# FHWA-Indiana Environmental Document CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION / ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

Road	No./County:	State Road (S	R) 66 at Epwort	h Road / Warrick Co	ounty		
Desig	nation Number(s):	1400195					
Project Descr	ct ription/Termini:		nprovements / S	R 66 at Epworth Ro	ad, 0.16 mile east of I-	69	
	Categorical Exclusion	<b>, Level 2</b> – Req	uired Signatorie	s: INDOT DE and/o	· INDOT ESD		
	Categorical Exclusion	, <b>Level 3</b> – Req	uired Signatorie	s: INDOT ESD			
Х	Categorical Exclusion	<b>, Level 4</b> – Req	uired Signatorie	s: INDOT ESD and	FHWA		
	Environmental Assessment (EA) – Required Signatories: INDOT ESD and FHWA						
	Additional Investigation environmental documental authority						
Appro		「DE Signature an	nd Date	IND	OT ESD Signature and D	ate	
	FHV	/A Signature and	Date	_			
Releas	se for Public Involvem	nent	N/A		REB	2-4-2022	
			INDOT DE Initi	als and Date	INDOT ESD Initials	s and Date	
Certification of Public Involvement  INDOT Consultant Services Signature and Date							
INDOT I	DE/ESD Reviewer Signature	e and Date:					

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Name and Organization of CE/EA Preparer:

		Indiana	Department o	f Transportatio	n	
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Sponsor	of the Project:	_Indiana l	Department of Tran	sportation (INDO	T) IND	OT District: Vincenn	es
Local Na	me of the Facility:	SR 66 a	Epworth Road				
F	unding Source (ma	ark all that apply):	Federal X	State X	Local Oth	ner*	
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PROJE	CT DESCRIPTION	N (PREFERRED	ALTERNATIVE)	1			
County:	Warrick		Municipality:	N/A			
Limits of	Proposed Work:					of the intersection along n along Epworth Road.	SR 66
Total Wo	rk Length:	0.435 Mile(s	3)	Total Work Are	ea: <u>11.48</u>	Acre(s)	
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The INDOT and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) propose to proceed with an intersection improvement project on SR 66 at Epworth Road in Warrick County, Indiana.

Des No. 1400195 is located at the intersection of SR 66 and Epworth Road, 0.16 mile east of I-69. Specifically, the project is located in Sections 20 and 29, Township 6 South, Range 9 West in Ohio Township, Warrick County on the Newburgh U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 scale guadrangle.

Within the project area, SR 66 is an east-west route and is functionally classified as a principal arterial roadway with a design speed of 50 mph. SR 66 at the Epworth Road intersection consists of six 12-foot wide travel lanes, three in each direction, with a 10-foot wide paved shoulder. At the intersection, each travel direction has 12-foot wide left and right turning lanes. Epworth Road at the SR 66 intersection is a north-south route and is functionally classified as a major collector with a design speed of 30 mph. Epworth Road north of the intersection consists of five travel lanes with a 4-foot wide median. From west to east they are a 12-foot wide combined southbound (SB) through lane/WB right turn lane, a 12-foot wide SB through lane, an 11-foot wide EB left turn lane, a 4-foot wide median, and two 12-foot wide NB through lanes. Epworth Road south of the intersection consists of six travel lanes. From west to east they are two 12-foot wide SB through lanes, two 11-foot wide WB left turn lanes, one 11-foot wide NB through lane, and one EB right turn lane. Two existing frontage roads are located east of the intersection, one north and one south of SR 66. Both consist of two 10-foot travel lanes (one in each direction). The southern frontage road (SR 66 Frontage Road S) connects to Epworth Road south of the intersection and ends in a cul-de-sac. The northern frontage road (SR 66 Frontage Road N) connects to Epworth Road north of the intersection and ends in an unpaved section that connects back to SR 66. Land use within and adjacent to the project area includes commercial, residential, and agricultural areas.

The preferred alternative is to construct a displaced left turn intersection. The displaced left turn intersection is also known as a continuous flow intersection and a crossover displaced left turn intersection. Displaced left turn refers to any intersection form relocating one or more left turn movements on an approach to the other side of the opposing traffic flow. This attribute consequently allows left turn movements to proceed simultaneously with the through movements and eliminates the left-turn phase for this approach. The number of traffic signal phases and conflict points (locations where user paths cross) are reduced at a displaced left turn intersection, which can result in improvements in traffic operations and safety performance. The green time formerly allocated for the left turn at a conventional intersection is reallocated. For this project, the SR 66 left turn movements are displaced.

The proposed project will replace left turning movements along the mainline with displaced left turns in both directions. The NB and SB ramps to I-69 will be realigned as part of the project. The project will include some redesign of signaling. The potential area of impact extends approximately 2,900 feet west and 2,600 feet east of the intersection along SR 66; approximately 900 feet south of the intersection along Epworth Road; and approximately 1,000 feet north of the intersection along Epworth Road. New 44-foot tall lights will be placed near the displaced left turns and at the Epworth intersection. Several small structures will be replaced or extended throughout the project area including two culverts under the NB to EB I-69 exit ramp, one under the WB to NB I-69 entrance ramp, and a 36-inch pipe beneath SR 66 on the eastern side of the SR 66/Epworth Road intersection. None of the small structures have structure numbers due to their size. In order to provide adequate separation from the reconstructed Epworth Road intersection, the NB to EB I-69 exit ramp will be changed to a signalized "T" intersection and the WB to NB I-69 entrance ramp will be changed to reduce the curve radius which will create separation from the Epworth Road intersection. On Epworth Road north of SR 66, an additional auxiliary lane will be added in order to create enough width for dual left turn lanes. On Epworth Road south of SR 66, an SB right turn lane will be added between SR 66 and the Deaconess Hospital entrance and an auxiliary lane will be added along the NB lanes to create enough width for dual left turn lanes. Grading and drive construction will likely be required along SR 66 and Epworth Road.

Permanent and temporary right-of-way (ROW) will be required for this project but is not anticipated to exceed 0.05 acre of temporary ROW and 0.20 acre of permanent ROW. Permanent acquisition is not expected to impact improved areas of the parcels except for the commercial sign and parking lot in the northwest quadrant. A total of 0.215 acre of wetland impacts and 766 linear feet of permanent stream impacts, including 477 linear feet of impacts to UNT 1 to Howard Ditch and 289 linear feet of impacts to UNT 2 to Howard Ditch, are anticipated as a result of this project. Construction limits for the project were minimized to the greatest amount possible in an effort to reduce impacts to water resources. Approximately 0.02 acre of tree clearing is anticipated. Avoidance and Minimization Measures (AMMs) will be required for the project and will include time of year restriction and tree clearing AMMs.

Please see Appendix B for maps (pages 1-6), photographs (pages 7-15), preliminary design plans (pages 16-73), and a conceptual graphic of the improved intersection (page 74).

The proposed maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan will be carried out in three phases and will include detours, lane restrictions, and flagging operations. Please refer to the Maintenance of Traffic During Construction section of this document for details.

The project will meet the objectives of its purpose and need by using displaced left turns in both directions which makes the SR 66

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Name of Roadway SR 66 Principal Arterial Functional Classification: Design Year ADT: Current ADT: VPD (2021) 66,378 VPD (2041) 44,484 Design Hour Volume (DHV): 13,002 Truck Percentage (%) 3.0 Designed Speed (mph): Legal Speed (mph): 50 50

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	Number of Lanes: Type of Lanes:		8	6 through lane	10	
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			left turn lane, and		nes (1 in each	
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ī	Pavement Width:	122	ft.	176 ft.		
	Shoulder Width:	10	ft.	10 ft.		
ı	Median Width:	6	ft.	30 ft.		
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(	Setting:	Urban	X	Suburban	Rural	
	Topography:	X Level	F	Rolling	Hilly	
	f Roadway	Epworth Road -	North of SR 66			
	nal Classification:	Major Collector	(2221)			
Current				sign Year ADT:	15,534 V	PD (2041)
	Hour Volume (DHV):		k Percentage (%)	8.0		
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	Shoulder Width:	2	ft.	2 ft.		
	Median Width:	4	ft.	4 ft.		
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	nal Classification:	Major Collector				
Current				sign Year ADT:	15,534 V	PD (2041)
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	Shoulder Width:	2	ft.	2 ft.		
	Median Width:	N/A	ft.	N/A ft.		
	Sidewalk Width:	N/A	ft.	N/A ft.		
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BRIDGES	AND/OR SMA	LL STRU	CTURE(	S):				
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Structure/N	BI Number(s):	N/A			Suffici	ency Rating:	N/A	
			Existing		Propose	d	(Ratin	g, Source of Information)
Brid	lge/Structure Type		-xioting	N/A		N/A		
Number of Spans:				N/A		N/A		
Wei	ght Restrictions:		N/A	ton	N/A	ton		
Heig	ght Restrictions:		N/A	ft.	N/A	ft.		
Cur	b to Curb Width:		N/A	ft.	N/A	ft.		

N/A

N/A

ft.

ft.

Describe impacts and work involving bridge(s), culvert(s), pipe(s), and small structure(s). Provide details for small structure(s): structure number, type, size (length and dia.), location and impacts to water. Use a table if the number of small structures becomes large. If the table exceeds a complete page, put it in the appendix and summarize the information below with a citation to the table.

Outside to Outside Width:

Shoulder Width:

N/A

N/A

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ft.

Within the project area, 14 culverts are present. Six of the culverts are anticipated to receive work as part of the project. None of the culverts have structure numbers due to their size. Please refer to the table below for details.

	Existing Structure	Existing	Waterway/	
Station*	Type and	Structure	Wetland	Work Planned
292+06 "PR-A"	<b>Diameter</b> 96" CMP	Length	Impacted	None Work Planned
		534'	None	112112
292+24 "PR-A"	96" CMP	534'	None	None
				The existing pipe will remain. The proposed storm
				sewer will connect to existing pipe at two locations with manholes. The north end of the existing pipe will be
			UNT 2 to	extended 40 feet and become part of an enclosed
			Howard	storm sewer system due to a portion of UNT 2 to
312+97 "PR-A"	36" CMP	186'	Ditch	Howard Ditch becoming encapsulated.
312+91 FN-A	30 CIVIE	100	DIICH	The existing pipe will be replaced with 215 feet of 60" x
314+81 "PR-A"	36" CMP	195'	None	38" CMPA.
331+16 "PR-A", Lt	15" RCP	84'	None	None
337+67 "PR-A", Lt.	15" RCP	30'	None	None
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	RC Box			
45+36 "PR-2055 Epworth"	Culvert	167'	None	None
•	24" X 72"			
	RC Box			
45+50 "PR-2055 Epworth", Lt.	Culvert	81'	None	None
			Wetlands H	The existing pipe will be extended on both ends due to
53+41 "PR-2055 Epworth"	24" RCP	101	& I	Epworth Road widening.
				The existing pipe will be extended on the outlet end
54+12 "PR-2055 Epworth", Lt.	15" CMP	71'	Wetland I	due to Epworth Road widening.
55+45 "PR-2055 Epworth", Lt.	15" CMP	45'	None	None
				The existing pipe will be removed (Pipe is under
16+20 "PR-Ramp B", Rt.	36" CMP	119'	None	existing I-69 NB entrance ramp).
15+00 "PR-Ramp D"	36" CMP	126'	None	None
				A proposed manhole will be connected to the outlet
				end of the existing pipe and a 93-foot long 36-inch
				diameter pipe will be installed under the proposed
40.75 IIDD D DILL:	00" 0145	0.41	1	relocated I-69 NB exit ramp. Work will occur on the
18+75 "PR-Ramp D", Lt.	36" CMP	94'	None	downstream end. No impacts to Wetland D will occur.
*Refer to Appendix B, pages 67-7	3 for stationing	ng.		

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MAINTENAN	ICE OF TRAFFIC (N	IOT) DURI	NG CONSTRU	ICTION:				
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measures should wetlands. Any limited MOT for the MOT for the Grimm Road to foot through la construction. It combined, and direction. World Phase 3 will result of SR 66 includin SR 66 WB to 112-foot through remain open do Phases 1 and 1-69 interchance (662 (Appendix B, page 65).	s and/or facilities (if and de equantified to the electron concerns about act the project will be carried to construct improvements will remain open, and Phase 1, Epworth Roll one SB left-turn lane. It during this phase will estrict one through laneing the new I-69 NB to Section of the construction. Epworth Roll one struction will be in played and the construction. Epworth Roll of the construction on the construction. Epworth Roll of the construction of the cons	dout in three on the sextent possible coess and trade out in three on the notate well as a lead north of Sex 66 EB exists or emove the control on EB SR 66 EB exists or emove the control of Sex 66 EB exists or emove the control on Epworth Road reace for left turb age 63). The control of the	ple, particularly waffic flow should be phases. Phase orth side of SR 60 eft turn lane to SR 66 will be resisting and south of SR 66. If the tramp of SR 66. If the tramp of SR 66 will be ramp pavement and south of SR 66 will be detour for left and detour utilizing tenience to traverse.	with respect to be detailed a e 1 will restricted including to the stricted to one toward the outpower that the sent of the se	o properties sas well.  ct one through he new SR 6 Road. The exite NB lane, or utside, leaving d will be unrestoot dual left-texisting SR 66 icted in its cuonto SB Epworth Road SR 26 s (including sale).	h lane on WB 6 WB to I-69 isting ramp wine SB through g two 10-foot estricted in its truct improver striction on W urn lanes will 6 WB to I-69 N urrent lane cor orth Road fro pad from EB S 1 will be in pla	on 4(f) resort SR 66 betwood SR 66 betwood SR 66 means on the remain open SR 66 means on the remain open SR 66 will utilize for all parameters on the second	ween I-69 and the ramp. Two 10- pen during turn lane the configuration. the south side of the existing ten, as well as a the ramp will the puring MOT to will utilize the tilize I-69 and SR thases (Appendix the existing ten, as well as a the ramp will the tilize the tilize I-69 and SR thases (Appendix
ESTIMATED	PROJECT COST A	ND SCHE	OULE:					
Improvement F	\$ 300,000 (20)  funds will be 100% sta  Program (STIP).  art Date of Construction	te funded an		,	<del></del>		4,143,987	(2023)

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#### **RIGHT OF WAY:**

	Amour	Amount (acres)		
Land Use Impacts	Permanent	Temporary		
Residential	0	0		
Commercial	0.20	0.05		
Agricultural	0	0		
Forest	0	0		
Wetlands	0	0		
Other:	0	0		
Other:	0	0		
TOTAL	0.20	0.05		

Describe both Permanent and Temporary right-of-way and describe their current use. Typical and Maximum right-of-way widths (existing and proposed) should also be discussed. Any advance acquisition, reacquisition or easements, either known or suspected, and their impacts on the environmental analysis should be discussed.

Within the project area, existing ROW along SR 66 extends approximately 120 to 260 feet north and 100 to 280 feet south of the SR 66 centerline and includes the SR 66 roadway, two frontage roads (one north and one south of SR 66), roadside ditches, streams, wetlands, and maintained roadside. Existing ROW along Epworth Road within the project area extends approximately 50 to 75 feet west and 65 to 420 feet east of the centerline and includes roadway, roadside ditches, streams, wetlands, and maintained roadside.

The project requires approximately 0.20 acre of permanent ROW from the German American Bank and the former Boston's restaurant at the northwest quadrant of the SR 66/Epworth Road intersection. The acquisition area is approximately 6 to 30 feet wide and 578 feet long and currently consists of parking lot, business signage, and maintained grass. The project also requires approximately 0.05 acre of temporary ROW from German American Bank that includes two separate areas, a 34-foot wide by 37-foot long area in the southeastern portion of the parking lot and a 125-foot long, 10-foot wide strip of maintained grass to the south of the bank's drive through area.

If the scope of work or permanent or temporary ROW amounts change, the INDOT Environmental Services Division (ESD) and the INDOT District Environmental Section will be contacted immediately.

### Part III - Identification and Evaluation of Impacts of the Proposed Action

#### **SECTION A - EARLY COORDINATION:**

List the date(s) coordination was sent and all resource 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.

Early coordination letters were sent on January 24, 2019 (Appendix C, pages 1-5). The project scope and footprint were subsequently expanded and an addendum was sent on December 20, 2021 (Appendix C, pages 6-9).

<u>Agency</u>	Date Sent	Date Response Received	<u>Appendix</u>
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS),	January 24, 2019;		
Bloomington Field Office	December 20, 2021	February 26, 2019	Appendix C, pages 43-44
	January 24, 2019;		
FHWA, Indiana Division	December 20, 2021	No response received	
National Resources Conservation Service	January 24, 2019;		
(NRCS), Indianapolis Office	December 20, 2021	January 31, 2019	Appendix C, page 37
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE),	January 24, 2019;		
Louisville District	December 20, 2021	No response received	
	January 24, 2019;		
U.S. Housing and Urban Development	December 20, 2021	No response received	
National Park Service	January 24, 2019;	No response received	

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Indiana Department of Natural Resources,	January 24, 2019;	February 20, 2019;	
Division of Fish and Wildlife (IDNR DFW)	December 20, 2021	January 19, 2022	Appendix C, pages 38-41
IDNR Division of Reclamation	September 25, 2019	October 11, 2019	Appendix C, page 42
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Indiana Department of Environmental	January 24, 2019;	December 20, 2021	
Management (IDEM)	December 20, 2021	(autogenerated)	Appendix C, pages 10-26
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IDEM, Groundwater Section	September 19, 2019	October 8, 2019	Appendix C, page 27
INDOT, Office of Public Involvement	January 24, 2019	January 29, 2019	Appendix C, page 34
	January 24, 2019;		
INDOT, Utilities and Railroad Division	December 20, 2021	No response received	
INDOT Vincennes District, Project Manager	January 24, 2019	No response received	
INDOT Vincennes District, Environmental	January 24, 2019;	February 4, 2019;	
Manager	December 20, 2021	December 22, 2021	Appendix C, pages 35-36
	January 24, 2019;		
INDOT ESD	December 20, 2021	No response received	
		January 24, 2019	
		(autogenerated)	
	January 24, 2019;	December 20, 2021	
Indiana Geological and Water Survey (IGWS)		(autogenerated)	Appendix C, pages 28-33
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Warrick County Board of Commissioners	December 20, 2021	No response received	
Warner County Board of Commissioners	January 24, 2019;	No response received	
Warrick County Council	December 20, 2021	No response received	
Warrick County Council	January 24, 2019;	No response received	
Warriek County Highway Engineering		No recognized	
Warrick County Highway Engineering	December 20, 2021	No response received	
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Warrick County, Ohio Township Trustee	December 20, 2021	No response received	
	January 24, 2019;		
Warrick County Surveyor	December 20, 2021	No response received	
	January 24, 2019;		
Warrick County Emergency Management	December 20, 2021	No response received	
	January 24, 2019;		
Warrick County MS4	December 20, 2021	No response received	
	January 24, 2019;		
Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization	December 20, 2021	No response received	
	January 24, 2019;		
St. Luke's Lutheran Church	December 20, 2021	No response received	
	January 24, 2019;		
Deaconess Hospital	December 20, 2021	No response received	
•	January 24, 2019;	·	
Orthopedic Associates (East Newburgh)	December 20, 2021	No response received	
(======================================	January 24, 2019;	,	
Basinski & Juran MDs	December 20, 2021	No response received	
	January 24, 2019;		
St. Vincent Urgent Care - Epworth Crossing	December 20, 2021	No response received	
5. Thiothe Organic Guile - Epworth Orossing	January 24, 2019;	1.5 155551155 15561454	
The Lung Centre	December 20, 2021	No response received	
The Lung Centre		ino response received	
Oral Surgary Crays	January 24, 2019;	No reappease reastived	
Oral Surgery Group	December 20, 2021	No response received	
Deaconess Orthopedic Neuroscience Hospita		No response received	
Warrick County Floodplain Administrator	December 20, 2021	No response received	

All applicable recommendations are included in the Environmental Commitments section of this CE document.

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SECTION B	ECTION B – ECOLOGICAL RESOURCES:													
					Presence	<u>lmp</u>	acts							
						Yes	No							
	ns, Rivers, Waterco		r Jurisdictional	Features	X	X								
	deral Wild and Scenic													
	ite Natural, Scenic or													
	tionwide Rivers Inven tstanding Rivers List :	• , ,	ea											
	vigable Waterways	oi ilidialia												
Total stream(s	s) in project area:	2,457	Linear feet	Total impacted	stream(s):	766	Linear feet							

Stream Name	Classification	Total Size in Project Area (linear feet)	Impacted linear feet	Comments (i.e. location, flow direction, likely Water of the US, appendix reference)
				Please refer to Appendix F, page 30 for a map showing
Howard Ditch	Perennial	486	0	stream location, flow direction, and OHWM information
Unnamed				
Tributary (UNT) 1				Please refer to Appendix F, page 31 for a map showing
to Howard Ditch	Intermittent	1,361	477	stream location, flow direction, and OHWM information.
UNT 2 to Howard				Please refer to Appendix F, page 31 for a map showing
Ditch	Intermittent	558	289	stream location, flow direction, and OHWM information.
UNT 3 to Howard				Please refer to Appendix F, page 30 for a map showing
Ditch	Ephemeral	52	0	stream location, flow direction, and OHWM information.

Describe all streams, rivers, watercourses and other jurisdictional features adjacent or within the project area. Include whether or not impacts (both permanent and temporary) will occur to the features identified. Include if the streams or rivers are listed on any federal or state lists for Indiana. Include if features are subject to federal or state jurisdiction. Discuss measures to avoid, minimize, and mitigate if impacts will occur.

Based on a desktop review, the aerial maps of the project area (Appendix B, pages 3-4), the RFI report (Appendix E, page 9), and the RFI addendum (Appendix E, page 18), there are four streams within the 0.5 mile search radius. That number could not be confirmed or updated as the field work for the project area did not encompass the entire 0.5 mile search radius. The site visits on August 10 and 11, 2021 by Lochmueller Group identified four streams, rivers, watercourses, or other jurisdictional features present within or adjacent to the project area.

A Waters of the U.S. Determination / Wetland Delineation Report was approved by INDOT Ecology and Waterway Permitting Office (EWPO) on December 30, 2021. Please refer to Appendix F, pages 2-37 for the Waters of the U.S. Determination / Wetland Delineation Report. It was determined that four streams are present within the waters survey area. The USACE makes all final determinations regarding jurisdiction.

No Federal Wild and Scenic Rivers; State Natural, Scenic, and Recreational Rivers; Outstanding Rivers for Indiana; navigable waterways; or National Rivers Inventory waterways are present in the project area.

#### Howard Ditch

Howard Ditch is a perennial stream feature that begins south of the survey area and flows north through the western portion of the project area near the SR 66/I-69 interchange (Appendix F, page 30). Within the project area, Howard Ditch is entirely contained within two 12.5-foot diameter culverts. No portion of Howard Ditch within the project area displays bed and bank with ordinary high water mark (OHWM) as it is captured within culverts. Howard Ditch is considered to exhibit poor quality based on substrate composition and channelization. Howard Ditch is considered to be a relatively permanent waterway (RPW) with a connection to the Ohio River, a traditionally navigable waterway (TNW), via Pigeon Creek and Brandies Ditch. Howard Ditch meets the definition of a Waters of the U.S. under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act due to its designation as a perennial channel and connection to a TNW, the Ohio River. This stream is not subject to USACE jurisdiction under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. The entirety of the stream within the project limits is encapsulated; therefore, no impacts are anticipated.

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#### **UNT 1 to Howard Ditch**

UNT 1 to Howard Ditch is an intermittent stream feature that begins in the survey area north of SR 66 and flows west towards Epworth Road and then turns and flows north along the east side of Epworth Road beyond the survey area (Appendix F, page 31). UNT 1 to Howard Ditch is fed by UNT 2 to Howard Ditch and overflow from the open water feature south of the survey area and flows for significant periods after rainfall; therefore, it is an intermittent stream. The OHWM is 2.6 feet wide by 0.2 feet deep. UNT 1 to Howard Ditch is considered to be an RPW with a connection to the Ohio River, a TNW, via Pigeon Creek, Brandies Ditch, Lockwood Ditch, and Howard Ditch. UNT 1 to Howard Ditch meets the definition of a Waters of the U.S. under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act due to its designation as an intermittent channel and connection to a traditionally navigable water, the Ohio River. Approximately 477 linear feet of permanent impacts to UNT 1 to Howard Ditch are anticipated as a result of the placement of 9 cubic yards of clean earthen fill and 3 cubic yards of riprap below the OHWM.

#### UNT 2 to Howard Ditch

UNT 2 to Howard Ditch is an intermittent stream feature that begins south of SR 66 and west of Epworth Road at an open water pond outside the survey area and flows north through two culverts under SR 66 and Epworth Road into UNT 1 to Howard Ditch (Appendix F, page 31). UNT 2 to Howard Ditch is fed by overflow from the open water feature south of the survey area and flows for significant periods after rainfall; therefore, it is an intermittent stream. The OHWM is 2.58 feet wide by 0.21 feet deep. UNT 2 to Howard Ditch is considered to be a RPW with a connection to the Ohio River, a TNW, via Pigeon Creek, Brandies Ditch, Lockwood Ditch, and Howard Ditch, and UNT 1 to Howard Ditch. UNT 2 to Howard Ditch meets the definition of a Waters of the U.S. under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act due to its designation as an intermittent channel and connection to the Ohio River. Although not within the streambed, approximately 268 linear feet of 36-inch diameter pipe will be added and will encapsulate a portion of the stream. Approximately 289 linear feet of permanent impacts to UNT 2 to Howard Ditch are anticipated as a result of the placement of 6 cubic yards of clean earthen fill below the OHWM and encapsulation of the stream within the project limits.

#### UNT 3 to Howard Ditch

UNT 3 to Howard Ditch is an ephemeral stream feature that begins north of the WB SR 66 to NB I-69 entrance ramp and flows east beyond the survey area into Howard Ditch (Appendix F, page 30). UNT 3 to Howard Ditch receives runoff from the roadway and after rainfall; therefore, it is ephemeral. The OHWM is 3.08 feet wide by 0.17 feet deep. UNT 3 to Howard Ditch is considered to be a non-relatively permanent waterway (non-RPW) with a connection to the Ohio River, a TNW, via Pigeon Creek, Brandies Ditch, Lockwood Ditch, and Howard Ditch. UNT 3 to Howard Ditch meets the definition of a Waters of the U.S. under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act due to its designation as an ephemeral channel and connection to the Ohio River. The entirety of UNT 3 to Howard Ditch is located outside the construction limits for the project. Therefore, no impacts are expected.

A total of 766 linear feet (0.06 acre) of permanent impacts, including 477 linear feet (0.04 acre) of impacts to UNT 1 to Howard Ditch and 289 linear feet (0.02 acre) of impacts to UNT 2 to Howard Ditch, are anticipated as a result of this project. A USACE Section 404 Regional General Permit (RGP) and an IDEM Section 401 Individual Permit (IP) will likely be required due to these impacts. Mitigation will likely be required and will be determined during permitting.

The IDNR DFW responded to early coordination on February 20, 2019 and January 19, 2022 with recommendations to avoid, minimize, or compensate for impacts to fish, wildlife, and botanical resources (Appendix C, pages 38-41). These recommendations included seeding and protecting all disturbed streambanks and slopes and implementing appropriate erosion and sediment control measures. All applicable recommendations are included in the Environmental Commitments section of this document.

The USFWS responded to early coordination on February 26, 2019 with recommendations to restrict below low-water work in streams, restrict channel work to the minimum necessary, minimize the extent of riprap in bank stabilization, avoid work in streams during fish spawning season (April 1 to June 30), and evaluate wildlife crossings under bridges/culverts when appropriate (Appendix C, pages 43-44). All applicable recommendations are included in the Environmental Commitments section of this document.

	<u>Presence</u>	<u> </u>	<u> pacts</u>
pen Water Feature(s)		Yes	No
Reservoirs			
Lakes			
Farm Ponds			
Retention/Detention Basin			
Storm Water Management Facilities			
Other:			

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	Indiana Department of Transportation								
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Describe all open water feature(s) identified adjacent or within the project area. Include whether or not impacts (both permanent and emporary) will occur to the features identified. Include if features are subject to federal or state jurisdiction. Discuss measures to avoid, minimize, and mitigate if impacts will occur.									
Based on the des the RFI addendur be confirmed or u August 10 and 11 adjacent to the pr	Based on the desktop review, the aerial maps of the project area (Appendix B, pages 3-4), the RFI report (Appendix E, page 9), and the RFI addendum (Appendix E, page 18), there are 24 open water features within the 0.5 mile search radius. That number could not be confirmed or updated as the field work for the project area did not encompass the entire 0.5 mile search radius. The site visits on August 10 and 11, 2021 by Lochmueller Group did not identify any open water features. No open water features are present within or adjacent to the project area; therefore, no impacts are expected.								
refer to Appendix open water featur	F, pages 2-37 for res are present wi	the <i>Waters of th</i> thin the waters s	e U.S. Determination urvey area. The US	on / We ACE m	ed by INDOT EWPO on December 30, 2021. Please tland Delineation Report. It was determined that no takes all final determinations regarding jurisdiction.				
					recommendations to avoid or minimize impacts to fish, ations are not applicable to other surface waters.  Presence Impacts				
					Yes No				
Wetlands	5				X X				
Total wetland are	ea: _	1.144	Acre(s) Total v	wetland	d area impacted: 0.187 Acre(s)				
(If a determination	n has not been ma	ade for non-isola	ted/isolated wetland	ls, fill ir	the total wetland area impacted above.)				
Wetland No.	Classification	Total Size (Acres)	Impacted Acres	Comi	ments (i.e. location, likely Water of the US, appendix ence)				
Wetland A	palustrine, emergent, persistent (PEM1)	0.140	0	NB I-	and A is located 70 feet northeast of the WB SR 66 to 69 entrance ramp (Appendix F, page 30).				
Wetland B	PEM1	0.036	0	clove	and B is located within the NB I-69 to WB SR 66 rleaf, 133 feet north of the SR 66 centerline (Appendix ge 30).				
Wetland C	PEM1	0.019	0.018	clove	and C is located east of the NB I-69 to WB SR 66 rleaf, 144 feet north of the SR 66 centerline (Appendix ge 30).				
Wetland D	PEM1	0.057	0	Wetla clove	and D is located within the EB SR 66 to NB I-69 rleaf, 95 feet south of the SR 66 centerline (Appendix ge 30).				
Wetland E	PEM1	0.003	0	Wetla SR 6	and E is located 60 feet southeast of the NB I-69 to EB 6 exit ramp centerline (Appendix F, page 30).				
Wetland F	PEM1	0.200	0.075	the S	and F is located west of Epworth Road, 80 feet north of R 66 centerline (Appendix F, pages 30 and 31).				
Wetland G	PEM1	0.371	0.002	of the	and G is located west of Epworth Road, 89 feet south e SR 66 centerline (Appendix F, pages 30 and 31).				
Wetland H	PEM1	0.035	0.006	just s	and H is located along the west side of Epworth Road outh of the SR 66 intersection (Appendix F, page 31).				
Wetland I	PEM1	0.030	0.030	just n 31).	and I is located along the east side of Epworth Road, forth of SR 66 Frontage Road South (Appendix F, page				
Wetland J	PEM1	0.178	0.056	Epwo	and J is located south of and parallel to SR 66, east of orth Road (Appendix F, pages 31 and 32).				
Wetland K	PEM1	0.013	0	Grim	and K is located north of and parallel to SR 66 west of m Road (Appendix F, page 32).				
Wetland L	PEM1	0.062	0		and L is located south of and parallel to SR 66 west of m Road (Appendix F, page 32).				
			Document	ation	ESD Approval Dates				

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Wet Wet	nds ( <i>Mark all that apply</i> tland Determination tland Delineation ACE Isolated Waters De		X	December 3	0, 2021
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Based on the of the RFI adden- confirmed or u August 10 and A Waters of the refer to Append	desktop review, the aer dum (Appendix E, page pdated as the field wor 11, 2021 identified 12 e <i>U.S. Determination</i> / dix F, pages 2-37 for th	ial maps of to the 18), there and the 18), there are the projection with the projection wetlands with the wetland Delection waters of	he project area (Appendix B are 17 wetlands within the 0. ect area did not encompass thin or adjacent to the project ineation Report was approve the U.S. Determination / We evey area. The USACE make	5 mile search radius. That the entire 0.5 mile search t area. ed by INDOT EWPO on De tland Delineation Report. I	number could not be radius. The site visits on ecember 30, 2021. Please t was determined that 12
Wetland A Wetland A is a entrance ramp Wetland A doe Navigable Wat Clean Water A is requesting the	0.140-acre emergent v . This wetland would be s not directly abut or di ters Protection Rule, W .ct. INDOT acknowledg	wetland loca e classified a rectly conne etland A is n es that the w isdiction of t	ted within a roadside ditch lo as a PEM1 wetland and is of act to any jurisdictional Water ot considered a jurisdictiona	cated 70 feet northeast of poor quality due to its size is of the U.S. Therefore, in I feature subject to Section the definition of a Waters	the WB SR 66 to NB I-69 and quality of vegetation. accordance with the 404 regulation under the of the US. However, INDOT
This wetland w does not direct Protection Rule INDOT acknow	rould be classified as a tly abut or directly conn e, Wetland B is not con vledges that the wetlan se jurisdiction of the we	PEM1 wetla ect to any ju sidered a jui d would likel	risdictional feature subject to	ed on its size and quality of S. Therefore, in accordanc Section 404 regulation un Waters of the US. Howev	of vegetation. Wetland B e with the Navigable Waters der the Clean Water Act. er, INDOT is requesting that
This wetland w purposes. Bas Wetland C doe Navigable Wat Clean Water A is requesting the	rould be classified as a ed on a qualitative asse es not directly abut or d ers Protection Rule, W ct. INDOT acknowledg	PEM1 wetla essment of V irectly conne etland C is n es that the w isdiction of t	ect to any jurisdictional Wate not considered a jurisdictiona vetland would likely not meet he wetland. Permanent impa	vithin an excavated drainaç poor quality based on its s rs of the U.S. Therefore, in I feature subject to Sectior the definition of a Waters	ge feature for transportation ize and quality of vegetation. accordance with the
wetland would	be classified as a PEM	l1 wetland a	the EB SR 66 to NB I-69 clo nd is of poor quality based o al Waters of the U.S. Therefo	n its size and quality of veg	getation. Wetland D does not

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Protection Rule, Wetland D is not considered a jurisdictional feature subject to Section 404 regulation under the Clean Water Act. INDOT acknowledges that the wetland would likely not meet the definition of a Waters of the U.S. However, INDOT is requesting that the USACE take jurisdiction of Wetland D. Wetland D is located entirely outside of the construction limits for the project; therefore, no impacts are expected.

#### Wetland E

Wetland E is a 0.003-acre wetland located 60 feet southeast of the NB I-69 to EB SR 66 exit ramp centerline. This wetland would be classified as a PEM1 wetland. Wetland E has formed within a scour hole at the outlet of a roadway culvert and is of poor quality based on its size and quality of vegetation. Wetland E does not directly abut or directly connect to any jurisdictional feature Waters of the U.S. Therefore, in accordance with the Navigable Waters Protection Rule, Wetland E is not considered a jurisdictional feature subject to Section 404 regulation under the Clean Water Act. INDOT acknowledges that the wetland would likely not meet the definition of a Waters of the U.S. However, INDOT is requesting that the USACE take jurisdiction of Wetland E. Wetland E is located entirely outside of the construction limits for the project; therefore, no impacts are expected.

#### Wetland F

Wetland F is a 0.200-acre wetland located west of Epworth Road, 80 feet north of the SR 66 centerline. This wetland would be classified as a PEM1 wetland. Wetland F has formed within an excavated drainage feature for transportation purposes and is of poor quality based on its size and quality of vegetation. Wetland F does not directly abut or directly connect to any jurisdictional Waters of the U.S. Therefore, in accordance with the Navigable Waters Protection Rule, Wetland F is not considered a jurisdictional feature subject to Section 404 regulation under the Clean Water Act. INDOT acknowledges that the wetland would likely not meet the definition of a Waters of the U.S. However, INDOT is requesting that the USACE take jurisdiction of Wetland F. Permanent impacts to Wetland F include 0.075 acre of impacts for the placement of 6 cubic yards of Class I riprap for scour protection and 231 cubic yards of fill for embankment widening.

#### Wetland G

Wetland G is a 0.371-acre wetland located west of Epworth Road, 89 feet south of the SR 66 centerline. This wetland would be classified as a PEM1 wetland and is of poor quality based on its size and quality of vegetation. Wetland G provides surface flow to UNT 2 to Howard Ditch which has connection to a TNW the Ohio River via UNT 1 to Howard Ditch, Howard Ditch, Lockwood Ditch, Brandies Ditch and Pigeon Creek and therefore is considered a jurisdictional water of the U.S subject to Section 404 regulation under the Clean Water Act. Permanent impacts to Wetland G include 0.002 acre of impacts for the placement of 5 cubic yards of revetment riprap for scour protection.

#### Wetland H

Wetland H is a 0.035-acre wetland located along the west side of Epworth Road, just south of the SR 66 intersection. This wetland would be classified as a PEM1 wetland. Based on a qualitative assessment of Wetland H, this wetland is of poor quality due to its size and quality of vegetation. Wetland H provides surface flow to UNT 2 to Howard Ditch which has connection to a TNW, the Ohio River, via UNT 1 to Howard Ditch, Howard Ditch, Lockwood Ditch, Brandies Ditch and Pigeon Creek. Therefore, Wetland H is considered a jurisdictional water of the U.S subject to Section 404 regulation under the Clean Water Act. Permanent impacts to Wetland H include 0.006 acre of impacts for the placement of 8 cubic yards of revetment riprap and 2 cubic yards of fill for embankment widening.

#### Wetland I

Wetland I is a 0.030-acre wetland located along the east side of Epworth Road, just north of SR 66 Frontage Road South. This wetland has formed within an excavated drainage feature for transportation purposes. Wetland I would be classified as a PEM1 wetland and is of poor quality due to its size and quality of vegetation. Wetland I does not directly abut or directly connect to any jurisdictional Waters of the U.S. Therefore, in accordance with the Navigable Waters Protection Rule, Wetland I is not considered a jurisdictional feature subject to Section 404 regulation under the Clean Water Act. INDOT acknowledges that the wetland would likely not meet the definition of the Waters of the U.S. However, INDOT is requesting that the USACE take jurisdiction of Wetland I. Permanent impacts to Wetland I include 0.030 acre of impacts for the placement of 39 cubic yards of fill for embankment widening.

#### Wetland J

Wetland J is a 0.178-acre wetland located south of and parallel to SR 66, east of Epworth Road. This wetland has formed within a drainage feature excavated for transportation purposes. Wetland J would be classified as a PEM1 wetland and is of poor quality due to its size and quality of vegetation. Wetland J provides surface flow to UNT 1 to Howard Ditch which has connection to a TNW, the Ohio River, Howard Ditch, Lockwood Ditch, Brandies Ditch and Pigeon Creek. Therefore, Wetland J is considered a jurisdictional water of the U.S. subject to Section 404 regulation under the Clean Water Act. Permanent impacts to Wetland J include 0.056 acre of impacts for the placement of 2 cubic yards of revetment riprap for scour protection and 273 cubic yards of fill for embankment widening.

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drainage fea due to its siz Therefore, ir Section 404 Waters of th	s a 0.013-acre wetland loc ature that was excavated for ze and quality of vegetation in accordance with the Nav regulation under the Clea the U.S. However, INDOT is the construction limits for th	or transport n. Wetland vigable Wat in Water Ac s requesting	tation purposes. This K does not directly a ters Protection Rule, \ ct. INDOT acknowled g that the USACE tak	would be classified but or directly conne Wetland K is not con ges that the wetland e jurisdiction of We	l as a PEM1 we ect to any juriso nsidered a juris d would likely no	tland and is of lictional Water dictional featu ot meet the de	poor quality s of the U.S. re subject to finition of the
drainage fea classified as quality of ve accordance regulation u U.S. Howeve	s a 0.062-acre wetland locature that was excavated for a PEM1 wetland. Based a getation. Wetland L does with the Navigable Waters ander the Clean Water Act. er, INDOT is requesting the limits for the project; there	or transport on a qualitation directly s Protection INDOT aclust the USA	tation purposes. As d ative assessment of V abut or directly conn n Rule, Wetland L is r knowledges that the v ACE take jurisdiction of	efined by Cowardin Vetland L, this wetla ect to any jurisdictio not considered a juri wetland would likely	net al. (1979), the and is of poor q onal Waters of the isdictional feature onot meet the d	his wetland wo uality due to its he U.S. Therei ire subject to S lefinition of a V	ould be as size and fore, in Section 404 Vaters of the
greatest exte of its purpos	187 acre of wetland impac ent possible. Avoidance al se and need. USACE Sect determined during permittin	Iternatives a ion 404 and	are not practicable be	ecause they would r	not allow the pro	oject to meet th	ne objectives
	dations provided by IDNR 5, 2019 (Appendix C, page				Appendix C, pa	ages 38-41) an	d USFWS on
Terr	estrial Habitat			<u>Presence</u>	Yes	cts No	
	rial habitat in project area:	: <u> </u>	22.54 Acre(s			0.02	Acre(s)
or not impacts measure to at Based on a there is main roadside hal species with leaf plantain grass (Setar sedge (Care carpetgrass pratensis), ri (Ludwigia pe anticipated a possible to a ramp realigr time but will permit will like	es of terrestrial habitat (i.e. s will occur to habitat ident void, minimize, and mitigat desktop review, site visits ntained roadside habitat whitat include bur oak (Quentin the herbaceous layer of a (Plantago lanceolata), da viridus), bermudagrass ex lurida), purpletop tridens (Arthraxon hispidus), broadice cutgrass (Leersia oryzieploides). Approximately 7 as a result of the planned in avoid terrestrial impacts. And the be determined during perikely be required.	tified. Inclute if impact on August vithin and acreus macro of the maintallisgrass (P (Cynodon of Cynodon of C	ide total terrestrial had a will occur.  10 and 11, 2021, and djacent to the project ocarpa), black willow (ained roadside habita paspalum dilatatum), the dactylon), path rush (flavus), Japanese brishil (Typhus latifolia), wastem bullrush (Schoel of disturbance to main improvements. The alternatives would not dway to accommodate the project will result	d the aerial maps of area. Dominant special sp	the project are ecies within the ecies within the ellery pear ( <i>Pyrunyard grass</i> ( <i>Ec Schedonorus a</i> low nutsedge ( <i>beri</i> ), johnson om repens), Kentemontani), and fibitat, including were minimized euse they would tern. Mitigation e of land disturb	a (Appendix B tree layer of the scalleryana). Chinochloa murrundinaceus), Cyperus escule grass (Sorghurtucky bluegras floating willow 0.02 acre of tree to the greates d not allow spais not anticipa cance, an IDEN	pages 3-4), ne maintained Dominant ricata), narrow green bristle entus), shallow in halepense), s (Poa primrose ee clearing, is t extent ace for the ted at this M Rule 5
minimize, or included rev	compensate for impacts t regetating all bare and dist ll disturbed streambanks a	to fish, wildl turbed area	life, and botanical res as, minimizing tree an	ources (Appendix C d brush clearing, tre	C, pages 38-41) ee cutting restri	). These recom ctions, seeding	nmendations g and

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sediment of document.	control measures. All applica	able recomi	mendations are inclu	uded in the Environm	ental Commitme	ents section of this	
construction	/S responded to early coord on zone boundaries and imp recommendations are inclu	lementing t	emporary erosion a	nd sediment control i	measures (Appe		
	otected Species derally Listed Bats Information for Planning an Section 7 informal consulta Section 7 formal consultation	tion comple	eted (IPaC cannot be	e completed)	Yes X	No X X	
De	termination Received for Lis	sted Bats fr	om USFWS:	NE	NLAA X	LAA	
Ot	ner Species not included i Additional federal species for State species (not bird) four	ound in pro			Yes	No X X	
	gratory Birds Known usage or presence of State bird species based up	oon coordin	ation with IDNR		Yes	No X X	
bat and non occurred and Based on completed and Rare ( 2019 and plant or an No critical endangered Project info species lis sodalis) and	IR coordination and species thern long-eared bat impacts of the determination that was a desktop review, the RFI reson January 6, 2022 by Look ETR) Species List has been January 19, 2022 (Appendix imal species listed as state habitats are present. An INI and bat species in or within 0. The toward of the federally threatened respecies list other than the	s. Discuss sereceived. Export (Apperhamueller Ginchecked. Co., pages Corfederally DOT 0.5-mile of the bugh the USC, pages 4 northern lon	if other federally list Discuss if migratory ndix E, pages 13-14 roup (Appendix E, p According to the IDI 38-41), the Natural by threatened, endangle bat review occurre project area.  SFWS's Information 5-50). The project is g-eared bat (NLEB)	ed species were ider birds have been observed by completed on July age 16), the IDNR WAR DFW early coording Program's Degreed, or rare have been on July 1, 2021. The for Planning and Cores within range of the forest birds and constants.	ntified. If so, inc served and any 20, 2018, and the farrick County E ination response to tabase has be een reported to the review did no insultation (IPaC ederally endang	Jude consultation that himpacts.  The RFI addendum indangered, Threatened eletters dated February en checked and to date occur in the project vicit of indicate the presence of portal and an official ared Indiana bat (Myoti	d, v 20, e no inity. e of
The project dated May (FTA), and structures responses NLEB (Apreview of tit was con-	t qualifies for the <i>Range-wid</i> 2016 (revised February 20 I USFWS. Culvert inspection (Appendix C, pages 65-66). provided, it was found that bendix C, pages 51-64). INE the finding (Appendix C, pageluded they concur with the AMM 1, and Hibernacula A	de Program 18), betwee 18 occurred 18 An effect of the project 190T review 19 67). No refinding. AM	ematic Informal Consen FHWA, Federal Following Federal Following Federal Following Federal Following Federal F	Railroad Administration  11, 2021 and no bats  as completed on Declot likely to adversely  effect finding on Declot from the USFWS project include Lighti	on (FRA), Federa or signs of bats cember 20, 2021 affect (NLAA)" ember 21, 2021 within the 14-da ing AMMs 1 and	al Transit Administrations were found using the and based on the the Indiana bat and/or the and requested USFWS by review period; therefor 2, Tree Removal AMM	he S's ore,
amended.	ides the need for further coill If new information on endar for consultation.						be

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P K	arst features identified wit	otential Kar hin or adjac	st Features Area of Indian ent to the project area identified in the project a		Yes		No X X
Date	Karst Study/Report revie	wed by IND	OT EWPO (if applicable):	N/A			
area (from RF were identified study/report w by INDOT EW	il). Discuss response record and if impacts will occur was completed and results (PO)	eived from I Describe I (Karst inv	res Area of Indiana and it GWS coordination. Discu if any impacts will occur to estigation must comply wi	iss if any mines, on any karst feature ith the current Kar	oil/gas, or exp es. Include d est MOU and	oloration/aban liscussion of k coordinated a	ndoned wells karst and reviewed
outlined in the the project a no karst feat December 2 subsidence, or abandone	ne most current <i>Protection</i> rea (Appendix B, page 2) ures identified within or a 0, 2021, the IGWS did no high liquefaction potentia	of Karst Fe the RFI rep djacent to the tindicate the 1, 1% annua s in the vicir	Region map, the project in atures during Project Devicort (Appendix E, page 9), the project area. In the earliest karst features exist in the I chance flood hazard, highlity (Appendix C, pages 2) are expected.	relopment and Co , and the RFI add y coordination res ne project area. The ph potential of end	nstruction. A endum (Appe sponses date he IGWS ind countering be	ccording to the endix E, page d January 24 icated potenti edrock resourd	ne topo map of 18), there are , 2019 and ial mine ces, and active
coordination An early coo responded o	The RFI completed for the project and signed by INDOT Site Assessment and Management (SAM) on July 20, 2018 recommended coordination with IDNR Division of Reclamation due to a underground mine located within the project area (Appendix E, page 11). An early coordination letter was sent to IDNR Division of Reclamation on September 25, 2019. The IDNR Division of Reclamation responded on October 11, 2019 stating that they do not foresee any adverse effects incurred as a result of the project (Appendix C, page 42). An addendum to early coordination was sent on December 20, 2021. No response has been received to date. No impact is anticipated						
SECTION (	C – OTHER RESOURC	ES					
W S W U	king Water Resources /ellhead Protection Area(source Water Protection Aleater Well(s) rbanized Area Boundary ublic Water System(s)			Presence  X X	Yes X	No X	
If	e project located in the St. Yes, is the FHWA/EPA S Yes, is a Groundwater As	SA MOU Ap	plicable?		Yes	No X	
The project i source aquif	esponses and any mitigat s located in Warrick Cour er in the state of Indiana. m of Understanding (MOL	<i>ion commitr</i> ity, which is Therefore, t	ic below. Provide details ments. Reference respondant not located within the are he FHWA/Environmental licable to this project, a default of the second necessity.	ses in the Append a of the St. Josep Protection Agenc	<i>lix.</i> h Sole Sourd y (EPA)/IND0	ce Aquifer, the	e only sole ce Aquifer
			( <u>http://www.in.gov/idem/c</u> t located within a Wellhea				

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			( <u>https://www.in.gov/dnr/wa</u> s project. Therefore, no im			on December 27, 2021 by
2021, this proje Warrick County	ct is located in an Urbar	n Area Bou n addendu	undary (UAB). An early co- um to the early coordinatio	ordination letter wa	as sent on J	
this project is lo west side of Ep	cated where there is a pworth Road within the p	oublic wate roject area	er system. The Town of Ch	nandler has a wate the proposed stor	r main that m sewer jus	n (Appendix B, pages 3-4), runs north-south along the st north of SR 66 and may ng as part of the design
Long Trans	ct located within a regu itudinal encroachment sverse encroachment		lplain 0' up/downstream from pr	Presence  X  oject	Yes	mpacts No X
If application	able, indicate the Flood	plain Leve	l?			
Level 1	X Level 2		Level 3 L	evel 4	Level 5	
according to the during design to a Based on a des Lochmueller Groproject is locate coordination let within the 30-da project involves	classification system. It insure consistency with ktop review of The IDNI oup on December 27, 2 d in a regulatory floodplater was sent to the local by timeframe. This proje work within the horizon	encroach the local f R Floodpla 021, the F lain as det floodplair ct qualifies tal limits c	ment on a flood plain will o lood plain planning. ain Information Portal webs FI report (Appendix E, pa ermined from approved ID	site (https://dnrmarge 9), and the RFI NR floodplain marger 20, 2021. The flourrent INDOT CE no work is being po	os.dnr.in.gov addendum os (Appendi loodplain ad Manual, wh	(Appendix E, page 18), this x F, page 1). An early Iministrator did not respond ich states although this
olovation and a	s a recait and project as		reach apon the base heet	apidiii.		
Prime	nd sultural Lands e Farmland (per NRCS) Points (from Section VII		06/AD-1006*) <b>N</b> /	Presence X	Y	Impacts es No X
	or greater, see CE Manua			<u>· ·                                   </u>		
considered.  Based on a des	ktop review, site visits o	n August	10 and 11, 2021 by Lochn	nueller Group, and	the aerial n	and minimization measures naps of the project area oject area. The project will
not convert any January 24, 201	farmland because no F 9 and an addendum to	ROW impa the early	cts to farmland are anticipa coordination letter was ser	ated. An early coor nt on December 20	rdination let ), 2021. The	ter was sent to NRCS on NRCS responded on
January 31, 201	19 stating that the propo	sed proje	ct will not cause a convers	ion ot prime farmla	and (Append	lix C, page 37).
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SECTION D - CULTURAL I	RESOURCES			
Minor Projects PA	Category(ies) a		INDOT Approval April 8, 2019; January 18, 2022	
Full 106 Effect Finding No Historic Propertie		No Adverse Effect	Adverse Effect	
Eligible and/or Listed I NRHP Building/Site/I		<b>nt</b> Archaeology	NRHP Bridge(s	)
Documentation Prepar APE, Eligibility and E 800.11 Documentation Historic Properties R Archaeological Reco Archaeological Phas Archaeological Phas Other:	Effect Determination on eport or Short Rep rds Check and As e la Survey Repor	port sessment t	roval Date(s) SHP0	O Approval Date(s)
Memorandum of Agr	eement (MOA)	MOA Sigr	ature Dates (List all	signatories)
full Section 106, use the heading local newspapers. Please indicated Section 106 work which must be On April 8, 2019 the INDOT Cull Types 2 and 3 and Category B, the project scope and footprint, (Appendix D, pages 1-5). It was Type 2 covers all work within in covers replacement, repair, lining Type 1 conditionally covers replacement in the covers installation of new lighting construction of added travel, turn disturbed soils, there are no arc	s provided. The concept the publication of completed at a late and	tegory(ies) that the project falls un ompletion of the Section 106 proces late, name of the paper(s) and the er date, such as mitigation from a Office (CRO) determined that this p under the Minor Projects Program evaluated and INDOT CRO provide he project still falls under the afore ithin medians of divided highways culverts that do not exhibit wood, or installation of curbs, curb ramps e and other traffic control devices, anes and shoulder widening. Since	ess requires that a Legar comment period dear MOA or avoidance coroject falls within the matic Agreement (Midded an updated MPP) ementioned categories in previously disturbe stone, or brick structur, or sidewalks. Category B, Type 3 de the proposed project	gal Notice be published in dline. Include any further ommitments.  guidelines of Category A, PPA). Due to the updates to A form on January 18, 2022 of the MPPA. Category A, d soils. Category A, Type 3 ares or parts. Category B, bry B, Type 2 conditionally conditionally covers at will occur within previously
and the responsibilities of the F				

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SECTION E - SECTION 4(f) RESOURCES/ SEC	CTION 6(f) RESOURCES
Parks and Other Recreational Land Publicly owned park Publicly owned recreation area Other (school, state/national forest, bikeway, etc.) Wildlife and Waterfowl Refuges National Wildlife Refuge National Natural Landmark State Wildlife Area State Nature Preserve Historic Properties Site eligible and/or listed on the NRHP	Presence Use Yes No
<u> </u>	Evaluations
Programmatic Section 4(f)  "De minimis" Impact Individual Section 4(f) Any exception included in 23 CFR 774.13	Prepared
must be included in the appendix and summarized below FHWA has identified various exceptions to the requirem Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation A funded transportation facilities unless there is no feasib parks, recreation areas, wildlife/waterfowl refuges, and subject to this law are considered Section 4(f) resource	
the RFI addendum (Appendix E, page 17), there are no	ect area (Appendix B, pages 3-4), the RFI report (Appendix E, page 8), and popotential 4(f) resources located within the 0.5 mile search radius. According 11, 2021 by Lochmueller Group, there are no Section 4(f) resources within or
Section 6(f) Involvement	Presence Use
Section 6(f) Property	Yes No
will occur, discuss the conversion approval.	Discuss if any conversion would occur as a result of this project. If conversion 965 established the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), which was
	to outdoor recreation resources. Section 6(f) of this Act prohibits conversion of
	revealed a total of three properties in Warrick County (Appendix I, page 15). t to the project area. Therefore, there will be no impacts to 6(f) resources.
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SECTION	N F – Air Quality					
ls ls ls	Yes, then: Is the project in the Is the project exem If No, then: Is the project in	ost current STIP/TIF n an MPO Area?	ent or maintenance area? TIP? Plan (TP)?	Yes No X X X X X		
Lo	cation in STIP:			Page 802		
Na	ame of MPO (if appl	cable):		Evansville Metropolitan Pl	anning Organization (EMPO)	
Lo	cation in TIP (if app	licable):		Page 45		
Le	vel of MSAT Analys	is required?				
Le	vel 1a X Le	evel 1b Lev	el 2 Level 3	Level 4 Level	5	
Describe if the project is listed in the STIP and if it is in a TIP. Describe the attainment status of the county(ies) where the project is located. Indicate whether the project is exempt from a conformity determination. If the project is not exempt, include information about the TP and TIP. Describe if a hot spot analysis is required and the MSAT Level.  This project is included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2024 EMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Appendix H, page 1) and STIP (Appendix H, page 2).  This project is located in Warrick County, which is currently a maintenance area for ozone under the 1997 Ozone 8-hour standard according to the EPA Green Book website (https://www.epa.green-book) which was revoked in 2015 but is being evaluated for conformity due to the February 16, 2018, South Coast Air Quality Management District V. Environmental Protection Agency, Et. Al. Decision. The project's design concept and scope are accurately reflected in both the EMPO Transportation Plan (TP) and the TIP and both conform to the State Implementation Plan (SIP). Therefore, the conformity requirements of 40 CFR 93 have been met.  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	N G - NOISE					
ls Da	ate Noise Analysis w	as approved/techni	cally sufficient by INDOT I			
were identif	<u>fied. If noise impacts</u> ct is a Type III proje	s were identified, de ct. In accordance w	scribe if abatement is feas	sible and reasonable and inc	ed to date and if noise impacts Flude a statement of likelihood. If Transportation Traffic Noise	
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SECTION H - COMMUNITY IMPACTS						

#### Regional, Community & Neighborhood Factors

Will the proposed action comply with the local/regional development patterns for the area?

Will the proposed action result in substantial impacts to community cohesion?

Will the proposed action result in substantial impacts to local tax base or property values?

Will construction activities impact community events (festivals, fairs, etc.)?

Does the community have an approved transition plan?

If No, are steps being made to advance the community's transition plan? Does the project comply with the transition plan? (explain in the discussion below)

Yes	No
Х	
	X
	Х
	X
Х	
Х	

Discuss how the project complies with the area's local/regional development patterns; whether the project will impact community cohesion; and impact community events. Discuss how the project conforms with the ADA Transition Plan.

The project will ultimately be beneficial to local business and properties due to improvements to traffic flow at the intersection of SR 66 and Epworth Road. Overall, the negative impacts to property owners and local businesses 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. This project is not expected to impact the surrounding community or cause economic impacts to the surrounding area. Therefore, the project will have minimal or no negative impacts to the community or local economy.

According to the Fairs and Festivals website (<a href="www.fairsandfestivals.net">www.fairsandfestivals.net</a>), accessed on January 20, 2022 by Lochmueller Group, there is one event, the Newburgh Antique Market, scheduled within 10 miles of the project area in 2022. Lane restrictions and closures, as well as detours, will be implemented to maintain traffic during construction; however, no impacts to the Newburgh Antique Market are anticipated as a result of the detour. Therefore, no impacts are expected. See Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) During Construction section above for detour details.

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 project sponsor will be responsible for contacting school districts and emergency services at least two weeks prior to any construction that would limit access. This is included as a firm commitment in the Environmental Commitments section of this CE document.

Warrick County has an approved Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) plan. This project is an intersection improvement project that will eliminate left-turn movements from the mainline. No ADA facilities will be affected as part of the project.

#### **Public Facilities and Services**

Discuss what public facilities and services are present in the project area and impacts (such as MOT) that will occur to them. Include how the impacts have been minimized and what coordination has occurred. Some examples of public facilities and services include health facilities, educational facilities, public and private utilities, emergency services, religious institutions, airports, transportation or public pedestrian and bicycle facilities.

Based on a desktop review, the aerial maps of the project area (Appendix B, pages 3-4), the RFI report (Appendix E, page 8), and the RFI addendum (Appendix E, page 17), there are 3 religious facilities, 20 hospitals or clinics, 11 pipeline segments, and 4 trail segments within the 0.5 mile search radius. That number could not be confirmed or updated by the August 10 and 11, 2021 site visits by Lochmueller Group, as the field work for the project did not encompass the entire 0.5 mile search radius. The access to 16 of the hospitals/clinics (Deaconess Gateway Hospital, Heart Hospital at Deaconess Gateway, Deaconess Women's Hospital, Riley Children's Specialty Center, Deaconess Orthopedic Neuroscience Hospital, Midwest Radiological Imaging, Deaconess Regional Laboratory, Evansville Surgery Center, Oral Surgery Group, Deaconess Clinic Gateway Heath Center, Deaconess Clinic Urgent Care, Orthopedic Associates East Newburgh, Cindy Basinski, MD, St. Vincent's Urgent Care, The Lung Center, and Deaconess Orthopedic Neuroscience Hospital) is within the project area. No impact is expected as a result of the project as access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction.

One pipeline segment crosses the project area and one pipeline segment is adjacent to the project area. Both are associated with Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co. natural gas pipelines. An early coordination letter was sent to INDOT Utilities and Railroads on

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January 24, 20 received to dat construction.	019 and an addendum to te. Utility coordination is	the early o	coordination s part of the o	letter was sent lesign process	on Dece Access	ember 20, 202 to all propertie	1. No re es will b	esponse ha be maintair	as been ned during
facilities are ar facilities are ar Warner Cable Centerpoint Er	ion, the Town of Newburnticipated. Centerpoint Enticipated, several electrichas lines attached to the nergy and Time Warner C	nergy has c poles alo affected e Cable is on	gas and elec ng the west electric poles going as par	tric facilities wit side of Epworth these lines wil t of design.	thin the particular in the particular in the mover in the mover in the particular in	oroject area. Will need to be yed to the reloc	/hile no relocat cated p	impacts to ed due to t oles. Coor	o the gas he project. Time dination with
	sibility of the project spo at would block or limit ac		tify school co	rporations and	emerge	ncy services a	t least	two weeks	prior to any
During Does th If YES, A W Indicate if EJ iss was required, de on EJ population	are any EJ populations lo  Vill the project result in accuses  Sues were identified during  Escribe how the EJ populations  Escribe and explain your reas	oroject were analysis? cated with diversely his project of lation was coning. If ye	in the project gh and dispr development identified. In es, describe a	area? oportionate imp If an EJ analy oclude if the pro actions to avoid	vsis was oject has I, minimi	not required, of a disproportion ze and mitigat	discuss nately e these	high and a e effects.	dverse effect
Under FHWA ( their programs populations. TI	Order 6640.23A, FHWA and activities of this project will have no rejustice analysis is not rejustice analysis	and the pro do not have elocations	oject sponso e a dispropor and will requ	r, as a recipient tionately high a ire less than 0.	of fundi and adve 5 acre of	ng from FHW <i>l</i> erse effect on r f additional pe	A, are r minority rmaner	esponsible or low-inc	ome
Will the Is a BIS	ation of People, Busines e proposed action result i S or CSRS required? er of relocations: Re			ole, businesses Businesses:	or farms	s? Farms: <u>0</u>	<u>.                                    </u>	Yes Other:	No
	ocations that will occur do of people, businesses, o						esults ir	the discus	ssion below.
SECTION I -	HAZARDOUS MATE	RIALS &	REGULAT	ED SUBSTA	NCES				
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adjacent to, or ones the provisions, pay quantiti	at could impact the p les, etc.) will be need	roject area.  Refer t led, include in discu	to current INDOT SA ussion. Include appl	licable commitments.	nal documentation (special
concurrence on July 2 Elimination System (Nother RFI concurrence,	20, 2018 (Appendix E IPDES) facilities are an RFI addendum w azmat sites were ide	E, page 12). One ur located within 0.5 r as prepared by Loo ntified. None of the	nderground storage mile of the project ar chmueller Group and hazmat sites will im	d INDOT SAM provided	
	Par	t IV – Permi	its and Com	mitments	
PERMITS CHECKL					
PERIVITS CHECKL	-131				
Permits (mark	call that apply)		Likely Required		
Nation Region Individuation Other IN Departmen (401/Rule 5) Nation Region Individuation Isolate Rule 5 Other IN Departmen Construct Naviga Other Mitigation Re US Coast Gu Others (Pleas	nt of Natural Resou ruction in a Floodway able Waterway Perm equired ard Section 9 Bridg se discuss in the di	Management  RGP)  rces / it e Permit scussion below)			's designated as "Other."
A USACE Section 404	4 RGP and an IDEM	Section 401 IP are	anticipated due to	proposed work below the	e OHWM. The project is
anticipated to result ir	greater than one ac	re of land disturbar	nce and will likely re	quire an IDEM Rule 5 po	ermit.
formal IDNR approval	for construction in a	floodway unless it	qualifies for a bridge	e exemption (Appendix	at the proposal will require C, pages 49-51). No work dway permit will be needed.
Applicable recommendations provided by resource agencies are included in the Environmental Commitments section of this document. If permits are 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 sponso	or to identify and ob	otain all permits.		
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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS**

List all commitments and include the name of agency/organization requesting/requiring the commitment(s). Listed commitments should be numbered.

#### Firm:

- 1. If the scope of work or permanent or temporary ROW amounts change, the INDOT Environmental Services Division (ESD) and the INDOT District Environmental Section will be contacted immediately. (INDOT ESD and INDOT Vincennes District)
- 2. 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)
- 3. Lighting AMM 1: Direct temporary lighting away from suitable habitat during the active season. (USFWS)
- 4. Tree Removal AMM 2: Apply time of year (TOY) restrictions for tree removal when bats are not likely to be present (October 1 March 31), 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 no bats observed. (USFWS and IDNR DFW)
- 5. Lighting AMM 2: When installing new or replacing existing permanent lights, use downward-facing, full cut-off lens lights (with same intensity or less for replacement lighting); or for those transportation agencies using the BUG system developed by the Illuminating Engineering Society, be as close to 0 for all three ratings with a priority of "uplight" of 0 and "backlight" as low as practicable. (USFWS)
- 6. 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)
- 7. 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)
- 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)
- 9. Hibernacula AMM 1: For projects located within karst areas, on-site personnel will use best management practices, secondary containment measures, or other standard spill prevention and countermeasures to avoid impacts to possible hibernacula. Where practicable, a 300 foot buffer will be employed to separate fueling areas and other major containment risk activities from caves, sinkholes, losing streams, and springs in karst topography. (USFWS)
- Tree Removal AMM 1: Modify all phases/aspects of the project (e.g., temporary work areas, alignments) to avoid tree removal. (USFWS)

#### For Further Consideration:

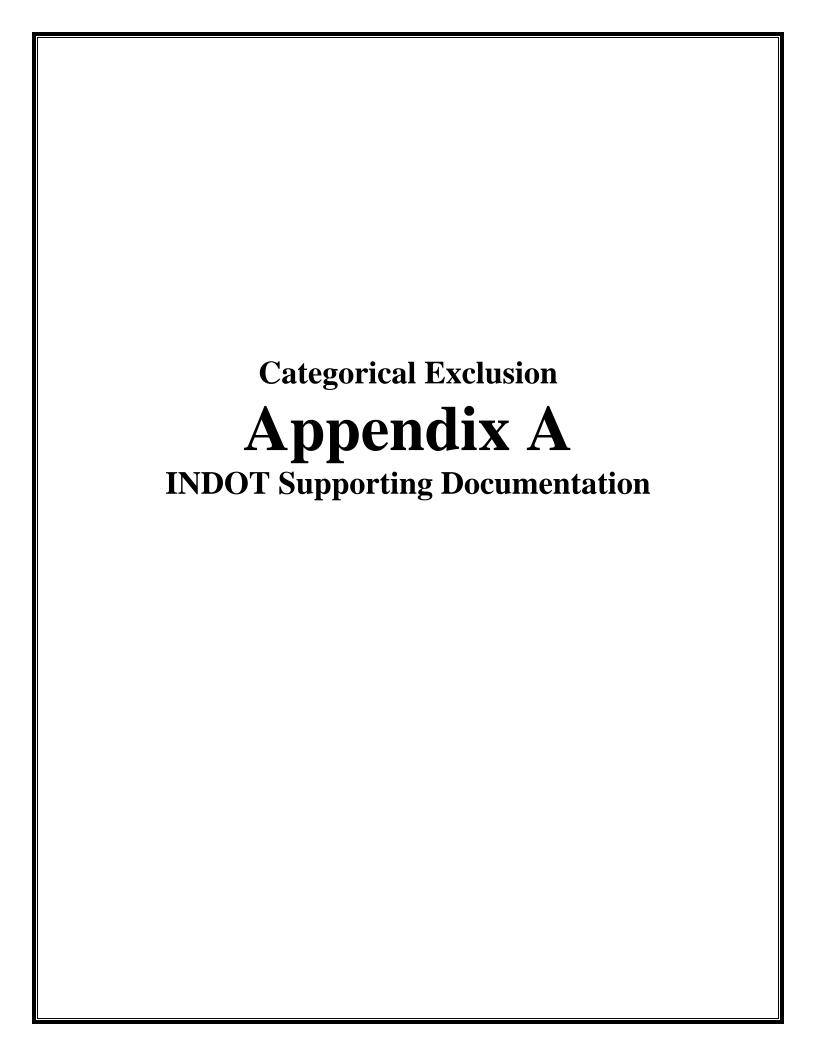
- 1. Plant five trees, at least 1 to 2 inches in diameter at breast height, for each tree which is removed that is ten inches or greater in diameter at breast height. (IDNR DFW)
- 2. Restrict below low-water work in streams to placement of culverts, piers, pilings and/or footings, shaping of the spill slopes around the bridge abutments, and placement of riprap. (USFWS)
- 3. 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)
- 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. (USFWS)
- 5. 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)

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### **Categorical Exclusion Level Thresholds**

	PCE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4 <sup>1</sup>
Section 106	Falls within guidelines of Minor Projects PA	"No Historic Properties Affected"	"No Adverse Effect"	-	"Adverse Effect" Or Historic Bridge involvement <sup>2</sup>
Stream Impacts <sup>3</sup>	No construction in waterways or water bodies	< 300 linear feet of stream impacts	≥ 300 linear feet of stream impacts	-	USACE Individual 404 Permit <sup>4</sup>
Wetland Impacts <sup>3</sup>	No adverse impacts to wetlands	< 0.1 acre	-	< 1.0 acre	≥ 1.0 acre
Right-of-way <sup>5</sup>	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" (With select AMMs <sup>6</sup> )	"Not likely to Adversely Affect" (With any AMMs or commitments)	-	"Likely to Adversely Affect"	Project does not fall under Species Specific Programmatic <sup>7</sup>
Threatened/Endangered Species (Any other species)*	Falls within guidelines of USFWS 2013 Interim Policy or "No Effect"	"Not likely to Adversely Affect"		-	"Likely to Adversely Affect"
Environmental Justice	No disproportionately high and adverse impacts	-	-	-	Potential <sup>8</sup>
Sole Source Aquifer	No Detailed Groundwater Assessment	-	-	-	Detailed Groundwater Assessment
Floodplain	No Substantial Impacts	-	-	-	Substantial Impacts
Section 4(f) Impacts	None	-	-	-	Any <sup>9</sup>
Section 6(f) Impacts	None	-	-	-	Any
Permanent Traffic Alteration Noise Analysis Required	None No	-	-	-	Any
Air Quality Analysis Required	No No	-	-	-	Yes Yes <sup>10</sup>
Approval Level  District Env. (DE) Env. Serv. Div. (ESD) FHWA	Concurrence by DE or ESD	DE or ESD	DE or ESD	DE and/or ESD	DE and/or ESD; and FHWA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Coordinate with INDOT Environmental Services Division. INDOT will then coordinate with the appropriate FHWA Environmental Specialist.

Note: Substantial public or agency controversy may require a higher-level NEPA document.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Any involvement with a bridge processed under the Historic Bridge Programmatic Agreement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Total permanent impacts to streams (linear feet) and wetlands (acres).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> US Army Corps of Engineers Individual 404 Permit

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Total permanent and temporary right-of-way. This does not include reacquisition of existing apparent right-of-way.

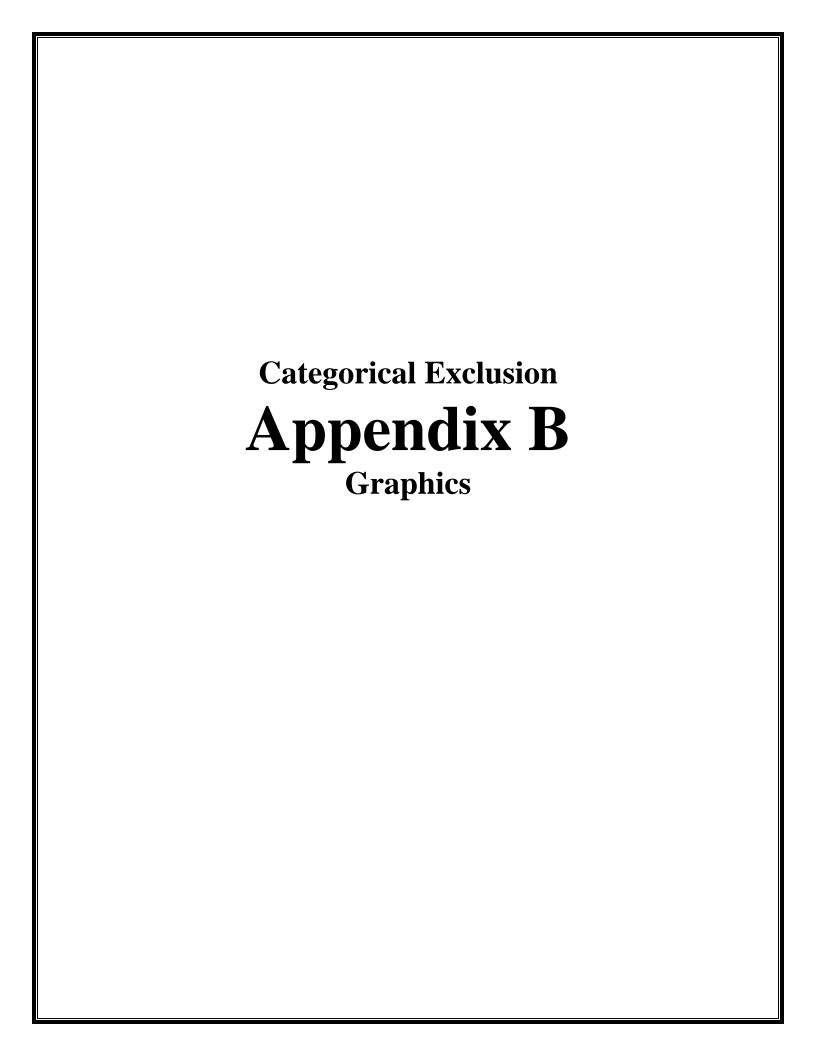
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Avoidance and Mitigation Measures (AMMs) determined by the IPAC determination key to be required that are not tree AMMs, bridge AMMs, or structure AMMs.

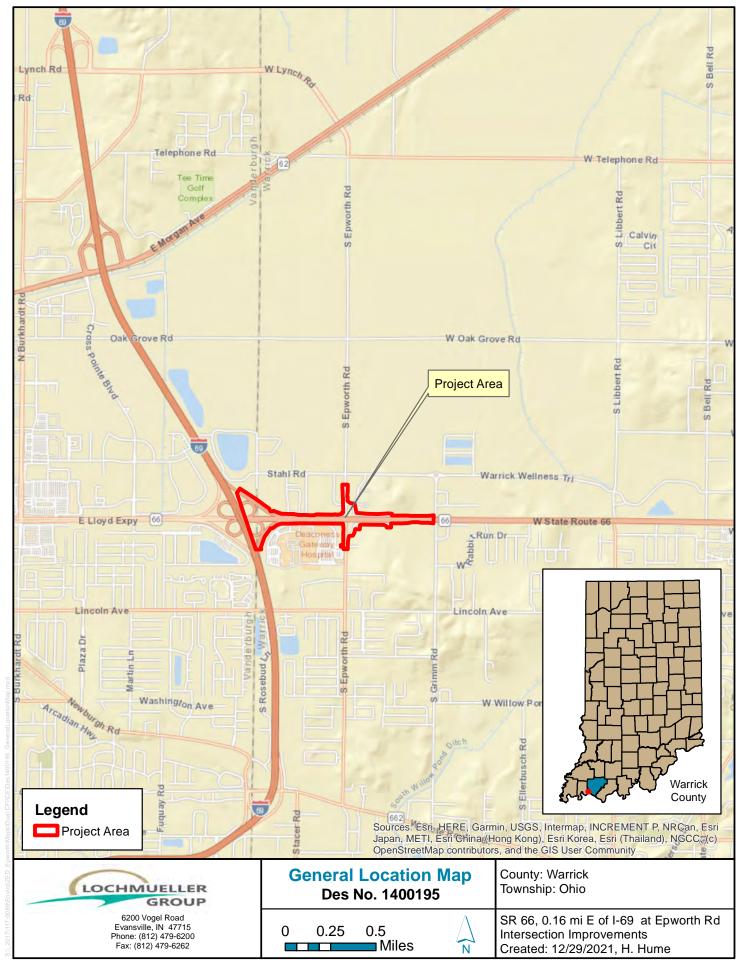
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Projects that do not fall under a Species Specific Programmatic and results in a "Likely to Adversely Affect". Other findings can be processed as a lower level CE.

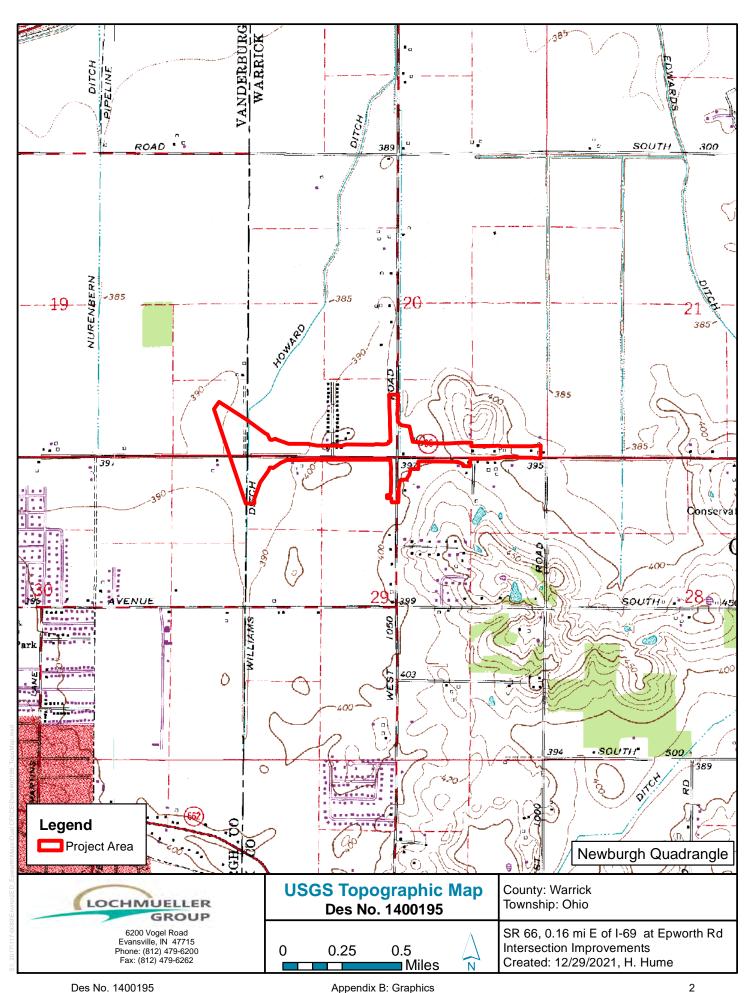
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Potential for causing a disproportionately high and adverse impact.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Section 4(f) use resulting in an Individual, Programmatic, or *de minimis* evaluation. The only exception is a *de minimis* evaluation for historic properties (Effective January 2, 2020). If a historic property *de minimis* and no other use, mark the *None* column. <sup>10</sup> Hot Spot Analysis and/or MSAT Quantitative Emission Analysis.

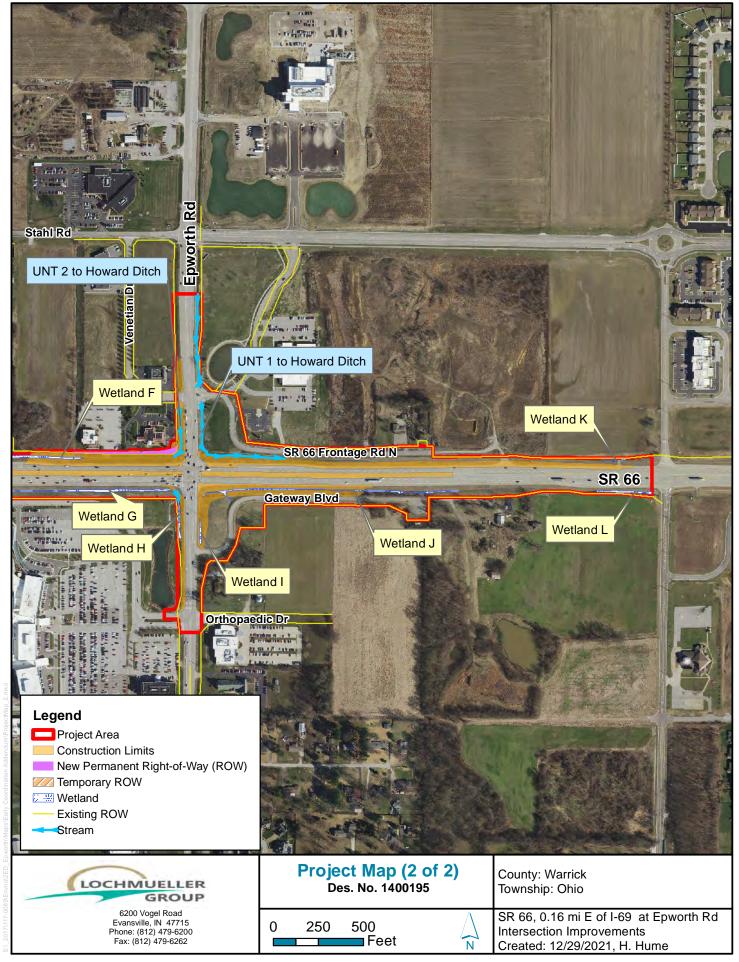
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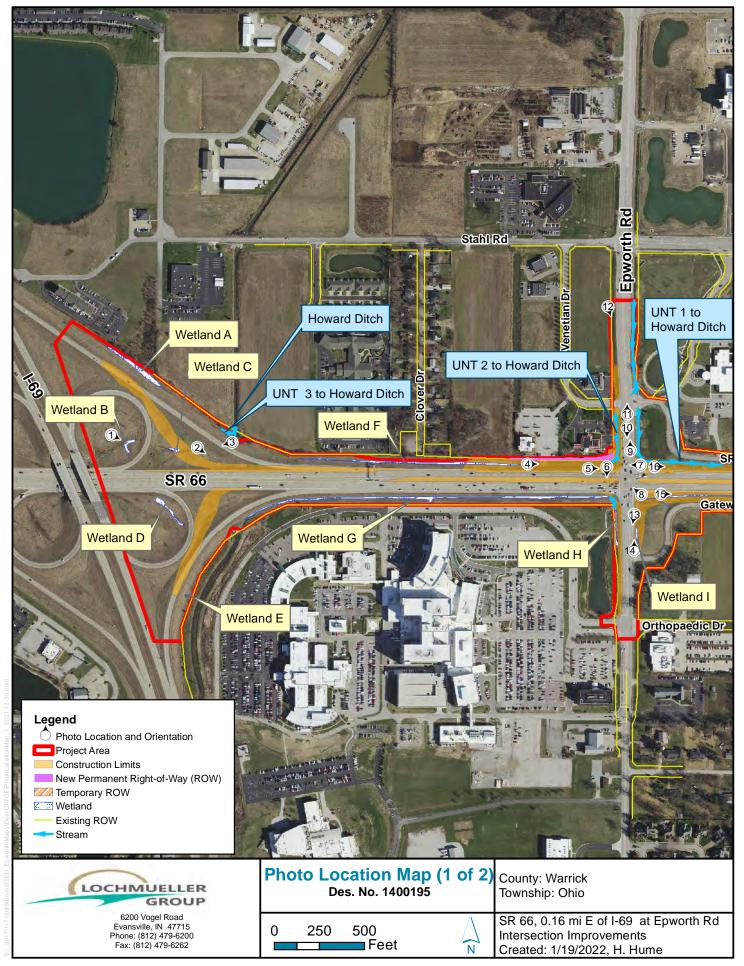


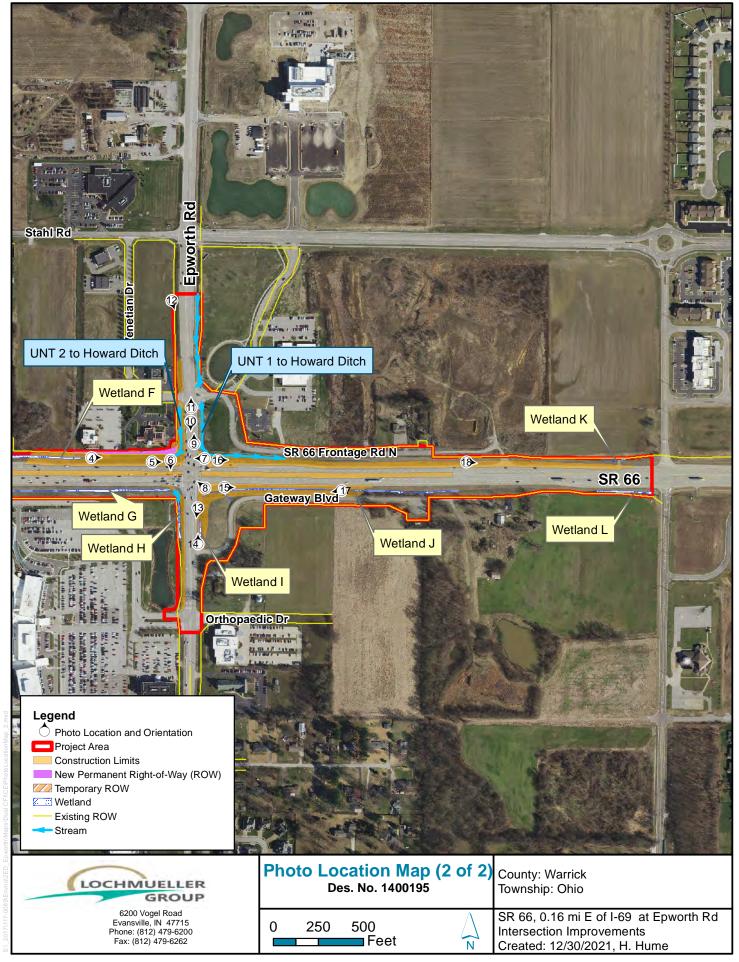














1. Looking southeast from the I-69/SR 66 interchange (08/11/21)



2. Looking southeast toward SR 66 from the I-69/SR 66 interchange (08/11/21)

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3. Looking southwest across the SR 66 W to I-69 N entrance ramp (08/10/21)



4. Looking east along existing ROW toward SR 66/Epworth Rd intersection (08/11/21)



5. Looking east at SR 66/Epworth Rd intersection (12/29/21)



6. Looking south across SR 66 at Epworth Rd (12/29/21)



7. Looking west across Epworth Rd at SR 66 (12/29/21)



8. Looking northwest across SR 66/Epworth Rd intersection (12/29/21)



9. Looking north along Epworth Rd (12/29/21)



10. Looking south along Epworth Rd toward SR 66 (12/29/21)



11. Looking north along Epworth Rd (12/29/21)



12. Looking southeast along Epworth Rd from northern project limits (08/10/21)



13. Looking south along Epworth Rd (12/29/21)



14. Looking north along Epworth Rd toward SR 66 (12/29/21)



15. Looking east along eastbound SR 66 (12/29/21)



16. Looking east along westbound SR 66 (12/29/21)



17. Looking west along eastbound SR 66 (08/10/21)



18. Looking east along westbound SR 66 (08/10/21)



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## **GENERAL NOTES**

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