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Public Notice

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The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) is planning to undertake a property acquisition and demolition funded, in part, by the Federal Highway Administration. This project will acquire and potentially demolish property at one location in Greene County in the Clifty Hills subdivision. The property has a rural route address (RR 3, Box 303-61E, Bloomfield, IN) and is located just north of the intersection of CR 360S, CR 880E, and CR 415S. Access to the property is from Cedar Road. The property is approximately 28.6 acres in a rural setting. The property is mowed and forested and contains one farm pond and a portion of a second pond. The terrain is rolling.

The Tier I Environmental Impact Statement for I-69 from Evansville to Indianapolis identifies a 2000-foot-wide corridor for additional investigation in the Tier 2 studies of specific alignments. The parcel to be purchased is located within the possible alignments of Section 4 under study. The property will be purchased with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) assistance. The owners are unable to make their mortgage payments, and are unable to sell this property due to its location within the footprint of possible alignments of future I-69. The construction of future I-69 will impact the property access. The property may be sold by INDOT to someone who can buy land or secure an easement from a neighbor for access. However, if INDOT is unable to sell the property, the buildings on it will be demolished. No other activities, including construction, will take place in this right-of-way without additional documentation.

The proposed actions do not impact items listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The INDOT, acting on behalf of the FHWA, has issued a "no historic properties affected" finding for the project. The finding was issued because no properties listed on or eligible for inclusion in the National Register are present within the project area. In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, the views of the public are being sought regarding the effect of the proposed project on the historic elements as per 36 CFR 800.2(d), 800.3(e) and 800.6(a)(4). Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.6(a) (4), the documentation specified in 36 CFR 800.11 (d) is available for inspection in the INDOT Cultural Resources Section, Office of Environmental Services, Division of Production Management in Indianapolis. This documentation serves as the basis for the "no historic properties affected" finding. The views of the public on this finding are being sought. Please reply no later than December 1, 2009 to the contact listed below.

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