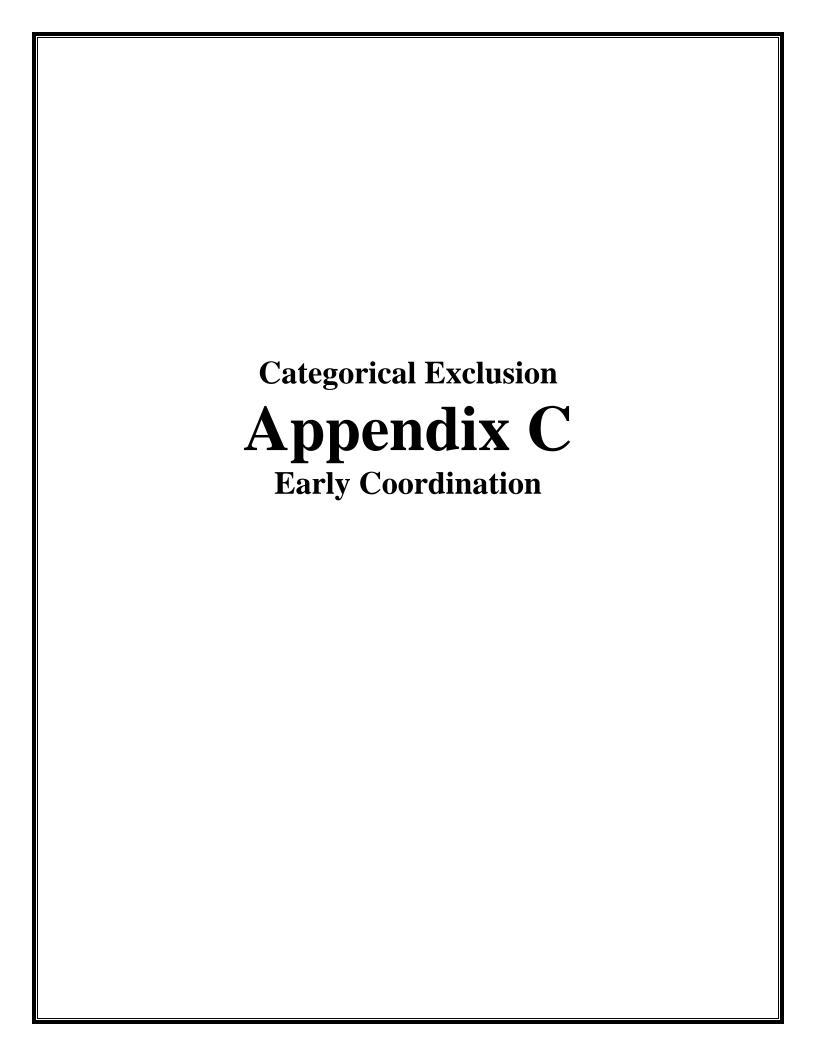














July 18, 2019

Sample Early
Coordination Letter

Re: Des. No.: 1700194

State Road (SR) 252, 0.8 mile east of US 52

Slide Correction, State Project

Brookville Township, Franklin County, Indiana

Dear:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) - Seymour District proposes to proceed with a slide correction project along SR 252 in Franklin County, Indiana (Des. No. 1700194). The project will involve stabilizing the embankment on the south side of SR 252 to prevent further damage from the land slide. This letter is part of the early coordination phase of the environmental review process requesting comments associated with this project. Please use the above Des. No. and project description in your reply and your comments will be incorporated into the formal environmental study. Your cooperation in this endeavor is appreciated.

Project Location and Existing Conditions

The proposed project is located along SR 252, approximately 0.8 mile east of US 52 and east of the Town of Brookville in Brookville Township of Franklin County, Indiana. Specifically, the project is located in Section 28, Township 9 North, Range 2 West as depicted on the Brookville and Whitcomb U. S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 quadrangles. Adjacent land use consists of residential and forested areas. Please see attachments for maps and photographs of the proposed project area.

SR 252 is functionally classified as a major collector within the project area and consists of two, 11-foot asphalt travel lanes (one in each direction) with asphalt and aggregate shoulders varying from less than 1 foot to 4 feet in width. The current speed limit along this stretch of SR 252 is 55 miles per hour (mph). Stormwater and roadside drainage is conveyed through three corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culverts underneath SR 252 that drain to the south side of the roadway.

Purpose and Need

The need for this project is evidenced by the deteriorated condition of SR 252. This condition is a result of the gradual land slide occurring along the south side of SR 252. This has caused the pavement and roadside embankment to deteriorate and fail. The purpose of the project is to correct the embankment failure and improve conditions of SR 252 to allow for continued mobility and accessibility.

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Proposed Project

The proposed project will construct a soldier pile wall with anchor tiebacks along SR 252 where the embankment is sliding to the south of the roadway. A soldier pile wall is a retaining wall that uses steel piles installed vertically and timber lagging installed horizontally between the piles to stabilize and spread the load behind it. Installation of this new retaining wall will require the removal of the existing stone retaining wall along the south side of the roadway. The roadway within the damaged area will be reconstructed to a typical section consisting of two 11-foot asphalt travel lanes (one in each direction) with a 4-foot wide asphalt shoulder along the eastbound lane and a 2-foot wide asphalt shoulder along westbound lane. New guardrail will be installed along the south side of SR 252. It is anticipated the pavement reconstruction will consist of mill/overlay, wedge and level, and widening. The culverts conveying stormwater and roadside drainage under SR 252 will be replaced with culverts that are hydrologically sufficient in size. New riprap will placed at the outlets, and possibly the inlets, of each new culvert for scour protection. No new permanent lighting will be installed and the use of temporary lighting during construction is not anticipated. The total length of the project along SR 252 will be approximately 1,400 feet (0.27 mile).

The maintenance of traffic (MOT) will involve the closure of SR 252 to through traffic. A detour will be required, but the designated route has not been established. The MOT will be further defined as the design advances. Access will be maintained to all properties during construction of the project. The MOT will be implemented per the *Indiana Design Manual* guidelines.

Construction is anticipated to begin in Fiscal Year (FY) 2020.

Right-of-Way (ROW)

This project will require the acquisition of approximately 1.5 acres of permanent right-of-way to construct the soldier pile wall and install the tie backs. Approximately one acre of tree clearing will likely be required to complete the project.

Environmental Resources

A Red Flag Investigation (RFI) was performed for a 0.5-mile radius for the project area. "Red Flags" were identified within the 0.5-mile search radius; however, not all will impact the proposed project. An unnamed tributary (UNT) to East Fork Whitewater River is within the project area. This project is outside the Karst Memorandum of Understanding Potential Karst Features Region.

Lochmueller Group conducted a field investigation of the project area on June 24, 2019. The investigation identified four UNTs to East Fork Whitewater River and a roadside ditch (RSD) within the survey area. Due to the presence of these streams within the survey area, a *Waters of the U.S. Determination Report* will be prepared for this project.

Section 106

The National Register of Historic Places (National Register) and the Indiana Register of Historic Sites and Structures (State Register) were reviewed using the State Historic Architectural and Archaeological Research Database (SHAARD) and SHAARD Geographic Information System (GIS)

data published online. No above-ground historical resources on either list are within the project area. The 1978 Franklin County Interim Report: Indiana Historic Sites and Structures Inventory (IHSSI) data was also examined; no surveyed resources from this inventory were located within the project area. No resources listed in the Interim Report are near the project area. The Indiana Historic Bridge Inventory Volume 2: Listing of Historic and Non-Historic Bridges by Mead & Hunt (2009) was reviewed. No bridges eligible for listing in the National Register are within the project area. No cemeteries were noted within the vicinity of the project area. It is anticipated that this project will qualify for the Minor Projects Programmatic Agreement (MPPA), under Category B-9 and B-10. However, due to the contextual history of the retaining wall within the project area, further Section 106 review may be necessary.

Range-wide Informal Programmatic Consultation

Franklin County is within the range of the federally endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and the federally threatened northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Range-wide Programmatic Informal Consultation for the Indiana bat and northern long-eared bat (NLEB) will be completed for this project. Completion of the appropriate determination key through the USFWS Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) portal will occur. If a likely determination of "Not Likely to Adversely Affect," or "Likely to Adversely Affect" is reached then additional consultation with the USFWS will occur through INDOT.

Early Coordination

This letter is part of the early coordination review process. You are asked to review this information and provide any comments you may have relative to anticipated impacts of the project on areas in which you have jurisdiction or special expertise. We will incorporate your comments into a study of the project's environmental impacts. To facilitate the development of this project, you are asked to reply within **30 days** of receipt of this letter. If no response is received by that date, it will be assumed you have no comments at the present time.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please feel free to contact me at (317) 222-3880 or at rhook@lochgroup.com. Additionally, should you want to contact the sponsor of this project, INDOT-Seymour District please contact the Project Manager, Travis Mankin at (812) 524-3957 or a tmankin@indot.in.gov.

Thank you in advance for your input.

Sincerely,

Ruth Hook, CPESC, CESSWI Environmental Biologist Lochmueller Group, Inc.

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Attachments:

- General Location Map
- Removed to avoid duplication; see Appendices B and E
- USGS Topographic Map
- Red Flag Investigation Maps
- Photo Location Map and Photographs

Distribution List:

- USFWS, Bloomington Field Office (electronic submission)
- Natural Resources Conservation Service, Indianapolis Office (electronic submission)
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Louisville District (electronic submission)
- U.S. Housing and Urban Development (electronic submission)
- National Park Service
- FHWA Indiana Division (electronic submission)
- IDNR, Division of Fish and Wildlife (electronic submission)
- IDEM (electronic submission)
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To Engineers and Consultants Proposing Roadway Construction Projects:

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This letter from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) serves as a standardized response to enquiries inviting IDEM comments on roadway construction, reconstruction, or other improvement projects within existing roadway corridors when the proposed scope of the project is beneath the threshold requiring a formal National Environmental Policy Act-mandated Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement. As the letter attempts to address all roadway-related environmental topics of potential concern, it is possible that not every topic addressed in the letter will be applicable to your particular roadway project.

For additional information on specific roadway-related topics of interest, please visit the appropriate Web pages cited below, many of which provide contact information for persons within the various program areas who can answer questions not fully addressed in this letter. Also please be mindful that some environmental requirements may be subject to change and so each person intending to include a copy of this letter in their project documentation packet is advised to download the most recently revised version of the letter; found at: http://www.in.gov/idem/5283.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/5283.htm).

To ensure that all environmentally-related issues are adequately addressed, IDEM recommends that you read this letter in its entirety, and consider each of the following issues as you move forward with the planning of your proposed roadway construction, reconstruction, or improvement project:

WATER AND BIOTIC QUALITY

1. Section 404 of the Clean Water Act requires that you obtain a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) before discharging dredged or fill materials into any wetlands or other waters, such as rivers, lakes, streams, and ditches. Other activities regulated include the relocation,

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USACE recommends that you have a consultant check to determine whether your project will abut, or lie within, a wetland area. To view a list of consultants that have requested to be included on a list posted by the USACE on their Web site, see USACE Permits and Public Notices (http://www.lrl.usace.army.mil/orf/default.asp) (http://www.lrl.usace.army.mil/orf/default.asp) (http://www.lrl.usace.army.mil/orf/default.asp)) and then click on "Information" from the menu on the right-hand side of that page. Their "Consultant List" is the fourth entry down on the "Information" page. Please note that the USACE posts all consultants that request to appear on the list, and that inclusion of any particular consultant on the list does not represent an endorsement of that consultant by the USACE, or by IDEM.

Much of northern Indiana (Newton, Lake, Porter, LaPorte, St. Joseph, Elkhart, LaGrange, Steuben, and Dekalb counties; large portions of Jasper, Starke, Marshall, Noble, Allen, and Adams counties; and lesser portions of Benton, White, Pulaski, Kosciusko, and Wells counties) is served by the USACE District Office in Detroit (313-226-6812). The central and southern portions of the state (large portions of Benton, White, Pulaski, Kosciosko, and Wells counties; smaller portions of Jasper, Starke, Marshall, Noble, Allen, and Adams counties; and all other Indiana counties located in north-central, central, and southern Indiana) are served by the USACE Louisville District Office (502-315-6733).

Additional information on contacting these U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) District Offices, government agencies with jurisdiction over wetlands, and other water quality issues, can be found at http://www.in.gov/idem/4396.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4396.htm). IDEM recommends that impacts to wetlands and other water resources be avoided to the fullest extent.

- In the event a Section 404 wetlands permit is required from the USACE, you also must obtain a Section 401 Water Quality Certification from the IDEM Office of Water Quality Wetlands Program. To learn more about the Wetlands Program, visit: http://www.in.gov/idem/4384.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4384.htm).
- 3. If the USACE determines that a wetland or other water body is isolated and not subject to Clean Water Act regulation, it is still regulated by the state of Indiana. A State Isolated Wetland permit from IDEM's Office of Water Quality (OWQ) is required for any activity that results in the discharge of dredged or fill materials into isolated wetlands. To learn more about isolated wetlands, contact the OWQ Wetlands Program at 317-233-8488.
- 4. If your project will involve over a 0.5 acre of wetland impact, stream relocation, or other large-scale alterations to water bodies such as the creation of a dam or a water diversion, you should seek additional input from the OWQ Wetlands Program staff. Consult the Web at: http://www.in.gov/idem/4384.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4384.htm) for the appropriate staff contact to further discuss your project.
- 5. Work within the one-hundred year floodway of a given water body is regulated by the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Water. The Division issues permits for activities regulated under the follow statutes:
 - IC 14-26-2 Lakes Preservation Act 312 IAC 11
 - IC 14-26-5 Lowering of Ten Acre Lakes Act No related code
 - IC 14-28-1 Flood Control Act 310 IAC 6-1
 - o IC 14-29-1 Navigable Waterways Act 312 IAC 6
 - IC 14-29-3 Sand and Gravel Permits Act 312 IAC 6
 - IC 14-29-4 Construction of Channels Act No related code

For information on these Indiana (statutory) Code and Indiana Administrative Code citations, see the DNR Web site at: http://www.in.gov/dnr/water/9451.htm (http://www.in.gov/dnr/water/9451.htm) . Contact the DNR Division of Water at 317-232-4160 for further information.

The physical disturbance of the stream and riparian vegetation, especially large trees overhanging any affected water bodies should be limited to only that which is absolutely necessary to complete the project. The shade provided by the large overhanging trees helps maintain proper stream temperatures and dissolved oxygen for aquatic life.

- 6. For projects involving construction activity (which includes clearing, grading, excavation and other land disturbing activities) that result in the disturbance of one (1), or more, acres of total land area, contact the Office of Water Quality Watershed Planning Branch (317/233-1864) regarding the need for of a Rule 5 Storm Water Runoff Permit. Visit the following Web page
 - http://www.in.gov/idem/4902.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4902.htm)

To obtain, and operate under, a Rule 5 permit you will first need to develop a Construction Plan (http://www.in.gov/idem/4917.htm#constreq (http://www.in.gov/idem/4917.htm#constreq)), and as described in 327 IAC 15-5-6.5 (http://www.in.gov/legislative/iac/T03270/A00150 [PDF] (http://www.in.gov/legislative/iac/T03270/A00150.PDF), pages 16 through 19). Before you may apply for a Rule 5 Permit, or begin construction, you must submit your Construction Plan to your county Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) (http://www.in.gov/isda/soil/contacts/map.html (http://www.in.gov/isda/soil/contacts/map.html)).

Upon receipt of the construction plan, personnel of the SWCD or the Indiana Department of Environmental Management will review the plan to determine if it meets the requirements of 327 IAC 15-5. Plans that are deemed deficient will require re-submittal. If the plan is sufficient you will be notified and instructed to submit the verification to IDEM as part of the Rule 5 Notice of Intent (NOI) submittal. Once construction begins, staff of the SWCD or Indiana Department of Environmental Management will perform inspections of activities at the site for compliance with the regulation.

Please be mindful that approximately 149 Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) areas are now being established by various local governmental entities throughout the state as part of the implementation of Phase II federal storm water requirements. All of these MS4 areas will eventually take responsibility for Construction Plan review, inspection, and enforcement. As these MS4 areas obtain program approval from IDEM, they will be added to a list of MS4 areas posted on the IDEM Website at: http://www.in.gov/idem/4900.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4900.htm).

If your project is located in an IDEM-approved MS4 area, please contact the local MS4 program about meeting their storm water requirements. Once the MS4 approves the plan, the NOI can be submitted to IDEM.

Regardless of the size of your project, or which agency you work with to meet storm water requirements, IDEM recommends that appropriate structures and techniques be utilized both during the construction phase, and after completion of the project, to minimize the impacts associated with storm water runoff. The use of appropriate planning and site development and appropriate storm water quality measures are recommended to prevent soil from leaving the construction site during active land disturbance and for post construction water quality concerns. Information and assistance regarding storm water related to construction activities are available from the Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) offices in each county or from IDEM.

- 7. For projects involving impacts to fish and botanical resources, contact the Department of Natural Resources Division of Fish and Wildlife (317/232-4080) for addition project input.
- 8. For projects involving water main construction, water main extensions, and new public water supplies, contact the Office of Water Quality Drinking Water Branch (317-308-3299) regarding the need for permits.
- 9. For projects involving effluent discharges to waters of the State of Indiana, contact the Office of Water Quality Permits Branch (317-233-0468) regarding the need for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.
- 10. For projects involving the construction of wastewater facilities and sewer lines, contact the Office of Water Quality Permits Branch (317-232-8675) regarding the need for permits.

AIR QUALITY

The above-noted project should be designed to minimize any impact on ambient air quality in, or near, the project area. The project must comply with all federal and state air pollution regulations. Consideration should be given to the following:

1. Regarding open burning, and disposing of organic debris generated by land clearing activities; some types of open burning are allowed (http://www.in.gov/idem/4148.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4148.htm)) under specific conditions. You also can seek an open burning variance from IDEM.

However, IDEM generally recommends that you take vegetative wastes to a registered yard waste composting facility or that the waste be chipped or shredded with composting on site (you must register with IDEM if more than 2,000 pounds is to be composted; contact 317/232-0066). The finished compost can then be used as a mulch or soil amendment. You also may bury any vegetative wastes (such as leaves, twigs, branches, limbs, tree trunks and stumps) onsite, although burying large quantities of such material can lead to subsidence problems, later on.

Reasonable precautions must be taken to minimize fugitive dust emissions from construction and demolition activities. For example, wetting the area with water, constructing wind barriers, or treating dusty areas with chemical stabilizers (such as calcium chloride or several other commercial products). Dirt tracked onto paved roads from unpaved areas should be minimized.

Additionally, if construction or demolition is conducted in a wooded area where blackbirds have roosted or abandoned buildings or building sections in which pigeons or bats have roosted for 3-5 years precautionary measures should be taken to avoid an outbreak of histoplasmosis. This disease is caused by the fungus Histoplasma capsulatum, which stems from bird or bat droppings that have accumulated in one area for 3-5 years. The spores from this fungus become airborne when the area is disturbed and can cause infections over an entire community downwind of the site. The area should be wetted down prior to cleanup or demolition of the project site. For more detailed information on histoplasmosis prevention and control, please contact the Acute Disease Control Division of the Indiana State Department of Health at (317) 233-7272.

2. The U.S. EPA and the Surgeon General recommend that people not have long-term exposure to radon at levels above 4 pCi/L. (For a county-by-county map of predicted radon levels in Indiana, visit: http://www.in.gov/idem/4145.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4145.htm).)

The U.S. EPA further recommends that all homes (and apartments within three stories of ground level) be tested for radon. If in-home radon levels are determined to be 4 pCi/L, or higher, EPA recommends a follow-up test. If the second test confirms that radon levels are 4 pCi/L, or higher, EPA recommends the installation of radon-reduction measures. (For a list of qualified radon testers and radon mitigation (or reduction) specialists visit: http://www.in.gov/isdh/regsvcs/radhealth/pdfs/radon_testers_mitigators_list.pdf

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To learn more about radon, radon risks, and ways to reduce exposure visit: http://www.in.gov/isdh/regsvcs/radhealth/radon.htm (http://www.in.gov/isdh/regsvcs/radhealth/radon.htm), http://www.in.gov/idem/4145.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4145.htm), or http://www.epa.gov/radon/index.html (http://www.epa.gov/radon/index.html).

3. With respect to asbestos removal: all facilities slated for renovation or demolition (except residential buildings that have (4) four or fewer dwelling units and which will not be used for commercial purposes) must be inspected by an Indiana-licensed asbestos inspector prior to the commencement of any renovation or demolition activities. If regulated asbestos-containing material (RACM) that may become airborne is found, any subsequent

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demolition, renovation, or asbestos removal activities must be performed in accordance with the proper notification and emission control requirements.

If no asbestos is found where a renovation activity will occur, or if the renovation involves removal of less than 260 linear feet of RACM off of pipes, less than 160 square feet of RACM off of other facility components, or less than 35 cubic feet of RACM off of all facility components, the owner or operator of the project does not need to notify IDEM before beginning the renovation activity.

For questions on asbestos demolition and renovation activities, you can also call IDEM's Lead/Asbestos section at 1-888-574-8150.

However, in all cases where a demolition activity will occur (even if no asbestos is found), the owner or operator must still notify IDEM 10 working days prior to the demolition, using the form found at http://www.in.gov/icpr/webfile/formsdiv/44593.pdf (http://www.in.gov/icpr/webfile/formsdiv/44593.pdf).

Anyone submitting a renovation/demolition notification form will be billed a notification fee based upon the amount of friable asbestos containing material to be removed or demolished. Projects that involve the removal of more than 2,600 linear feet of friable asbestos containing materials on pipes, or 1,600 square feet or 400 cubic feet of friable asbestos containing material on other facility components, will be billed a fee of \$150 per project; projects below these amounts will be billed a fee of \$50 per project. All notification remitters will be billed on a quarterly basis.

For more information about IDEM policy regarding asbestos removal and disposal, visit: http://www.in.gov/idem/4983.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4983.htm).

- 4. With respect to lead-based paint removal: IDEM encourages all efforts to minimize human exposure to lead-based paint chips and dust. IDEM is particularly concerned that young children exposed to lead can suffer from learning disabilities. Although lead-based paint abatement efforts are not mandatory, any abatement that is conducted within housing built before January 1, 1978, or a child-occupied facility is required to comply with all lead-based paint work practice standards, licensing and notification requirements. For more information about lead-based paint removal visit: http://www.in.gov/isdh/19131.htm (http://www.in.gov/isdh/19131.htm).
- 5. Ensure that asphalt paving plants are permitted and operate properly. The use of cutback asphalt, or asphalt emulsion containing more than seven percent (7%) oil distillate, is prohibited during the months April through October. See 326 IAC 8-5-2, Asphalt Paving Rule (http://www.ai.org/legislative/iac/T03260/A00080.PDF (http://www.ai.org/legislative/iac/T03260/A00080.PDF)).
- 6. If your project involves the construction of a new source of air emissions or the modification of an existing source of air emissions or air pollution control equipment, it will need to be reviewed by the IDEM Office of Air Quality (OAQ). A registration or permit may be required under 326 IAC 2 (View at: www.ai.org/legislative/iac/t03260/a00020.pdf (http://www.ai.org/legislative/iac/t03260/a00020.pdf).) New sources that use or emit hazardous air pollutants may be subject to Section 112 of the Clean Air Act and corresponding state air regulations governing hazardous air pollutants.
- 7. For more information on air permits visit: http://www.in.gov/idem/4223.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4223.htm), or to initiate the IDEM air permitting process, please contact the Office of Air Quality Permit Reviewer of the Day at (317) 233-0178 or OAMPROD atdem.state.in.us.

LAND QUALITY

In order to maintain compliance with all applicable laws regarding contamination and/or proper waste disposal, IDEM recommends that:

- 1. If the site is found to contain any areas used to dispose of solid or hazardous waste, you need to contact the Office of Land Quality (OLQ)at 317-308-3103.
- 2. All solid wastes generated by the project, or removed from the project site, need to be taken to a properly permitted solid waste processing or disposal facility. For more information, visit http://www.in.gov/idem/4998.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4998.htm).
- 3. If any contaminated soils are discovered during this project, they may be subject to disposal as hazardous waste. Please contact the OLQ at 317-308-3103 to obtain information on proper disposal procedures.
- 4. If PCBs are found at this site, please contact the Industrial Waste Section of OLQ at 317-308-3103 for information regarding management of any PCB wastes from this site.
- 5. If there are any asbestos disposal issues related to this site, please contact the Industrial Waste Section of OLQ at 317-308-3103 for information regarding the management of asbestos wastes (Asbestos removal is addressed above, under Air Quality).
- 6. If the project involves the installation or removal of an underground storage tank, or involves contamination from an underground storage tank, you must contact the IDEM Underground Storage Tank program at 317/308-3039. See: http://www.in.gov/idem/4999.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/4999.htm).

FINAL REMARKS

Should you need to obtain any environmental permits in association with this proposed project, please be mindful that IC 13-15-8 requires that you notify all adjoining property owners and/or occupants within ten days your submittal of each permit application. However, if you are seeking multiple permits, you can still meet the notification requirement with a single notice if all required permit applications are submitted with the same ten day period.

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Should the scope of the proposed project be expanded to the extent that a National Environmental Policy Act Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required, IDEM will actively participate in any early interagency coordination review of the project.

Meanwhile, please note that this letter does not constitute a permit, license, endorsement or any other form of approval on the part of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management regarding any project for which a copy of this letter is used. Also note that is it the responsibility of the project engineer or consultant using this letter to ensure that the most current draft of this document, which is located at http://www.in.gov/idem/5284.htm (http://www.in.gov/idem/5284.htm), is used.

Signature(s) of the Applicant

I acknowledge that the following proposed roadway project will be financed in part, or in whole, by public monies.

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With my signature, I do hereby affirm that I have read the letter from the Indiana Department of Environment that appears directly above. In addition, I understand that in order to complete that project in which I am interested, with a minimum of impact to the environment, I must consider all the issues addressed in the aforementioned letter, and further, that I must obtain any required permits.

Date:7/19/19			
Signature of the INDOT Project Engineer or Other I	Responsible Agent	Travis Mankin	
Date: 07/19/2019		Travis Mankin	
Signature of the For Hire Consultant	Ruth	Hook	
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Organization and Project Information

Project ID:

Des. ID: 1700194

Project Title: SR 252 Slide Correction Project

Name of Organization: Lochmueller Group

Requested by: Chris Kunkel

Environmental Assessment Report

- 1. Geological Hazards:
 - High liquefaction potential
 - 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard
 - Potential Slope Instability
- 2. Mineral Resources:
 - Bedrock Resource: Low Potential
 - Sand and Gravel Resource: Low Potential
- 3. Active or abandoned mineral resources extraction sites:
 - None documented in the area

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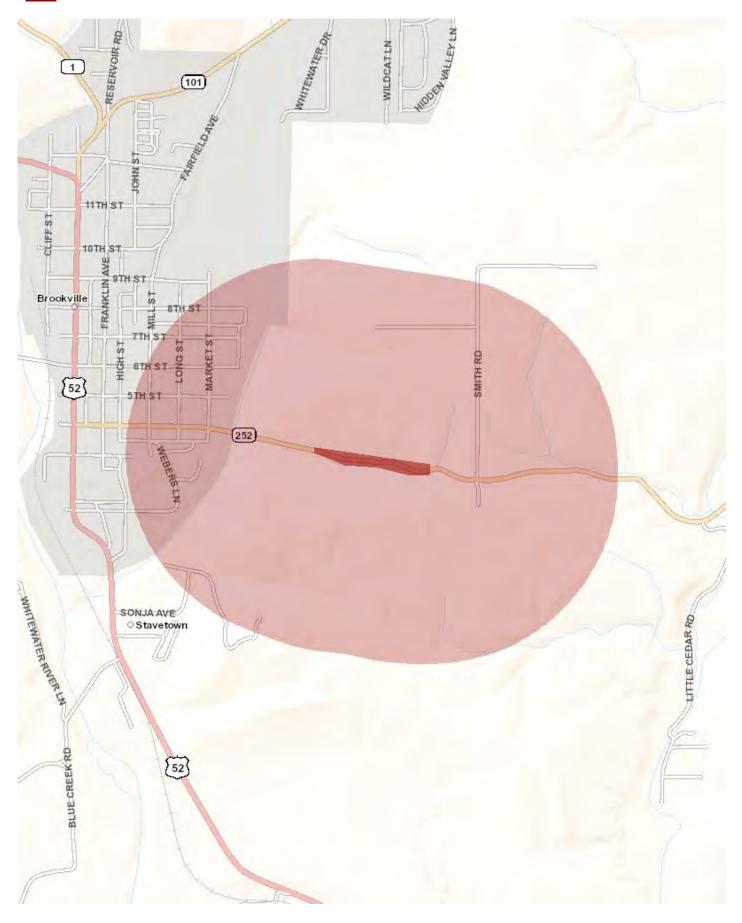
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From: Wright, Mary <MWRIGHT@indot.IN.gov>

Sent: Monday, July 22, 2019 9:49 AM

To: Kunkel, Chris

Subject: RE: SR 252 Slide Correction Project (Des. No. 1700194) ECL

Early Coordination and Creating a Public Involvement Plan (PIP)

We have received your early coordination notification packet for the above referenced project(s). Our office prefers to be notified at the early coordination stage in order to encourage early and ongoing public involvement aside from the specific legal requirements as outlined in our Public Involvement Manual http://www.in.gov/indot/2366.htm. Seeking the public's understanding of transportation improvement projects early in the project development stage can allow the opportunity for the public to express their concerns, comments, and to seek buy-in. Early coordination is the perfect opportunity to examine the proposed project and its impacts to the community along with the many ways and or tools to inform the public of the improvements and seek engagement. A good public involvement plan, or PIP, should consider the type, scope, impacts, and the level of public awareness that should, or could, be implemented. In other words, although there are cases where no public involvement is legally required, sometimes it is simply the right thing to do in order to keep the public informed.

The public involvement office is always available to provide support and resources to bolster any public involvement activities you may wish to implement or discuss. Please feel free to contact our office anytime should you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for notifying our office about your proposed project. We trust you will not only analyze the appropriate public involvement required, but also consider the opportunity to do go above and beyond those requirements in creating a good PIP.

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From: Kunkel, Chris [mailto:CKunkel@lochgroup.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2019 1:32 PM

To: Clark, Rickie <RCLARK@indot.IN.gov>; Wright, Mary <MWRIGHT@indot.IN.gov>

Cc: Hook, Ruth <RHook@lochgroup.com>

Subject: SR 252 Slide Correction Project (Des. No. 1700194) ECL

Good afternoon,

Please see the attached early coordination letter and associated attachments for the slide correction project in Franklin County, Indiana.

Please contact myself or Ruth Hook (rhook@lochgroup.com) should you have any questions or comments regarding this project.

Kunkel, Chris

From: McWilliams, Robin <robin_mcwilliams@fws.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 3:42 PM

To: Kunkel, Chris

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] SR 252 Slide Correction Project (Des. No. 1700194) ECL

Dear Chris.

This responds to your recent letter, requesting our comments on the aforementioned project.

These comments have been prepared under the authority of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (I6 U.S.C. 661 et. seq.) and are consistent with the intent of the National Environmental Policy Act of I969, the Endangered Species Act of I973, and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Mitigation Policy.

The project is within the range of the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) and should follow the new Indiana bat/northern long-eared bat programmatic consultation process, if applicable (*i.e.* a federal transportation nexus is established). We will review that information once it is received.

Based on a review of the information you provided, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has no objections to the project as currently proposed. However, should new information arise pertaining to project plans or a revised species list be published, it will be necessary for the Federal agency to reinitiate consultation. Standard recommendations are provided below.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment at this early stage of project planning. If project plans change such that fish and wildlife habitat may be affected, please recoordinate with our office as soon as possible. If you have any questions about our recommendations, please call (812) 334-4261 x. 207.

Sincerely, Robin McWilliams Munson

Standard Recommendations:

- 1. Do not clear trees or understory vegetation outside the construction zone boundaries. (This restriction is not related to the "tree clearing" restriction for potential Indiana Bat habitat.)
- 2. Restrict below low-water work in streams to placement of culverts, piers, pilings and/or footings, shaping of the spill slopes around the bridge abutments, and placement of riprap.

Culverts should span the active stream channel, should be either embedded or a 3-sided or open-arch culvert, and be installed where practicable on an essentially flat slope. When an open-bottomed culvert or arch is used in a stream, which has a good natural bottom substrate, such as gravel, cobbles and boulders, the existing substrate should be left undisturbed beneath the culvert to provide natural habitat for the aquatic community.

3. Restrict channel work and vegetation clearing to the minimum necessary for installation of the stream crossing structure.

- 4. Minimize the extent of hard armor (riprap) in bank stabilization by using bioengineering techniques whenever possible. If rip rap is utilized for bank stabilization, extend it below low-water elevation to provide aquatic habitat.
- 5. Implement temporary erosion and sediment control methods within areas of disturbed soil. All disturbed soil areas upon project completion will be vegetated following INDOT's standard specifications.
- 6. Avoid all work within the inundated part of the stream channel (in perennial streams and larger intermittent streams) during the fish spawning season (April 1 through June 30), except for work within sealed structures such as caissons or cofferdams that were installed prior to the spawning season. No equipment shall be operated below Ordinary High Water Mark during this time unless the machinery is within the caissons or on the cofferdams.
- 7. Evaluate wildlife crossings under bridge/culverts projects in appropriate situations. Suitable crossings include flat areas below bridge abutments with suitable ground cover, high water shelves in culverts, amphibian tunnels and diversion fencing.

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Monday, Tuesday - 7:30a-3:00p Wednesday, Thursday - telework 8:30a-3:00p

On Thu, Jul 18, 2019 at 1:21 PM Kunkel, Chris < CKunkel@lochgroup.com > wrote:

Good afternoon,

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Thank you for your time and have a great day,



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In Reply Refer To: May 15, 2020

Consultation Code: 03E12000-2019-SLI-1352

Event Code: 03E12000-2020-E-06828

Project Name: SR 252 Slide Correction (Des. No. 1700194)

Subject: Updated list of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed

project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The attached species list identifies any federally threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project or may be affected by your proposed project. The list also includes designated critical habitat if present within your proposed project area or affected by your project. This list is provided to you as the initial step of the consultation process required under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act, also referred to as Section 7 Consultation.

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 requires that actions authorized, funded, or carried out by Federal agencies not jeopardize federally threatened or endangered species or adversely modify designated critical habitat. To fulfill this mandate, Federal agencies (or their designated non-federal representative) must consult with the Service if they determine their project "may affect" listed species or critical habitat.

Under 50 CFR 402.12(e) (the regulations that implement Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act) the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally. You may verify the list by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website http://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/ at regular intervals during project planning and implementation and completing the same process you used to receive the attached list. As an alternative, you may contact this Ecological Services Field Office for updates.

Please use the species list provided and visit the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Region 3 Section 7 Technical Assistance website at - http://www.fws.gov/midwest/endangered/section7/ s7process/index.html. This website contains step-by-step instructions which will help you

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determine if your project will have an adverse effect on listed species and will help lead you through the Section 7 process.

For all wind energy projects and projects that include installing towers that use guy wires or are over 200 feet in height, please contact this field office directly for assistance, even if no federally listed plants, animals or critical habitat are present within your proposed project or may be affected by your proposed project.

Although no longer protected under the Endangered Species Act, be aware that bald eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*) and Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703 *et seq*), as are golden eagles. Projects affecting these species may require measures to avoid harming eagles or may require a permit. If your project is near an eagle nest or winter roost area, see our Eagle Permits website at http://www.fws.gov/midwest/midwestbird/EaglePermits/index.html to help you determine if you can avoid impacting eagles or if a permit may be necessary.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

05/15/2020

Official Species List

Official Species List

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

Indiana Ecological Services Field Office 620 South Walker Street Bloomington, IN 47403-2121 (812) 334-4261

Project Summary

Consultation Code: 03E12000-2019-SLI-1352

Event Code: 03E12000-2020-E-06828

Project Name: SR 252 Slide Correction (Des. No. 1700194)

Project Type: TRANSPORTATION

Project Description: The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) - Seymour District

proposes to proceed with a slide correction project along SR 252 in Franklin County, Indiana (Des. No. 1700194). The project will involve stabilizing the embankment on the south side of SR 252 to prevent further damage from the land slide. The proposed project is located along SR 252, approximately 0.8 mile east of US 52 and east of the Town of Brookville in Brookville Township of Franklin County, Indiana. Specifically, the project is located in Section 28, Township 9 North, Range 2 West as depicted on the Brookville and Whitcomb U. S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 quadrangles. Adjacent land use consists of residential and forested areas.

SR 252 is functionally classified as a major collector within the project area and consists of two, 11-foot asphalt travel lanes (one in each direction) with asphalt and aggregate shoulders varying from less than 1 foot to 4 feet in width. The current speed limit along this stretch of SR 252 is 55 miles per hour (mph). Stormwater and roadside drainage is conveyed through three corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culverts underneath SR 252 that drain to the south side of the roadway.

The proposed project will construct a soldier pile wall with anchor tiebacks along SR 252 where the embankment is sliding to the south of the roadway. A soldier pile wall is a retaining wall that uses steel piles installed vertically and timber lagging installed horizontally between the piles to stabilize and spread the load behind it. Installation of this new retaining wall will require the removal of the existing stone retaining wall along the south side of the roadway. The roadway within the damaged area will be reconstructed to a typical section consisting of two 11-foot asphalt travel lanes (one in each direction) with a 4-foot wide asphalt shoulder along the eastbound lane and a 2-foot wide asphalt shoulder along westbound lane. New guardrail will be installed along the south side of SR 252. It is anticipated the pavement reconstruction will consist of mill/overlay, wedge and level, and widening. The culverts conveying stormwater and roadside drainage under SR 252 will be replaced with culverts that are hydrologically sufficient in size. New riprap will be

placed at the outlets, and possibly the inlets, of each new culvert for scour protection. No new permanent lighting will be installed. The use of temporary lighting during construction is not anticipated. The total length of the project along SR 252 will be approximately 1,400 feet (0.27 mile).

Construction is expected to begin in Spring 2020.

This project will require the acquisition of approximately 1.5 acres of permanent right-of-way to construct the soldier pile wall and install the tie backs. Approximately one acre of tree clearing will likely be required to complete the project.

INDOT Seymour District reviewed the USFWS database for documented endangered bat species or their hibernacula within 0.5 mile of the project area on May 3, 2019. No endangered bat species were identified in or within 0.5 mile of the project area.

The culverts associated with this project were inspected for evidence of the presence of bats on June 24, 2019, and no evidence of the presence of bats was found.

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: https://www.google.com/maps/place/39.4171510624682N84.99840473212078W



Counties: Franklin, IN

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 2 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species. Note that 1 of these species should be considered only under certain conditions.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

NOAA Fisheries, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an
office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of
Commerce.

Mammals

NAME STATUS

Indiana Bat *Myotis sodalis*

Endangered

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5949

Species survey guidelines:

https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/guideline/survey/population/1/office/31440.pdf

Northern Long-eared Bat *Myotis septentrionalis*

Threatened

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

This species only needs to be considered under the following conditions:

• Incidental take of the NLEB is not prohibited here. Federal agencies may consult using the 4(d) rule streamlined process. Transportation projects may consult using the programmatic process. See www.fws.gov/midwest/endangered/mammals/nleb/index.html

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045

Critical habitats

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.



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In Reply Refer To: July 29, 2019

Consultation Code: 03E12000-2019-I-1352 Event Code: 03E12000-2019-E-06298

Project Name: SR 252 Slide Correction (Des. No. 1700194)

Subject: Concurrence verification letter for the 'SR 252 Slide Correction (Des. No. 1700194)'

project under the revised February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion for Transportation Projects within the Range of the Indiana Bat

and Northern Long-eared Bat.

To whom it may concern:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has received your request dated to verify that the **SR 252 Slide Correction (Des. No. 1700194)** (Proposed Action) may rely on the concurrence provided in the February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion for Transportation Projects within the Range of the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat (PBO) to satisfy requirements under Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C 1531 *et seq.*).

Based on the information you provided (Project Description shown below), you have determined that the Proposed Action is within the scope and adheres to the criteria of the PBO, including the adoption of applicable avoidance and minimization measures, may affect, but is <u>not likely to adversely affect</u> (NLAA) the endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and/or the threatened Northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*).

The Service has 14 calendar days to notify the lead Federal action agency or designated non-federal representative if we determine that the Proposed Action does not meet the criteria for a NLAA determination under the PBO. If we do <u>not</u> notify the lead Federal action agency or designated non-federal representative within that timeframe, you may proceed with the Proposed Action under the terms of the NLAA concurrence provided in the PBO. This verification period allows Service Field Offices to apply local knowledge to implementation of the PBO, as we may identify a small subset of actions having impacts that were unanticipated. In such instances, Service Field Offices may request additional information that is necessary to verify inclusion of the proposed action under the PBO.

For Proposed Actions that include bridge/structure removal, replacement, and/or maintenance activities: If your initial bridge/structure assessments failed to detect Indiana bats, but you later detect bats during construction, please submit the Post Assessment Discovery of Bats at Bridge/Structure Form (User Guide Appendix E) to this Service Office. In these instances, potential incidental take of Indiana bats may be exempted provided that the take is reported to the Service.

If the Proposed Action is modified, or new information reveals that it may affect the Indiana bat and/or Northern long-eared bat in a manner or to an extent not considered in the PBO, further review to conclude the requirements of ESA Section 7(a)(2) may be required. If the Proposed Action may affect any other federally-listed or proposed species, and/or any designated critical habitat, additional consultation is required. If the proposed action has the potential to take bald or golden eagles, additional coordination with the Service under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act may also be required. In either of these circumstances, please contact this Service Office.

Project Description

The following project name and description was collected in IPaC as part of the endangered species review process.

Name

SR 252 Slide Correction (Des. No. 1700194)

Description

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Construction is expected to begin in Spring 2020.

This project will require the acquisition of approximately 1.5 acres of permanent right-ofway to construct the soldier pile wall and install the tie backs. Approximately one acre of tree clearing will likely be required to complete the project.

INDOT Seymour District reviewed the USFWS database for documented endangered bat species or their hibernacula within 0.5 mile of the project area on May 3, 2019. No endangered bat species were identified in or within 0.5 mile of the project area.

The culverts associated with this project were inspected for evidence of the presence of bats on June 24, 2019, and no evidence of the presence of bats was found.

Determination Key Result

Based on your answers provided, this project(s) may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect the endangered Indiana bat and/or the threatened Northern long-eared bat. Therefore, consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service pursuant to Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (87 Stat. 884, as amended 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) is required. However, also based on your answers provided, this project may rely on the concurrence provided in the revised February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion for Transportation Projects within the Range of the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat.

Qualification Interview

- 1. Is the project within the range of the Indiana bat^[1]?
 - [1] See Indiana bat species profile

Automatically answered

Yes

- 2. Is the project within the range of the Northern long-eared bat^[1]?
 - [1] See Northern long-eared bat species profile

Automatically answered

Yes

- 3. Which Federal Agency is the lead for the action?
 - A) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- 4. Are *all* project activities limited to non-construction^[1] activities only? (examples of non-construction activities include: bridge/abandoned structure assessments, surveys, planning and technical studies, property inspections, and property sales)
 - [1] Construction refers to activities involving ground disturbance, percussive noise, and/or lighting. No
- 5. Does the project include *any* activities that are **greater than** 300 feet from existing road/rail surfaces^[1]?
 - [1] Road surface is defined as the actively used [e.g. motorized vehicles] driving surface and shoulders [may be pavement, gravel, etc.] and rail surface is defined as the edge of the actively used rail ballast.

No

- 6. Does the project include *any* activities **within** 0.5 miles of a known Indiana bat and/or NLEB hibernaculum^[1]?
 - [1] For the purpose of this consultation, a hibernaculum is a site, most often a cave or mine, where bats hibernate during the winter (see suitable habitat), but could also include bridges and structures if bats are found to be hibernating there during the winter.

No

7. Is the project located within a karst area?

No

- 8. Is there *any* suitable^[1] summer habitat for Indiana Bat or NLEB **within** the project action area^[2]? (includes any trees suitable for maternity, roosting, foraging, or travelling habitat)
 - [1] See the Service's <u>summer survey guidance</u> for our current definitions of suitable habitat.
 - [2] The action area is defined as all areas to be affected directly or indirectly by the Federal action and not merely the immediate area involved in the action (50 CFR Section 402.02). Further clarification is provided by the national consultation FAQs.

Yes

- 9. Will the project remove *any* suitable summer habitat^[1] and/or remove/trim any existing trees **within** suitable summer habitat?
 - [1] See the Service's <u>summer survey guidance</u> for our current definitions of suitable habitat. *Yes*
- 10. Will the project clear more than 20 acres of suitable habitat per 5-mile section of road/rail? *No*

- 11. Have presence/probable absence (P/A) summer surveys^{[1][2]} been conducted^{[3][4]} within the suitable habitat located within your project action area?
 - [1] See the Service's <u>summer survey guidance</u> for our current definitions of suitable habitat.
 - [2] Presence/probable absence summer surveys conducted within the fall swarming/spring emergence home range of a documented Indiana bat hibernaculum (contact local Service Field Office for appropriate distance from hibernacula) that result in a negative finding requires additional consultation with the local Service Field Office to determine if clearing of forested habitat is appropriate and/or if seasonal clearing restrictions are needed to avoid and minimize potential adverse effects on fall swarming and spring emerging Indiana bats.
 - [3] For projects within the range of either the Indiana bat or NLEB in which suitable habitat is present, and no bat surveys have been conducted, the transportation agency will assume presence of the appropriate species. This assumption of presence should be based upon the presence of suitable habitat and the capability of bats to occupy it because of their mobility.
 - [4] Negative presence/probable absence survey results obtained using the <u>summer survey guidance</u> are valid for a minimum of two years from the completion of the survey unless new information (e.g., other nearby surveys) suggest otherwise.

No

- 12. Does the project include activities within documented Indiana bat habitat^{[1][2]}?
 - [1] Documented roosting or foraging habitat for the purposes of this consultation, we are considering documented habitat as that where Indiana bats and/or NLEB have actually been captured and tracked using (1) radio telemetry to roosts; (2) radio telemetry biangulation/triangulation to estimate foraging areas; or (3) foraging areas with repeated use documented using acoustics. Documented roosting habitat is also considered as suitable summer habitat within 0.25 miles of documented roosts.)
 - [2] For the purposes of this key, we are considering documented corridors as that where Indiana bats and/or NLEB have actually been captured and tracked to using (1) radio telemetry; or (2) treed corridors located directly between documented roosting and foraging habitat.

No

13. Will the removal or trimming of habitat or trees occur within suitable but undocumented Indiana bat roosting/foraging habitat or travel corridors?

Yes

- 14. What time of year will the removal or trimming of habitat or trees within suitable but undocumented Indiana bat roosting/foraging habitat or travel corridors occur^[1]?
 - [1] Coordinate with the local Service Field Office for appropriate dates.
 - B) During the inactive season
- 15. Does the project include activities within documented NLEB habitat^{[1][2]}?
 - [1] Documented roosting or foraging habitat for the purposes of this consultation, we are considering documented habitat as that where Indiana bats and/or NLEB have actually been captured and tracked using (1) radio telemetry to roosts; (2) radio telemetry biangulation/triangulation to estimate foraging areas; or (3) foraging areas with repeated use documented using acoustics. Documented roosting habitat is also considered as suitable summer habitat within 0.25 miles of documented roosts.)
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No

16. Will the removal or trimming of habitat or trees occur within suitable but undocumented NLEB roosting/foraging habitat or travel corridors?

Yes

- 17. What time of year will the removal or trimming of habitat or trees within suitable but undocumented NLEB roosting/foraging habitat or travel corridors occur?
 - B) During the inactive season
- 18. Will *any* tree trimming or removal occur **within** 100 feet of existing road/rail surfaces? *Yes*
- 19. Will the tree removal alter *any* **documented** Indiana bat or NLEB roosts and/or alter any surrounding summer habitat **within** 0.25 mile of a documented roost?

 No
- 20. Will *any* tree trimming or removal occur **between** 100-300 feet of existing road/rail surfaces?

No

21. Are *all* trees that are being removed clearly demarcated? *Yes*

22. Will the removal of habitat or the removal/trimming of trees include installing new or replacing existing **permanent** lighting?

No

23. Does the project include wetland or stream protection activities associated with compensatory wetland mitigation?

No

24. Does the project include slash pile burning?

No

- 25. Does the project include *any* bridge removal, replacement, and/or maintenance activities (e.g., any bridge repair, retrofit, maintenance, and/or rehabilitation work)? *Yes*
- 26. Is there *any* suitable habitat^[1] for Indiana bat or NLEB **within** 1,000 feet of the bridge? (includes any trees suitable for maternity, roosting, foraging, or travelling habitat)
 - [1] See the Service's current <u>summer survey guidance</u> for our current definitions of suitable habitat. *Yes*

- 27. Has a bridge assessment^[1] been conducted **within** the last 24 months^[2] to determine if the bridge is being used by bats?
 - [1] See <u>User Guide Appendix D</u> for bridge/structure assessment guidance
 - [2] Assessments must be completed no more than 2 years prior to conducting any work below the deck surface on all bridges that meet the physical characteristics described in the Programmatic Consultation, regardless of whether assessments have been conducted in the past. Due to the transitory nature of bat use, a negative result in one year does not guarantee that bats will not use that bridge/structure in subsequent years.

Yes

SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS

- UNT 3 Culvert_Bat Assessment_2019-06-24.pdf https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/project/QBIAGQVKEZBYZNV3RO6LBHHAOQ/
 projectDocuments/17511814
- West Culvert_Bat Assessment_2019-06-24.pdf https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/project/OBIAGOVKEZBYZNV3RO6LBHHAOO/
 projectDocuments/17511815
- UNT 4 Culvert_Bat Assessment_2019-06-24.pdf https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/project/OBIAGOVKEZBYZNV3RO6LBHHAOO/
 projectDocuments/17511816
- 28. Did the bridge assessment detect *any* signs of Indiana bats and/or NLEBs roosting in/under the bridge (bats, guano, etc.)^[1]?
 - [1] If bridge assessment detects signs of *any* species of bats, coordination with the local FWS office is needed to identify potential threatened or endangered bat species. Additional studies may be undertaken to try to identify which bat species may be utilizing the bridge prior to allowing *any* work to proceed.

Note: There is a small chance bridge assessments for bat occupancy do not detect bats. Should a small number of bats be observed roosting on a bridge just prior to or during construction, such that take is likely to occur or does occur in the form of harassment, injury or death, the PBO requires the action agency to report the take. Report all unanticipated take within 2 working days of the incident to the USFWS. Construction activities may continue without delay provided the take is reported to the USFWS and is limited to 5 bats per project.

No

No

29. Will the bridge removal, replacement, and/or maintenance activities include installing new or replacing existing **permanent** lighting?

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30. Does the project include the removal, replacement, and/or maintenance of *any* structure other than a bridge? (e.g., rest areas, offices, sheds, outbuildings, barns, parking garages, etc.)

No

- 31. Will the project involve the use of **temporary** lighting *during* the active season? *No*
- 32. Will the project install new or replace existing **permanent** lighting? *No*
- 33. Does the project include percussives or other activities (**not including tree removal/ trimming or bridge/structure work**) that will increase noise levels above existing traffic/background levels?

No

34. Are *all* project activities that are **not associated with** habitat removal, tree removal/ trimming, bridge and/or structure activities, temporary or permanent lighting, or use of percussives, limited to actions that DO NOT cause any additional stressors to the bat species?

Examples: lining roadways, unlighted signage, rail road crossing signals, signal lighting, and minor road repair such as asphalt fill of potholes, etc.

Yes

35. Will the project raise the road profile **above the tree canopy**?

No

36. Are the project activities that are not associated with habitat removal, tree removal/ trimming, bridge and/or structure activities, temporary or permanent lighting, or use of percussives consistent with a No Effect determination in this key?

Automatically answered

Yes, other project activities are limited to actions that DO NOT cause any additional stressors to the bat species as described in the BA/BO

37. Is the habitat removal portion of this project consistent with a Not Likely to Adversely Affect determination in this key?

Automatically answered

Yes, because the tree removal/trimming that occurs outside of the active season occurs greater than 0.5 miles from the nearest hibernaculum, is less than 100 feet from the existing road/rail surface, includes clear demarcation of the trees that are to be removed, and does not alter documented roosts and/or surrounding summer habitat within 0.25 miles of a documented roost

38. Is the habitat removal portion of this project consistent with a Not Likely to Adversely Affect determination in this key?

Automatically answered

Yes, because the tree removal/trimming that occurs outside of the active season occurs greater than 0.5 miles from the nearest hibernaculum, is less than 100 feet from the existing road/rail surface, includes clear demarcation of the trees that are to be removed, and does not alter documented roosts and/or surrounding summer habitat within 0.25 miles of a documented roost

39. Is the bridge removal, replacement, or maintenance activities portion of this project consistent with a No Effect determination in this key?

Automatically answered

Yes, because the bridge has been assessed using the criteria documented in the BA and no signs of bats were detected

40. General AMM 1

Will the project ensure *all* operators, employees, and contractors working in areas of known or presumed bat habitat are aware of *all* FHWA/FRA/FTA (Transportation Agencies) environmental commitments, including all applicable Avoidance and Minimization Measures?

Yes

41. Tree Removal AMM 1

Can *all* phases/aspects of the project (e.g., temporary work areas, alignments) be modified, to the extent practicable, to avoid tree removal^[1] in excess of what is required to implement the project safely?

Note: Tree Removal AMM 1 is a minimization measure, the full implementation of which may not always be practicable. Projects may still be NLAA as long as Tree Removal AMMs 2, 3, and 4 are implemented and LAA as long as Tree Removal AMMs 3, 5, 6, and 7 are implemented.

[1] The word "trees" as used in the AMMs refers to trees that are suitable habitat for each species within their range. See the USFWS' current summer survey guidance for our latest definitions of suitable habitat.

Yes

42. Tree Removal AMM 2

Can *all* tree removal activities be restricted to when Indiana bats are not likely to be present (e.g., the inactive season)^[1]?

[1] Coordinate with the local Service Field Office for appropriate dates.

Automatically answered

Yes

43. Tree Removal AMM 2

Can *all* tree removal activities be restricted to when Northern long-eared bats are not likely to be present (e.g., the inactive season)^[1]?

[1] Coordinate with the local Service Field Office for appropriate dates.

Automatically answered

Yes

44. Tree Removal AMM 3

Can tree removal be limited to that specified in project plans and ensure that contractors understand clearing limits and how they are marked in the field (e.g., install bright colored flagging/fencing prior to any tree clearing to ensure contractors stay within clearing limits)?

Yes

45. Tree Removal AMM 4

Can the project avoid cutting down/removal of *all* (1) **documented**^[1] Indiana bat or NLEB roosts^[2] (that are still suitable for roosting), (2) trees **within** 0.25 miles of roosts, and (3) documented foraging habitat any time of year?

- [1] The word documented means habitat where bats have actually been captured and/or tracked.
- [2] Documented roosting or foraging habitat for the purposes of this consultation, we are considering documented habitat as that where Indiana bats and/or NLEB have actually been captured and tracked using (1) radio telemetry to roosts; (2) radio telemetry biangulation/triangulation to estimate foraging areas; or (3) foraging areas with repeated use documented using acoustics. Documented roosting habitat is also considered as suitable summer habitat within 0.25 miles of documented roosts.)

Yes

46. Lighting AMM 1

Will *all* **temporary** lighting used during the removal of suitable habitat and/or the removal/trimming of trees within suitable habitat be directed away from suitable habitat during the active season?

Yes

Project Questionnaire

1. Have you made a No Effect determination for *all* other species indicated on the FWS IPaC generated species list?

Yes

2. Have you made a May Affect determination for *any* other species on the FWS IPaC generated species list?

No

- 3. How many acres^[1] of trees are proposed for removal between 0-100 feet of the existing road/rail surface?
 - [1] If described as number of trees, multiply by 0.09 to convert to acreage and enter that number.

1.0

4. Please describe the proposed bridge work:

Three culverts will be replaced with new culverts that are hydrologically sufficient in size along SR 252 as a part of this slide correction project.

- 5. Please state the timing of all proposed bridge work:

 The culvert replacement portion of the project will likely occur in the Summer of 2020.
- 6. Please enter the date of the bridge assessment: *June 24, 2019*

Avoidance And Minimization Measures (AMMs)

This determination key result includes the committment to implement the following Avoidance and Minimization Measures (AMMs):

GENERAL AMM 1

Ensure all operators, employees, and contractors working in areas of known or presumed bat habitat are aware of all FHWA/FRA/FTA (Transportation Agencies) environmental commitments, including all applicable AMMs.

LIGHTING AMM 1

Direct temporary lighting away from suitable habitat during the active season.

TREE REMOVAL AMM 1

Modify all phases/aspects of the project (e.g., temporary work areas, alignments) to avoid tree removal.

TREE REMOVAL AMM 2

Apply time of year restrictions for tree removal when bats are not likely to be present, or limit tree removal to 10 or fewer trees per project at any time of year within 100 feet of existing road/rail surface and **outside of documented** roosting/foraging habitat or travel corridors; visual emergence survey must be conducted with <u>no bats observed</u>.

TREE REMOVAL AMM 3

Ensure tree removal is limited to that specified in project plans and ensure that contractors understand clearing limits and how they are marked in the field (e.g., install bright colored flagging/fencing prior to any tree clearing to ensure contractors stay within clearing limits).

TREE REMOVAL AMM 4

Do not remove **documented** Indiana bat or NLEB roosts that are still suitable for roosting, or trees within 0.25 miles of roosts, or

documented foraging habitat any time of year.

Determination Key Description: FHW A, FRA, FTA Programmatic Consultation For T ransportation Projects Affecting NLEB Or Indiana Bat

This key was last updated in IPaC on March 16, 2018. Keys are subject to periodic revision.

This decision key is intended for projects/activities funded or authorized by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), and/or Federal Transit Administration (FTA), which require consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) for the endangered **Indiana bat** (*Myotis sodalis*) and the threatened **Northern long-eared bat** (NLEB) (*Myotis septentrionalis*).

This decision key should <u>only</u> be used to verify project applicability with the Service's <u>February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion for Transportation Projects</u>. The programmatic biological opinion covers limited transportation activities that may affect either bat species, and addresses situations that are both likely and not likely to adversely affect either bat species. This decision key will assist in identifying the effect of a specific project/activity and applicability of the programmatic consultation. The programmatic biological opinion is <u>not</u> intended to cover all types of transportation actions. Activities outside the scope of the programmatic biological opinion, or that may affect ESA-listed species other than the Indiana bat or NLEB, or any designated critical habitat, may require additional ESA Section 7 consultation.

APPENDIX D: Bridge/Structure Assessment Form

This form will be completed and submitted to the District Environmental Manager by the Contractor prior to conducting any work below the deck surface either from the underside; from activities above that bore down to the underside; from activities that could impact expansion joints; from deck removal on bridges; or from structure demolition for bridges/structures within 1000 feet of suitable bat habitat.

DOT Project #	Water Body	Date/Time of Inspection	Within 1,000ft of suitable bat habitat (circle
1700194	UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River	6/24/2019 10:45 AM	one) Yes No

Route	County	Federal Structure ID
SR 252	Franklin	N/A (culvert conveying UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River)

If the bridge/structure is 1,000 feet or more from suitable bat habitat (e.g., an urban or agricultural area without suitable foraging habitat or corridors linking the bridge to suitable foraging habitat), check box and STOP HERE. No assessment required.

Please submit to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Areas Inspected (Check all that apply)

Bridges	Culverts/Other Structures	Culverts/Other Structures		Summary Info (circle all that apply)			
All vertical crevices sealed at the top and 0.5-1.25" wide & ≥4" deep	Crevices, rough surfaces or imperfections in concrete	X	Human disturbance or traffic under bridge/in culvert or at the structure	High	Low	None	
All crevices >12" deep & not sealed	Spaces between walls, ceiling joists	Х	Possible corridors for netting	None/poor	Marginal	Excellent	
All guardrails							
All expansion joints							
Spaces between concrete end walls and the bridge deck							

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Vertical surfaces on concrete I-				
beams				

Evidence of Bats (Circle all that apply) Presence of one or more indicators is sufficient evidence that bats may be using the structure.



Visual (e.g. survey, thermal, emergent etc.)

Guano

Staining definitively from bats

• Live __number seen

Odor Y/N

Photo documentation Y/N

• Dead number seen

Photo documentation Y/N

Photo documentation Y/N

Audible

Assessment Conducted By: _Chris KunkelSi	ignature(s):	Chris Ku	ınkel	
District Environmental Use Only: Date Received by District Environmental Manager:				

DOT Bat Assessment Form Instructions

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DOT Project #	Water Body	Date/Time of Inspection	Within 1,000ft of suitable bat habitat (circle
1700194	UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River	6/24/2019 11:15 AM	one) Yes No

Route	County	Federal Structure ID
SR 252	Franklin	N/A (culvert conveying UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River)

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DOT P	roject #	Water Body	Date/Time of Inspection	Within 1,000ft of suitable bat habitat (circle
1700	194	N/A	6/24/2019 10:30 AM	one) Yes No

Route	County	Federal Structure ID
SR 252	Franklin	N/A (westernmost culvert)

If the bridge/structure is 1,000 feet or more from suitable bat habitat (e.g., an urban or agricultural area without suitable foraging habitat or corridors linking the bridge to suitable foraging habitat), check box and STOP HERE. No assessment required.

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Areas Inspected (Check all that apply)

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All guardrails			-				
All expansion joints			1				
Spaces between concrete end walls and the bridge deck							

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Des. No. 1700194 Appendix C: Early Coordination C43



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

100 North Senate Avenue Room N642 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 PHONE: (855) 463-6848

Eric Holcomb, Governor Joe McGuinness, Commissioner

Ruth Hook Lochmueller Group, Inc. (317) 222-3880 rhook@lochgroup.com August 8, 2019

Re: Early Coordination Review, Des. 1700194

State Road (SR) 252, 0.8 mile east of US 52 – Slide Correction, State Project, Brookville Township, Franklin County, Indiana

Dear Ms. Hook:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) Environmental Services Division (ESD) appreciates the opportunity to assist you on the project referenced above. Pursuant to your early coordination request for an environmental review, we have performed a preliminary search of the project area.

There appears to be at least one active project you should be aware of that is adjacent to Des. 1700194's project area. A summary of this project is provided below. Contact information for the project manager is listed below if you would like to request additional information.

DES: 1801067: SR 252 HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance, 0.42 miles East of US 52 (Bridge over Whitewater

River) to District line

Project Sponsor: Indiana Department of Transportation

Project Manager: Nicole Curry

Timeline: Letting scheduled 07/08/2020

Appropriate hazardous materials investigations should be conducted in areas of excavation. If during the hazardous material investigation, sites are identified that have a reasonable potential to impact the project area(s), ESD recommends that the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's (IDEM) Virtual File Cabinet (VFC) be consulted. The VFC will provide information that is useful in assessing the risk of impacts.

As always, be sure to follow all applicable processes as well as federal and state laws and local requirements. Thank you for the opportunity to assist you with your project. If you have any questions, please contact a member of my staff, Terri Fair: 317-232-0680 or TFair@indot.IN.gov.

Sincerely,

Ron Bales

Environmental Policy Manager, Environmental Services Division

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State of Indiana DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Fish and Wildlife

Early Coordination/Environmental Assessment

DNR #:

ER-21687

Request Received: July 18, 2019

Requestor:

Lochmueller Group Inc.

Ruth Hook

3502 Woodview Trace, Suite 150

Indianapolis, IN 46268

Project:

SR 252 slide correction along about 1400' of roadway, and replacement of 3 small

structures, about 0.8 mile east of US 52; Des #1700194

County/Site info:

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources has reviewed the above referenced project per your request. Our agency offers the following comments for your information and in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

If our agency has regulatory jurisdiction over the project, the recommendations contained in this letter may become requirements of any permit issued. If we do not

have permitting authority, all recommendations are voluntary.

Regulatory Assessment:

Formal approval by the Department of Natural Resources under the regulatory

programs administered by the Division of Water is not required for this project.

Natural Heritage Database: The Natural Heritage Program's data have been checked.

To date, no plant or animal species listed as state or federally threatened, endangered,

or rare have been reported to occur in the project vicinity.

Fish & Wildlife Comments: Avoid and minimize impacts to fish, wildlife, and botanical resources to the greatest extent possible, and compensate for impacts. The following are recommendations that address potential impacts identified in the proposed project area:

1) Stream Crossings:

The Environmental Unit recommends bridges rather than culverts and bottomless culverts rather than box or pipe culverts. Wide culverts are better than narrow culverts, and culverts with shorter through lengths are better than culverts with longer through lengths. If box or pipe culverts are used, the bottoms should be buried a minimum of 6" (or 20% of the culvert height/pipe diameter, whichever is greater up to a maximum of 2') below the stream bed elevation to allow a natural streambed to form within or under the crossing structure. Crossings should: span the entire channel width (a minimum of 1.2 times the OHWM width); maintain the natural stream substrate within the structure; have a minimum openness ratio (height x width / length) of 0.25; and have stream depth, channel width, and water velocities during low-flow conditions that are approximate to those in the natural stream channel.

2) Bank Stabilization & Wildlife Passage:

The replacement structures and any bank stabilization should not create conditions that are less favorable for wildlife passage compared to current conditions. Minimize the use of riprap and use alternative erosion protection materials whenever possible. Riprap must not be placed in the active thalweg channel or placed in the streambed in a manner that precludes fish or aquatic organism passage (riprap must not be placed above the existing streambed elevation). Where riprap must be used, we recommend placing only enough riprap to provide stream bank toe protection, such as from the toe of the bank up to the ordinary high water mark (OHWM). The banks above the OHWM must be restored, stabilized, and revegetated using geotextiles and a mixture of grasses, sedges, wildflowers, shrubs, and trees native to the area and specifically for

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stream bank/floodway stabilization purposes as soon as possible upon completion.

While hard armoring alone (e.g. riprap or glacial stone) may be needed in certain instances, soft armoring and bioengineering techniques should be considered first. In many instances, one or more methods are necessary to increase the likelihood of vegetation establishment. Combining vegetation with most bank stabilization methods can provide additional bank protection and help reduce impacts upon fish and wildlife. If hard armoring is needed, wildlife passage can be facilitated by using a smooth-surfaced armoring material instead of riprap, such as articulated concrete block mats, fabric-formed concrete mats, or other similar smooth-surfaced material.

Information about bioengineering techniques can be found at http://www.in.gov/legislative/iac/20120404-IR-312120154NRA.xml.pdf. Also, the following is a USDA/NRCS document that outlines many different bioengineering techniques for streambank stabilization: http://directives.sc.egov.usda.gov/17553.wba.

3) Riparian Habitat:

We recommend a mitigation plan be developed for any unavoidable habitat impacts that will occur. The DNR's Floodway Habitat Mitigation guidelines (and plant lists) can be found online at: http://www.in.gov/legislative/iac/20190130-IR-312190041NRA.xml.pdf.

Impacts to non-wetland forest of one (1) acre or more should be mitigated at a minimum 2:1 ratio. If less than one acre of non-wetland forest is removed in a rural setting, replacement should be at a 1:1 ratio based on area. Impacts to non-wetland forest under one (1) acre in an urban setting should be mitigated by planting five trees, at least 2 inches in diameter-at-breast height (dbh), for each tree which is removed that is 10" dbh or greater (5:1 mitigation based on the number of large trees).

4) Wetland Habitat:

Due to the presence or potential presence of wetland habitat on site, we recommend contacting and coordinating with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) 401 program and also the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) 404 program. Impacts to wetland habitat should be mitigated at the appropriate ratio according to the 1991 INDOT/IDNR/USFWS Memorandum of Understanding.

5) Cofferdams:

Project designs should avoid inclusion of a cofferdam. Such features result in impacts to the stream and surrounding habitat. If a cofferdam is deemed critical for the construction to occur, justification must be provided with any permit application. Any proposed dewatering must be detailed using the following guidelines:

- a. Dewatering must be limited to one side or streambank of the creek/bridge construction site at a time so at least half of the creek is always flowing naturally. On larger streams both sides can be dammed at once as long as the center of the channel is allowed to flow naturally.
- b. Do not dewater directly into the stream. Dewater into a sediment bag into a roll off box and onto a riprap apron or similar system.
- c. Coffer dam materials and methods can vary (sheet piling, water-filled bags or tubes, sand bags, silt or sediment bags, riprap dams, removable dam systems, etc.). Self-contained and encapsulated materials and methods are preferred. Anything filled with water is better than particulate filled systems where there is a potential for leaking or failure of the system due to length of use or accidents.
- d. Dewatering pumps must incorporate filters or bypasses to avoid injuring or killing fish and other aquatic organisms.

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The additional measures listed below should be implemented to avoid, minimize, or compensate for impacts to fish, wildlife, and botanical resources:

- 1. Revegetate all bare and disturbed areas that will not be mowed and maintained with a mixture of grasses, sedges, wildflowers, shrubs and trees native to Eastern Indiana and specifically for stream bank/floodway stabilization purposes as soon as possible upon completion; turf-type grasses (including low-endophyte, friendly endophyte, and endophyte free tall fescue but excluding all other varieties of tall fescue) may be used in regularly mowed areas only.
- 2. Minimize and contain within the project limits inchannel disturbance and the clearing of trees and brush.
- 3. Do not work in the waterway from April 1 through June 30 without the prior written approval of the Division of Fish and Wildlife.
- 4. Do not cut any trees suitable for Indiana bat or Northern Long-eared bat roosting (greater than 5 inches dbh, living or dead, with loose hanging bark, or with cracks, crevices, or cavities) from April 1 through September 30.
- 5. Do not excavate in the low flow area except for the placement of piers, foundations, and riprap, or removal of the old structure.
- 6. Do not construct any temporary runarounds or causeways.
- 7. Use minimum average 6 inch graded riprap stone extended below the normal water level to provide habitat for aquatic organisms in the voids.
- 8. Do not use broken concrete as riprap.
- 9. Underlay the riprap with a bedding layer of well graded aggregate or a geotextile to prevent piping of soil underneath the riprap.
- 10. Minimize the movement of resuspended bottom sediment from the immediate project area.
- 11. Appropriately designed measures for controlling erosion and sediment must be implemented to prevent sediment from entering the stream or leaving the construction site; maintain these measures until construction is complete and all disturbed areas are stabilized.
- 12. Seed and protect all disturbed streambanks and slopes not protected by other methods that are 3:1 or steeper with erosion control blankets that are heavy-duty, biodegradable, and net free or that use loose-woven / Leno-woven netting to minimize the entrapment and snaring of small-bodied wildlife such as snakes and turtles (follow manufacturer's recommendations for selection and installation); seed and apply mulch on all other disturbed areas.

Contact Staff:

Christie L. Stanifer, Environ. Coordinator, Fish & Wildlife Our agency appreciates this opportunity to be of service. Please contact the above staff member at (317) 232-4080 if we can be of further assistance.

Date: August 16, 2019

Christie L. Stanifer Environ. Coordinator

Division of Fish and Wildlife

Natural Resources Conservation Service Indiana State Office 6013 Lakeside Boulevard Indianapolis, IN 46278 317-290-3200

December 30, 2019

Ruth Hook Lochmueller Group, Inc. 3502 Woodview Trace, Suite 150 Indianapolis, Indiana 46268

Dear Ms. Hook:

The proposed project to address the deteriorating condition of State Road 252 because of a gradual land slide occurring along this road in Brookville Township, Franklin County, Indiana, (Des No 1700194), as referred to in your letter received July 18, 2019, will not cause a conversion of prime farmland.

If you need additional information, please contact John Allen at 317-295-5859.

Sincerely,

JERRY RAYNOR Digitally signed by JERRY RAYNOR Date: 2020.01.06 22:42:14-05'00'

JERRY RAYNOR State Conservationist

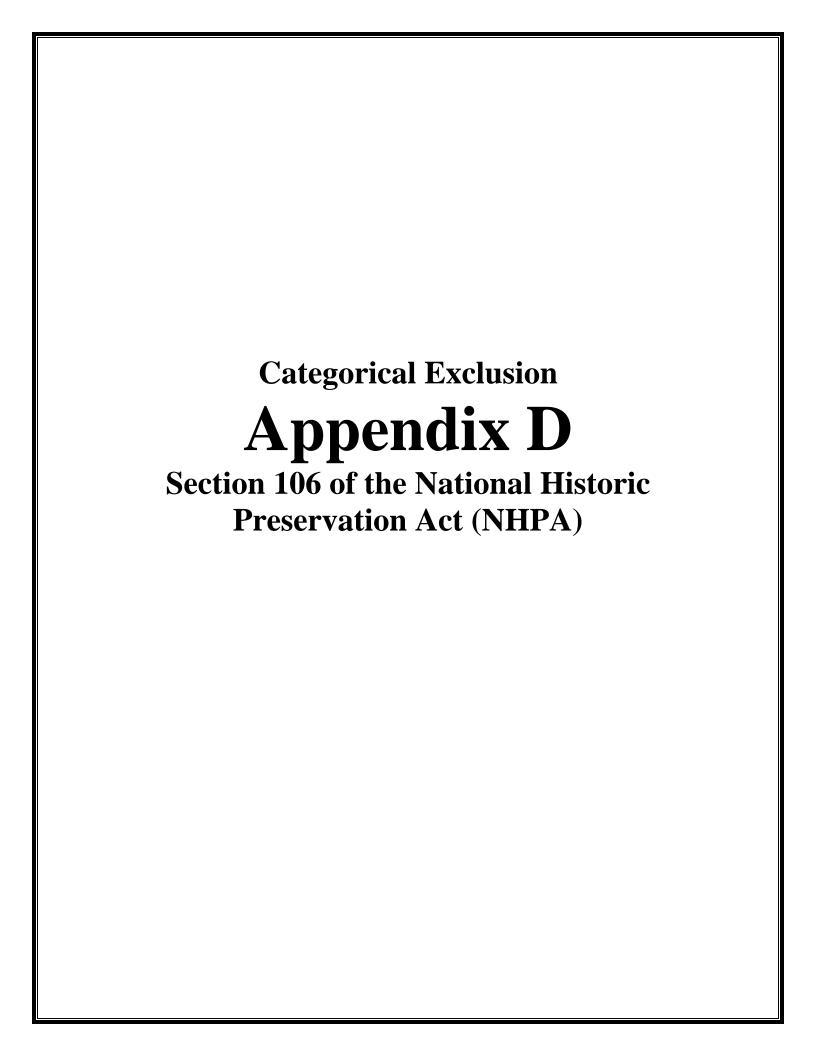
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Minor Projects PA Project Assessment Form

Date: 7/5/2019 **Project Designation Number:** 1700194

Route Number: SR 252

Project Description: Slide Correction, 0.8 miles east of US 52

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) Seymour District with funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is proposing to proceed with a slide correction along SR 252 approximately 0.3 mile east of Brookville, Indiana in Franklin County. The project is located within Section 28 of Township 9 North, Range 2 West of the USGS 7.5' series Brookville and Whitcomb, Indiana, topographic quadrangle maps.

SR 252 roadway is a two-lane rural (minor) arterial roadway. The project location is approximately 1,000 feet long and consists of two 12 foot wide through lanes. The SR 252 roadway embankment is failing due to landslides and slope movements.

The proposed improvement includes stabilizing the road side embankment with slide correction measures including a drilled shaft wall with tiebacks. As design progresses, designers will determine the specific details of the slide correction measure. The project location contains two corrugated metal pipe culverts, one of which is embedded in a large stone retaining wall. Design specifications have not been finalized, but the culverts may require replacement or rehabilitation as part of this project. Additional right-of-way (R/W) will be necessary to accommodate the slide correction, but the amounts have yet to be determined.

Feature crossed (if applicable):

Township: Brookville Township

City/County: Franklin County

Information reviewed (please check all that apply):

General project location map	USGS map	Aerial photograph				
Written description of project area	General project	area photos				
Previously completed archaeology reports	☐ Interim Report	\boxtimes				
Previously completed historic property reports						
Soil survey data Bridge	e inspection information					
Other (please specify): SHAARD; SHAARD GIS; project information submitted by Weintraut & Associates, dated 6/24/2019 (on file at INDOT-CRO)						

Does the project appear to fall under the Minor Projects PA? yes on

If yes, please specify category and number (applicable conditions are highlighted):

- A-9. Installation, repair, or replacement of erosion control measures along roadways, waterways and bridge piers within previously disturbed soils; and
- 9. Installation, replacement, repair, lining, or extension of culverts and other drainage structures under the conditions listed below [BOTH Condition A, which pertains to Archaeological Resources, and Condition B, which pertains to Above-Ground Resources, must be satisfied]:

Condition A (Archaeological Resources)

One of the two conditions listed below must be met (EITHER Condition i or Condition ii must be satisfied):

- i. Work occurs in previously disturbed soils; OR
- ii. Work occurs in undisturbed soils and an archaeological investigation conducted by the applicant and reviewed by INDOT Cultural Resources Office determines that no National Register-listed or potentially National Register-eligible archaeological resources are present within the project area. If the archaeological investigation locates National Register-listed or potentially National Register-eligible archaeological resources, then full Section 106 review will be required. Copies of any archaeological reports prepared for the project will be provided to the DHPA and any archaeological site form information will be entered directly into the SHAARD by the applicant. The archaeological reports will also be available for viewing (by Tribes only) on INSCOPE.

Condition B (Above-Ground Resources)

One of the conditions below must be met (EITHER Condition i or Condition ii must be satisfied):

- i. Work does not involve installation of a new culvert and other drainage structure, and there are no impacts to unusual features, including but not limited to historic brick or stone sidewalks, curbs or curb ramps, stepped or elevated sidewalks and retaining walls, under one of the following conditions (Condition a, Condition b, or Condition c must be satisfied):
 - a. The structure exhibits no wood, stone, or brick structures or parts therein; OR
 - b. The structure exhibits only modern wood, stone, or brick structures or parts therein; OR
 - c. The structure exhibits non-modern wood, stone, or brick structures or parts therein and the following conditions are met (*BOTH Condition 1 AND Condition 2 must be met*):
 - 1. Work does not occur adjacent to or within a National Register-listed or National Registereligible district or individual above-ground resource; *AND*
 - 2. The structure lacks sufficient integrity and/or a context that suggests it might have engineering or historical significance. Under this condition, a qualified professional (meeting the Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualification standards [48 Federal Register (FR) 44716]) must prepare an analysis and justification that the structure lacks sufficient integrity and/or a context that suggests it might have engineering or historical significance. This documentation must be reviewed and approved by INDOT Cultural Resources Office.
- ii. Work involves the installation of a new culvert and other drainage structures AND/OR there may be impacts to unusual features, including historic brick or stone sidewalks, curbs or curb ramps, stepped or elevated sidewalks and retaining walls, under the following conditions (BOTH Condition a and Condition b must be satisfied):
 - a. Work does not occur adjacent to or within a National Register-listed or National Registereligible district or individual above-ground resource; *AND*
 - b. The subject structure exhibits one of the characteristics described below (Condition 1, Condition 2 or Condition 3 must be satisfied).
 - 1. The structure exhibits no wood, stone, or brick structures or parts therein; OR
 - 2. The structure exhibits only modern wood, stone, or brick structures or parts therein; OR

3. The structure exhibits non-modern wood, stone, or brick structures or parts therein but lacks sufficient integrity and/or a context that suggests it might have engineering or historical significance. Under this condition, a qualified professional (meeting the Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualification standards [48 Federal Register (FR) 44716]) must prepare an analysis and justification that the structure lacks sufficient integrity and/or a context that suggests it might have engineering or historical significance. This documentation must be reviewed and approved by INDOT Cultural Resources Office.

If no, please explain:

Additional comments:

With regard to above-ground resources, an INDOT Cultural Resources historian who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards as per 36 CFR Part 61 performed a desktop review, checking the Indiana Register of Historic Sites and Structures (State Register) and National Register of Historic Places (National Register) lists for Franklin County. The project area is not located within or adjacent to any listed resources. Brookville Historic District (NR-0028) is located approximately 1,200 feet west of the project area.

The *Franklin County Interim Report* (2011; Brookville Township Scattered Sites) of the Indiana Historic Sites and Structures Inventory (IHSSI) was also consulted. The National Register & IHSSI information is available in the Indiana State Historic Architectural and Archaeological Research Database (SHAARD), and the Indiana Historic Buildings, Bridges, and Cemeteries Map (IHBBCM). The SHAARD and IHBBCM information was checked against the Interim Report hard copy maps. No IHSSI properties are located within or adjacent to the project area.

The area surrounding the project area is hilly and densely wooded, which significantly limits the area of potential effects. No aboveground structures are located adjacent to the project area.

The project involves the rehabilitation or replacement of two corrugated metal pipe culverts. Structure numbers for these pipes could not be found.

Due to the presence of a stone retaining wall that may be impacted by the project, Condition B-ii-b-3 requires an assessment by a Qualified Professional (QP) historian. A QP historian from Weintraut & Associates (W&A), who are under contract to advance the environmental documentation for this project, assessed the potential significance and integrity of the stone wall:

Research Summary:

W&A was unable to locate any prior plans or specific information regarding this culvert and retaining wall structure. W&A consulted with INDOT Research and Documents Library but no plans or surveys for this structure were located. W&A also received information from John Kurtz of INDOT's Southeast District regarding the history of the State Road 252 roadway (previously known as the Colerain Turnpike and Mt. Carmel Road). The information from Mr. Kurtz indicated that the general route has been utilized since the 1830s and was an early turnpike. County records obtained by INDOT indicate the road was an early state road but offer no

¹ "Turnpike Charters," Indiana American (Brookville, Ind: March 1, 1839), 1, obtained from John Kurtz, INDOT Southeast District.

information about its width.² The roadway was officially absorbed into the new State Highway system and designated SR 252 in 1931.³

Field Observations:

The structure involved in this project is a large, stacked stone retaining wall pierced by a corrugated metal pipe (CMP) on the south side of SR 252 (downslope, photos 1-3) and a head wall constructed of similar stone with a recessed smooth iron pipe on the north side (upslope, photos 4-6).

The south side of the CMP is positioned in the stone retaining wall about ten feet above the sloped surface of the creek and about three to four feet below the surface of the roadway. The wall's stonework lies directly against the sides of the CMP and appears to have been constructed specifically to accommodate the CMP's diameter (photos 7-10.) Additionally, the stone retaining wall exhibits no evidence of having been disturbed to insert the CMP. These observations suggest that the wall was constructed at the same time the pipe was inserted—likely the later twentieth century (photo 10.)

Cement mortar is evident in many spaces between stones in the wall. (See photos 11-13.) Also, the top edge of the retaining wall sits back slightly from the rest of the wall and has some larger patches of cement, perhaps indicating the former location of a support or retaining apparatus (photos 1-3.) The historians observed stones in the bottom of the creek bed beneath the pipe that looked similar to those in the retaining wall. Historians speculate that the large stone retaining wall, which is positioned in a severely sloped area and is subject to a high volume of runoff, washed out in the past and was rebuilt with existing stones and that its culvert pipe was replaced with a corrugated metal pipe. Alternatively, the wall and CMP were installed as part of a road widening project in the mid-to-late twentieth century that extended the existing smooth iron pipe structure. The use of modern design, workmanship, and materials in the structure, as exhibited by the presence of a modern corrugated metal pipe and a reconstructed or significantly altered stone wall on its southern end, diminishes the integrity of the culvert and the historic feeling and association between the structure and the early SR 252 roadway.

Conclusion:

After a site visit and physical inspection of the CMP culvert and stone retaining wall on May 17, 2019, the stone retaining wall on the structure's south elevation appears to be of mid-to-late twentieth century construction. The stone headwall and smooth iron culvert pipe on the structure's north elevation likely dates to the late nineteenth or early twentieth century. Based upon the previously mentioned alterations and upgrades, the culvert lacks integrity and/or a context that suggests it might have engineering or historical significance. Therefore, the undertaking is qualified to proceed under Category B-9, Condition B (ii)(b)(3) of the MPPA.

After review of the information provided by W&A, INDOT-CRO concurs with the assessment. Maps and photographs provided by W&A are attached to this form.

Based on the available information, as summarized above, no aboveground concerns exist.

With regard to archaeological resources, the proposed project is limited to replacing two corrugated metal pipes under SR 252 and slide repairs within the proposed project area. Within the project area SR 252 is cut into a steep slope that grades north to south. Though the roadbed is

² "Brookville-Scipio State Road," Road Record #1, 219-222 (State Road Record, 58), May 5, 1837, obtained from John Kurtz, INDOT Southeast District.

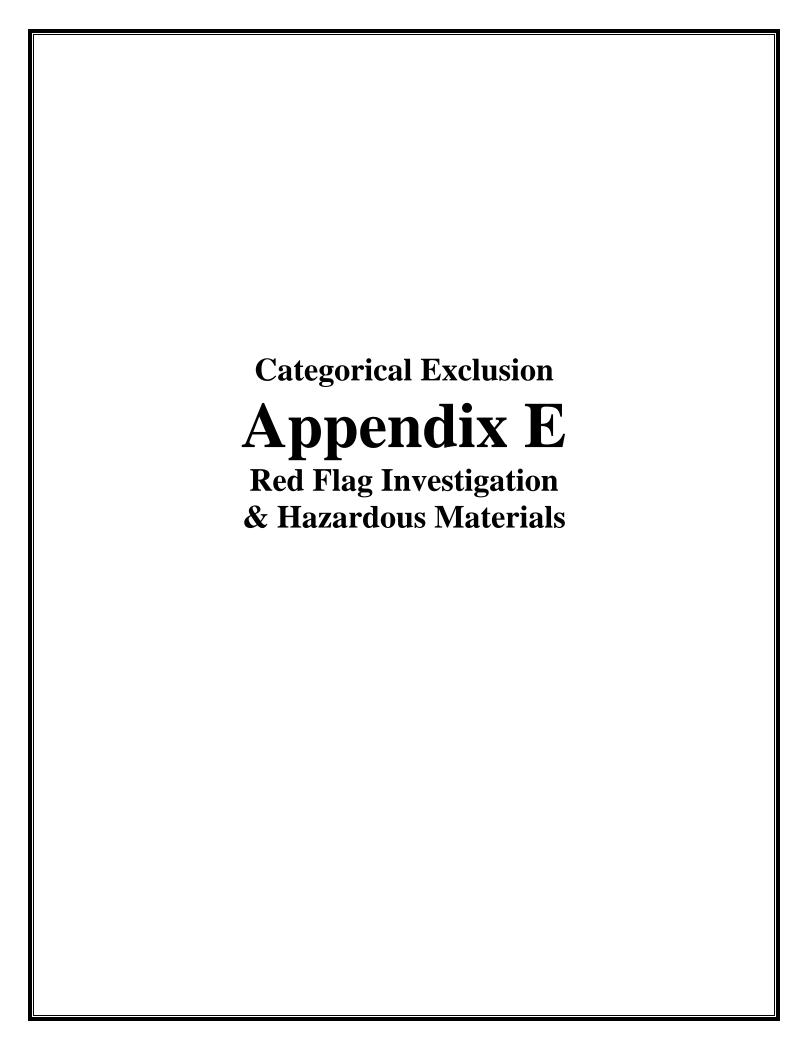
³ "Roads Added to State System," *The Daily Reporter* (Greenfield, Ind: May 15, 1931), 1, accessed June 3, 2019, available at newspapers.com.

level, the land to either side is not. All work will occur in disturbed or steeply sloping soils. Soils within the project area range in slope from 25-50% which is too steep for archaeological deposits to exist. According to SHAARD, no archaeological sites are documented within or adjacent to the project area. Since work is confined to replacing and repairing existing structures in previously disturbed and sloping soils, there are no archaeological concerns.

If any archaeological artifacts or human remains are uncovered during construction, demolition, or earth moving activities, construction in the immediate area of the find will be stopped, and the INDOT Cultural Resources Section and the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology will be notified immediately.

INDOT Cultural Resources staff reviewer(s): Anthony Ross and Shaun Miller

***Be sure to attach this form to the National Environmental Policy Act documentation for this project. Also, the NEPA documentation shall reference and include the description of the specific stipulation in the PA that qualifies the project as exempt from further Section 106 review.





INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Date: June 17, 2019

To: Site Assessment & Management

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Re: RED FLAG INVESTIGATION

DES 1700194, State Project Slide Correction Project

SR 252

Franklin County, Indiana

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Brief Description of Project: The Federal Highway Administration and the INDOT – Seymour District propose to proceed with a slide correction project along SR 252 east of the town of Brookville in Franklin County, Indiana. The proposed improvement includes stabilizing the road side embankment with slide correction measures including a drilled shaft wall with tiebacks. As design progresses, designers will determine the specific details of the slide correction measure. The project location contains two corrugated metal pipe culverts, one of which is embedded in a large stone retaining wall. Design specifications have not been finalized, but the culverts may require replacement or rehabilitation as part of this project.

Bridge and/or Culvert Project: Yes No Structure #Not applicable If this is a bridge project, is the bridge Historical? Yes \(\sime\) No \(\sime\), Select \(\sime\) Non-Select \(\sime\) (Note: If the project involves a <u>historical</u> bridge, please include the bridge information in the Recommendations Section of the report).
Proposed right of way: Temporary \square # Acres Permanent \boxtimes # Acres, Not Applicable \square
Type of excavation: Excavation will occur to drill shafts down approximately 30 feet as a part of the wall. Additional excavation to replace pavement and the existing wall will occur to a maximum depth of 10 feet.

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Maintenance of traffic: Maintenance of traffic has not been finalized but will likely involve the closure of SR 252 within the project area. If a closure is required a signed detour will be established. The maintenance of traffic will follow *INDOT*

Design Manual guidelines.

Work in waterway:	Yes ⊠	No \square	Below or	dinary hig	sh water	mark:	Yes ⊠	No 🗆
State Project: 🗵	LPA: □							

INFRASTRUCTURE TABLE AND SUMMARY

Any other factors influencing recommendations: N/A

Infrastructure Indicate the number of items of concern found within the 0.5 mile search radius. If there are no items, please indicate N/A:							
Religious Facilities 3* Recreational Facilities 1							
Airports ¹	N/A Pipelines N/A						
Cemeteries N/A Railroads N/A							
Hospitals N/A Trails 1							
Schools	N/A	Managed Lands	N/A				

¹In order to complete the required airport review, a review of public airports within 3.8 miles (20,000 feet) is required.

Explanation:

Religious Facilities*: One (1) religious facility is mapped within the 0.5 mile search radius. A review of recent aerial mapping and the USGS topographic map indicate that there are two (2) additional religious facilities located within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest religious facility, First Baptist Church, is located 0.3 mile northwest of the project area. No impact is expected.

Recreational Facilities: One (1) recreational facility is located within the 0.5 mile search radius. The recreational facility, Randolph Playground, is located 0.45 mile northwest of the project area. A review of recent aerial mapping indicate that this point in is in the wrong location. No impact is expected.

Trails: One (1) trail is located within the 0.5 mile search radius. The trail, Brookville Parks Trails, is located 0.34 mile northwest of the project area. No impact is expected.

WATER RESOURCES TABLE AND SUMMARY

Water Resources Indicate the number of items of concern found within the 0.5 mile search radius. If there are no items, please indicate N/A:						
NWI - Points	N/A	Canal Routes - Historic	N/A			
Karst Springs	N/A	NWI - Wetlands	8			
Canal Structures – Historic	N/A	Lakes	6			
NPS NRI Listed	N/A	Floodplain - DFIRM	1			
NWI-Lines	N/A	Cave Entrance Density	N/A			
IDEM 303d Listed Streams and Lakes (Impaired)	N/A	Sinkhole Areas	N/A			
Rivers and Streams	10	Sinking-Stream Basins	N/A			

Explanation:

Rivers and Streams: Ten (10) river and stream segments are located within the 0.5 mile search radius. One unnamed stream is located within the project area. A Waters of the US Report will be prepared and coordination with INDOT ES Ecology and Waterway Permitting will occur.

National Wetland Inventory (NWI) – Wetlands: Eight (8) NWI – wetlands are located within the 0.5 mile search radius. The closest wetland is located 0.07 acre north of the project area. No impact is expected.

Lakes: Six (6) lakes are located within the 0.5 mile search radius. The closest lake is located 0.15 acre southeast of the project area. No impact is expected.

Floodplain – DFIRM: One (1) floodplain is located within the 0.5 mile search radius. The floodplain is located 0.20 mile west of the project area. No impact is expected.

URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY SUMMARY

Explanation: This project is not located within an urbanized area boundary.

MINING AND MINERAL EXPLORATION TABLE AND SUMMARY

Mining/Mineral Exploration Indicate the number of items of concern found within the 0.5 mile search radius. If there are no items, please indicate N/A:						
Petroleum Wells 2 Mineral Resources N/A						
Mines – Surface N/A Mines – Underground N/A						

Explanation:

Petroleum Wells: Two (2) petroleum wells are located within the 0.5 mile search radius. The closest well is located 0.42 mile west of the project area. No impact is expected.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL CONCERNS TABLE AND SUMMARY

Hazardous Material Concerns

Indicate the number of items of concepted please indicate N/A:	ern found wit	hin the 0.5 mile search radius. If there	are no items,
Superfund	N/A	Manufactured Gas Plant Sites	N/A
RCRA Generator/ TSD	N/A	Open Dump Waste Sites	N/A
RCRA Corrective Action Sites	N/A	Restricted Waste Sites	N/A
State Cleanup Sites	N/A	Waste Transfer Stations	N/A
Septage Waste Sites	N/A	Tire Waste Sites	N/A
Underground Storage Tank (UST) Sites	1	Confined Feeding Operations (CFO)	N/A
Voluntary Remediation Program	N/A	Brownfields	N/A
Construction Demolition Waste	N/A	Institutional Controls	N/A
Solid Waste Landfill	N/A	NPDES Facilities	N/A
Infectious/Medical Waste Sites	N/A	NPDES Pipe Locations N/A	

Leaking Underground Storage (LUST) Sites	N/A	Notice of Contamination Sites	N/A
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Explanation:

UST Sites: One (1) UST is located within the 0.5 mile search radius. The UST site, the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company (Agency Interest ID# 31200), is located 0.35 mile west of the project area. Due to the distance from the project area, no impact is expected.

ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION SUMMARY

The Franklin County listing of the Indiana Natural Heritage Data Center information on endangered, threatened, or rare (ETR) species and high quality natural communities is attached with ETR species highlighted. A preliminary review of the Indiana Natural Heritage Database by INDOT Environmental Services did not indicate the presence of ETR species within the 0.5 mile search radius. Coordination with USFWS and IDNR will occur.

A review of the USFWS database did not indicate the presence of endangered bat species in or within 0.5 mile of the project area. The range-wide programmatic consultation for the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat will be completed according to the most recent "Using the USFWS's IPaC System for Listed Bat Consultation for INDOT Projects".

An inquiry using the USFWS Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) website did not indicate the presence of the federally endangered species, the Rusty Patched Bumble Bee, in or within 0.5 mile of the project area. No impact is expected.

RECOMMENDATIONS SECTION

Include recommendations from each section. If there are no recommendations, please indicate N/A:

INFRASTRUCTURE: N/A

WATER RESOURCES: The presence of the following water resources will require the preparation of a Waters of the US Report and coordination with INDOT ES Ecology and Waterway Permitting:

• One (1) unnamed stream segment is located within the project area.

URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY: N/A

MINING/MINERAL EXPLORATION: N/A

HAZMAT CONCERNS: N/A

ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION: Coordination with USFWS and IDNR will occur. The range-wide programmatic consultation for the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat will be completed according to the most recent "Using the USFWS's IPaC System for Listed Bat Consultation for INDOT Projects".

INDOT Environmental Services concurrence:

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Date: 2019.08.16
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(Signature)

Prepared by:



Ruth Hook, CPESC, CESSWI Environmental Biologist Lochmueller Group

Graphics:

A map for each report section with a 0.5 mile search radius buffer around all project area(s) showing all items identified as possible items of concern is attached. If there is not a section map included, please change the YES to N/A:

SITE LOCATION: YES

INFRASTRUCTURE: YES

WATER RESOURCES: YES

URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY: N/A

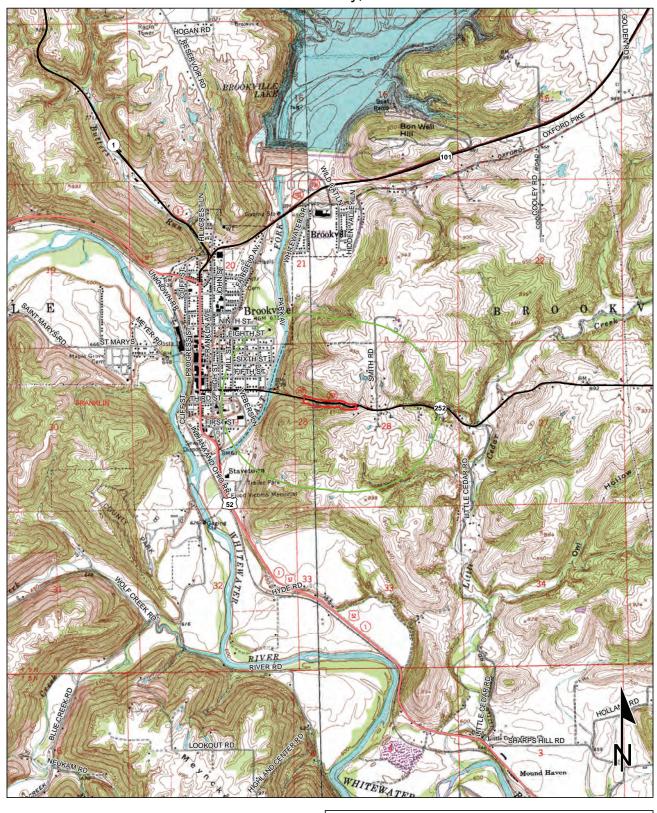
MINING/MINERAL EXPLORATION: YES

HAZMAT CONCERNS: YES

Additional Attachments

Franklin County ETR List

Red Flag Investigation - Site Location SR 252, 0.8 mile east of US 52 Des. No. 1700194, Slide Correction Franklin County, Indiana



Sources: 0.5 0.25 0 0.5

Non Orthophotography

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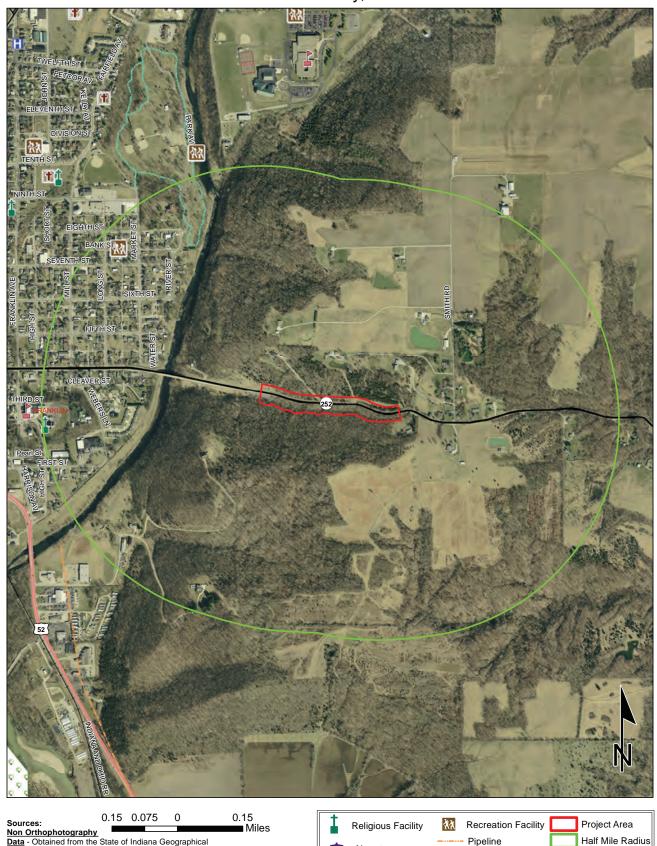
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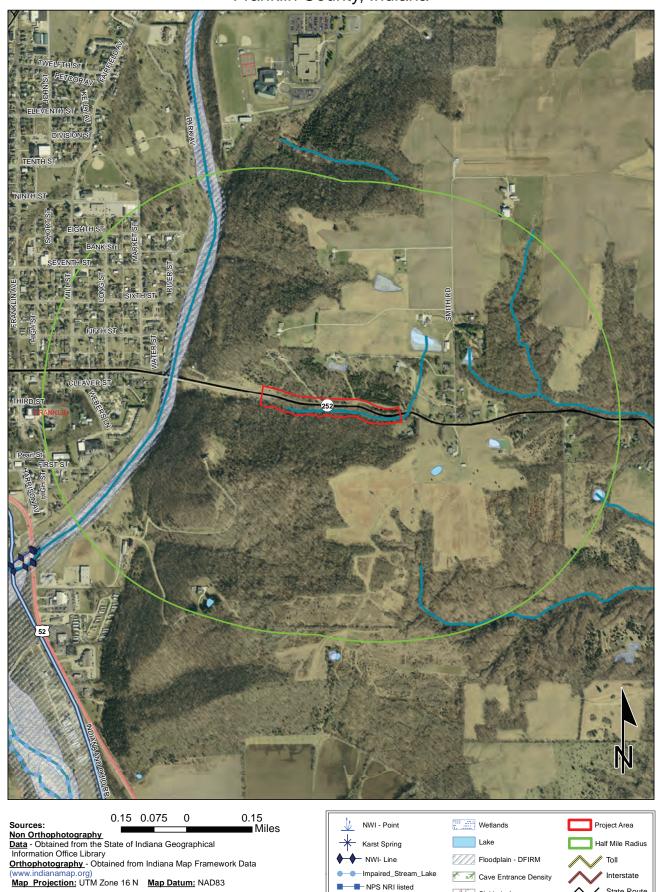
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Red Flag Investigation - Infrastructure SR 252, 0.8 mile east of US 52 Des. No. 1700194, Slide Correction Franklin County, Indiana





Red Flag Investigation - Water Resources SR 252, 0.8 mile east of US 52 Des. No. 1700194, Slide Correction Franklin County, Indiana



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Canal Structure - Historic

Canal Route - Historic

State Route

US Route

Local Road

Sinkhole Area

Sinking-Stream Basin

County Boundary

Red Flag Investigation - Mining/Mineral Resources SR 252, 0.8 mile east of US 52 Des. No. 1700194, Slide Correction Franklin County, Indiana



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Red Flag Investigation - Hazardous Materials Concerns SR 252, 0.8 mile east of US 52 Des. No. 1700194, Slide Correction Franklin County, Indiana





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Non Orthophotography

Data - Obtained from the State of Indiana Geographical

Information Office Library

Indiana County Endangered, Threatened and Rare Species List County: Franklin

Species Name	Common Name	FED	STATE	GRANK	SRANK
Mollusk: Bivalvia (Mussels) Ptychobranchus fasciolaris	Kidneyshell		SSC	G4G5	S2
Insect: Coleoptera (Beetles) Cicindela marginipennis	Cobblestone Tiger Beetle	C	SE	G2	<u>S1</u>
Insect: Lepidoptera (Butterflies & Moths) Polygonia progne	Gray Comma		SR	G5	S2
Fish Clinostomus elongatus	Redside Dace		SE	G3G4	S1
Etheostoma variatum	Variegate Darter		SE	G5	S1 S1
Amphibian Cryptobranchus alleganiensis alleganiensis	Eastern Hellbender	C	SE	G3G4T3T4	S1
Bird Aimophila aestivalis	Bachman's Sparrow			G3	SXB
Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Bald Eagle		SSC	G5	S2
Pandion haliaetus	Osprey		SE	G5	S1B
Setophaga magnolia	Magnolia Warbler			G5	SNA
Mammal				0.5	G 2
Taxidea taxus	American Badger		SSC	G5	S2
Vascular Plant				G 40	GO.
Acalypha deamii	Mercury		SR	G4?	S2
Cypripedium calceolus var. parviflorum	Small Yellow Lady's-slipper		SR	G5	S2
Gentiana alba	Yellow Gentian		SR	G4	S2
Charmodium bioxidicaimum	Canada Lily		SR	G5	S2
Onosmodium hispidissimum Rubus centralis	Shaggy False-gromwell		SE	G4G5T4	S1 S1
Rubus deamii	Illinois Blackberry		SE	G2?Q G4?	SX
	Deam Dewberry		SX		S1
Scutellaria parvula var. parvula Viburnum molle	Small Skullcap		SE	G4T4 G5	S2
Waldsteinia fragarioides	Softleaf Arrow-wood		SR	G5	S2 S2
Zizia aptera	Barren Strawberry Golden Alexanders		SR SR	G5	S2 S2
High Quality Natural Community Barrens - bedrock limestone	Limestone Glade		SG	G4	S2S3
Forest - upland mesic Bluegrass	Bluegrass Mesic Upland Forest		50	GNR	S3
Other Significant Feature Geomorphic - Nonglacial Erosional Feature - Water Fall and Cascade	Water Fall and Cascade			GNR	SNR

Indiana Natural Heritage Data Center
Division of Nature Preserves
Indiana Department of Natural Resources
This data is not the result of comprehensive county

Fed: LE = Endangered; LT = Threatened; C = candidate; PDL = proposed for delisting

SE = state endangered; ST = state threatened; SR = state rare; SSC = state species of special concern;

SX = state extirpated; SG = state significant; WL = watch list

Global Heritage Rank: G1 = critically imperiled globally; G2 = imperiled globally; G3 = rare or uncommon

globally; G4 = widespread and abundant globally but with long term concerns; G5 = widespread and abundant globally; G? = unranked; GX = extinct; Q = uncertain rank; T = taxonomic subunit rank

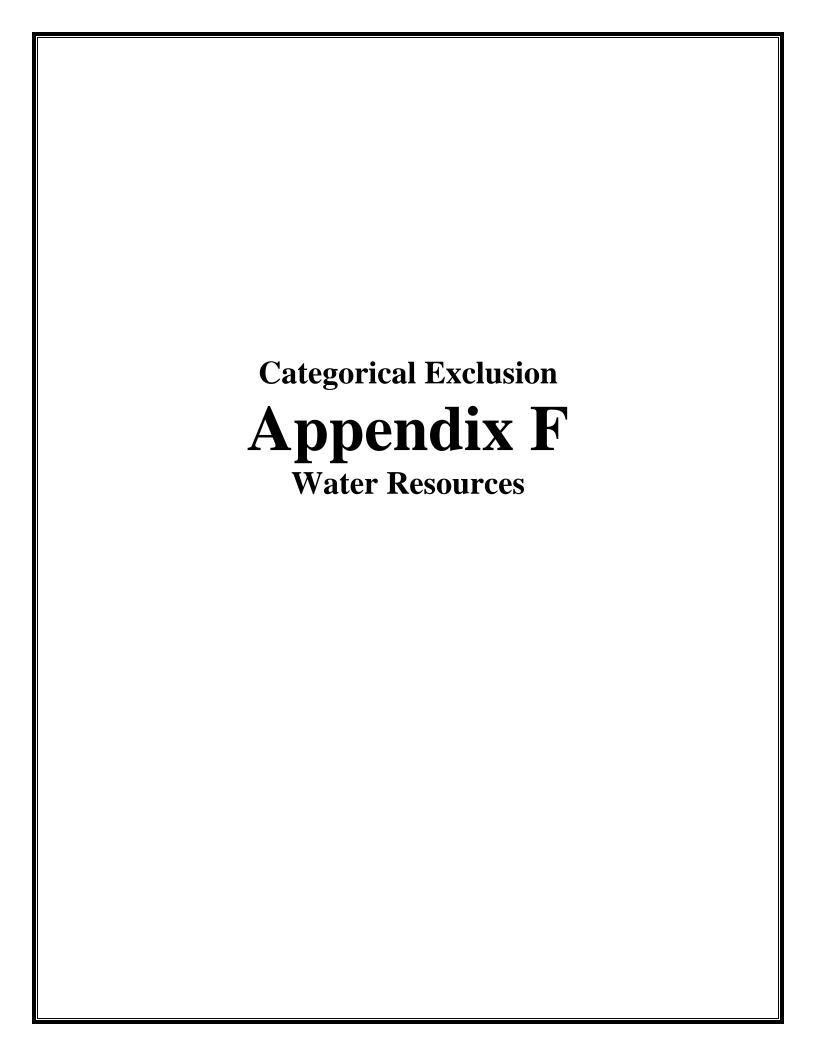
SRANK: State Heritage Rank: S1 = critically imperiled in state; S2 = imperiled in state; S3 = rare or uncommon in state; G4 = widespread and abundant in state but with long term concern; SG = state significant; SH = historical in state; SX = state extirpated; B = breeding status; S? = unranked; SNR = unranked; SNA = nonbreeding status

unranked

State:

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surveys.



Waters Report State Road 252 Slide Correction Project 0.80 mi. E of US 52 Franklin County, Indiana Des. No. 1700194



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August 19, 2019

Waters of the U.S. Determination Report State Road 252 Slide Correction 0.80 mi. E of US 52 Franklin County, Indiana Des. No. 1700194

Date of Waters Investigation

June 24, 2019

Location

The project is located in central Franklin County, 0.80 mile east of US 52 in Franklin County, Indiana (Attachment A1).

- Brookville Township, Franklin County, Indiana
- Section 28, Township 9 North, Range 2 West
- Brookville & Whitcomb 1:24,000 United States Geological Survey (USGS) Quadrangles (Attachment A2 and A3)
- Latitude: 39.417128° Longitude: -84.998242° (center of project area along SR 252)

Project Description

The Indiana Department of Transportation – Seymour District proposes to proceed with a slide correction project in central Franklin County, Indiana. The proposed project will involve the stabilization of the roadway side slopes along State Road (SR) 252, 0.80 mile east of US 52. The proposed project will reconstruct the roadway, construct a pier wall with pier shafts, and the replacement of the existing culverts conveying drainage under US 252. The maintenance of traffic will likely require a full closure of SR 252 and a detour will be established. The project investigation area is generally upland forested with a significant slope from the north side of SR 252 to the south side.

Soils

According to the Soil Survey Geographic (SSURGO) database for Franklin County, Indiana, the project area does not contain soil areas with nationally listed hydric soils. The table below includes the following mapped soil series within the SR 252 Slide Correction Project (Attachments A7 to A11).

Soil Name	Map Abbreviation	Hydric Range
Eden flaggy silty clay, eroded	EbE2	Not Hydric (0)
Eden flaggy silty clay	EdG	Not Hydric (0)

National Wetlands Inventory (NWI)

Based on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) data (www.fws.gov/wetlands/Data/State-Downloads.html) there is one wetland polygon mapped within the project area (Attachment A13). The mapped wetland represents a reach of an unnamed tributary (UNT) to East Fork Whitewater River. This NWI wetland is a riverine, intermittent, streambed, seasonally flooded (R4SBC) feature. There are 7 additional NWI wetland resources mapped near the project area:



Wetland Type	Description	Location: Lat/Long
R2UBH	Riverine, lower perennial, unconsolidated bottom, permanently flooded	39.418164,
KZUBH	Kiverine, lower pereninal, unconsolidated bottom, permanently hooded	-85.005071
R4SBC	Riverine, intermittent, streambed, seasonally flooded	39.417849,
N43BC	Niverine, intermittent, streambed, seasonally hooded	-84.991467
R4SBC	Riverine, intermittent, streambed, seasonally flooded	39.411694,
N43BC	Niverine, intermittent, streambed, seasonally hooded	-84.994234
PUBGh	Palustrine, unconsolidated bottom, intermittently exposed, diked/impounded	39.419125,
PUBGII	Palustrine, unconsolidated bottom, intermittently exposed, diked/impounded	
PUBGh	Palustrine, unconsolidated bottom, intermittently exposed, diked/impounded	39.418529,
PUBGII	Palustrine, unconsolidated bottom, intermittently exposed, diked/impounded	-84.992111
PUBGh	Delustring unconsolidated betters intermittently expected dilead/impaused	39.415744,
PUBGII	JBGh Palustrine, unconsolidated bottom, intermittently exposed, diked/impounded	
PUBG	Palustring unconsolidated bottom intermittently exposed excavated	39.418412,
FUBG	JBG Palustrine, unconsolidated bottom, intermittently exposed, excavated	

12-Digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC):

The entirety of the SR 252 Slide Correction project area is within the Brookville Lake-East Fork Whitewater River 12-Digit HUC (050800030804).

Attached Documents

- Indiana State Location Map
- USGS Topographic Maps
- Water Resources Map
- USDA Soil Map
- Franklin County Hydric Soil List and Components
- USGS StreamStats Watershed Map

Removed to avoid duplication; see Appendix B

- NWI Map
- FEMA FIRM
- Photo Location Map and Project Photos
- USACE Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination Form

Field Reconnaissance

Lochmueller Group conducted a field review for streams and wetlands within the investigation area for the SR 252 Slide Correction project on June 24, 2019. Four unnamed tributaries (UNTs) to East Fork Whitewater River and one roadside ditch (RSD) were identified within the project area. The reach of each waterway was delineated using a Trimble R1 GIS receiver (sub-meter accuracy) and ESRI Collector. No wetland features were identified within the investigation area. The investigation area limits were established based on the area that may be affected by the project work included in the scope of the project. Identified features from the field reconnaissance can be seen in photos in the Attachments, pages A18 to A35.



Stream Analysis

The June 2019 field investigation for the SR 252 Slide Correction Project resulted in the evaluation of four likely jurisdictional stream features. One RSD not exhibiting an ordinary high water mark (OHWM) was observed.

UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River

UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River is the only waterway within the investigation area that shows as an intermittent blue-line feature on the Brookville and Whitcomb 1:24,000 scale USGS Topographic Maps. According to USGS StreamStats (https://water.usgs.gov/osw/streamstats/), the drainage area upstream of the project location is approximately 0.144 square mile. UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River flows from east to west along the south side of SR 252 at the base of a steep slope. Approximately 2,319 feet of UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River are within the investigation area. Approximately 0.21 mile west of the project survey area, UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River flows into East Fork Whitewater River which flows into the Whitewater River, a traditionally navigable water (TNW).

The reach of UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River within the survey area is a high gradient, intermittent stream that has riffles with limited shallow pools. The streambed is predominantly gravel with cobble. Both banks of the stream are steeply sloped and consist of habitat consistent with an upland forest. Minimal erosion was observed on both sides of the bank. The ordinary high water mark (OHWM) width of UNT 1 of East Fork Whitewater River is 11.1 feet with a depth of 1.3 feet. This reach of UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River is considered to exhibit good quality because of its wide forested riparian habitat and gravel substrate.

UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River is likely to fall under the jurisdiction of the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) due to a defined bed and bank and direct connection with the Whitewater River, a TNW.

UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River

UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River is not represented by a blue-line feature on the Brookville and Whitcomb 1:24,000 scale USGS Topographic Maps. The origin of this resource is within a residential area at the top of a slope north of SR 252 and flows south where it connects with UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River south of SR 252. A portion of its reach is conveyed by two separate corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culverts, one of which flows underneath SR 252. Approximately 217 feet of UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River is within the investigation area.

UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River is a high gradient, natural, ephemeral stream with no discernible pool or riffle complexes. No water was present at the time of the field investigation. The stream bed is predominantly sand with gravel in the substrate. The floodplain upstream of UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River consists of residential lawns and downstream the floodplain consists of upland forest along a steep slope where it outlets into UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River. The OHWM width is 6.2 feet with a depth of 0.4 feet. This reach of UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River is considered to exhibit average quality because of its wide forested riparian habitat, the sandy substrate, and its ephemeral nature.

UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River is likely to fall under the jurisdiction of the USACE under Section 404 of the CWA due to a defined bed and bank and connection with the Whitewater River, a TNW.



UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River

UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River is not represented by a blue-line feature on the Brookville and Whitcomb 1:24,000 scale USGS Topographic Maps. This resource flows along the east side of a residential driveway in a southeasterly direction toward SR 252 at which point it is conveyed through a CMP under SR 252 where it outlets into UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River. Approximately 393 feet of this resource is within the investigation area.

UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River is a high gradient, ephemeral stream with no discernible pool or riffle complexes. No water was present at the time of the field investigation. The stream bed is predominantly sand with gravel in the substrate. The floodplain upstream of UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River consists of residential lawns and downstream the floodplain consists of upland forest along a steep slope where it outlets into UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River. The upper reach of this resource appears to have been channelized as drainage for the residential driveway. The OHWM width is 4.2 feet with a depth of 0.7 feet. This reach of UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River is considered to exhibit average quality because of its wide forested riparian habitat, the sandy substrate, and its ephemeral nature.

UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River is likely to fall under the jurisdiction of the USACE under Section 404 of the CWA due to a defined bed and bank and connection with the Whitewater River, a TNW.

UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River

UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River is not represented by a blue-line feature on the Brookville and Whitcomb 1:24,000 scale USGS Topographic Maps. This resource flows south down a forested hillside toward SR 252 at which point it outlets into UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River. Approximately 142 feet of this resource is within the investigation area.

UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River is a high gradient, ephemeral stream with no discernible pool or riffle complexes. The stream bed is predominantly gravel with cobble in the substrate. The floodplain upstream of UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River consists of residential lawns and downstream the floodplain consists of upland forest along a steep slope where it outlets into UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River. The OHWM width is 4.6 feet with a depth of 0.8 feet. This reach of UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River is considered to exhibit average quality because of its wide forested riparian habitat, gravel substrate, and its ephemeral nature.

UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River is likely to fall under the jurisdiction of the USACE under Section 404 of the CWA due to a defined bed and bank and connection with the Whitewater River, a TNW.



Table 1: Stream Summary

			OHWM Width	OHWM Depth	USGS Blue-	Riffles?		Water of the
Stream Name	Photos	Lat/Long	(feet)	(feet)	line? Type?	Pools?	Substrate	U.S.?
UNT 1 to East Fork Whitewater River	5-8, 16-17, 37-38	39.4172° N -85.0010° W	11.1	1.3	Yes; Intermittent	Yes Yes	Cobble/ gravel	Yes
UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River	28-29, 32-36	39.4172° N -84.9968° W	6.2	0.4	No	No	Gravel/ sand	Yes
UNT 3 to East Fork Whitewater River	18-23	39.4173° N -84.9983° W	4.2	0.7	No	No	Gravel/ sand	Yes
UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River	24-25	39.4173° N -84.9983° W	4.6	0.8	No	No	Cobble/ gravel	Yes

Wetland Analysis

The June 2019 field investigation for the SR 252 Slide Correction project did not identify any wetlands within the investigation area.

Other Features

The June 2019 field investigation identified one RSD, identified as RSD 1 on the attached map (A6). RSD 1 appears to convey drainage into UNT 2 to East Fork Whitewater River. This feature has a fully vegetated bottom, lacks a defined bed and bank, and does not display an OHWM. This feature will not likely fall under the jurisdiction of the USACE.

Conclusions

The June 2019 field review for the SR 252 Slide Correction Project identified four stream features, UNT 1, UNT 2, UNT 3, and UNT 4 to East Fork Whitewater River, within the investigation area. All identified stream features would be considered jurisdictional features due to their defined bed and bank, OHWM, and connectivity to the Whitewater River, a TNW in Franklin County. One RSD with no discernible OHWM was also observed and no wetlands were found within the investigation area.

Every effort should be taken to avoid and minimize the impacts to the water resources listed above. Disturbance of a stream could result in a mitigation requirement to secure the required permits for the slide correction project. If construction exceeds the limits of the survey review area illustrated in this document, further field investigation will be needed. This report is this office's best judgment of water resources that are likely to be under federal jurisdiction, based on the guidelines set forth by the USACE. The final determination of jurisdictional waters is ultimately the responsibility of the USACE.



This waters determination has been prepared based on the best available information, interpreted in the light of the investigator's training, experience and professional judgement in conformance with the 1987 *Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual*, the appropriate regional supplement, the USACE *Jurisdictional Determination Form Instructional Guidebook*, and other appropriate agency guidelines.

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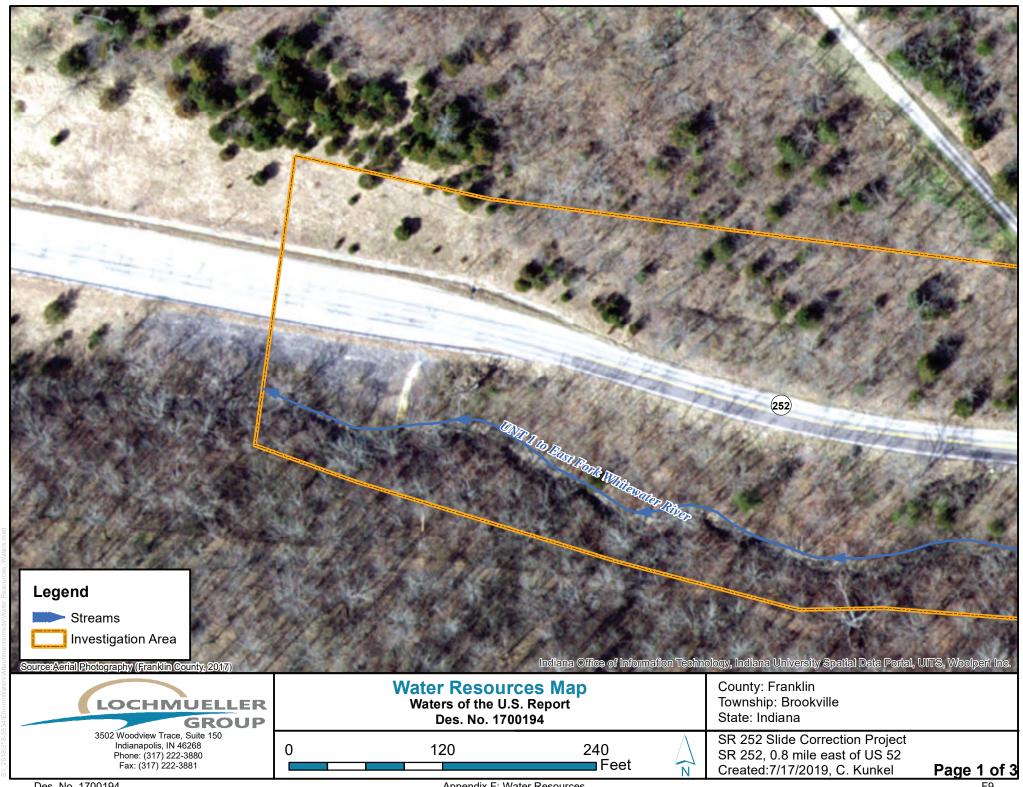
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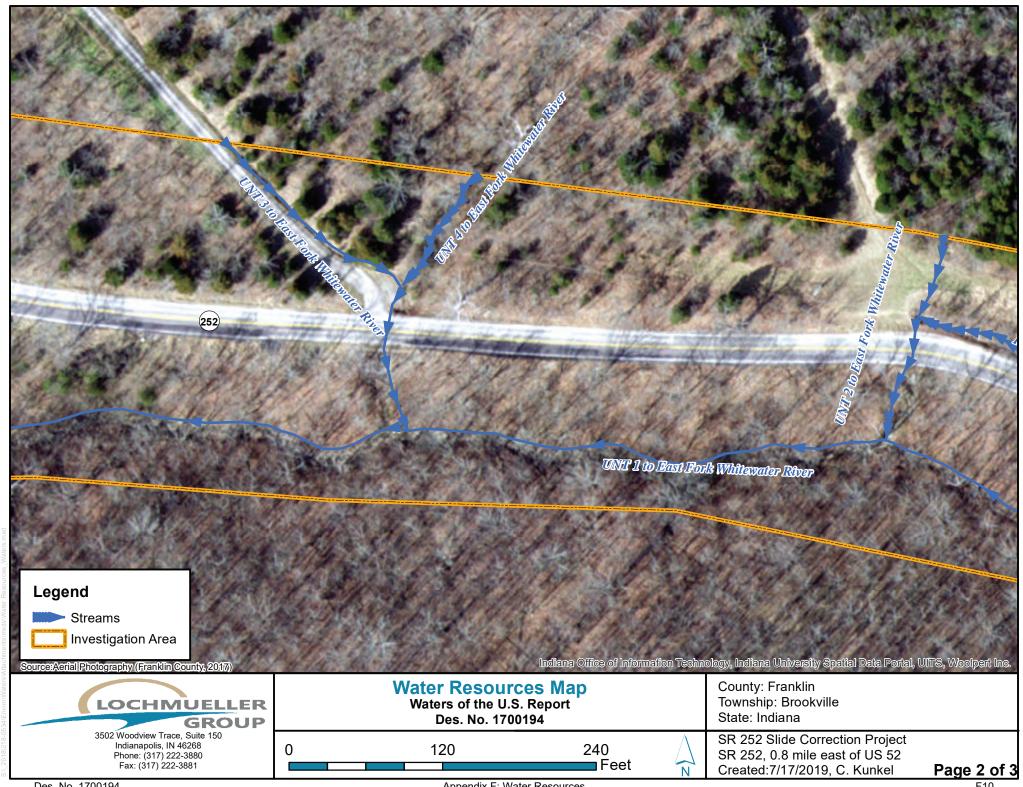


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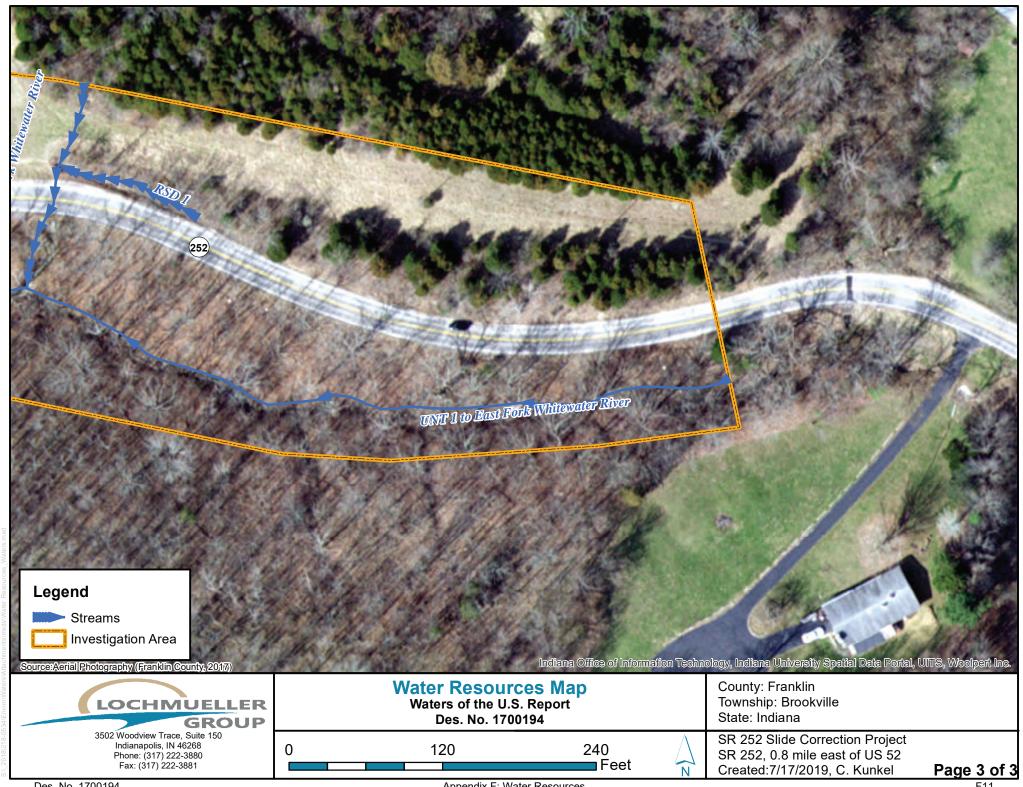




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MAP LEGEND

Area of Interest (AOI)

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Soils

Soil Map Unit Polygons



Soil Map Unit Lines



Soil Map Unit Points

Special Point Features

Blowout



Borrow Pit



Clay Spot



Closed Depression



Gravel Pit



Gravelly Spot



Landfill



Lava Flow Marsh or swamp





Mine or Quarry Miscellaneous Water



Perennial Water



Rock Outcrop



Saline Spot



Sandy Spot



Severely Eroded Spot



Sinkhole



Slide or Slip



Sodic Spot

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Spoil Area



Very Stony Spot



Wet Spot

Other

Stony Spot



Special Line Features

Water Features

Streams and Canals

Transportation



Rails



Interstate Highways



US Routes



Major Roads



Local Roads

Background



Aerial Photography

MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:15.800.

Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.

Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause misunderstanding of the detail of mapping and accuracy of soil line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of contrasting soils that could have been shown at a more detailed

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey URL:

Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: Franklin County, Indiana Survey Area Data: Version 18, Sep 7, 2018

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50.000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Oct 2, 2011—Nov 8. 2017

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

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Map Unit Legend

Map Unit Symbol Map Unit Name		Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI		
EbE2	Eden flaggy silty clay, 15 to 25 percent slopes, eroded	2.1	21.4%		
EdG Eden flaggy silty clay, 25 to 50 percent slopes		7.7	78.6%		
Totals for Area of Interest		9.8	100.0%		

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Hydric Rating by Map Unit

Map unit symbol	Map unit name	Rating	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
EbE2	Eden flaggy silty clay, 15 to 25 percent slopes, eroded	0	2.1	21.4%
EdG	Eden flaggy silty clay, 25 to 50 percent slopes	0	7.7	78.6%
Totals for Area of Interest			9.8	100.0%

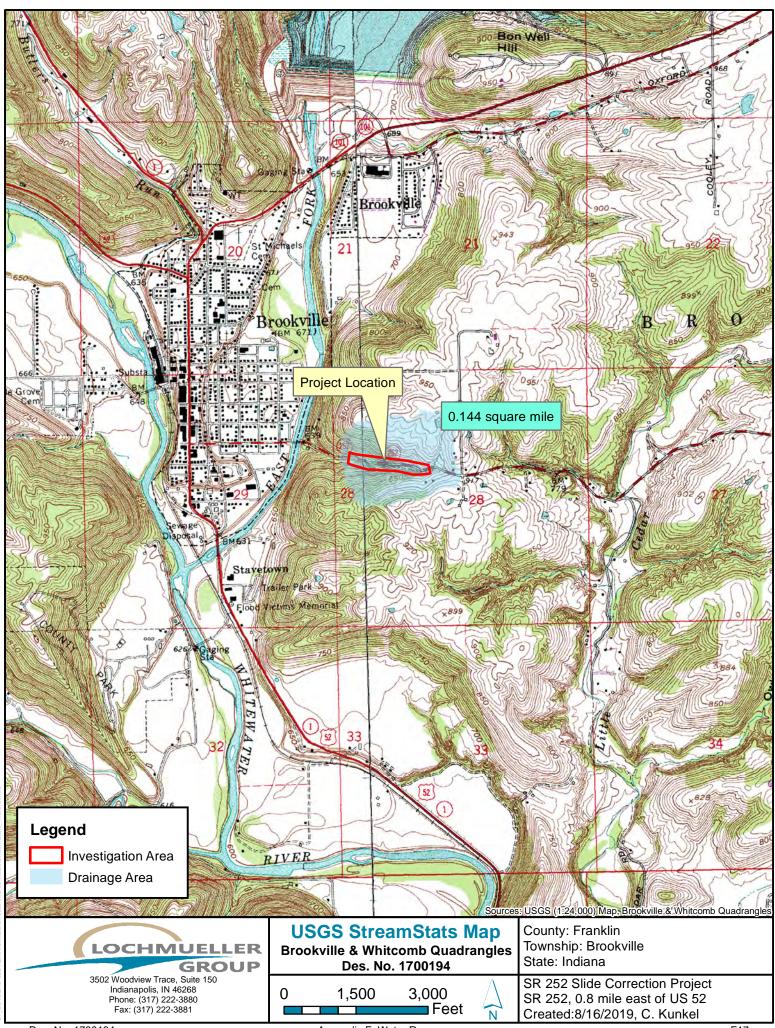
Report—Hydric Soil List - All Components

Hydric Soil List - All Components–IN047-Franklin County, Indiana					
Map symbol and map unit name	Component/Local Phase	Comp. pct.	Landform	Hydric status	Hydric criteria met (code)
EbE2: Eden flaggy silty clay, 15 to 25 percent slopes, eroded	Eden	100	Hills	No	_
EdG: Eden flaggy silty clay, 25 to 50 percent slopes	Eden	85	Hills	No	_
	Switzerland	5	Hills	No	_
	Pate	5	Hills	No	_
	Carmel	5	Hills	No	_

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Franklin County, Indiana Survey Area Data: Version 18, Sep 7, 2018

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Wetlands

Estuarine and Marine Deepwater

Estuarine and Marine Wetland

Freshwater Emergent Wetland

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

Freshwater Pond

Lake

Other

Riverine

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> National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) This page was produced by the NWI mapper F18

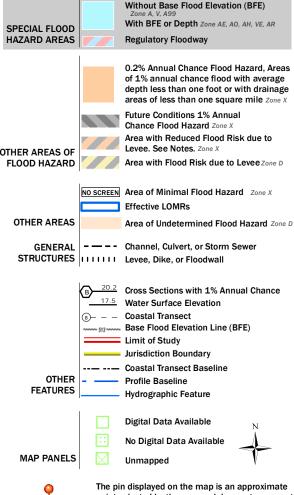
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Legend

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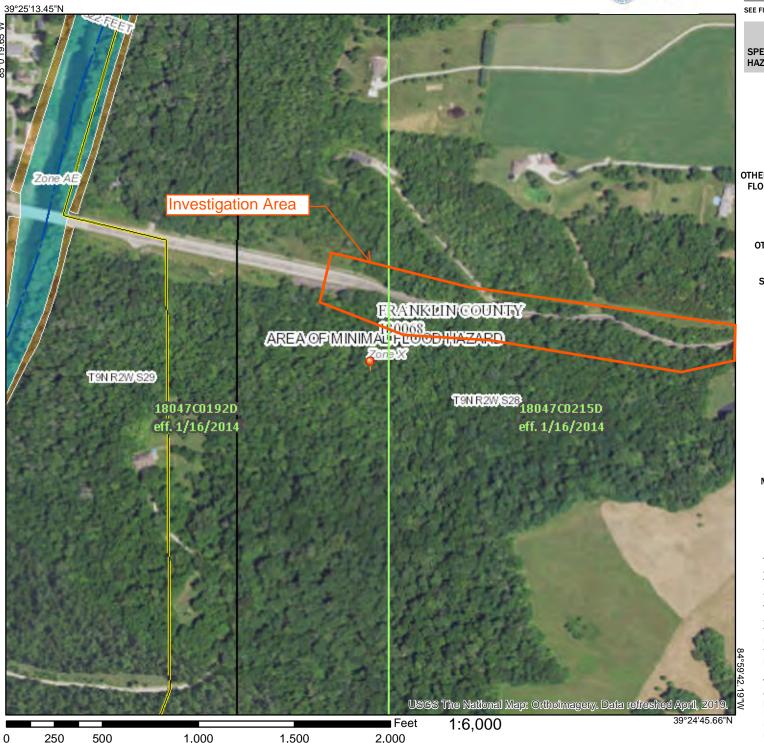


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Appendix 2 - PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (PJD) FORM

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR PJD: July 17, 2019
- B. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON REQUESTING PJD: Brenten Reust; 3502 Woodview Trace, Indianapolis, IN 46268
- C. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER:

D. PROJECT LOCATION(S) AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The INDOT – Seymour District proposes to proceed with a slide correction project in central Franklin County, Indiana (Des. No. 1700194). The proposed project will involve the stabilization of the roadway side slopes along State Road (SR) 252, 0.80 mile east of US 52. The proposed project will reconstruct the roadway, construct a pier wall with pier shafts, and the replacement of the existing culverts conveying drainage under US 252. The maintenance of traffic will likely require a full closure of SR 252 and a detour will be established. The project investigation area is generally upland forested with a significant slope from the north side of SR 252 to the south side.

(USE THE TABLE BELOW TO DOCUMENT MULTIPLE AQUATIC RESOURCES AND/OR AQUATIC RESOURCES AT DIFFERENT SITES)

	State: Indiana	County/pa	arish/borough: Franklin	City: Brookville		
	Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format):					
	Lat.: 39.417128 N	N	Long.: -84.998242	W		
	Universal Transverse	Mercator:	16 S 672264.70 m E 4364982.	15 m N		
	Name of nearest wat	erbody: E	ast Fork Whitewater	River		
E.	REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY): Office (Desk) Determination. Date:					
	Field Determinati	on. Date(s	s):			

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TABLE OF AQUATIC RESOURCES IN REVIEW AREA WHICH "MAY BE" SUBJECT TO REGULATORY JURISDICTION.

Site number	Latitude (decimal degrees)	Longitude (decimal degrees)	Estimated amount of aquatic resource in review area (acreage and linear feet, if applicable)	Type of aquatic resource (i.e., wetland vs. non-wetland waters)	Geographic authority to which the aquatic resource "may be" subject (i.e., Section 404 or Section 10/404)
UNT 1 to East Fork White	39.417244° N	-85.00062° W	2319 feet (0.59 acre)	non-wetland	Section 404
UNT 2 to East Fork White	39.417244° N	-84.996833° W	217 feet (0.03 acre)	non-wetland	Section 404
UNT 3 to East Fork White	39.417252° N	-84.998364° W	393 feet (0.04 acre)	non-wetland	Section 404
UNT 4 to East Fork White	00.417002 N	-84.998225° W	142 feet (0.01 acre)	non-wetland	Section 404

- 1) The Corps of Engineers believes that there may be jurisdictional aquatic resources in the review area, and the requestor of this PJD is hereby advised of his or her option to request and obtain an approved JD (AJD) for that review area based on an informed decision after having discussed the various types of JDs and their characteristics and circumstances when they may be appropriate.
- 2) In any circumstance where a permit applicant obtains an individual permit, or a Nationwide General Permit (NWP) or other general permit verification requiring "preconstruction notification" (PCN), or requests verification for a non-reporting NWP or other general permit, and the permit applicant has not requested an AJD for the activity, the permit applicant is hereby made aware that: (1) the permit applicant has elected to seek a permit authorization based on a PJD, which does not make an official determination of jurisdictional aquatic resources; (2) the applicant has the option to request an AJD before accepting the terms and conditions of the permit authorization, and that basing a permit authorization on an AJD could possibly result in less compensatory mitigation being required or different special conditions; (3) the applicant has the right to request an individual permit rather than accepting the terms and conditions of the NWP or other general permit authorization; (4) the applicant can accept a permit authorization and thereby agree to comply with all the terms and conditions of that permit, including whatever mitigation requirements the Corps has determined to be necessary; (5) undertaking any activity in reliance upon the subject permit authorization without requesting an AJD constitutes the applicant's acceptance of the use of the PJD; (6) accepting a permit authorization (e.g., signing a proffered individual permit) or undertaking any activity in reliance on any form of Corps permit authorization based on a PJD constitutes agreement that all aquatic resources in the review area affected in any way by that activity will be treated as jurisdictional, and waives any challenge to such jurisdiction in any administrative or judicial compliance or enforcement action, or in any administrative appeal or in any Federal court; and (7) whether the applicant elects to use either an AJD or a PJD, the JD will be processed as soon as practicable. Further, an AJD, a proffered individual permit (and all terms and conditions contained therein), or individual permit denial can be administratively appealed pursuant to 33 C.F.R. Part 331. If, during an administrative appeal, it becomes appropriate to make an official determination whether geographic jurisdiction exists over aquatic resources in the review area, or to provide an official delineation of jurisdictional aquatic resources in the review area, the Corps will provide an AJD to accomplish that result, as soon as is practicable. This PJD finds that there "may be" waters of the U.S. and/or that there "may be" navigable waters of the U.S. on the subject review area, and identifies all aquatic features in the review area that could be affected by the proposed activity, based on the following information:

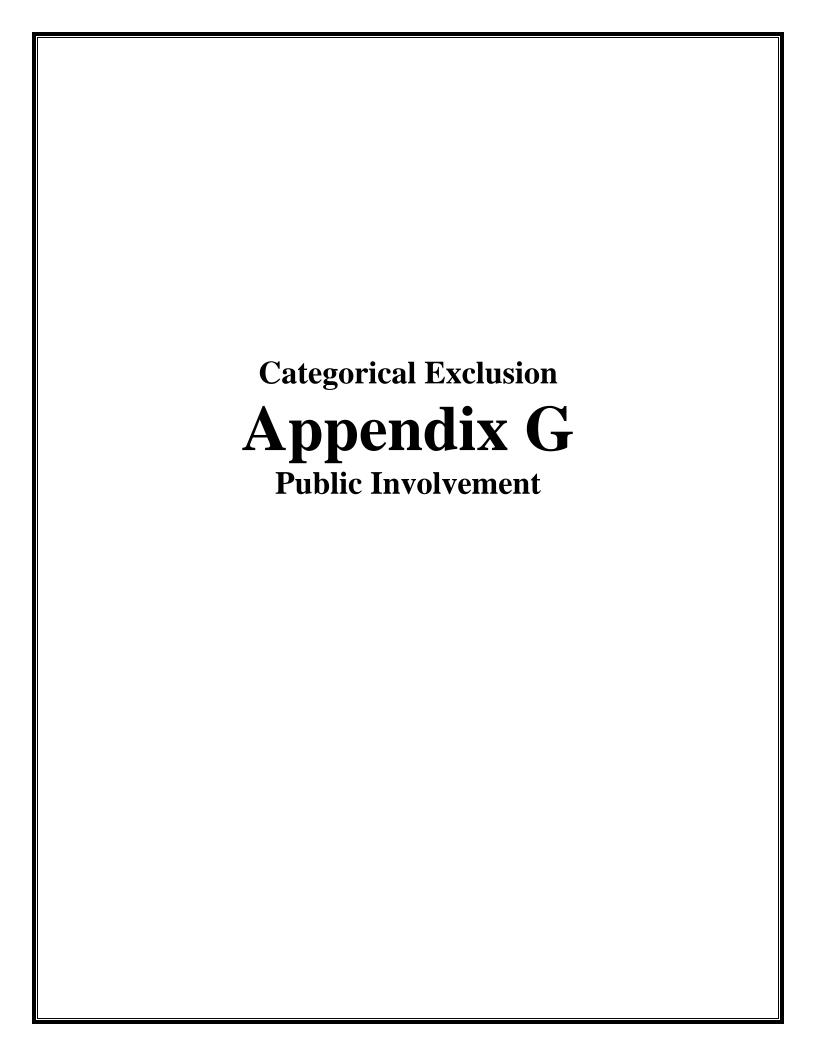
SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for PJD (check all that apply)

Checked items should be included in subject file. Appropriately reference sources

below where indicated for all checked items: Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the PJD requestor: Map:Location maps, topographic map, aerial map, floodplain map, NWI map ■ Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the PJD requestor. Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report. Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report. Rationale: Data sheets prepared by the Corps: □ Corps navigable waters' study: ______ U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas: ☐ USGS NHD data. USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps. ■ U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite scale & quad name: Brookville & Whitcomb 1:24,000 Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: _ https://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gove/App/HomePage.htm ■ National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: https://ww.fws.gov/wetlands/Data/Mapper.html ☐ State/local wetland inventory map(s): FEMA/FIRM maps: 18047C0192D (1/16/2014); 18047C0215D (1/16/2014) ____.(National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929) ■ 100-year Floodplain Elevation is: 621.2 Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date): Franklin County, Indiana 2017 Other (Name & Date): Ground level photos: June 24, 2019 Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: ☐ Other information (please specify): IMPORTANT NOTE: The information recorded on this form has not necessarily been verified by the Corps and should not be relied upon for later jurisdictional determinations. renten Reust 7/17/2019 Signature and date of Signature and date of Regulatory staff member p∈. son requesting PJD (REQUIRED, unless obtaining completing PJD

the signature is impracticable)¹

¹ Districts may establish timeframes for requestor to return signed PJD forms. If the requestor does not respond within the established time frame, the district may presume concurrence and no additional follow up is necessary prior to finalizing an action.





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NOTICE OF SURVEY February 7, 2019

Sample Notice of Survey Letter

RE: PROJECT: State Road 252

Road Improvement Project

Brookville, Indiana

Dear Property Owner:

Our information indicates that you own or occupy property near this proposed Road Improvement construction project. Our employees will be doing a survey of the project area in the near future. It may be necessary for them to come onto your property to complete this work. This is allowed by Indiana Code IC 8-23-7-26. They will show you their identification, if you are available, before coming onto your property. If you have sold this property, or someone else occupies it, please let us know the name and address of the new owner or current occupant so we can contact them about the survey.

At this stage we generally do not know what effect, if any, our project may eventually have on your property. If we determine later your property is involved, we will contact you with additional information.

The survey work will include mapping the location of features such as buildings, trees, fences, and drives, and obtaining ground elevations. This work is necessary for the proper planning and design of the Road Improvement construction project. Please be assured of our sincere desire to cause you as little inconvenience as possible during the survey. If any problems do occur, please contact our field crew or contact me at the phone number or address shown below.

We do appreciate your input regarding any issues that this project may encounter during the design phase. Included with this notice is a short questionnaire that you can fill out and return to us in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. Thank you, in advance, for your participation in this process.

Sincerely,

SJCA P.C.

Daniel G. Kovert, PE, PS Director of Surveying dkovert@sjca-pc.com

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Indiana Department of Transportation Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation Indiana Department of Transportation

If you have received a "Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation" from INDOT or an INDOT representative, you may be wondering what it means. In the early stages of a project's development, INDOT must collect as much information as possible to ensure that sound decisions are made in designing the proposed project. Before entering onto private property to collect that data, INDOT is required to notify landowners that personnel will be in the area and may need to enter onto their property. Indiana Code, Title 8, Article 23, Chapter 7, Section 26 deals with the department's authority to enter onto any property within Indiana.

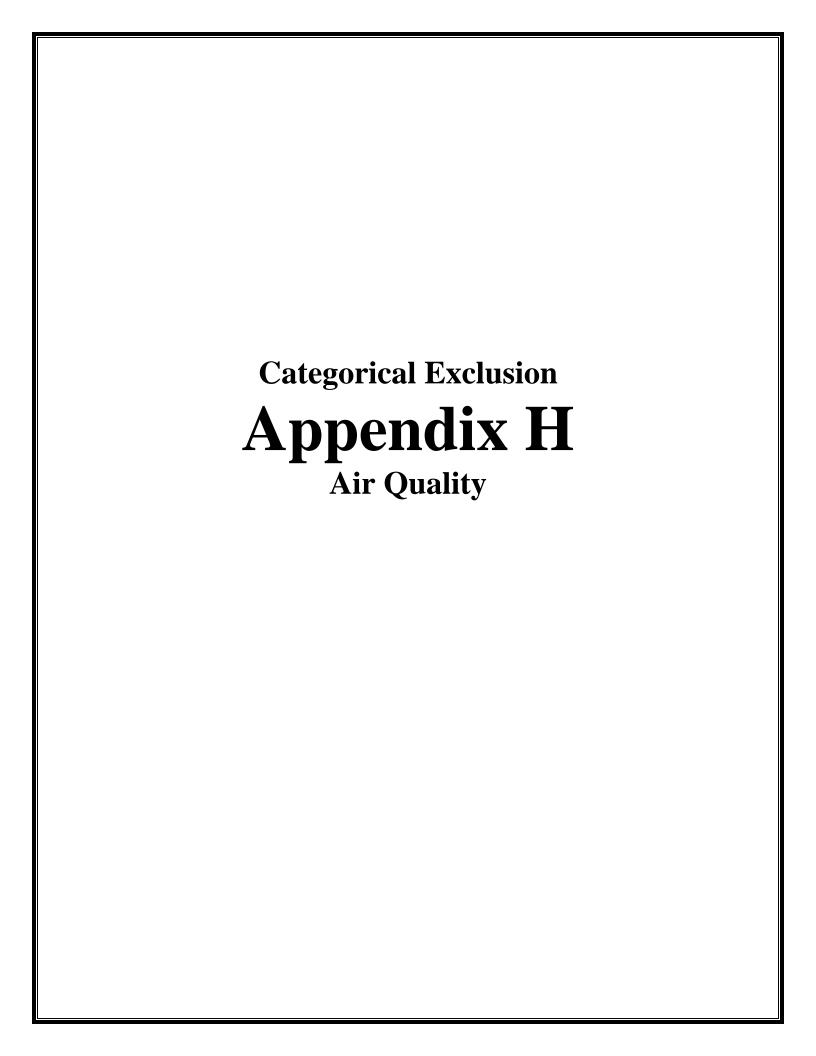
Receipt of a Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation does not necessarily mean that INDOT will be buying property from you. It doesn't even necessarily mean that the project will involve your property at all. Since the Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation is sent out in the very early stages and since we want to collect data within AND surrounding the project's limits more landowners are contacted than will actually fall within the eventual project limits. It may also be that your property falls within the project limits but we will not need to purchase property from you to make improvements to the roadway. Another thing to keep in mind is that when you receive a Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation, very few specifics have been worked out and actual construction of the project may be several years in the future.

Before INDOT begins a project that requires them to purchase property from landowners, they must first offer the opportunity for a public hearing. If you were on the list of people who received a Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation, you should also receive a notice informing you of your opportunity to request a public hearing. These notices will also be published in your local newspaper so interested individuals who are not adjacent to the project will also have the opportunity to request a public hearing. If a public hearing is to be held, INDOT will publicize the date, location, and time. INDOT will present detailed project information at the public hearing, comments will be taken from the public in spoken and written form, and question and answer sessions will be offered. Based on the feedback INDOT receives from the public, a project can be modified and improved to better serve the public.

So, if you have received a "Notice of Entry for Survey or Investigation", remember:

- 1. You do not need to take any action at this time. It is merely letting you know that people in orange/lime vests are going to be in your neighborhood.
- 2. The project is still in its very early planning stages.
- 3. You will be notified of your opportunity to comment on the project at a later date.

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DISTRICT	tition and Local Initiated Projects FY 2020 - 2024 CONTR STIP ROUTE WORK TYPE LOCATION ACT # / LEAD DES LOCATION	MILES FEDERAL CATEGORY	Estimated PROGRAM Cost left to Complete Project*	PHASE	FEDERAL	MATCH	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	<u> </u>										
	1800899 Init. IR 1010 HMA Overlay, St. Mary's Road between Brookville Town limits to Levee Maintenance Road- 1.5 miles	1.5 STPBG	Local Bridge Program	CN	\$265,744.00	\$0.00			\$265,744.00		
L	The state of the s		Local Funds	CN	\$0.00	\$241,032.00			\$241,032.00		
			Group IV Program	CN	\$788,536.00	\$0.00			\$788,536.00		
Seymour	nt 1900192 A 04 US 52 HMA Overlay Minor SR 244 to SR 229 Structural	8.64 STBG	\$6,545,172.00 Road Consulting	PE	\$200,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$250,000.00				
•		•	Road Construction	CN	\$5,036,137.60	\$1,259,034.40					\$6,295,172.00
	d PE phase in 2020 and CN phase in 2024 to current STIP. No MPO.										<u> </u>
	nt 35242 / Init. SR 46 Bridge Replacement, Laughery Creek on SR-46 Laughery Creek on SR-46	0 STPBG	Bridge Construction	CN	\$1,709,506.40	\$427,376.60	\$2,136,883.00				
for	38175 / Init. VA VARI Bridge Inspections Countywide Bridge Inspection and Inventory Program for Cycle Years 2018-2021	0 STPBG	Local Bridge Program	PE	\$91,501.77	\$0.00	\$9,363.14	\$70,742.85	\$11,395.78		
L	[0]010 10410 2010 201		Local Funds	PE	\$0.00	\$22,875.43	\$2,340.78	\$17,685.71	\$2,848.94		
Seymour	nt 38620 / Init. US 52 Small Structure Over Unnamed Trib to	0 NHPP	Bridge	CN	\$475,746.40	\$118,936.60	\$594,683.00				
niles E	Replacement Whitewater River 4.77 miles E of the E SR 1 junction		Construction				ф 004,000.00				
over Big Seymour	nt 39400 / Init. SR 252 Bridge Deck 6.03 miles E of US 52, over Big Cedar Creek	0 STPBG	Bridge ROW	RW	\$20,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$25,000.00				
			Bridge Construction	CN	\$1,372,499.20	\$343,124.80		\$1,715,624.00			
Seymour	nt 39426 / Init. US 52 HMA Overlay, SR 1 to I-74	8.861 NHPP	Road	CN	\$1,629,050.40	\$407,262.60	\$2,036,313.00				
	1593017 Preventive Maintenance		Construction								
ver Seymour	nt 40055 / Init. SR 1 Bridge Painting 0.31 mile S of US 52, over Whitewater River	0 NHPP	Bridge Consulting	PE	\$64,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$80,000.00				
			Bridge Construction	CN	\$717,330.40	\$179,332.60	\$896,663.00				
<u>Seymour</u>)	nt 40431 / Init. US 52 Slide Correction 0.1 mile S. of SR 252	.05 NHPP	Road ROW	RW	\$540,000.00	\$135,000.00	\$675,000.00				
			Road Construction	CN	\$5,094,703.20	\$1,273,675.80			\$6,368,379.00		
at Seymour	nt 40432 / Init. SR 1 Bridge Replacement, 01.12 mile N of SR 101 at	0 NHPP	Bridge ROW	RW	\$32,000.00	\$8,000.00		\$40,000.00			
	1701378 Concrete Butlers Run										
	<u>-</u>		Bridge Consulting	PE	\$68,800.00	\$17,200.00			\$86,000.00		
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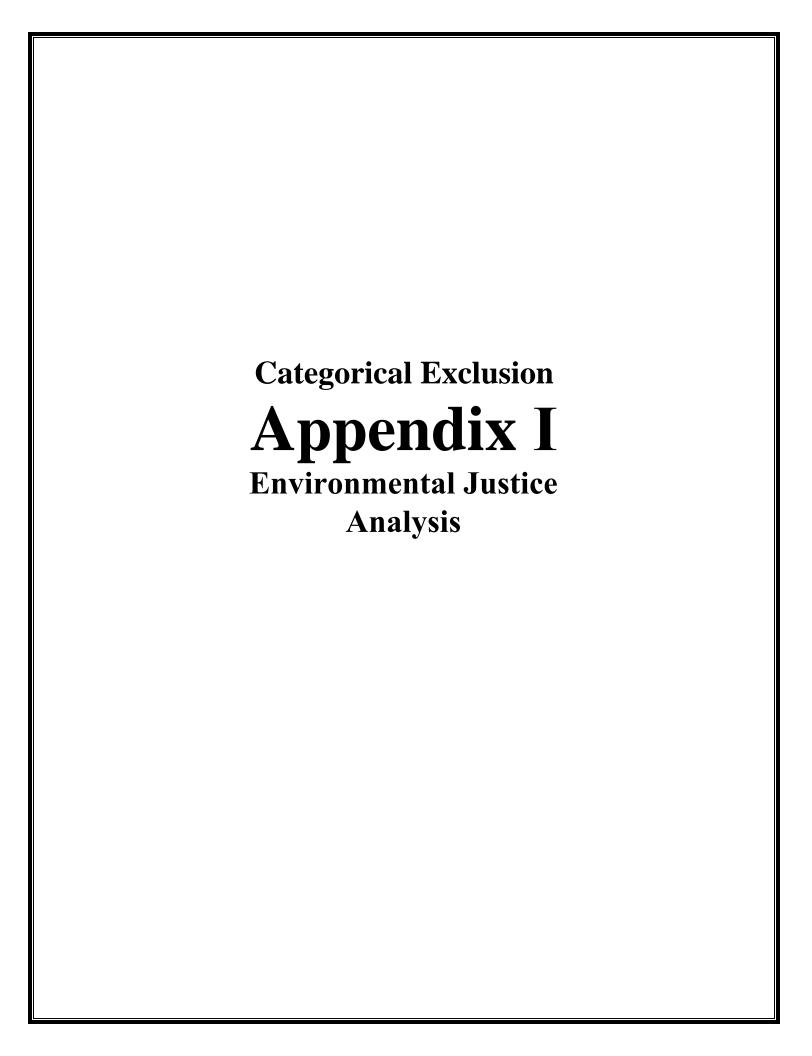
^{*}Please note: Des. No. 1700194 is part of a bundled contract of which Des. No. 1700195 is the lead Des. No. Funds for both projects are programmed above.

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^{*}Estimated Costs left to Complete Project column is for costs that may extend beyond the four years of a STIP. This column is not fiscally constrained and is for information purposes.





Des. No. 1700194: SR 252 Slide Correction Project EJ Analysis

May 18, 2020

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), Seymour District propose to proceed with a slide correction project in Brookville, Franklin County, Indiana.

Project Location

The project will involve stabilizing the embankment on the south side the roadway to prevent further damage from the land slide along SR 252 in Brookville, Franklin County, Indiana. Specifically, the project is located in Section 28, Township 9 North, Range 2 West as depicted on the Brookville and Whitcomb U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 quadrangles. Adjacent land use consists of residential and forested areas.

Purpose and Need

The need for this project is evidenced by the deteriorated condition of SR 252. This condition is a result of the gradual land slide occurring along the south side of SR 252. This has caused the pavement and roadside embankment to deteriorate and fail. The purpose of the project is to correct the embankment failure and improve conditions of SR 252 to allow for continued mobility and accessibility.

Project Description (Preferred Alternative)

The proposed project will construct a soldier pile wall with anchor tiebacks along SR 252 where the embankment is sliding to the south of the roadway. A soldier pile wall is a retaining wall that uses steel piles installed vertically and timber lagging installed horizontally between the piles to stabilize and spread the load behind it. Installation of this new retaining wall will require the removal of the existing stone retaining wall along the south side of the roadway. The roadway within the damaged area will be reconstructed to a typical section consisting of two 11-foot asphalt travel lanes (one in each direction) with a 4-foot wide asphalt shoulder along the eastbound lane and a 2-foot wide asphalt shoulder and a 3-foot wide gutter along the westbound lane. Riprap will be placed along the south side of SR 252 within the construction limits. New guardrail will be installed along the south side of SR 252. The pavement reconstruction will consist of mill/overlay, wedge and level, and widening. The culverts conveying stormwater and roadside drainage under SR 252 will be replaced with culverts that are hydrologically sufficient in size. No new permanent lighting will be installed and the use of temporary lighting during construction is not anticipated. The total length of the project along SR 252 will be approximately 1,072 feet (0.2 mile).

The Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) during construction will close SR 252 and a detour route will be established. The detour will utilize US 52, SR 1, Interstate 74, Ohio SR 128, and Ohio SR 126. The total length will be approximately 56 miles and will likely be in place for 6 months. Property owners will be provided access throughout the duration of the project to reduce impacts as much as possible.

Environmental Justice Analysis

An Environmental Justice (EJ) analysis is required for any project requiring two or more relocations or more than 0.5 acre of new permanent right-of-way. Because the project is expected to require more than 0.5 acre of new permanent right-of-way (approximately 2.1 acres), an EJ analysis was conducted.

Potential EJ impacts are detected by locating minority populations and low-income populations in and near the project area, calculating their percentage in the area relative to a reference population to determine if, in fact, populations of EJ concern do exist, and determining whether there will be disproportionate adverse impacts to them. The reference population may be a county, city, or town and is called the community of comparison (COC). For this project the COC is Brookville Township in Franklin County, Indiana. The community that overlaps the project limits is called the affected community (AC). For this project there is one AC. The AC is Census Tract 9697.

An AC has a population of concern for EJ if the population is more than 50% low-income or minority or if the low-income population or minority population is greater than 125% of the population in the COC.

	сос	AC 1		
	Brookville Township, Franklin County, Indiana	Census Tract 9697		
LOW-INCOME POPULATION				
Total Population for Whom Poverty Status is Determined	5,617	2,504		
Total Population Below Poverty Level	456	347		
Percent Low-Income	8.1%	13.9%		
125 Percent of COC	10.1%			
AC Percent Low-Income Greater Than 125 Percent of COC?		Yes		
AC Percent Low-Income Greater Than 50 Percent?		No		
Population of EJ Concern?		Yes		
MINORITY POPULATION				
Total Population	5,698	2,504		
Minority Population	59	34		
Percent Minority	1.0%	1.4%		
125 Percent of COC	1.3%			
AC Percent Minority Greater Than 125 Percent of COC?		Yes		
AC Percent Minority Greater Than 50 Percent?		No		
Population of EJ Concern?		Yes		

A review of American Community Survey five-year estimates data (2014-2018) was completed on May 17, 2020. The data was obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau's webpage (https://data.census.gov/cedsci/advanced?tid=GOVSTIMESERIES.CG00ORG01).

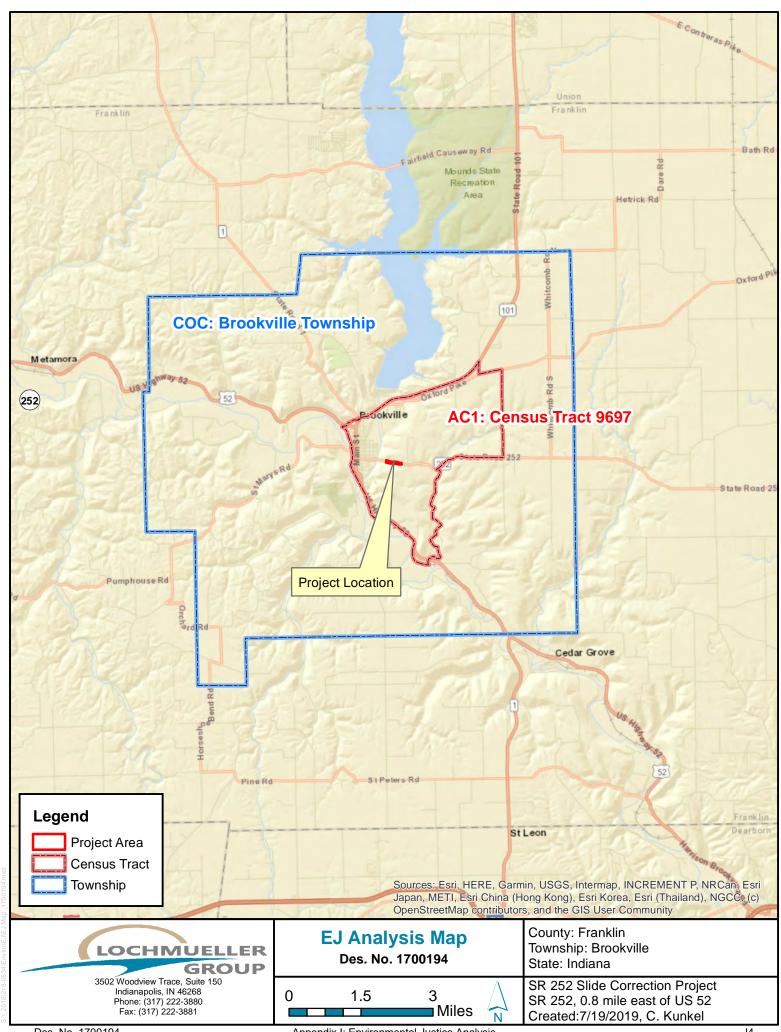
A review of the data revealed that the AC did contain a population greater than 125% of the COC minority population. Therefore, a minority population of EJ concern is present within the project area. The data for

low-income populations determined the AC was 125% of the low-income population of the COC. Therefore, a low-income population of EJ concern is present within the project area.

The proposed project is expected to require the acquisition of approximately 2.10 acres of permanent ROW and 0.02 acre of temporary ROW. Land use within the proposed permanent ROW consists of forested and residential land. No relocations are anticipated.

Overall, the negative impacts to property owners within the project area will be minimal and consist primarily of short-term construction impacts and the loss of a strip of ROW. No relocations are anticipated. The ROW to be acquired will not substantially diminish the existing use of the affected property owners. The MOT during construction will close SR 252 and a detour route will be established. Property owners will be provided access throughout the duration of the project to reduce impacts as much as possible. Thru access along SR 252 will be restored upon completion of the project. No permanent impacts to community cohesion are anticipated.

Impacts from the project to any EJ community in this area will be beneficial due to the improved safety of travel along SR 252 at this location. It is expected the project will not have a disproportionately high and adverse environmental or health impact to low-income or minority populations of EJ concern when compared to non EJ populations.





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HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN BY RACE

Survey/Program:

American Community Survey

Universe:

Total population

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Year:

2018

Estimates:

5-Year

Table ID:

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates the official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities, and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties.

Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a margin of error. The value shown here is the 90 percent margin of error. The margin of error can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the estimate minus the margin of error and the estimate plus the margin of error (the lower and upper confidence bounds) contains the true value. In addition to sampling variability, the ACS estimates are subject to nonsampling error (for a discussion of nonsampling variability, see ACS Technical Documentation). The effect of nonsampling error is not represented in these tables.

While the 2018 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the July 2015 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delineations of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas, in certain instances the names, codes, and boundaries of the principal cities shown in ACS tables may differ from the OMB delineations due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

Estimates of urban and rural populations, housing units, and characteristics reflect boundaries of urban areas defined based on Census 2010 data. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.

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Brookville township, Franklin County, Indiana

Census Tract 9697, Franklin County, Indiana

	Estimate	Estimate
✓ Total:	5,698	2,504
✓ Not Hispanic or Latino:	5,679	2,485
White alone	5,639	2,470
Black or African American alone	25	0
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0	0
Asian alone	0	0
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0	0
Some other race alone	0	0
✓ Two or more races:	15	15
Two races including Some other race	0	0
Two races excluding Some other race, and three or more races	15	15
→ Hispanic or Latino:	19	19
White alone	10	10
Black or African American alone	0	0
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0	0
Asian alone	0	0
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0	0
Some other race alone	9	9
✓ Two or more races:	0	0
Two races including Some other race	0	0
Two races excluding Some other race, and three or more races	0	0



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POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS BY SEX BY AGE

Survey/Program:

American Community Survey

Universe:

Population for whom poverty status is determined

Year:

2018

Estimates:

5-Year

Table ID: B17001

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Brookville township, Franklin County, Indiana

Census Tract 9697, Franklin County, Indiana

	Estimate	Estimate
✓ Total:	5,617	2,504
✓ Income in the past 12 months below poverty level:	456	347
✓ Male:	168	148
Under 5 years	7	7
5 years	2	0
6 to 11 years	4	4
12 to 14 years	11	11
15 years	0	0
16 and 17 years	16	16
18 to 24 years	14	9
25 to 34 years	2	0
35 to 44 years	11	5
45 to 54 years	4	4
55 to 64 years	43	38
65 to 74 years	18	18
75 years and over	36	36
✓ Female:	288	199
Under 5 years	23	4
5 years	7	7
6 to 11 years	9	4
12 to 14 years	0	0
15 years	13	13
16 and 17 years	4	4
18 to 24 years	43	29
25 to 34 years	26	4
35 to 44 years	37	37
45 to 54 years	32	28
55 to 64 years	48	23
65 to 74 years	11	11
75 years and over	35	35
✓ Income in the past 12 months at or above poverty level:	5,161	2,157

2,452

✓ Male:

968

Under 5 years	128	69
5 years	39	3
6 to 11 years	173	44
12 to 14 years	81	36
15 years	54	8
16 and 17 years	52	20
18 to 24 years	224	102
25 to 34 years	287	116
35 to 44 years	267	109
45 to 54 years	348	93
55 to 64 years	301	179

Chris Kunkel

From: Bales, Ronald <rbales@indot.IN.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2020 7:45 PM

To: Chris Kunkel

Cc: Chad Costa; Miller, Brandon

Subject: RE: SR 252 Slide Correction - Des. No. 1700194

Attachments: Draft EJ Analysis_SR 252 Slide Correction combined.pdf

INDOT-Environmental Services Division (ESD) has reviewed the project information along with the Environmental Justice (EJ) Analysis for the above referenced project. The project would require strip right-of-way, no relocations, would not disrupt community cohesion or create a physical barrier. With the information provided, INDOT-ESD would not consider the impacts associated with this project as causing a disproportionately high and adverse effect on minority and/or low incomes populations of EJ concern relative to non EJ populations in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12898 and FHWA Order 6640.23a. Should changes occur to the project scope and/or right-of-way, coordination with INDOT ESD should occur to determine if a reassessment of the EJ analysis is needed.

Ron Bales

INDOT-Environmental Services Division

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From: Chris Kunkel < CKunkel@lochgroup.com>

Sent: Monday, May 18, 2020 5:30 PM **To:** Bales, Ronald <rbales@indot.IN.gov> **Cc:** Chad Costa <CCosta@lochgroup.com>

Subject: FW: SR 252 Slide Correction - Des. No. 1700194

Importance: High

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Hi Ron,

I'm emailing to request a quick turnaround review of the EJ Analysis for this project in Franklin County. We originally sent this to you in August of last year, as you can see from the email below. We never received a response from you at that time. Since then, however, the project limits have been refined and the ROW amounts have changed. I've updated the write up and used the more recent data from the census website.

Please review this at your earliest convenience and let us know if you have any questions.

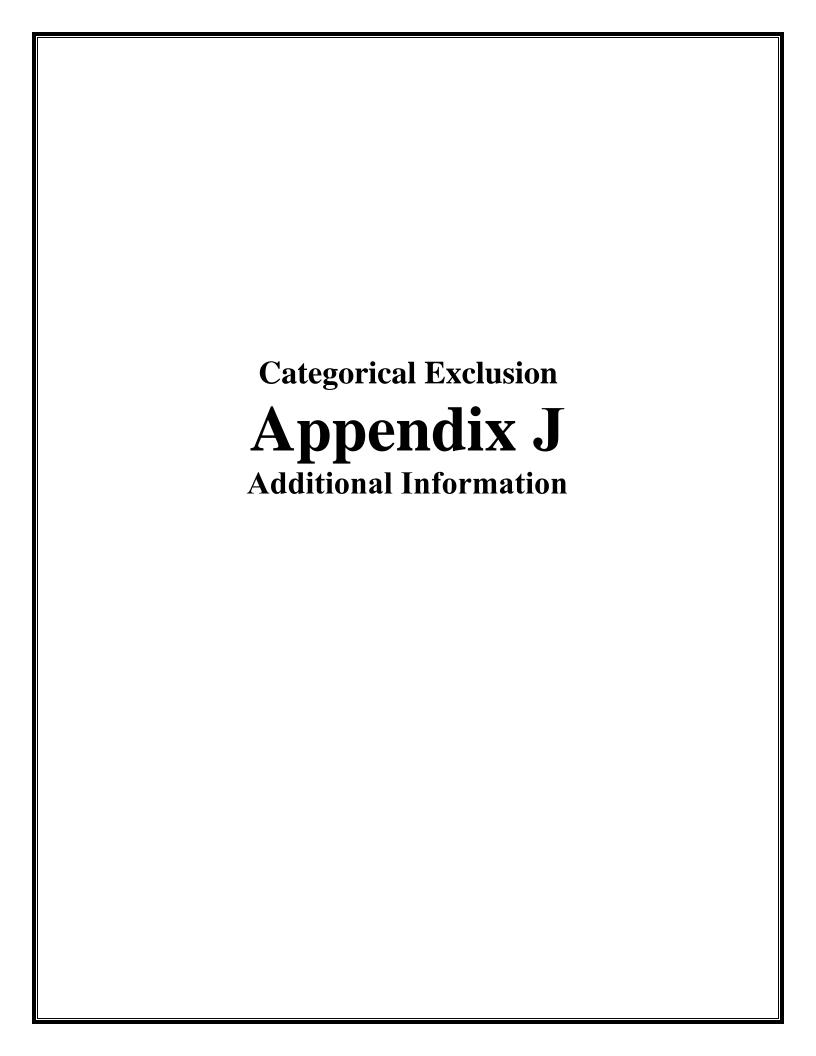
Thank you and have a great evening!

Chris Kunkel

Environmental Biologist

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Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) County Property List for Indiana (Last Updated December 2019)

ProjectNumber	SubProjectCode	County	Property
1800031	1800031	Franklin	Franklin County Park
1800176	1800176	Franklin	Whitewater Canal State Historic Site
1800225	1800225	Franklin	Fairfield Marina, Brookville Lake
1800324	1800324	Franklin	Mounds State Recreation Area
1800331	1800331	Franklin	Batesville Community Park
1800363	1800363B	Franklin	Brookville Lake State Park

Please note, some of the property names are cut off on the ends due to character limits

Also, park names may have changed and is not reflected on the list.

^{*}Various - this may include multiple sites in multiple counties and should always be included in your searches by county.