



APPENDIX J: NRCS Forms

Tier 2 Environmental Impact Statement

I-69 Section 6

Martinsville to Indianapolis

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August 23, 2016

Valerie Romano
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Dear Ms. Romano:

The proposed I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier 2 EIS – Section 6 Lochmueller Group Project No 214-00850ED in Morgan County, Johnson County and Marion County, Indiana, as referred to in your letter received July 21, 2016 will cause a conversion of prime farmland.

The attached packet of information is for your use completing Parts VI and VII of the AD-1006. After completion, the federal funding agency needs to forward one copy to NRCS for your records.

If you need additional information, please contact Rick Neilson at 317-295-5875.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeh" with a small flourish below it.

JANE E. HARDISTY
State Conservationist

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**FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING
FOR CORRIDOR TYPE PROJECTS**

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)	3. Date of Land Evaluation Request 7/21/16	4. Sheet 1 of <u>1</u>
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1. Name of Project Sect. 6, I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier 2	5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration
2. Type of Project Interstate Highway	6. County and State Morgan County, Indiana

PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS 7/21/16	2. Person Completing Form DP
3. Does the corridor contain prime, unique statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form). YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		4. Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size 178 Ac	
5. Major Crop(s) Corn	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 200,291 % 76	7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 153,187 % 58	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used LESA	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS 8/23/16	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Corridor For Segment :			
	Alt C1	Alt C2	Alt C3	Alt C4
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	490.4	562.1	410.2	566.3
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	2.4	5.1	4.0	4.8
C. Total Acres In Corridor	492.8	567.2	414.2	571.1

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	162.4	230.4	129.0	182.3
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.1350	0.1780	0.0930	0.1570
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative value of Farmland to Be Serviced or Converted (Scale of 0 - 100 Points)				
	61	62	62	61

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))	Maximum Points				
1. Area in Nonurban Use	15	15	15	15	15
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	6	6	5	6
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	0	0	0	0
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0	0	0	0
5. Size of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0	0	0	0
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	0	0	0	0
7. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5	5	5	5
8. On-Farm Investments	20	20	20	20	20
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0	0	0	0
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	5	5	5	5
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	51	51	50	51

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	61	62	62	61
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	51	51	50	51
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	112	113	112	112

1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:

Signature of Person Completing this Part: _____ DATE _____

NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor

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PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request 7/21/16	4. Sheet 1 of 1
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1. Name of Project Sect. 6, I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier 2	5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration
2. Type of Project Interstate Highway	6. County and State Marion County, Indiana

PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS 7/21/2016	2. Person Completing Form <i>[Signature]</i>
3. Does the corridor contain prime, unique statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form). YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		4. Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size 66 Ac	
5. Major Crop(s) Corn	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 185588 % 72	7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 166453 % 65	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used LESA	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS 8/23/16	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Corridor For Segment :			
	Alt C1	Alt C2	Alt C3	Alt C4
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	304.6	324.8	306.8	349.8
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	4.0	0.1	0.0	2.3
C. Total Acres In Corridor	308.6	324.9	306.8	352.1

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	43.2	29.1	35.0	41.1
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.0270	0.0170	0.0200	0.0260
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative value of Farmland to Be Serviced or Converted (Scale of 0 - 100 Points)	72	76	77	73
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PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))	Maximum Points				
1. Area in Nonurban Use	15	8	8	8	8
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	3	4	4	4
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	0	0	0	0
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0	0	0	0
5. Size of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0	0	0	0
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	0	0	0	0
7. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5	5	5	5
8. On-Farm Investments	20	20	20	20	20
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0	0	0	0
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	5	5	5	5
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	41	42	42	42

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	72	76	77	73
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	41	42	42	42
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	113	118	119	115

1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:

Signature of Person Completing this Part: _____ DATE _____

NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor

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PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request	7/21/16	4. Sheet 1 of <u>1</u>
1. Name of Project Sect. 6, I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier 2		5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration		
2. Type of Project Interstate Highway		6. County and State Johnson County, Indiana		
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS 7/21/16	2. Person Completing Form DP	
3. Does the corridor contain prime, unique statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form).		YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		4. Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size 243 Ac
5. Major Crop(s) Corn	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 192299 % 93		7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 174371 % 85	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used LESA		9. Name of Local Site Assessment System		10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS 8/23/16

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Corridor For Segment :			
	Alt 1	Alt 2	Alt 3	Alt 4
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	183.6	226.1	200.0	223.1
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	1.4	3.1	2.7	1.1
C. Total Acres In Corridor	185.0	229.2	202.7	224.2

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	104.6	122.1	101.0	120.5
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.0610	0.0700	0.0580	0.0700
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	26.0	22.0	22.0	26.0

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative value of Farmland to Be Serviced or Converted (Scale of 0 - 100 Points)				
	66	66	66	65

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))		Maximum Points			
1. Area in Nonurban Use	15	14	14	14	14
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	6	6	6	6
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	2	3	2	4
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0	0	0	0
5. Size of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0	0	0	0
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	0	0	0	0
7. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5	5	5	5
8. On-Farm Investments	20	20	20	20	20
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0	0	0	0
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	5	5	5	5
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	52	53	52	54

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	66	66	66	65
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	52	53	52	54
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	118	119	118	119

1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:

Signature of Person Completing this Part: _____ DATE _____

NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor

October 17, 2017

Chad E. Costa
Environmental Manager
Lochmueller Group
3502 Woodview Trace, Suite 150
Indianapolis, Indiana 46268

Dear Mr. Lawson:

The proposed project for the I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier 2 EIS – Section 6 in Morgan County, Indiana, as referred to in your letter received September 13, 2017 will cause a conversion of prime farmland.

The attached packet of information is for your use in completing Parts VI and VII of the AD-1006. After completion, the federal funding agency needs to forward one copy to NRCS for our records.

If you need additional information, please contact Rick Neilson at 317-295-5875.

Sincerely,

Roxie Kault, Acting for

JANE E. HARDISTY
State Conservationist

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PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request	4. Sheet 1 of <u>1</u>
1. Name of Project Sect. 6, I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier 2		5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration	
2. Type of Project Interstate Highway		6. County and State Morgan County, Indiana	
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS	2. Person Completing Form DP
3. Does the corridor contain prime, unique statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form). YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		4. Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size 178 AC	
5. Major Crop(s) Corn	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 200,291 % 76		7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 153,187 % 58
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used LESA	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Corridor For Segment :			
	RPA	Corridor 2	Corridor 3	Corridor 4
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	393.2			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	2.6			
C. Total Acres In Corridor	395.8	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information	
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	214.4
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0.0
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.0010
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	4.0

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative value of Farmland to Be Serviced or Converted (Scale of 0 - 100 Points)	
	65

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))	Maximum Points				
1. Area in Nonurban Use	15	15			
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	6			
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Size of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0			
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	0			
7. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
8. On-Farm Investments	20	20			
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0			
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	5			
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	51	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	65			
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	51	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	116	0	0	0

1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:

Signature of Person Completing this Part: _____ DATE _____

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PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request	4. Sheet 1 of <u>1</u>
1. Name of Project Sect. 6, I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier2		5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration	
2. Type of Project Interstate Highway		6. County and State Marion County, Indiana	
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS	2. Person Completing Form DP
3. Does the corridor contain prime, unique statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form). YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		4. Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size 66 AC	
5. Major Crop(s) Corn	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 185,588 % 72	7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 166,453 % 65	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used LESA	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Corridor For Segment :			
	RPA	Corridor 2	Corridor 3	Corridor 4
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	48.4			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	3.8			
C. Total Acres In Corridor	52.2	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	45.0			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0.0			
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.0280			
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	21.0			

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative value of Farmland to Be Serviced or Converted (Scale of 0 - 100 Points)				
	77			

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))	Maximum Points				
1. Area in Nonurban Use	15	8			
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	4			
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Size of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0			
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	0			
7. Availablility Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
8. On-Farm Investments	20	20			
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0			
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	0			
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	42	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	77			
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	42	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	119	0	0	0

1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
5. Reason For Selection:			

Signature of Person Completing this Part:

DATE

NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor

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PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request	4. Sheet 1 of <u>1</u>
1. Name of Project Sect. 6, I-69 Evansville to Indianapolis Tier2		5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration	
2. Type of Project Interstate Highway		6. County and State Johnson County, Indiana	
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS	2. Person Completing Form DP
3. Does the corridor contain prime, unique statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form). YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		4. Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size 243 AC	
5. Major Crop(s) Corn	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 192,299 % 93	7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 174,371 % 85	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used LESA	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Corridor For Segment :			
	RPA	Corridor 2	Corridor 3	Corridor 4
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	174.7			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	3.7			
C. Total Acres In Corridor	178.4	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	157.8			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0.0			
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.0930			
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	26.0			

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative value of Farmland to Be Serviced or Converted (Scale of 0 - 100 Points)				
	65			

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))	Maximum Points			
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	14		
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	6		
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	4		
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0		
5. Size of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0		
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	0		
7. Availablility Of Farm Support Services	5	5		
8. On-Farm Investments	20	20		
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0		
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	5		
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	54	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)				
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	65		
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	54	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	119	0	0

1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:

Signature of Person Completing this Part: _____ DATE _____

NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor