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Designa	tion Number:	1600965			
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<u>Part</u>	II - General	Project Identific	cation, Descr	iption, and De	sign Information
-	of the Project: ame of the Facility:	City of Portland Blaine Pike		INDOT District:	Greenfield
Funding	Source (mark all the	tt apply): Federal X	State Local	X Other*	
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PROJEC	T DESCRIPTION	ON (PREFERRE	D ALTERN	ATIVE):				
County:	Jay		Municipalit	y: City of Port	and			
Limits of	Proposed Work:	CR 150 S to 17	75 feet south	of the Norfolk Sou	ıthern Railroad o	n Blaine P	ike	
Total Wor	rk Length:	1.203 Mile	e(s)	Total Wo	rk Area: <u>6.1</u>	1939 A	cre(s)	
		ation Study / Interd A grant a condition			S/IJS) required?		Yes¹ Date:	No X
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various special land uses including the Green Park Cemetery, Portland Memorial Park, Golden Age Adult Community, and the Jay County Humane Society.

Drainage along Blaine Pike is directed through a series of open ditches and outfalls into well-defined drainage ditches that travel east and west under the roadway. An existing corrugated metal pipe located north of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street assists in directing surface run-off away from the roadway. In several areas along the roadway, drainage appears to be captured and transported by yard inlets. It appears all surface run-off is outlet into the Salamonie River, which is located approximately one-half mile to the east and parallel to Blaine Pike.

The Norfolk Southern Railroad line crosses Blaine Pike, north of the northern project terminus. The rail crossing at Blaine Pike is in fair to good condition and has advanced signing and cross bucks with mounted flashing lights. However, there are no stop bars or pavement markings on Blaine Pike. The existing Norfolk Southern Railroad line is not active. No work will be undertaken on the rail crossing as the project will terminate approximately 131 feet south of the rail crossing.

#### **Preferred Alternative**

The project proposes the milling and resurfacing of Blaine Pike along the entire project corridor from CR 150 South to 131 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad and construction of a 10-foot wide, paved shared-use path on the east side of the roadway from Bittersweet Lane, approximately 0.20 mile north of SR 150 south, to just north of West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. The paved shared-use path will cross side roads and driveways in which the project proposes to construct crosswalks and curb ramps that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. As the paved shared-use path approaches Western Avenue, the path and will turn slightly to the east and cross over Western Avenue before turning back northeast along the east side of Blaine Pike (see plan and profile sheet in Appendix B, page B-26). A mid-block crossing with solar-powered flashing beacons will be constructed just north of the intersection of Blaine Pike and Western Avenue adjacent to Memorial Park. Drainage swales will be constructed on the east side of Blaine Pike, between the roadway and the shared-use path. The existing corrugated metal pipe (CMP) north of Third Street will be extended to accommodate the new shared-use path. The location of the shared-use path is on the east side of Blaine Pike as there are existing sidewalks in place between 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Western Avenue. In addition, there is potential for more impacts along the west side of the roadway. The available area adjacent to the roadway is limited and the Green Park Cemetery, the Golden Age Village Adult Community residential area and the Portland Memorial Park are all located along the west side of Blaine Pike between CR 150 South and 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

The project is approximately 1.2 miles long. Land use surrounding the project area is primarily residential with some agricultural land use at the southern end of the project and some commercial land use at the northern end of the project. The Green Park Cemetery is located adjacent to Blaine Pike on the west side in the southwest quadrant of the intersection with Seventh Street. No impacts to the cemetery will occur. The project lies entirely within the corporation limits of the City of Portland with the downtown area located to the north. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2022.

Additional permanent right-of-way will be required for the construction of the project. It is estimated that approximately 2.59 acres of permanent and 0.003 acres of temporary right-of-way will be necessary. Excavation up to a depth of 2- feet will be necessary for construction of the multiuse path along the corridor. The roadway work includes milling and removal of the existing surface for approximately 1½-2 inches in depth and replaced with new pavement along the entire corridor. Excavation will occur within 50 feet of the centerline of the roadway. Blaine Pike will remain open for the duration of the construction period. The pavement milling and overlay will be performed with the use of flaggers and moving construction site. At least one lane of traffic will always be maintained for access through the construction zone. Closure of the road will not be necessary. Pedestrian and other non-motorized traffic will be enhanced by the construction, providing positive separation between the roadway and those using the shared use path.

The project includes logical termini starting at the intersection of CR 150 South and Blaine Pike and moving north to approximately 131 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad line. The northern termini was set during the initial coordination between the Local Agency and INDOT using the "Near Terminus" policy as defined in the Indiana Design Manual to eliminate unnecessary coordination and expenditure of funds to coordinate with an inactive railroad crossing. If project limits were extended north to Water Street, coordination with the Norfolk Southern Railroad would be

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DESIGN CRITERIA FO	OR BRIDGES: N/A			
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Number of Spans:				
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Date projec	et incorporated into STIP July	2, 2019					
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CHON	A – ECOLOGICAL RE	SOURCES				
ederal Wile tate Natura Jationwide	vers, Watercourses & J d and Scenic Rivers l, Scenic or Recreational Rivers Inventory (NRI) l Rivers List for Indiana Vaterways	Rivers	nes	Presence	Yes	No
emarks:	No presence, no impact Based on a desktop revior of the project area (Appreport (Appendix E, pasegments within the 0 ditches present within or	ew, a site visit on Jo bendix B, page B-3) age E-10) there are 5 mile search radi	, and the water re e seven (7) stream us. There are no	sources map in the ns, rivers, watercon streams, rivers, w	Red Flag In urse or jurisatercourses,	vestigation (RFI)
	Waters Report  A Waters of the U.S. L. 2019, as part of the sco project area. Please ref Report. It was determine within or adjacent to determination regarding	ope of work develo er to Appendix F- ned that there are a the project area.	ped for the project for the <i>Waters</i> no streams, rivers	of the U.S. Determine, watercourses, or	resources a nination/Wet jurisdictiona	are present in the land Delineation al ditches present
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This is pag		. ,	edestrian System In		st lake is ap	. ,

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	mile southwest of the project area. No impact is expected. There were 6 NWI-points located within the 0.5-mile search radius. The nearest point is approximately 0.18 mile southeast of the project area. No impact is expected. No other surface waters are present within the project area; therefore, no impacts are expected.						
	2019. Please refer to was determined that	o Appendix F t there are no	-1 for the <i>V</i> other surface	Vaters of the U.S. Dece waters present wit	t was completed for the etermination/Wetland Lethin or adjacent to the pass regarding jurisdiction	Delineation Report. It project area. The U.S.	
	coordination respon 2018 (Appendix C under the regulator project appears to	letters were so ase (Appendix page C-10) y programs a meet the co	C, page C indicating dministered onditions or	-12). IDNR Division that formal approva by the Division of f the USFWS Inter	sponded on June 12, 20 n of Fish and Wildlife I by the Department of Water is not required rim Policy (2013). Alts section of this CE do	responded on July 6, of Natural Resources for this project. The ll applicable agency	
				Preser	nce Impa	ncts No	
Wetlands							
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Measures to	avoid, minimize, and	l mitigate wetla	and impacts	need to be discusse	ed in the remarks box.		
Remarks:	map (Appendix B, map of the project a page E-10), there a nearest polygon is a	review of the page B-2), a sarea (Appendiate sixteen (1) approximately	site visit on x B, page B 6) NWI-we 0.05 mile o	July 11, 2019 by Li 3-3), and the water restland polygons loca	NWI) online mapper, the ttle River Consultants, assources map in the RFI ted within the 0.5 milea. No impact is expect that are expected.	LLC staff, the aerial report (Appendix E, e search radius. The	
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#### Waters Report

A Waters of the U.S. Determination/Wetland Delineation Report was completed for the project on July 22, 2019. Please refer to Appendix F-1 for the Waters of the U.S. Determination/Wetland Delineation Report. It was determined that there are no wetlands present within or adjacent to the project area. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) makes all final determinations regarding jurisdiction.

#### **Early Coordination**

Early coordination letters were sent on June 12, 2018. IDEM responded on June 12, 2018 with the standard coordination response (C-12). IDNR Division of Fish and Wildlife responded on July 6, 2018 (Appendix C, page C-10) indicating that formal approval by the Department of Natural Resources under the regulatory programs administered by the Division of Water is not required for this project. All applicable agency recommendations are included in the Environmental Commitments section of this CE document.

<b>Terrestrial</b>	Habitat
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Unique or High-Quality Habitat

Presence		<u>Impacts</u>
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X	X	ζ .

Use the

remarks box to identify each type of habitat and the acres impacted (i.e. forested, grassland, farmland, lawn, etc).

Remarks:

#### **Presence, With Impact**

Based on a desktop review, a site visit on May 1, 2018 by BLN staff, and the aerial map of the project area (Appendix B, page B-3) there are wooded acreages adjacent to Blaine Pike near Bittersweet Lane and south of the southern terminus. The wooded areas are small and generally dominated by small deciduous scrub species. The predominant land use along the corridor is single family residential subdivisions. Agricultural land is present beyond the project corridor to the south, east, and west. The City of Portland is located to the north of the project area. Animal species expected to be present in the area include but are not limited to the following: white tail deer, ground squirrels, rabbits, chipmunks, raccoons, opossums, groundhogs, foxes, coyotes, and various native songbird species. No amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals, or aquatic organisms were observed during the site visit. It is not anticipated that there would be impacts to the wooded areas. North of Bittersweet Lane, additional right-of-way would be acquired on the east side of Blaine Pike. South of Bittersweet Lane, no additional right-of-way is required and only milling, and resurfacing of the pavement is proposed. Therefore, no impacts are expected.

Total area of ground disturbance which excludes including milling and resurfacing of Blaine Pike is approximately 2.59 acres. There is a potential to impact bat habitat as the project will require that 22 trees be removed due to conflicts with the proposed shared-use path. The number and size of impacted tress include the following: 12 6-inch trees, 5 10-inch trees, 4 18-inch trees and 1 30-inch tree. There are several existing mature trees located along the west side of Blaine Pike in the area of the Green Park Cemetery, between and Blaine Pike and the cemetery. The scope of work for the roadway in this area includes only milling and resurfacing of Blaine Pike. There will be no clearing of trees along the west side of the roadway or impacts to the existing mature trees in the area of the Green Park Cemetery. Additional information on the bats is in the Threatened and Endangered Species section of this document.

#### **Early Coordination**

Early coordination letters were sent to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) on June 11, 2018. The agency issued recommendation to minimize adverse impacts on terrestrial resources. In their letter dated July 6, 2018 (Appendix C, page C-10), the IDNR recommended that all bare and disturbed land is revegetated as soon as possible upon project completion and that appropriate design erosion control measures be implemented and maintained for the duration of the project. All applicable IDNR recommendations are included in the Environmental Commitments section of this CE document.

If there are high incidences of animal movements observed in the project area, or if bridges and other areas appear to be the sole corridor for animal movement, consideration of utilizing wildlife crossings should be taken.

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Is the p	roposed project located within or adjacent to th st features located within or adjacent to the foo		ndiana?	X X
	If yes, will the project impact any of these kar	st features?		
MOU, dated	arks box to identify any karst features within the October 13, 1993)	project area. (Karst inve	stigation must com	oly with the Karst
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	Rock and Mineral Resources  The Early Coordination response from Io extraction sites for sand and gravel exist in RFI report (Appendix E, page E-1) and site mines were present within or adjacent to the	the general project area e visit by BLN staff on N	(Appendix C, page	e C-7). Based on the
		<u> </u>	Presence	<u>Impacts</u>
Within th Any criti Federal	I or Endangered Species be known range of any federal species cal habitat identified within project area species found in project area (based upon infor ecies found in project area (based upon consul		X	Yes No X
Is Section	n 7 formal consultation required for this action?	Yes	No X	
Remarks:	Based on a desktop review and the RFI (Ap IDNR Jay County Endangered, Threatened a (Appendix E, page E-14). The highlighted species located within the county. Accord July 6, 2018 (Appendix C, page C-10), the no plant or animal species listed as state or occur in the project vicinity.	and Rare (ETR) Species L species on the list reflec- ing to the IDNR-DFW en Natural Heritage Program	ist has been check to the federal and arly coordination of S Database has be	ed and is included in state identified ETR response letter dated en checked. To date,
	Indiana Bat and Northern Long-Eared Ba	nt		
	Bats, Programmatic Informal Consultation Project information was submitted through a portal, and an official species list was generated the federally endangered Indiana bat (Myottic Myostis septentrionalis). No additional specific Indiana bat and northern long-eared bat.	the USFWS's Information ated (Appendix C, page C is sodalis) and the federa	n for Planning and 1-17). The project in the influence of the contract of the project in the contract of the c	s within the range of thern long-eared bat
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	bat and/or the NLEB 2019, and requested to from USFWS within Avoidance and Mitig Commitments section other species were incompleted. This precludes the need Species Act, as amend project plans are changed.	JSFWS's review of the 14-day review p ation Measures (AM of this document. N luded in the IPaC Spo d for further consultated. If new information	the finding (Appendix period; therefore, it was MMs) are included as To critical habitats were ecies List.  Attion on this project as on on endangered speci	C, page C-23). No rais concluded they confirm commitments to identified within the required under Section es at the site becomes	esponse was received leur with the finding. In the Environmental e project area and no		
SECT	ION B – OTHER RESC	DURCES					
Wellhea Public \ Resider Source	Nater Resources ad Protection Area Nater System(s) ntial Well(s) Water Protection Area(s) ource Aquifer (SSA)		Presence X	Yes X	No		
ls Is Ini	A is present, answer the form the Project in the St. Jose the FHWA/EPA SSA MOI tial Groundwater Assessetailed Groundwater Asse	eph Aquifer System? J Applicable? nent Required?	Yes	No			
Remarks:	Outside of Sole Source The project is located in Aquifer, the only legal Sole Source Aquifer Metailed groundwater at Not located in a Well The Indiana Departm (http://www.in.gov/idepersonnel. This project	in Jay County, which ly designated sole so demorandum of Undersessment is not need head Protection Are ent of Environment is m/cleanwater/pages/t is not located with	urce aquifer in the state erstanding (MOU) is not ded, and no impacts are all Management's We wellhead/) was acce in a Wellhead Protecti	e of Indiana. Therefore of applicable to this pre- e expected.  Ilhead Proximity Det ssed on March 12 on Area. In an early	erminator website 2019 by BLN coordination letter		
	dated June 12, 2018, II located within a tenth expected.  No Wells Present, No The Indiana Departme (https://www.in.gov/dr are located near this pr	of a mile of a Wellh  Impacts nt of Natural Resources  nr/water/3595.htm) w	ead Protection Area (Access Water Well Record	Appendix C, page C-1  Database website	6). No impacts are		
	In an Urban Area Bo Based on a desktop personnel on January (UAB) location. This not been issued. No fu	review of the INDO 15, 2019 and the R project lies within the	FI report this project ne Portland UAB; how	is located in an Urba ever, a Rule 13 Perm	n Area Boundary it from IDEM has		

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	June 11, 2018 to the Ci sent to the Portland Wat day time frame.					
	In a Public Water Syst Based on a desktop reviproject area (Appendix public water system will with the City of Portland the project. Early coof Portland. No response the BLN Design Utility (Appendix I, page I-5) facility and the propose 2019 to discuss the proj BLN is involved with development.	lew, a site visit on B, page B-3) this I be temporarily af I water Department ordination letters were seen were received. Coordination. Plans to verify utility lod project. BLN meet. Temporary dis	project is located we fected as water hydret was conducted by the sent on June 11, 2 Coordination with Cincordination with Cincordination and to identified with the City of struption of service is	where there is a public cant relocation is anticipally and as part of the utilizable to Jay County officing ty of Portland Water is a City of Portland Water is a City of Portland Water between the Portland Water Departs a possible as a result of	water system. The pated. Coordination ity coordination for cials and the Mayor occurring as part of er on May 13, 2019 etween the existing ment in November hydrant relocation.	
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Remarks:  No presence, no impact Based on a desktop review, a (Appendix B, page B-3), there Policy Act (FPPA) adjacent to tway will be required from this Resources Conservation Service the NRCS indicated that the preference of the PPPA do not apply to this project.	is land that he southern is area. An es (NRCS). oject will no	t meets the definition of faterminus of the project are early coordination letter. In a response dated Mayot cause a conversion of project in the project in	armland under the ea. No permanent of was sent on June y 26, 2020, see Apprime farmland. The	Farmland Protection or temporary right-of- 11, 2018 to Natural pendix C, page C-37,
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istoric Properties Short Report istoric Property Report	X	January 31, 2020	November 6,	2019
rchaeological Records Check/ Review				
chaeological Phase la Survey Report chaeological Phase lc Survey Report	X	January 31, 2020	March 4, 20	020
chaeological Phase II Investigation Report				
rchaeological Phase III Data Recovery PE, Eligibility and Effect Determination	X	January 31, 2020	March 4, 20	020
0.11 Documentation	X	January 31, 2020	March 4, 20	
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escribe all efforts to document cultural reso ategories outlined in the remarks box. The co local newspapers. Please indicate the publ clude any further Section 106 work which mus	ompletion o lication date	f the Section 106 process in the Section 106 process in the section 106 process.	requires that a Lega the comment period	al Notice be published d deadline. Likewise
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undertaking in respect to visual and audible intrusions, changes in traffic patterns, and alterations in land use or public access.

The APE of the project includes all properties adjacent to the project and those with a proximate viewshed of the project. The APE extends approximately 0.12 mile east of the project at its widest point, 0.10 mile west of the project at its widest point, 0.05 mile north, and 0.05 south of the project. A detailed map of the APE can be found in Appendix D, page D-9.

# **Coordination with Consulting Parties:**

The following parties/agencies were invited to become consulting parties (CP) to this project and were sent an early coordination letter and archaeology short report (Tribes only) on January 23, 2019. The State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) received a paper copy of the early coordination letter and archaeology short report. All potential CPs were invited to view the information on IN SCOPE <a href="http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/">http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/</a>. The SHPO is an automatic consulting party; that office and others accepting consulting party status are shown in boldface type.

- Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer
- Indiana Landmarks, Eastern Regional Field Office
- Jay County Commissioners
- Mayor of Portland
- Jay County Commissioners
- Jay County Highway Department
- Jay County Historian
- Jay County Historical Society
- Portland Historic Preservation Commission
- Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
- Miami Tribe of Oklahoma
- Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
- Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians
- Delaware Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma
- Forest County Potawatomi Community

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is the federal agency associated with this undertaking. The INDOT, Cultural Resources Office (INDOT, CRO) is acting on behalf of the FHWA. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (IDNR, State Historic Preservation Officer (IDNR, SHPO) is automatically considered a consulting party for federally funded transportation projects.

#### Archaeology:

In 2019, Qualified Professional Archaeologist who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards employed by Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc. (CRA). completed the original archaeological Phase 1a Survey Report on January 2, 2019 (Appendix D, page D-10). Based on changes in the project scope an Addendum to the Phase 1a Survey Report was also completed on December 20, 2019 (Appendix D, page D-12). These reports were approved by INDOT-CRO and in a letter dated March 6, 2019 (Appendix D, page D-24) the SHPO stated that there were no identified archaeological sites within the project area and it was recommended that no additional archaeological investigations appear necessary and the project be allowed to proceed as planned.

### **Historic Properties:**

The National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), Indiana Register of Historic Sites and Structures (State Register), the State Historic Architectural and Archaeological Research Database (SHAARD and the Indiana Historic Building, Bridges and Cemeteries map), and the Jay County Interim Report (1985) were consulted. Approximately 80 above-ground resources were identified within the APE. There are two previously surveyed

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above-ground resources within the project APE: The Green Park Cemetery, IHSSI No. 075-521-33093; CR-38-64, and the Roscoe Wheat House, IHSSI No. 075-521-33092, rated Outstanding.

A Historic Properties Report (HPR) was prepared by Green 3, LLC on January 6, 2019, and contained the results of this survey and literature review (Appendix D, page D-7). The APE contains no properties listed in the National Register and, as a result of identification and evaluation efforts eight newly inventoried properties were identified that retained sufficient integrity to have been given a rating of Contributing. The only property evaluated for listing in the National Register was the Roscoe Wheat House, IHSSI No. 075-521-33092, rated Outstanding, and concluded that it was not recommended eligible for listing in the National Register. The report was approved by INDOT-CRO and in a letter dated November 6, 2019 the SHPO stated that they agreed no properties that are listed in or eligible for inclusion in the NRHP lie with the APE. (Appendix D, page D-26).

#### **Green Park Cemetery:**

The Green Park Cemetery was established in 1929 and is approximately 40 acres in size on the southwest corner of W Seventh St. & Blaine Pike, along the west side of Blaine Pike. The Green Park Cemetery is well marked and maintained. There are some large mature trees between the roadway and the existing cemetery markers. The Blaine pike project will not impact any of the trees along the west side of the roadway within the cemetery limits. On July 20, 2020 BLN coordinated with Mr. Dave Teeter, President of the Green park Cemetery about the project. BLN discussed the project scope and indicated that the project would not impact the cemetery property and that access to the Green Park Cemetery would be maintained during construction. Mr. Teeter indicated he lived in the area, was already familiar with the project and was in support of the proposed work. He saw no potential impacts to the Green Park Cemetery and indicated that he was in support of the project and thought the work should be done. (Appendix D, page D-28).

As the project is within 100 feet of the Green Park Cemetery, BLN coordinated with INDOT-CRO to determine if a Cemetery Development Plan (CDP) would be necessary as part of the project. On June 12, 2020 INDOT-CRO indicated that CDP's are not required for projects that occur within 100' of a cemetery if there is no work or excavation on the west side of the roadway. The work is only milling and resurfacing of the roadway without impacting the cemetery. CDP's are required when there are impacts to a cemetery (usually temporary r/w for driveway reconstruction), when boundaries of a known cemetery are undefined and adjacent to a project area, or when there are unmarked cemeteries or family burial grounds within 100 feet of a project area. A CDP is not required for this project unless the project scope has changed, and the updated project scope will impact the cemetery. If the project scope is the same, it will not impact the cemetery and thus does not require a CDP (Appendix D, page D-29).

#### **Documentation, Findings:**

A "No Historic Properties Affected" finding was submitted to INDOT, CRO for approval. On January 31, 2020, INDOT CRO, on behalf of FHWA, approved the "No Historic Properties Affected" determination (Appendix D, page D-1). Following this finding, the effect documentation was provided to the IDNR, SHPO and participating consulting parties, for a 30-day review period. In a letter dated March 4, 2020, the IDNR, SHPO concurred with the "No Historic Properties Affected" determination (Appendix D, page D-32). No additional comments were received. Thus, the Section 106 process has been completed and the responsibilities of the FHWA under Section 106 have been fulfilled.

#### **Public Involvement:**

The "No Historic Properties Affected determination was advertised in the *Portland Commercial Review* newspaper on March 20, 2020 for a 30-day comment period (Appendix D, page D-34). The comment period closed on April 18, 2020. with no comments received. This completed the public involvement requirements of cultural resources.

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Attachment 2

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SECTION D - SE	CTION 4(f) RESOURCES	/ SECTI	ON 6(f) RESOURC	ES	
Parks & Other Reci Publicly owned Publicly owned	park	, etc.)	Presence  X X	Yes No	
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Historic Properties Sites eligible an	d/or listed on the NRHP		<u>Presence</u>	Yes No	
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Section histori The la	nce, No Impact, No Use n 4(f) of the U.S. Departme c lands for federally funded w applies to significant publ e or listed historic properties	transport	ration facilities unless ed parks, recreation a	s there is no feasible and areas, wildlife/waterfowl	prudent alternative.
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	or NRHP eligible or listed located within 0.5 miles Sportland Park Developm 100 feet of the corridor, n and parking. The Portlan located within 100 feet approximately 0.01-mile approximately 0.01-mile approximately provided a current Memorial Park is located 100 feet of the Blaine Pil way or restricting access. Portland Memorial Park questions or concerns wi and Recreation. (Appendict to the state of the state of the provided the state of the	of the project. The Penent) does not have disear Western Avenue. d Memorial Park does of the corridor, near northeast of the project on Leonard the City of set of plans and second along the project conce corridor. The project BLN requested any of and the proposed Pth the project in relations.	Portland Memorial rect access onto Bi It contains a soccess not have direct as not have direct are Western Avenual area and is a proper of Portland Director ope of work for the reidor near Western ect will not impact comments or concordand River Path ion to resources of	Park (alternative namulaine Pike, but the facing field, four baseball displaces onto Blaine Pike. The proposed Portosed new trail.  Tof Parks and Recreating project and indicated the Avenue and the facing this resource by taking erns about the project in. Mr. Leonard resports the City of Portland	ne: Northend Park or allity is located within its in its i
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Section 6(f	) Involvement		<u>Presence</u>	<u>Use</u>	
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SECTION	E – Air Quality				
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	exempt under the Clear	Air Act conform		R 93.126, and as such, a l	
	Toxics analysis is not re	equired.			
SECTIO	N F - NOISE				
Noise					Yes No
Is a noise	e analysis required in accordar	nce with FHWA reg	gulations and INDOT'	s traffic noise policy?	X
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	Transportation Traffic No	oise Anaiysis Froc	edure, this action do	es not require a formal no	oise analysis.
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Does the	project comply with the transit	tion plan? (explain	in the remarks box)		X
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	d Cumulative Impacts posed action result in substantial	indirect or c	umulative impacts?		Yes No X
Remarks:	Indirect impacts are effects we distance but are still reasonable effects related to induced chan impacts affect the environment past, present, and reasonably feactions.	y foreseeab ges in the p t with resul	le. Indirect effects mattern of land use, put from the incremen	ay include growth indu opulation density, or gr tal impact of the action	rowth rate. Cumulative n when added to other
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development process. The project will not impact the existing natural gas line, no impact is expected.

The desktop review identified a 6-inch natural gas pipeline with the Ohio Valley Gas Corporation approximately 0.20 mile southwest of the project area. Utility coordination for the project was conducted with the Ohio Valley Gas Corporation by the BLN project utility coordinator as part of the project

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#### Remarks:

#### EJ Analysis, EJ Populations

Under FHWA Order 6640.23A, FHWA and the City of Portland, as a recipient of funding from FHWA, are responsible to ensure that their programs, policies, and activities do not have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on minority or low-income populations. Per the current INDOT Categorical Exclusion Manual, an Environmental Justice (EJ) Analysis is required for any project that has two or more relocations or 0.5 acres of additional permanent right-of-way. The project will require approximately 2.79 acres of permanent right-of-way. Therefore, an EJ Analysis is required.

Potential EJ impacts are detected by locating minority and low-income populations relative to a reference population to determine if populations of EJ concern exists and whether there could be disproportionately high and adverse impacts to them. The reference population may be a county, city, or town and is called the community of comparison (COC). In this project, the COC is Jay County. The community that overlaps the project area is called the affected community (AC). In this project, the AC is Census Tract 9631. An AC has a population of concern for EJ if the population is more than 50% minority or low-income or if the low-income or minority population is 125% of the COC. Data from the 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates was obtained from the US Census Bureau Website

https://factfinder.census.gov/ on July 22, 2019 by BLN staff. The data collected for minority and low-income populations within the AC are summarized in the below table.

Table: Minority and Low-Income Data (ACS, 2013-2017)						
	COC Jay County	AC Census Tract 9631				
Percent Minority	4.90	11.87				
125% of COC	6.13					
EJ Population of Concern		Yes				
Percent Low-Income	17.90	22.25				
125% of COC	22.38					
EJ Population of Concern		No				

AC Census Tract 9631 has a percent minority of 11.87% which is below 50% and is above the 125% COC threshold. Therefore, AC Census Tract 9631 is a minority population of EJ concern.

AC Census Tract 9631 has a percent low-income of 22.25% which is below 50% and is below the 125% COC threshold. Therefore, AC Census Tract 9631 does not contain a low-income population of EJ concern.

#### Conclusion

INDOT Environmental Services was contacted on July 24, 2019 by BLN staff about the minority population of EJ concern. On July 25, 2019 they wrote "INDOT-Environmental Services Division (ESD) has reviewed the project information along with the Environmental Justice (EJ) Analysis for the reference project. The project would require strip right-of-way, require no relocations, and would not disrupt community cohesion

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		Form Ve	Tersion: June 2013		

Attachment 2

County	Jay	Route	Blaine Pike	Des. No.	1600965
	or create a physical barrier. The provided, INDOT-ESD would disproportionally high and adver to non EJ populations in acco 6640.23a. No further EJ Analysis Appendix I, page I-2.	not consists of co	der the impacts associate minority and/or low income the provision of Execut	ted with his pro- nes populations of ive Order 12898	oject as causing a f EJ concern relative and FHWA Order
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<i>If a BIS or C</i> Remarks:	SRS is required, discuss the results  No Relocations  No relocations of people, busin companies that have been coording 14.	esses, or fa	rms will take place as a re		
SECTION	H – HAZARDOUS MATERIAL	S & REGU	LATED SUBSTANCES		
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SECTION	I – PERMITS CHECKLIST				

This is page 22 of 25 Project name:

Blaine Pike Pedestrian System Improvements Date: September 24, 2020

County	Jay	Route	Blaine Pike	Des. No.	1600965
			Likely Required		
Permits	s (mark all that apply)				
Army C	Corps of Engineers (404/ Individual Permit (IP) Nationwide Permit (NWP Regional General Permit Pre-Construction Notifica Other Wetland Mitigation require Stream Mitigation require	(RGP) tion (PCN)			
IDEM					
	Section 401 WQC Isolated Wetlands detern Rule 5 Other Wetland Mitigation requir	ed	X		
IDNR	Stream Mitigation require				
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	Fish and Wildlife of July 6, 2018, see A administered by the	n June 11, 2018. The I ppendix C, page C-10 i	IDNR Division of Fisl ndicated formal appro ot required for this pro	ion letter was sent to the h and Wildlife responde val by IDNR under the bject. An Early Coordin nse was provided.	d with a letter dated regulatory programs
	It is the responsibili	ty of the City of Portlar	nd to identify and obtain	in all required permits.	
SECTION	ON J- ENVIRONMENT	AL COMMITMENTS			
	wing information should be tent(s) and indicating which size Firm:				
	1. If the scope of we Services Division (		incennes District Env	mounts change, the IND ironmental Section will be	
		oility of the project spon any construction that we		orporations and emergen ess. (INDOT-ESD)	cy services at least
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- 3. Patriot Paint Manufacturing (304 Blaine Pike, Portland Indiana 47371AI #24908), is mapped as a point 0.11 mile west of the project area; however, it appears that the property extends to immediately west of the project area. If excavation occurs in this location, proper removal and disposal of contaminated soil and/or groundwater may be necessary. (INDOT-ESD)
- 4. 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)
- 5. Lighting AMM 1: Direct temporary lighting away from suitable habitat during the active season. (USFWS)
- 6. Tree AMM 1: Modify all phases/aspects of the project (e.g., temporary work areas, alignments) to avoid tree removal. (UFWS)
- 7. Tree AMM 2: Apply time of year restrictions, April 1 to September 30, for tree removal when bats are not likely to be present, or limit tree removal to 10 or fewer trees per project at any time of the 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 & IDNR)
- 8. Tree 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, IDNR)
- 9. Tree 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 forage habitat any time of the year. (USFWS)

#### For Further Consideration:

10. Plant five trees, at least two inches in diameter at breast height for each tree that is removed that is 10 inches or greater in diameter at breast height. (IDNR)

County	Jay	Route	Blaine Pike	Des. No.	1600965	
SECTIO	N K- EARLY COORDINATION					

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

Remarks:

Early coordination was initiated on June 11, 2018 with applicable federal, state, and local agencies. A copy of the outgoing early coordination letter is included in Appendix C-1 to C-3. The agencies that were contacted and the date on which they replied are identified below.

Early Coordination Recipients	Response Received	Appendix
Indiana Department of Transportation - Environmental Services	June 13, 2018	C-6
Indiana Geological Survey	September 13, 2018	C-7
Indiana Department of Natural Resources – Fish & Wildlife	July 6, 2018	C-10
Indiana Department of Transportation - Aviation	June 25, 2018	C-11
Indiana Department of Environmental Management	June 12, 2018	C-12
Indiana Department of Environmental Management - Groundwater	June 12, 2018	C-16
USFWS IPaC Species List	July 19, 2019	C-17
USFWS IPaC Concurrence Verification	July 21, 2019	C-23
Natural Resources Conservation Service	May 26, 2020	C-38
Federal Highway Administration	No Response	
National Parks Service	No Response	
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Louisville District	No Response	
Indiana Department of Transportation - Public Hearings	No Response	
Norfolk Southern Corporation	No Response	
Jay County Community Development	No Response	
Jay County Highway Engineer	No Response	
Mayor of Portland	No Response	

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# **Appendix A:**

# INDOT Supporting Documents

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

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Permanent and/or temporary right-of-way.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>AMMs = Avoidance and Mitigation Measures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>AMMs determined by the IPAC decision key to be needed that are listed in the USFWS *User's Guide for the Range-wide Programmatic Consultation* for Indiana bat and Northern long-eared bat as "required for all projects".

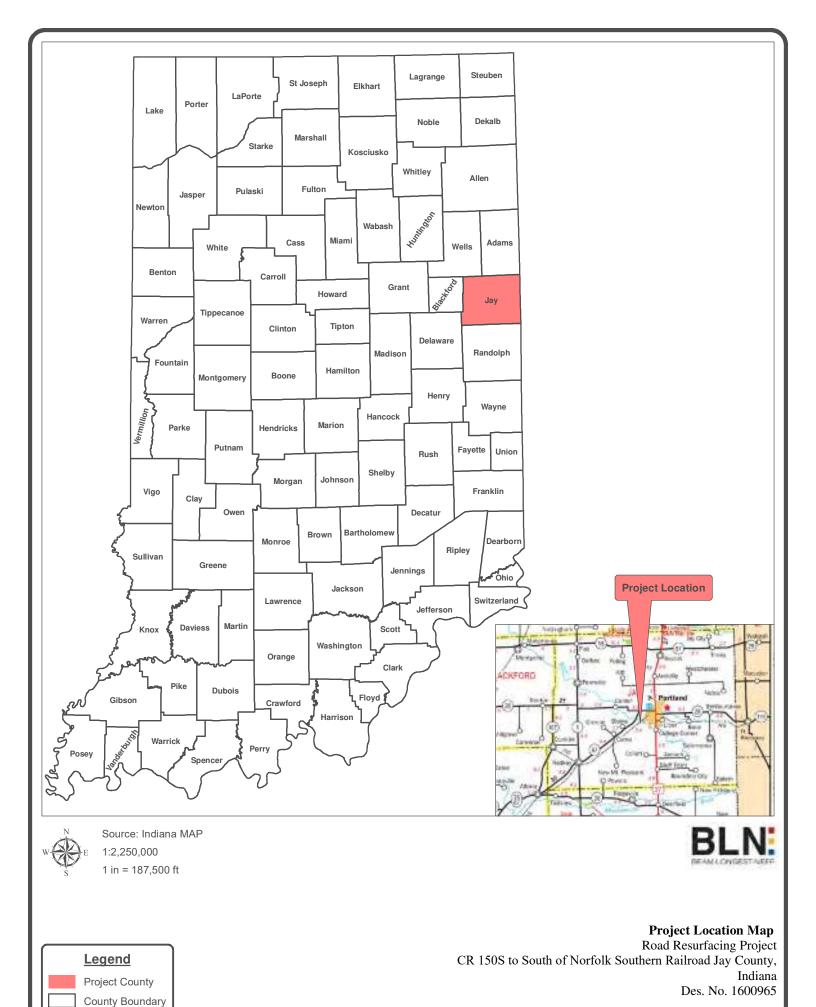
Potential for causing a disproportionately high and adverse impact.

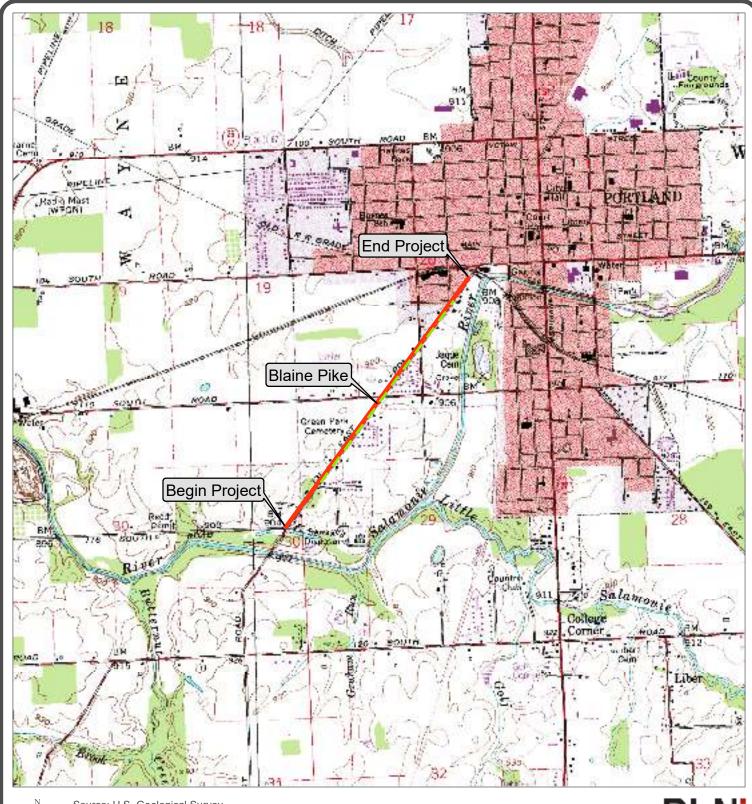
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Hot Spot Analysis and/or MSAT Quantitative Emission Analysis.

<sup>\*</sup>Substantial public or agency controversy may require a higher-level NEPA document.

# **Appendix B:**

**Graphics** 







Source: U.S. Geological Survey

1:24,000

1 in = 2,000 ft



# Legend



Shared-Use Path

Project Alignment

# **USGS Topographic Map**

Road Resurfacing Project
Blaine Pike from Biteersweet Lane to Norfolk Southern Railroad
Jay County, Indiana
Des. No. 1600965





Source: Indiana MAP 1:12,000 1 in = 1,000 ft



# Legend



Shared-Use Path Project Alignment Aerial Map Road Resurfacing Project Blaine Pike from Biteersweet Lane to Norfolk Southern Railroad Jay County, Indiana Des. No. 1600965





Source: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

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1 in = 1,000 ft



#### Legend



Freshwater Pond



Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland Project Alignment



Freshwater Emergent Wetland



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Shared-Use Path

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September 24, 2020

**National Wetlands Inventory Map** 





Source: Indiana Department of Natural Resources 1:12,000

1 in = 1,000 ft



# Legend



1 % Annual Chance Flood Hazard

0.2 % Annual Chance Flood Hazard

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Shared-Use Path

Project Alignment

# Floodplain Map

Road Resurfacing Project Blaine Pike from Biteersweet Lane to Norfolk Southern Railroad Jay County, Indiana Des. No. 1600965



 ${\bf 1.\ View\ Looking\ Southwest\ along\ Blaine\ Pike\ at\ CR\ 150\ South,\ the\ South\ Terminus}$ 



2. View Looking West along CR 150 South at Blaine Pike



# Photo Log



3. View Looking Southwest along Blaine Pike at Bittersweet Lane



View 4. Looking Downstream at Salamonie River, the drainage outlet for the Project



# **Photo Log**



5. View Looking Northeast along Blaine Pike at South Terminus, Bittersweet Lane



6. View Looking Northeast along Blaine Pike at Green Park Cemetery South Entrance



# Photo Log



7. View Looking Southwest along Blaine Pike, North of Seventh Street (note curbed parking lane on east side of road)



8. View Looking Northeast along Blaine Pike, North of Seventh Street





9. View Looking Northeast along Blaine Pike at Sesame Street Intersection (note curbed parking lane on left)



10. View Looking North on Western Avenue across Blaine Pike





11. View Looking Northeast along Blaine Pike at Drainage Culvert Located Southwest of Third Street



12. View Looking Northeast on Blaine Pike at North Terminus / Norfolk Southern Railroad





13. View Looking Southwest along Blaine Pike North of the Norfolk Southern Rail Crossing

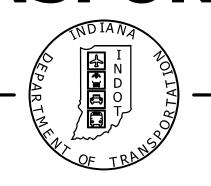


14. View Looking East along the Norfolk Southern Rail Crossing of Blaine Pike



PROJECT	DESIGNATION
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## BLAINE PIKE PEDESTRIAN SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS CITY OF PORTLAND, JAY COUNTY, INDIANA

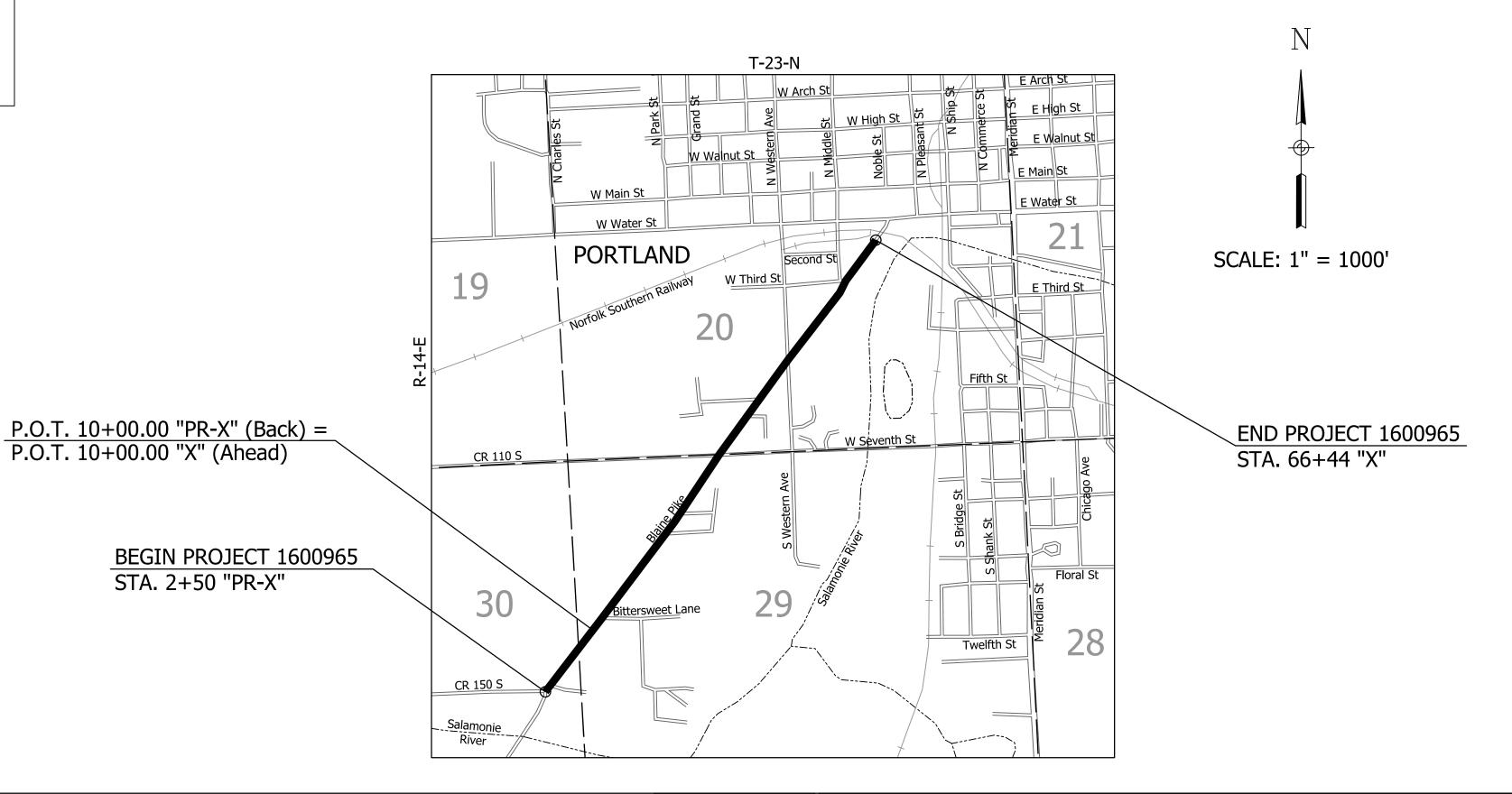
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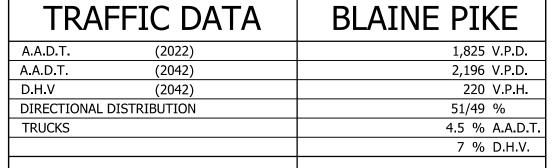
THE PROPOSED PROJECT INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SHARED-USE PATH, CROSSWALKS, CURBS, AND RAMPS, AND HMA OVERLAY AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE ALONG BLAINE PIKE FROM C.R. 150 S. TO 131 FEET SOUTH OF NORFOLK & SOUTHERN RR ALL IN SECTIONS 20, 29 & 30, T-23-N, R-14-E, WAYNE TOWNSHIP, JAY COUNTY, INDIANA

Project Length: 1.211 MI. Max. Path Grade: 4.13%

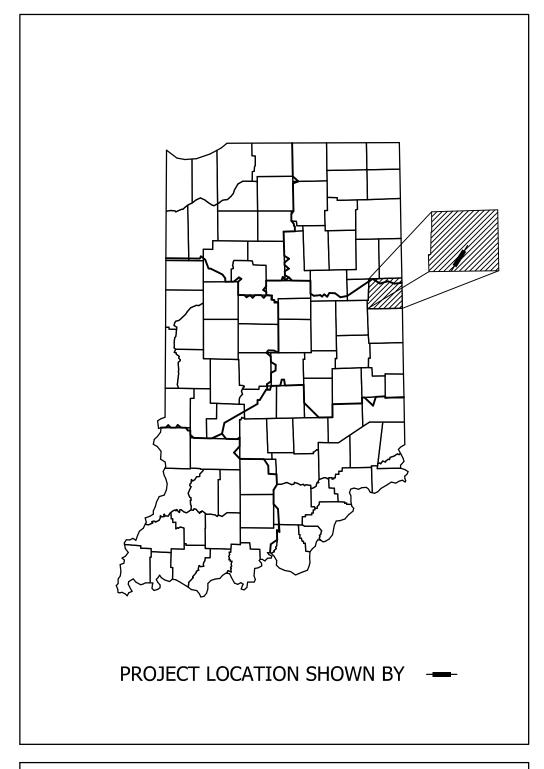
CITY OF PORTLAND

MAYOR RANDY GEESAMAN





DESIGN DATA	BLAINE PIKE
DESIGN SPEED	30 M.P.H.
PROJECT DESIGN CRITERIA	PARTIAL 3R (NON-FREEWAY)
FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION	MINOR ARTERIAL
RURAL/URBAN	URBAN (SUBURBAN)
TERRAIN	LEVEL
ACCESS CONTROL	NONE



LATITUDE: N 40° 25' 29" LONGITUDE: W 84° 59' 24"

H.U.C.: 05120102010030 & 05120102010050

PRELIMINARY PLANS SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

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

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BRIDGE FILE

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INDIANA UNDERGROUND 1-800-382-5544 OR CALL 811 24 HOURS A DAY 7 DAYS A WEEK

Note: Utility Locations are shown based upon information (maps and paint marks) supplied by others, and there is no guarantee of the accuracy or completeness of said locations.

REVISIONS				
SHEET NO.	DATE	REVISED		

# All earth shoulders, median areas, and cut and fill slopes shall be plain or mulch seeded except where sodding is specified. The final cross sections of the grading contract will be the original cross sections of the paving contract. However, partial or complete cross sections shall be taken if necessary to determine the actual excavation quantities. The paper relocation will be cross sectioned by the Engineer before construction. Existing asphalt pavement located outside the construction limits, between Sta. ----- and Sta -----, shall be removed as directed. The quantity of peat excavation shown on the plans has been estimated on the basis of theoretical cross sections by using treatment of existing fills, treatment by removal, or treatment by displacement, where each treatment applies. Solls under the proposed shared-use path may become unstable during construction when exposed to precipitation and construction traffic. In such an event, the foundation material shall be improved by one of two alternatives. Alternate 1: Excavate foundation soil 12" below proposed subgrade treatment and replace with No. 53 aggregate

over Geotextile, Type 2B.

Alternate 2: Stablize foundation soil below proposed subgrade treatment to a depth of 8" using chemical modification treatment.

An estimated quantity of 7739 Sys of Foundation Soil Improvement is planned on the entire shared-use path subgrade treatment area. However, Foundation Soil Improvement will be at the direction of the Engineer at the time of construction.

\*\* REPRESENTS GENERAL NOTES REQUIRED

INDEX				
SHEET NO.	DRAWINGS INDEX			
1	TITLE SHEET			
2	INDEX SHEET			
3	TYPICAL CROSS SECTIONS			
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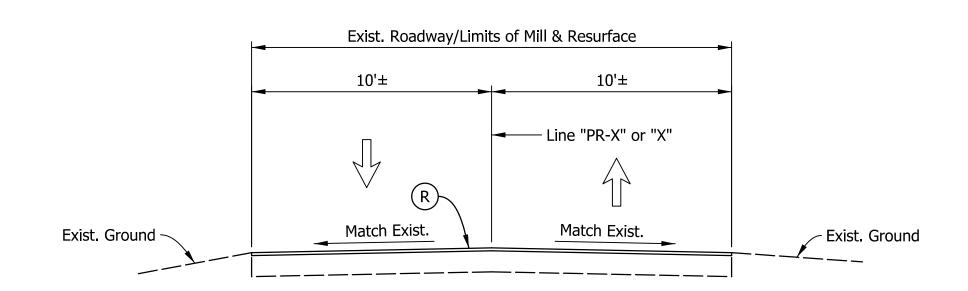
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- (CR) Curb Ramp, Concrete
- D1 HMA for Approaches, Type B
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  275 #/Sys HMA Intermediate, Type B on
  6" Compacted Aggregate No. 53 on
  Subgrade Treatment, Type II
- HMA for Sidewalk consisting of:

  140 #/Sys HMA Surface, Type B on
  220 #/Sys HMA Intermediate, Type B on
  6" Compacted Aggregate, No. 53 on
  Subgrade Treatment, Type III
- (F2) Sidewalk, Concrete, 4"
- (N) Compacted Aggregate for Surface, No. 73
- O Compacted Aggregate, No. 53
- R 1.5" Asphalt Milling, before
  HMA Overlay consisting of:
  165 #/Syd QC/QA HMA Surface, X, X, 9.5 mm

- (14) Integral Concrete Curb
- (15) Concrete Curb and Gutter
- 16) Rolled Curb
- (26) Nursery Sodding
- (29) Mulched Seeding, U
- "PED XING" Pavement Message Marking, Thermoplastic
- Transverse Markings, Thermoplastic, Stop Line, White, 24 in.
- Transverse Marking, Thermoplastic, Crosswalk Line, White, 6 in.
- Transverse Marking, Thermoplastic, Crosswalk Line, White, 24 in.
- 45) Line, Thermoplastic, Solid, White, 4 in.
- (46) Line, Thermoplastic, Solid, Yellow, 4 in.
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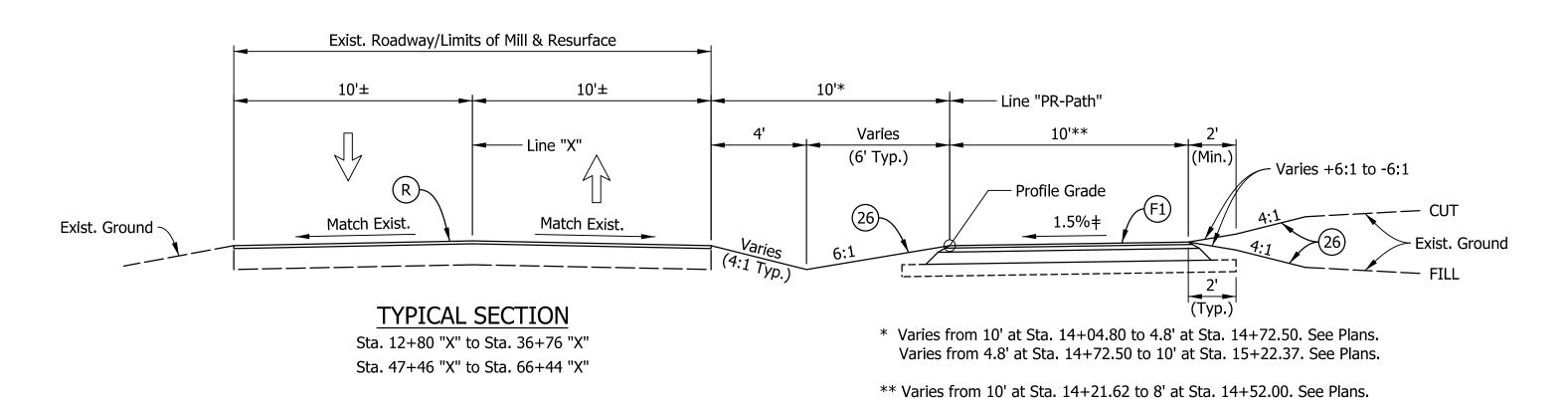


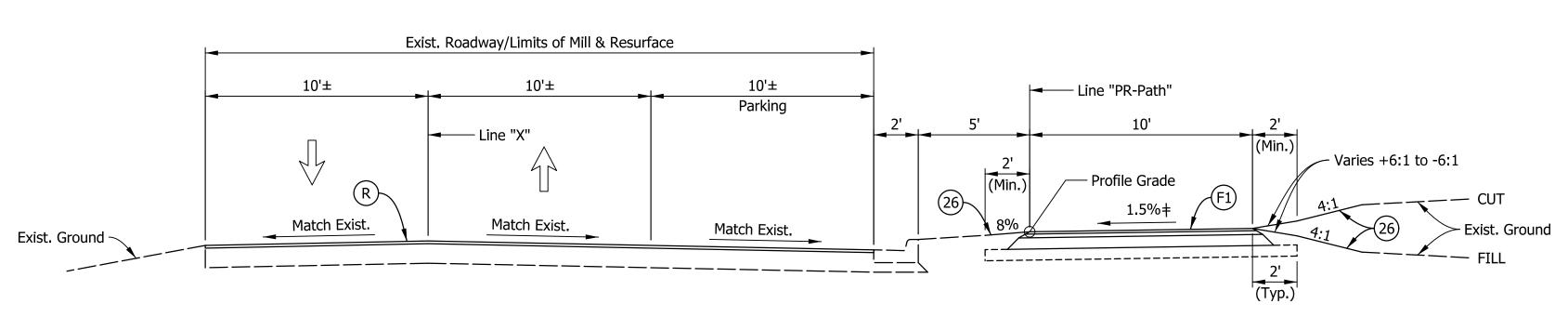
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FOR APPROVAL	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	VERTICAL SCALE	DESIGNATION	
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### TYPICAL SECTION

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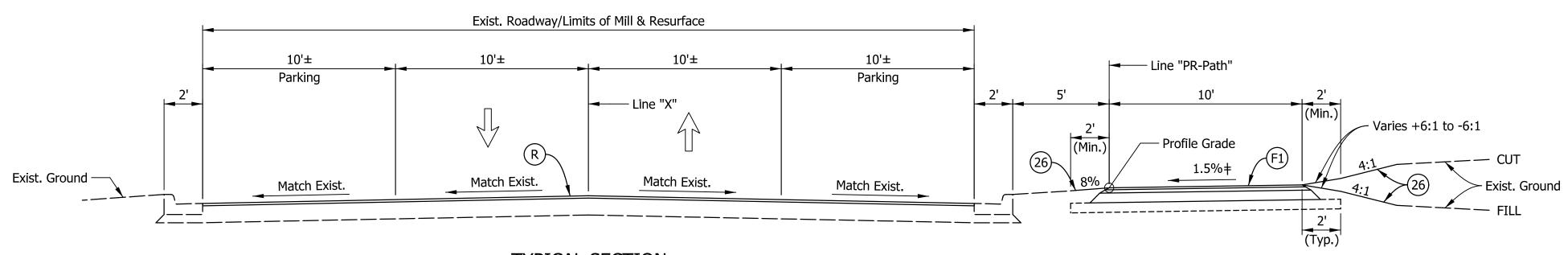




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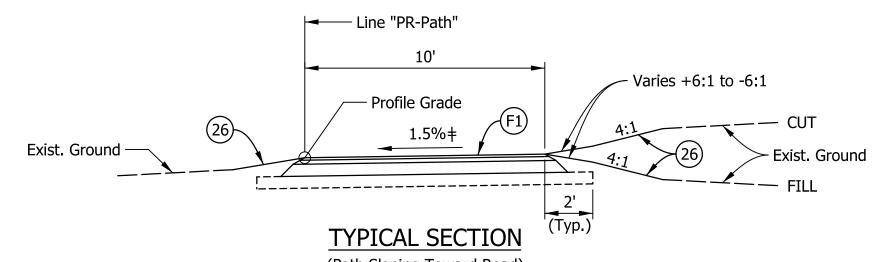
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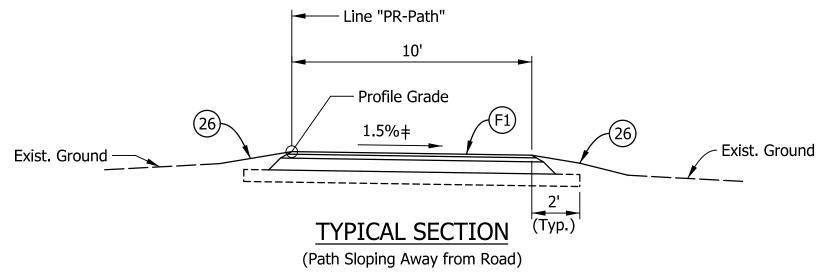


### TYPICAL SECTION

Sta. 41+70 "X" to Sta. 44+10 "X"



(Path Sloping Toward Road)
Sta. 112+85 "PR-Path" to Sta. 129+70 "PR-Path"
Sta. 135+25 "PR-Path" to Sta. 154+75 "PR-Path"



Sta. 129+70 "PR-Path" to Sta. 135+25 "PR-Path"
Sta. 154+75 "PR-Path" to Sta. 161+88 "PR-Path"

‡ Cross Slope may vary from -1.5% to +1.5%. See Cross Sections. (30' Min. Cross Slope Transition Length)

Note to Reviewer:
Purpose of typical path sections above is
to show information about path cross slope.

### Foundation Soil Improvement for Path:

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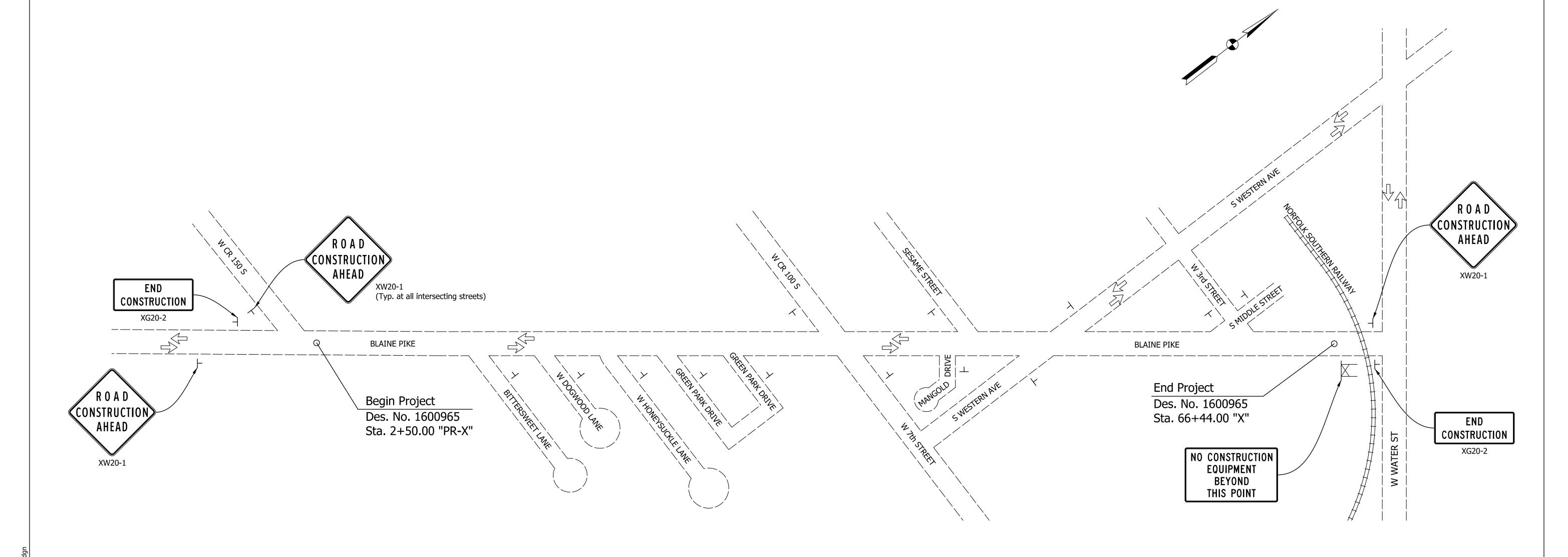
NOTES:

See Plan Sheets for Shared Use Path Location.

Pavement Wedge limits at driveways shall be in accordance with Standard Drawing E610-DRIV-21.



RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL DESIGN ENGINEER DATE		INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	HORIZONTAL SCALE  ½" = 1'-0"  VERTICAL SCALE  N.A.	BRIDGE FILE N.A.  DESIGNATION 1600965		
DESIGNED: BTD	DRAWN: MAB	TYPICAL SECTIONS	SURVEY BOOK ELECTRONIC	3	SHEETS of	128
CHECKED: DJG	CHECKED: DJG	BLAINE PIKE	CONTRACT R-40319	PROJECT 1600965		



### SEQUENCE OF OPERATIONS AND GENERAL NOTES

1. Construct Shared Path in accordance with INDOT Std. Dwg. E801-TCTC-05 (Lane Closure) & E801-TCLC-07 (Shoulder Closure).

- 2. Resurfacing operations under traffic, one half at a time, in accordance with INDOT Std. Dwg. E801-TCFO-01.
- 3. Flagging operations, including lane closures, to occur during daytime hours only.
- 4. Access to all businesses and and residences within Project Limits shall remain open at all times.
- 5. Signs and devices for shoulder and lane closures not shown, and shall be in addition to signs shown on this sheet.

NOTE:

NO CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY ALLOWED BEYOND STA. 66+44 "X".

### <u>LEGEND</u>

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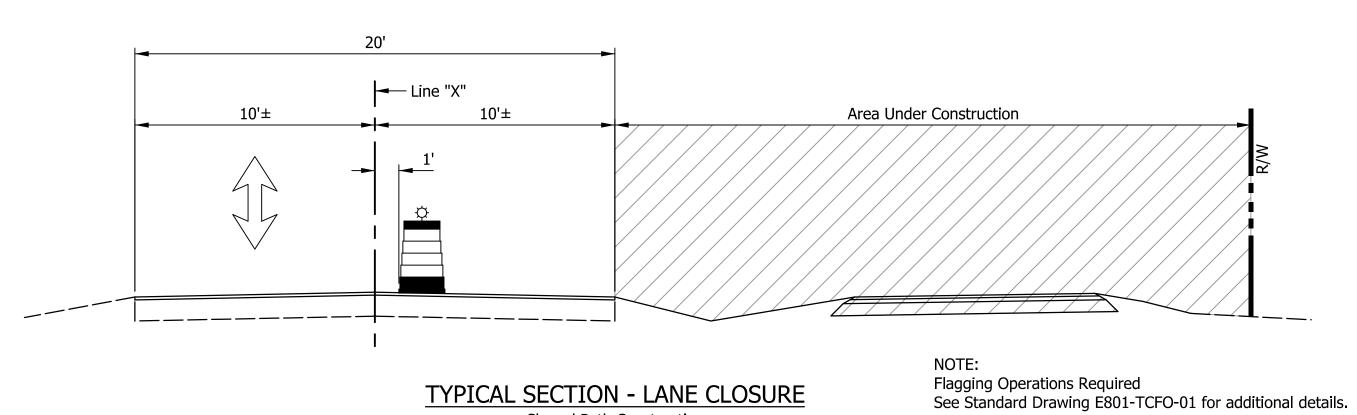
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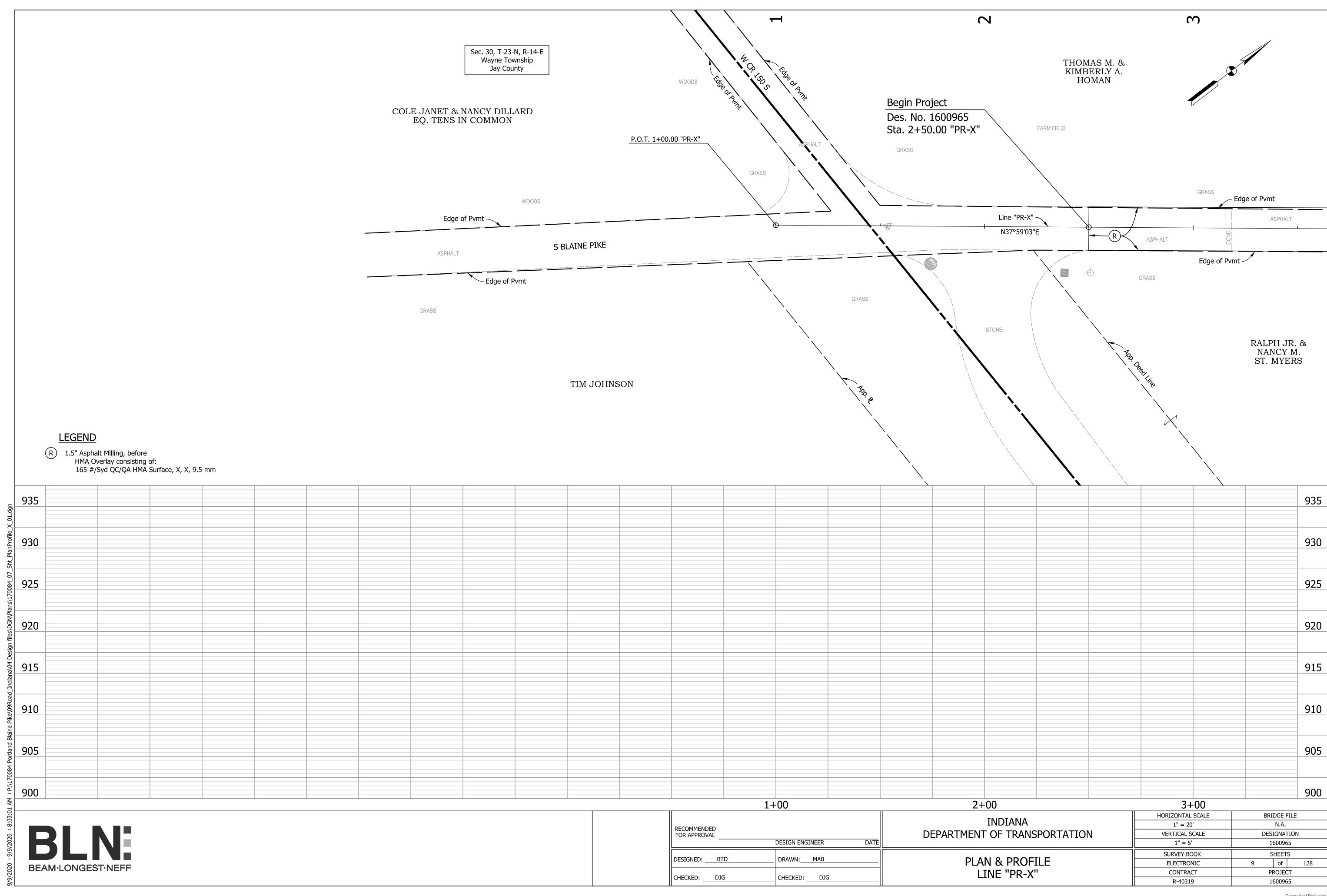
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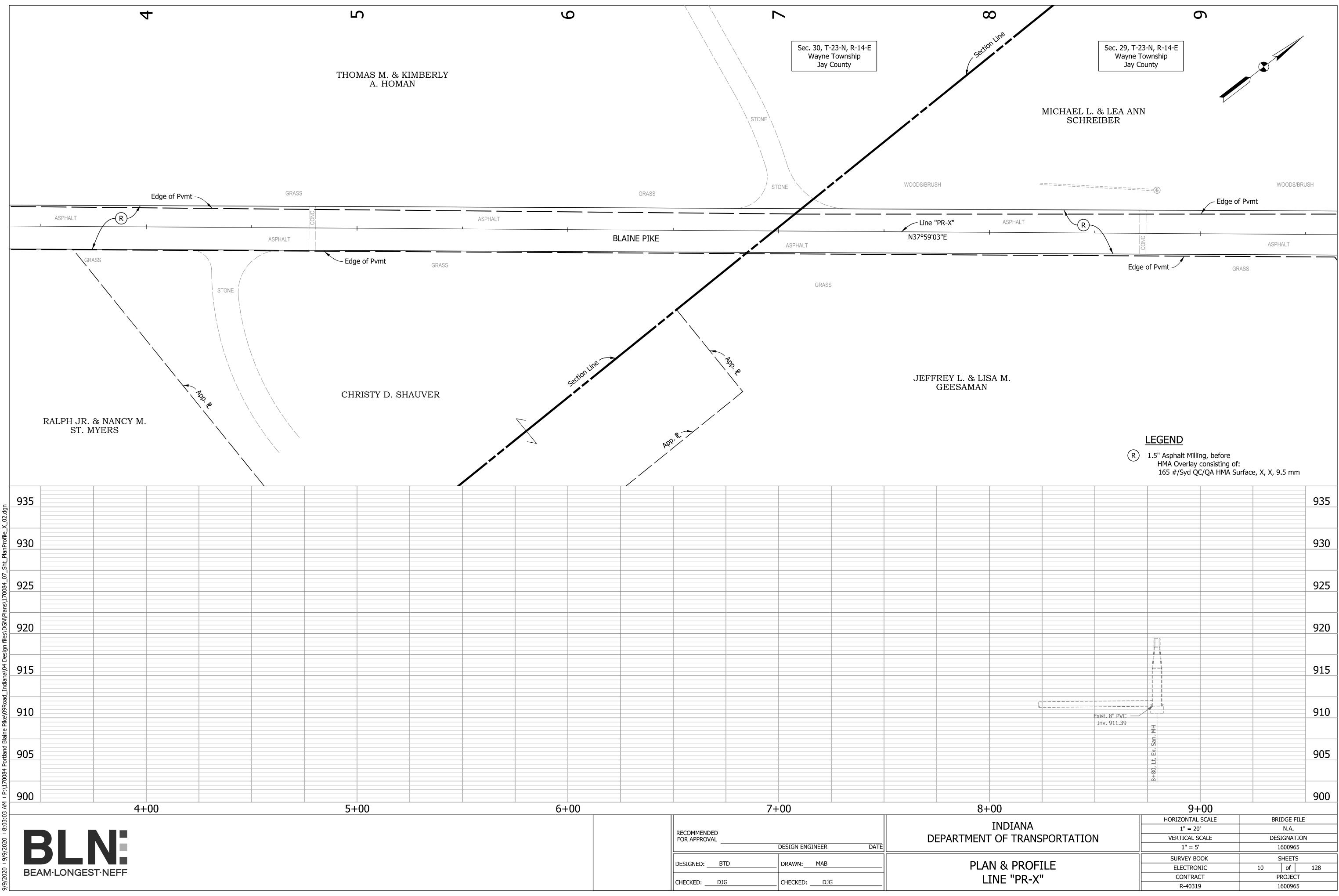
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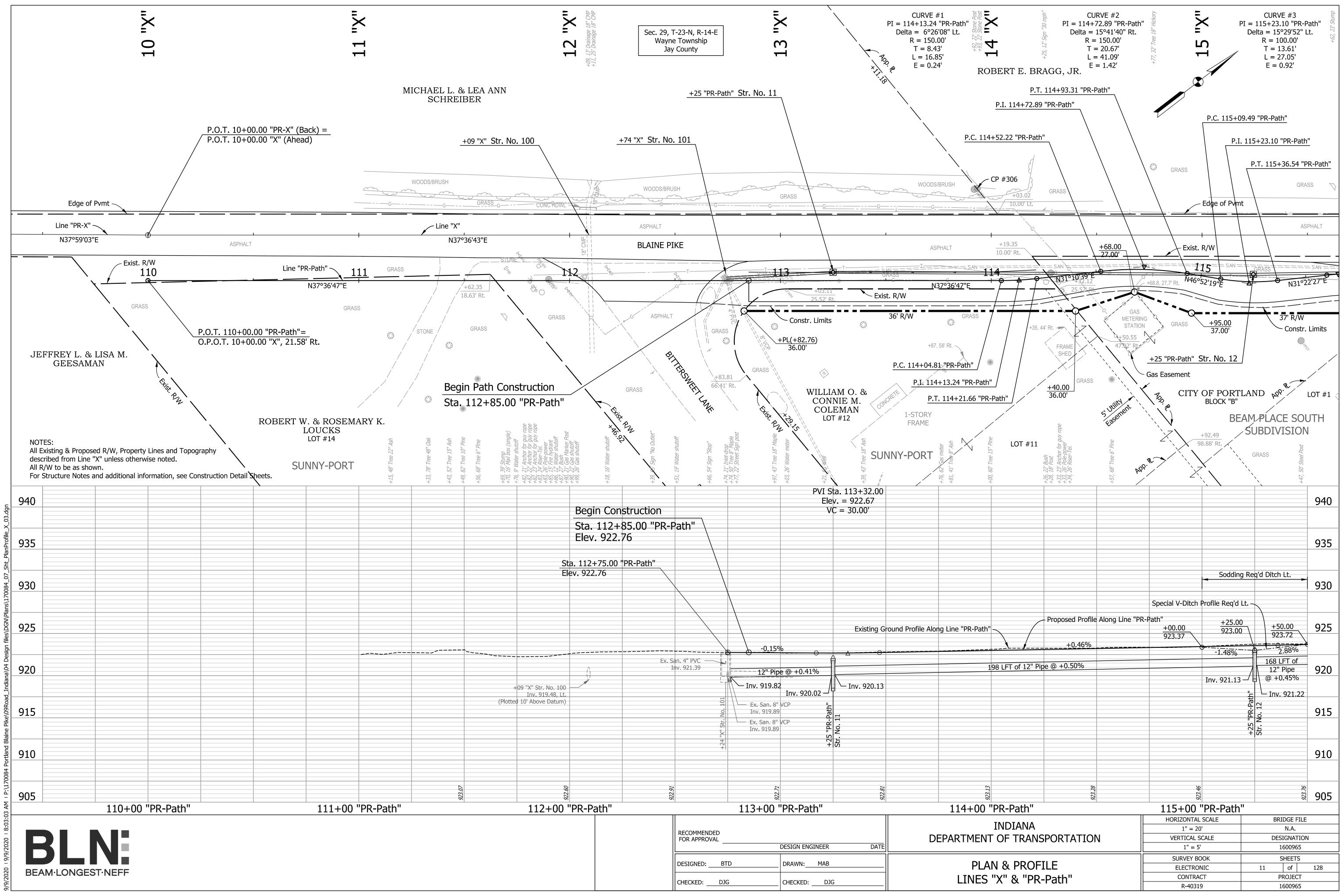
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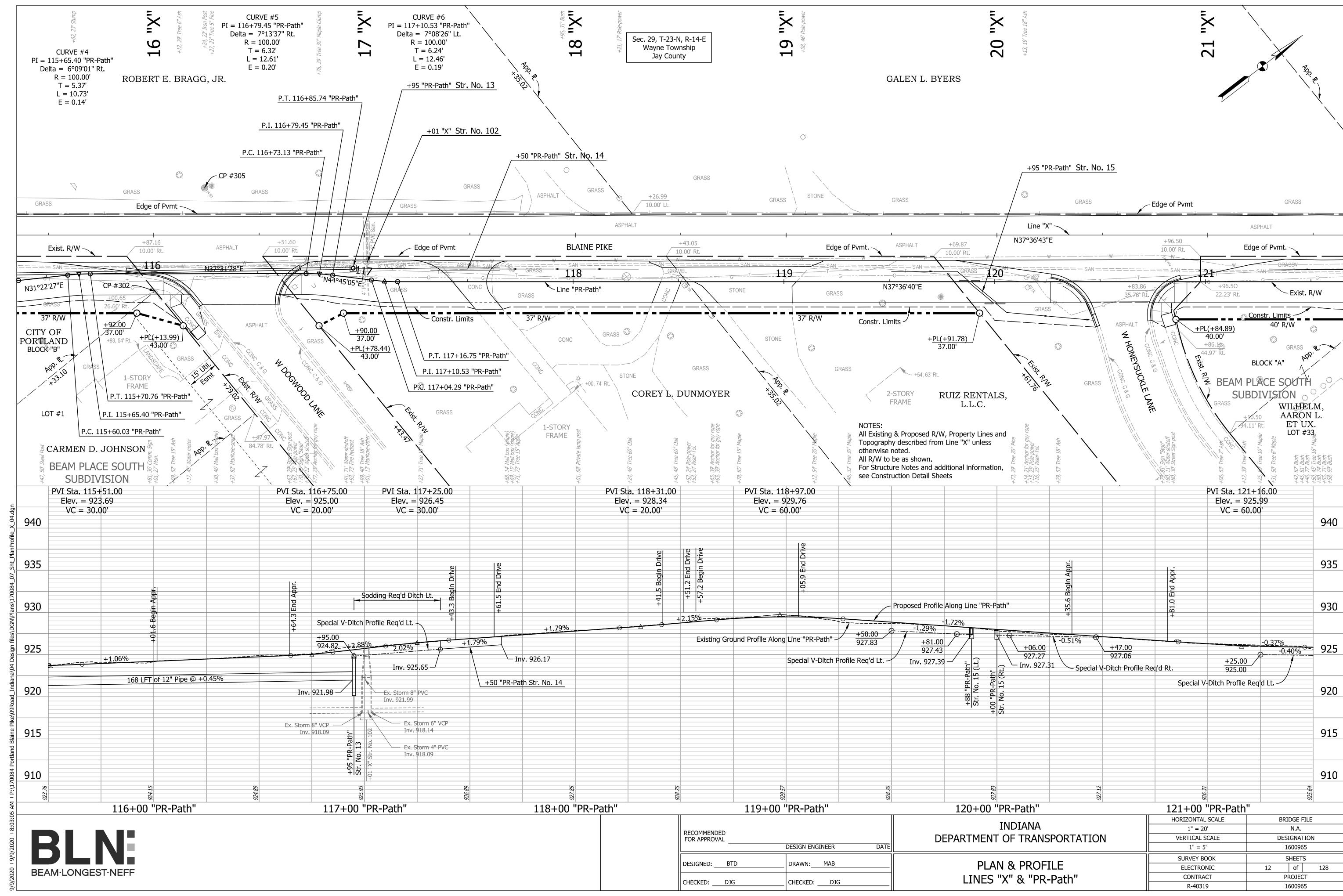
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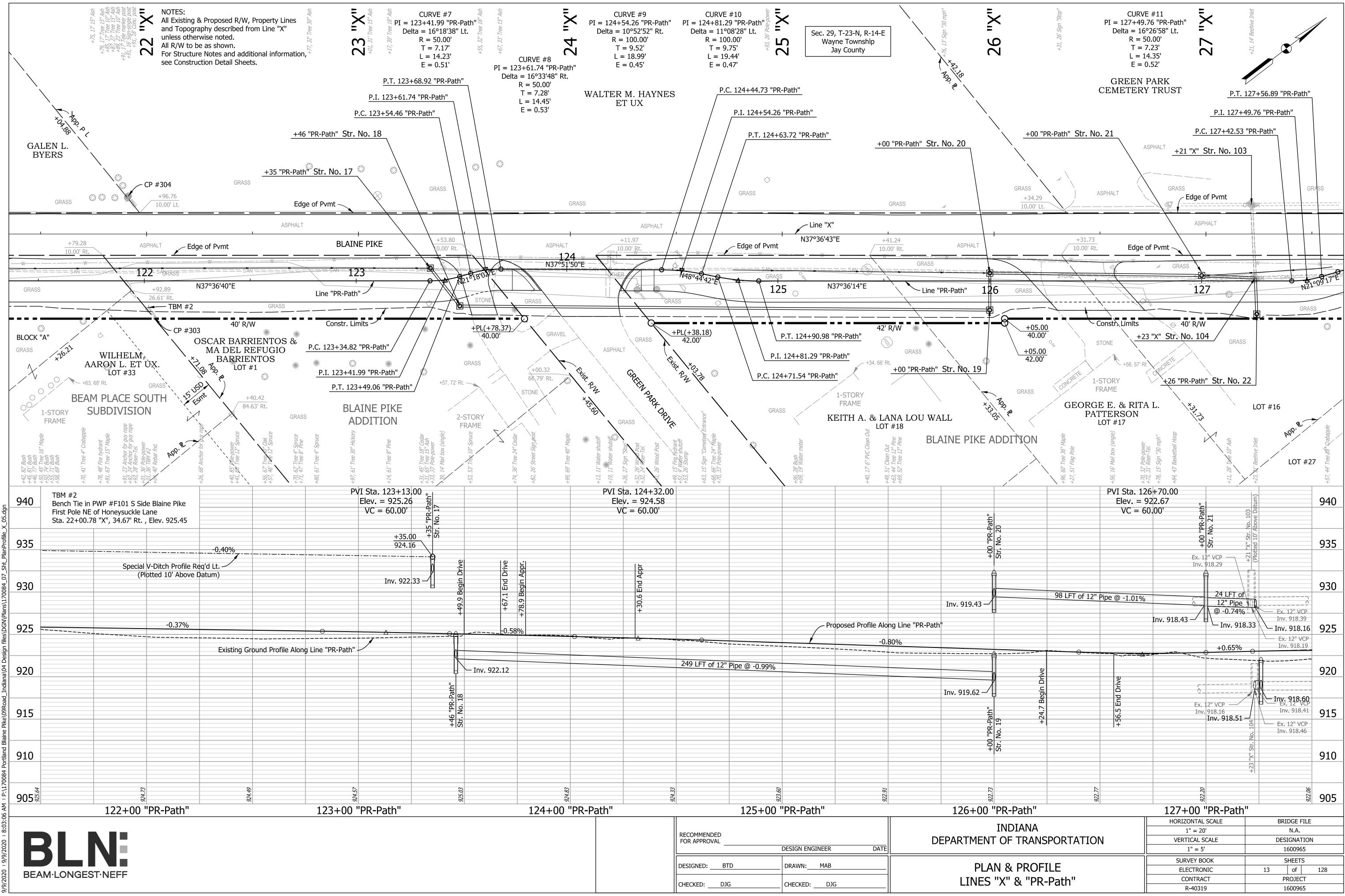
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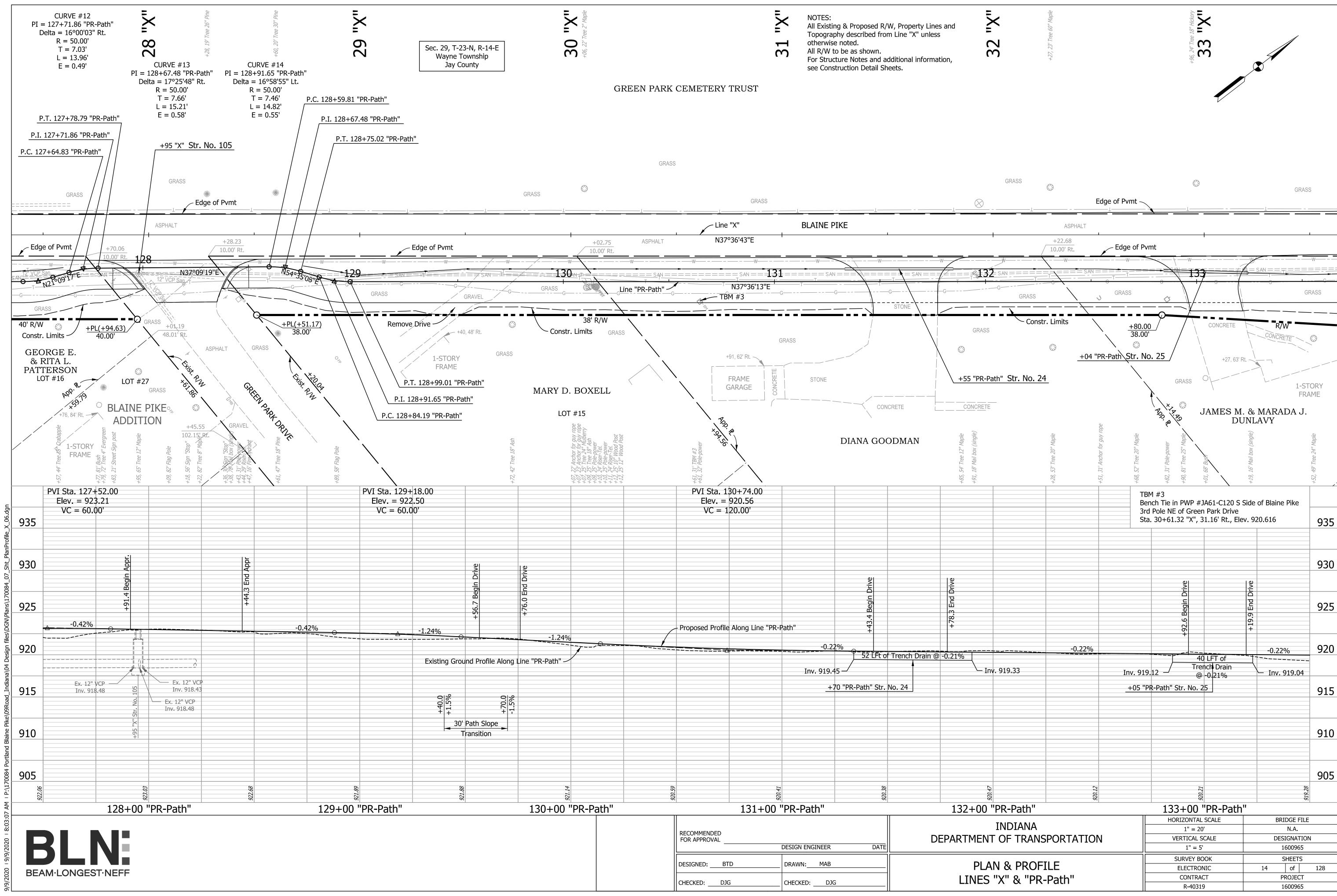


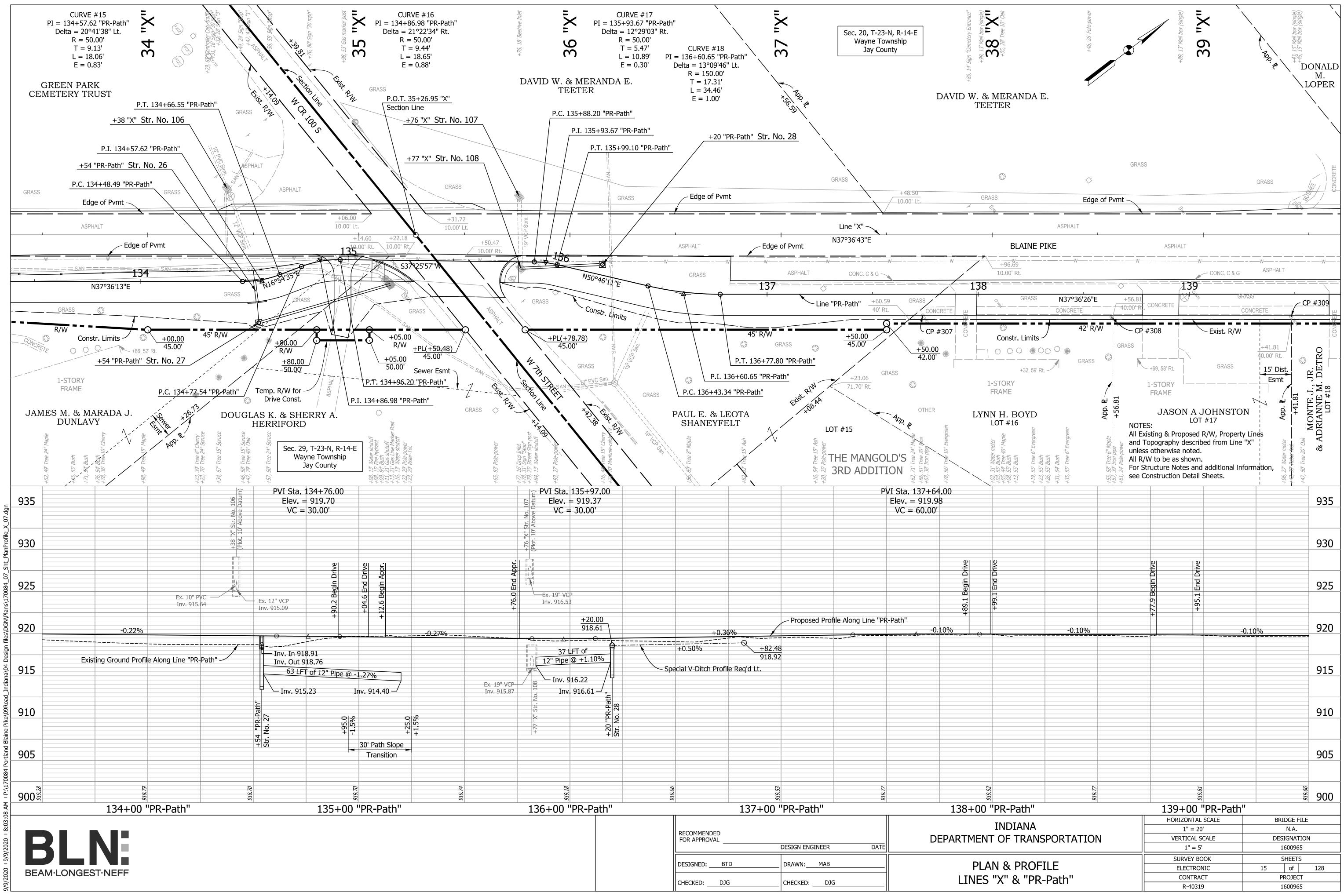


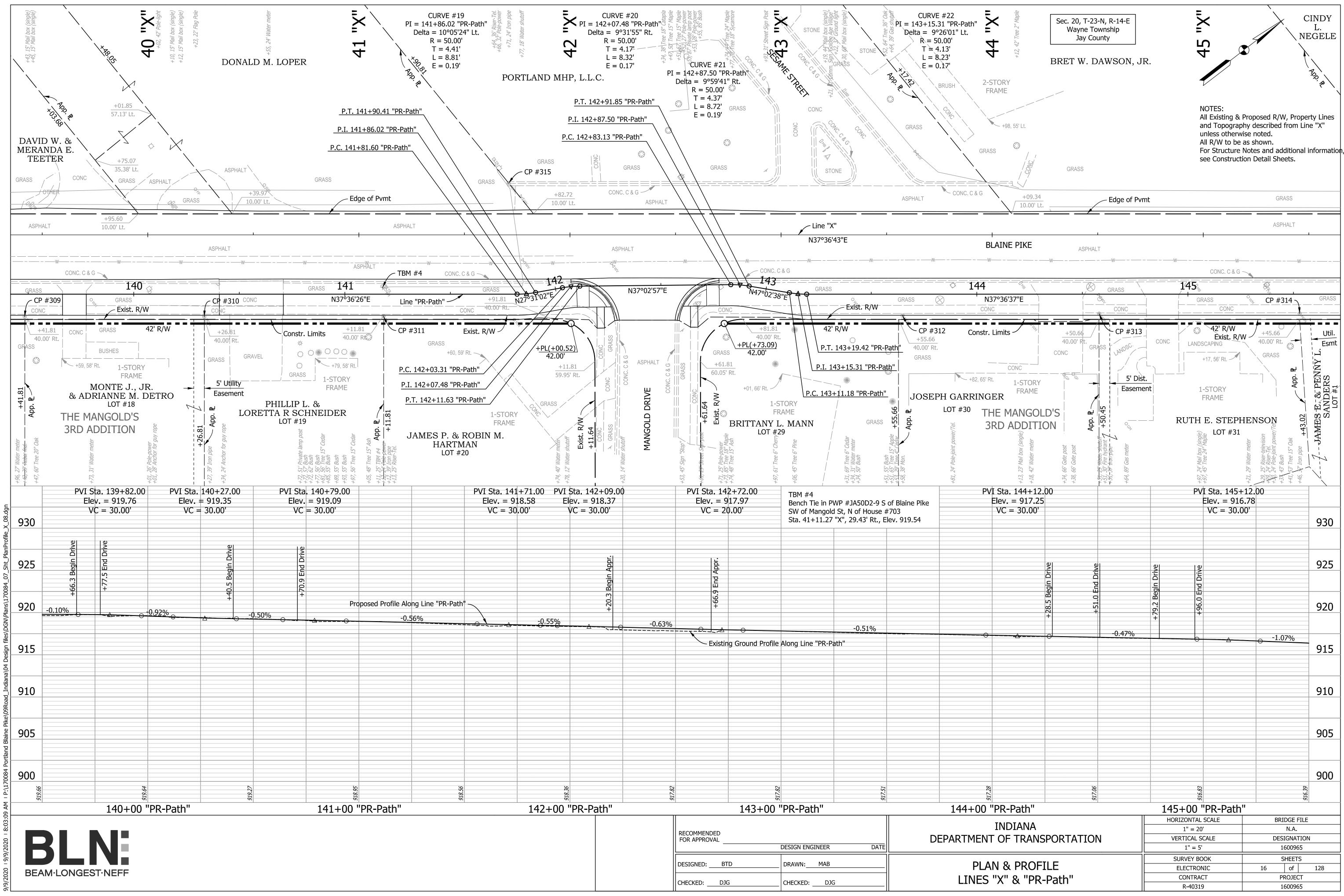


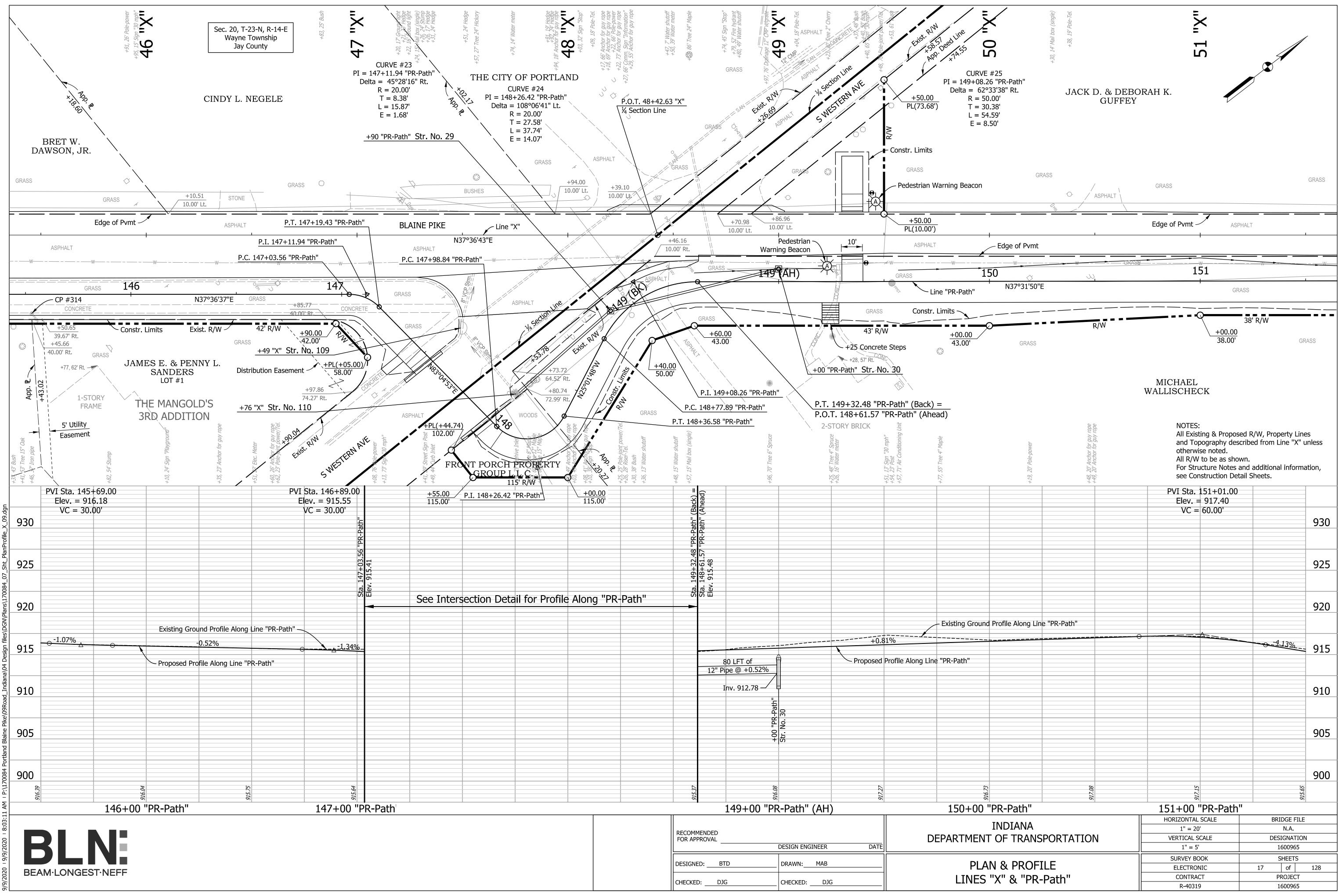


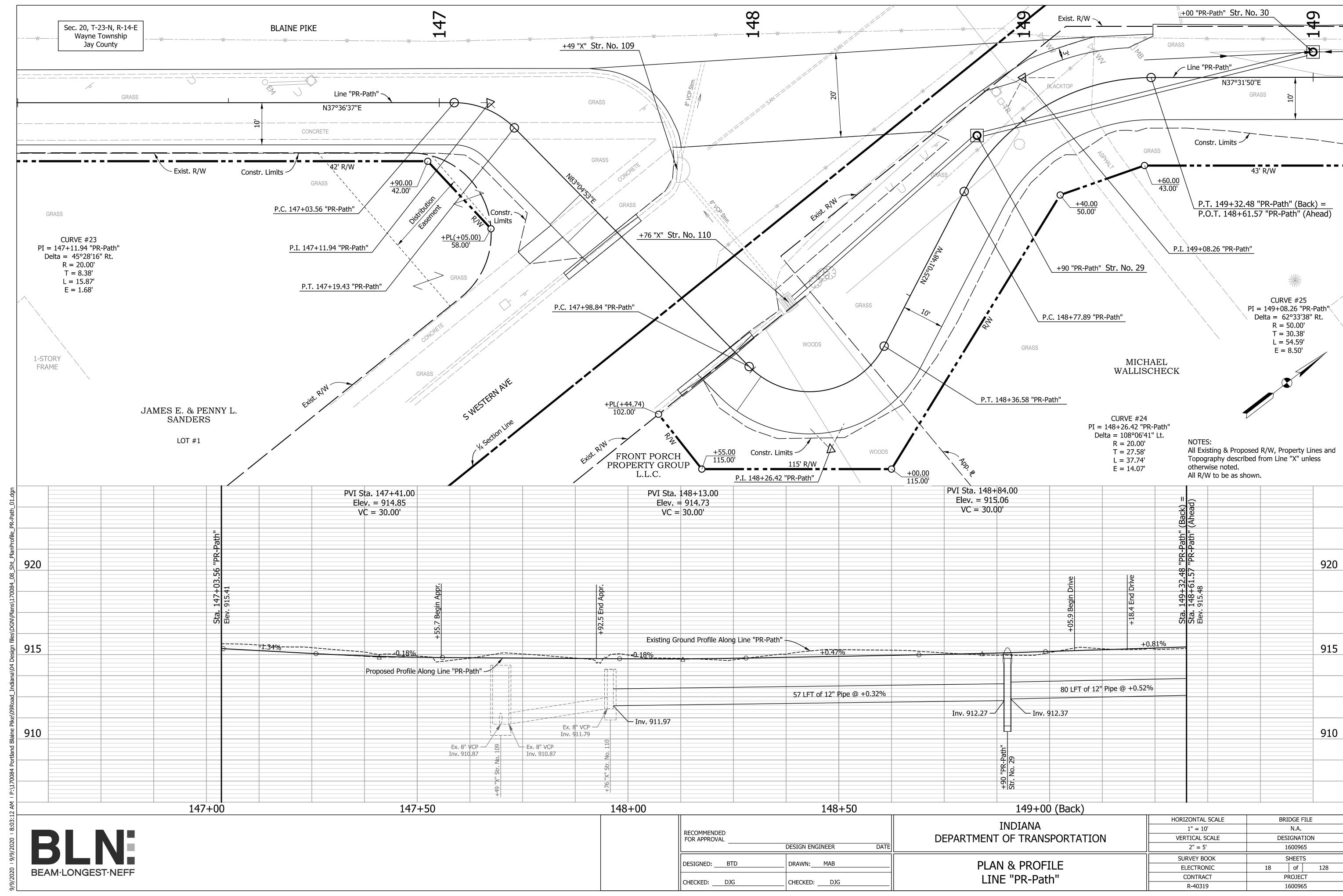


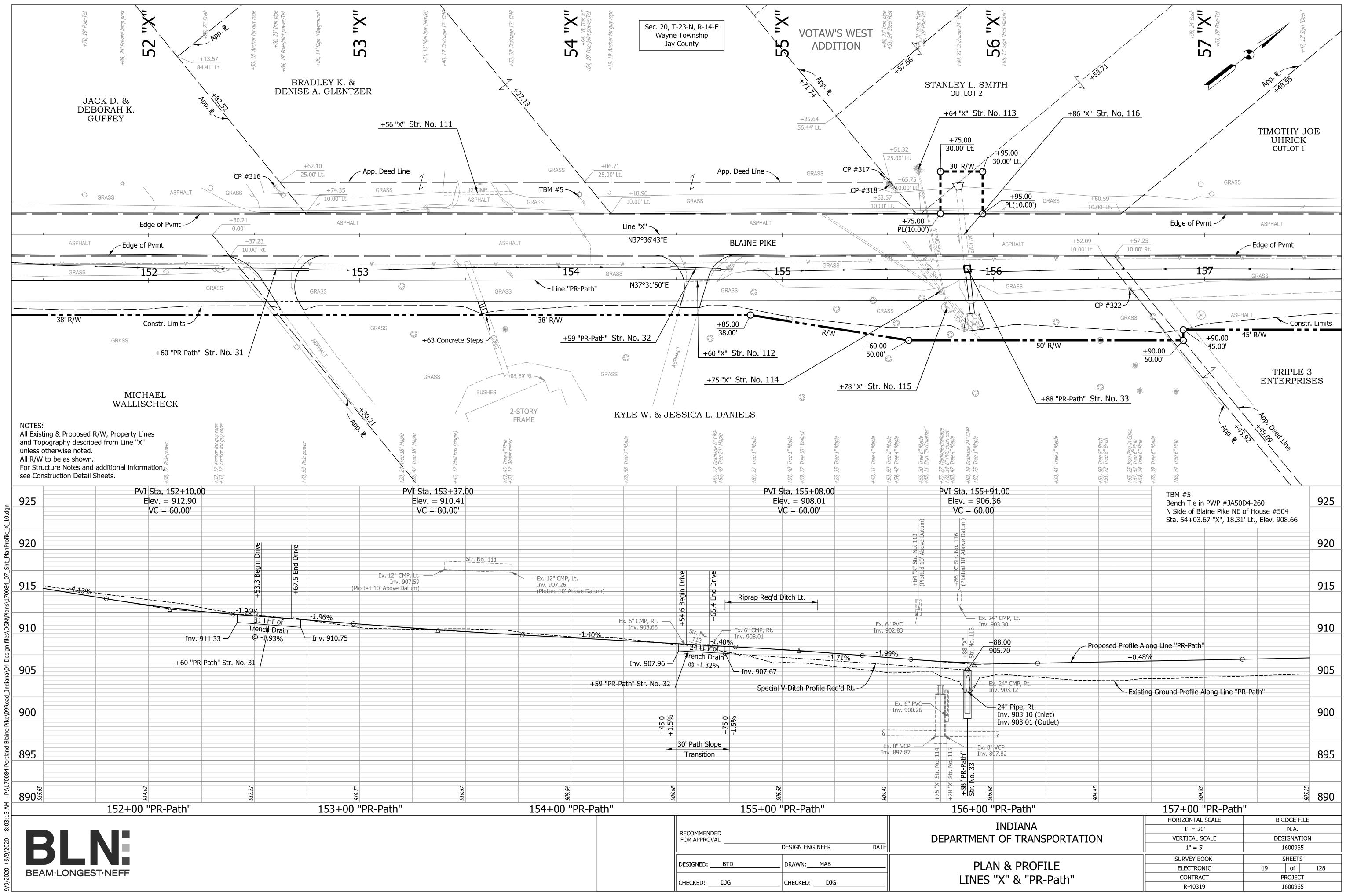


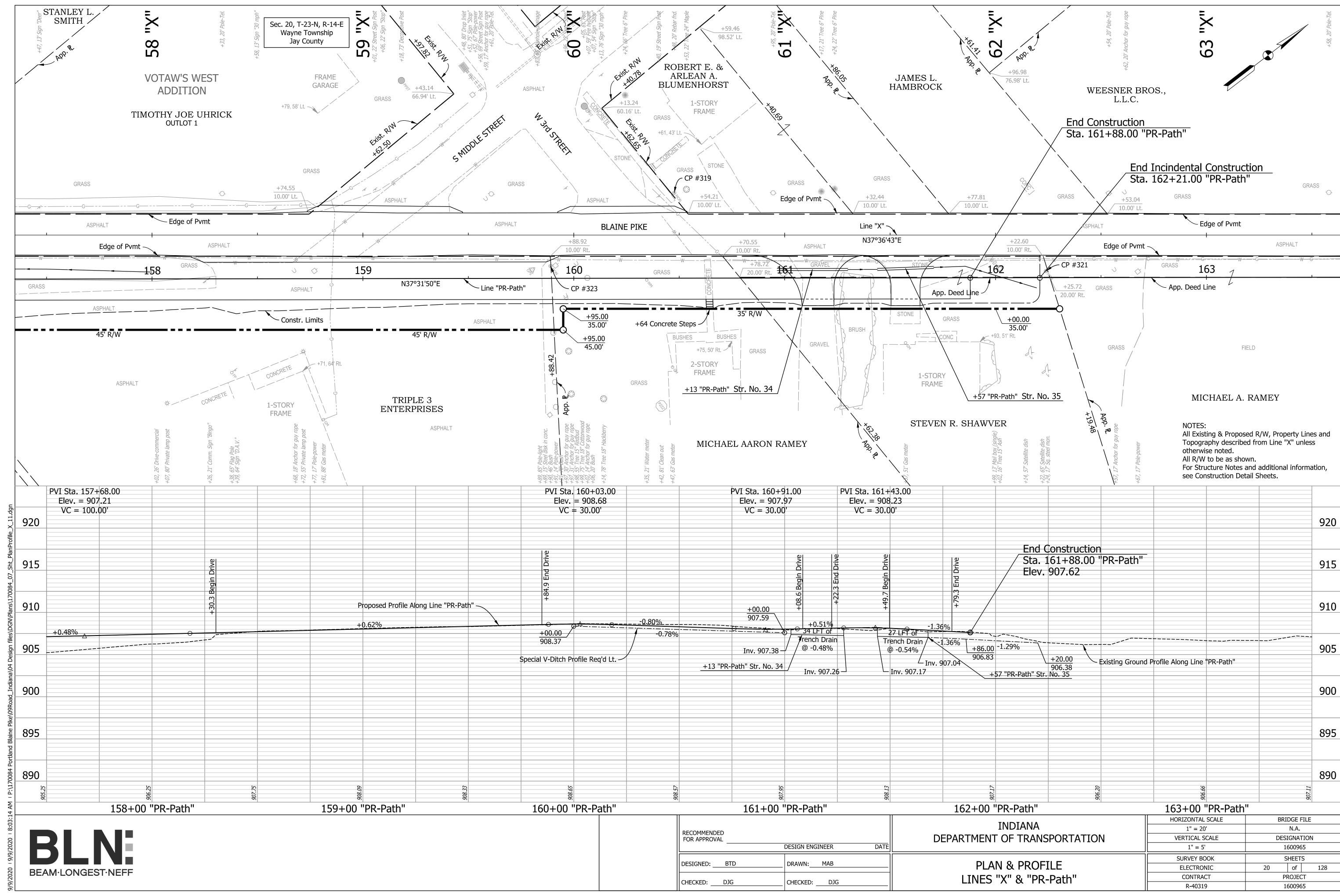


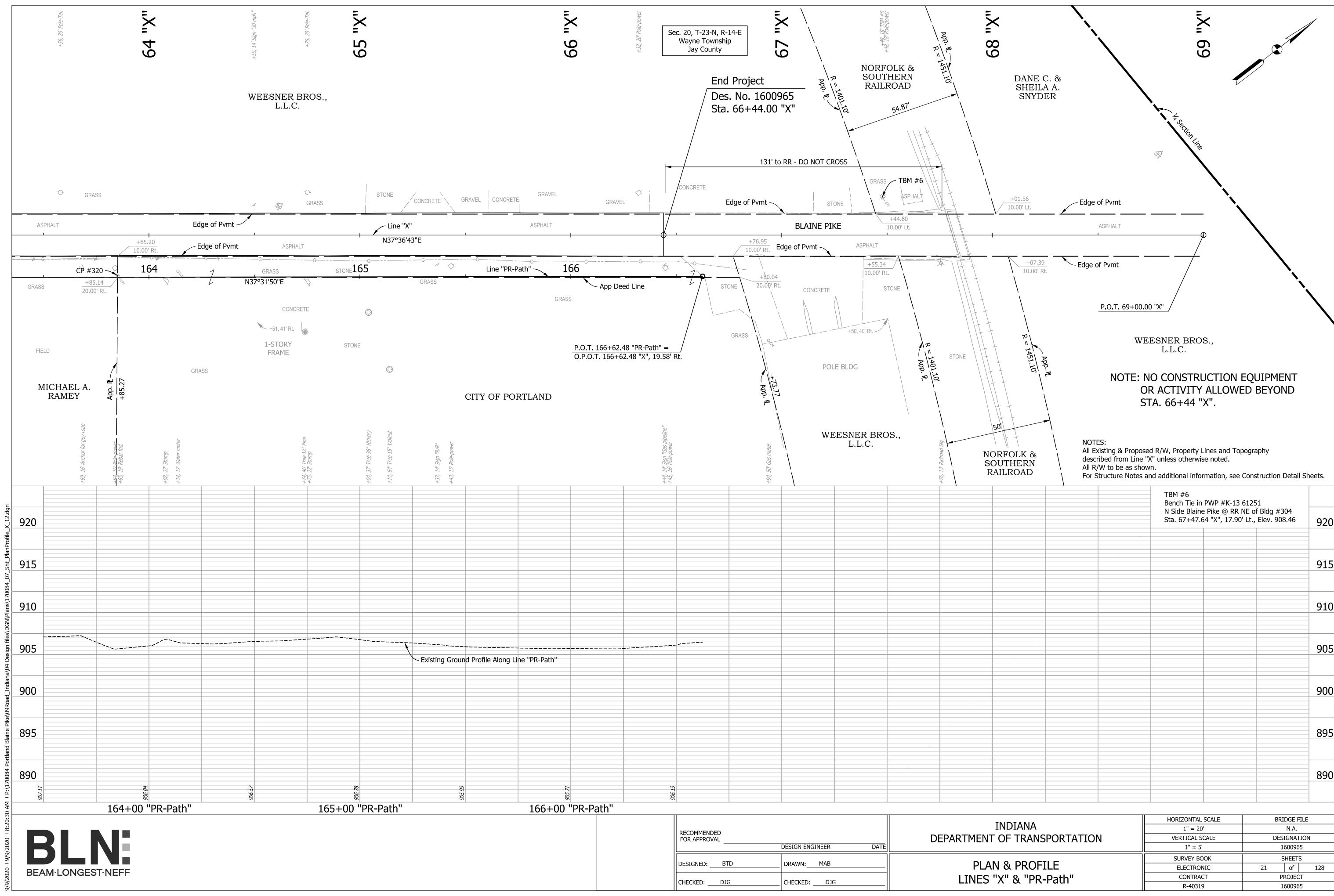


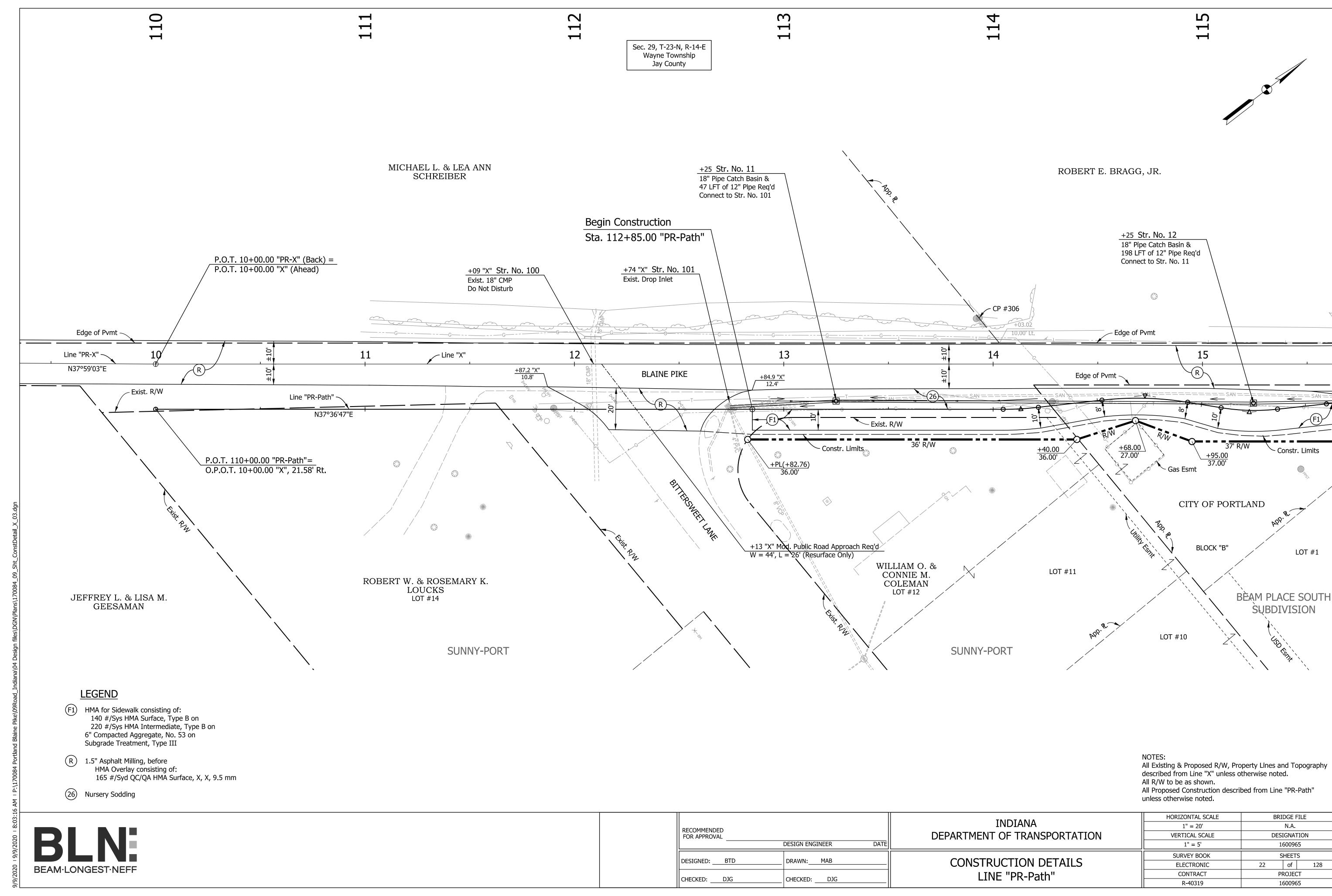


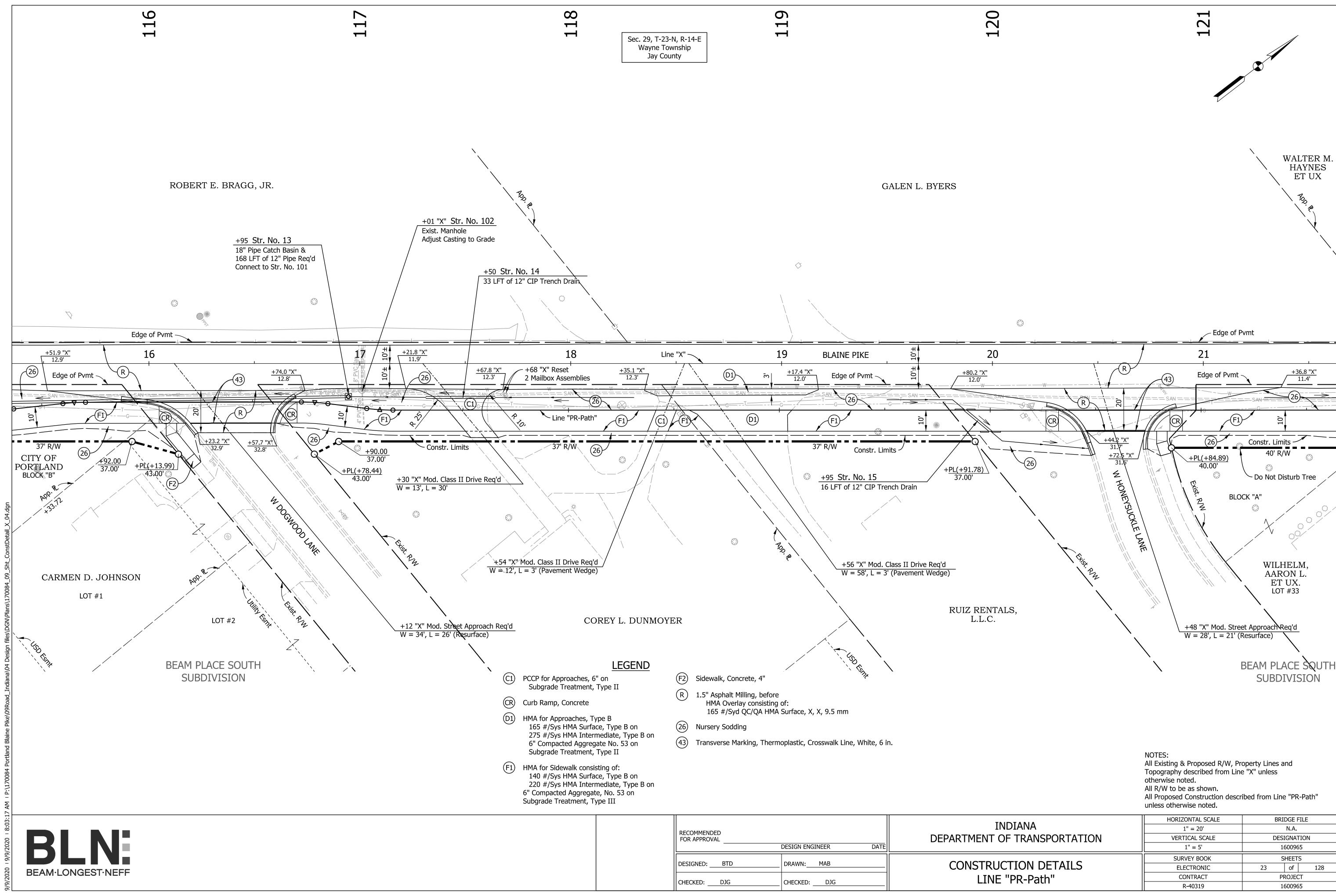


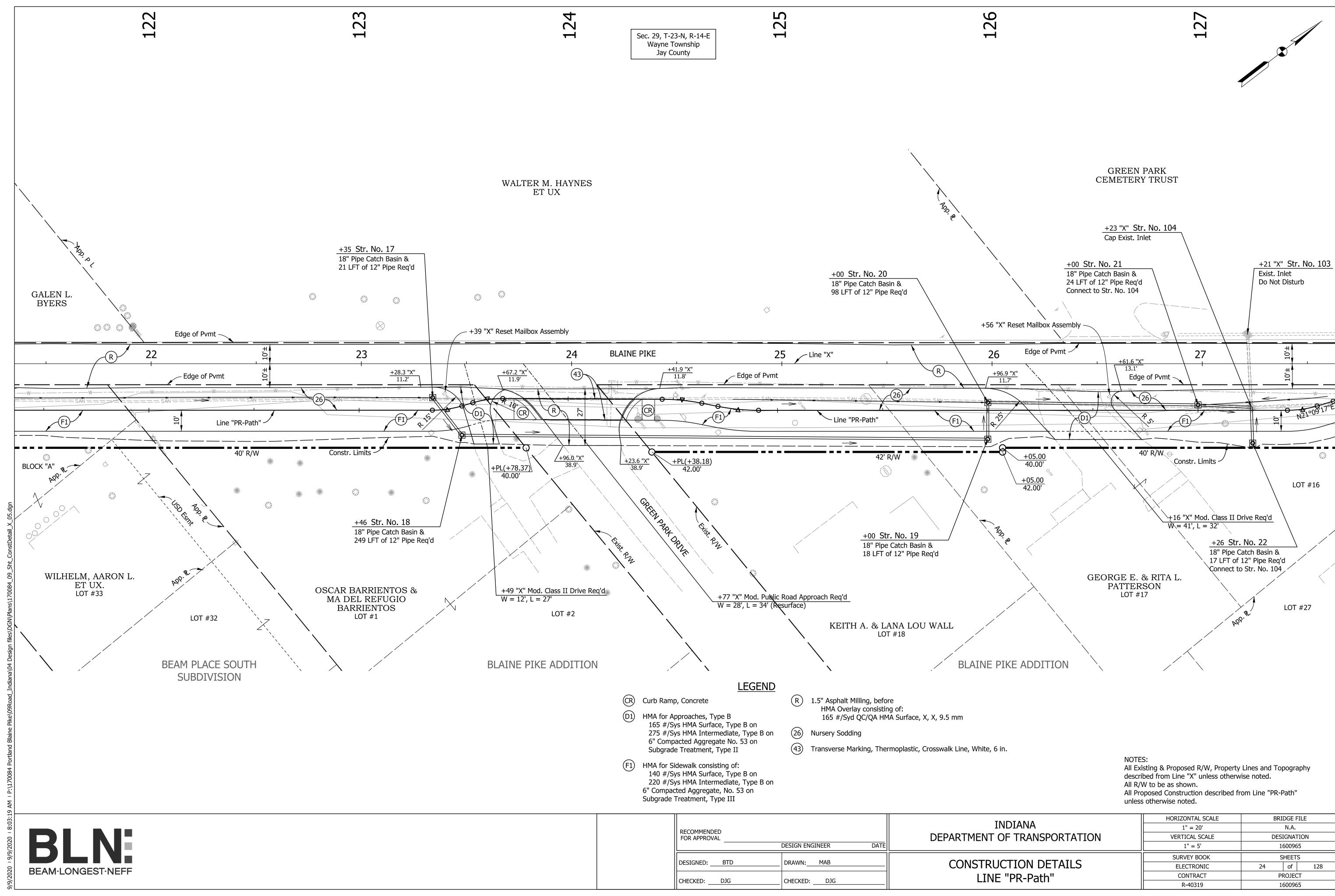


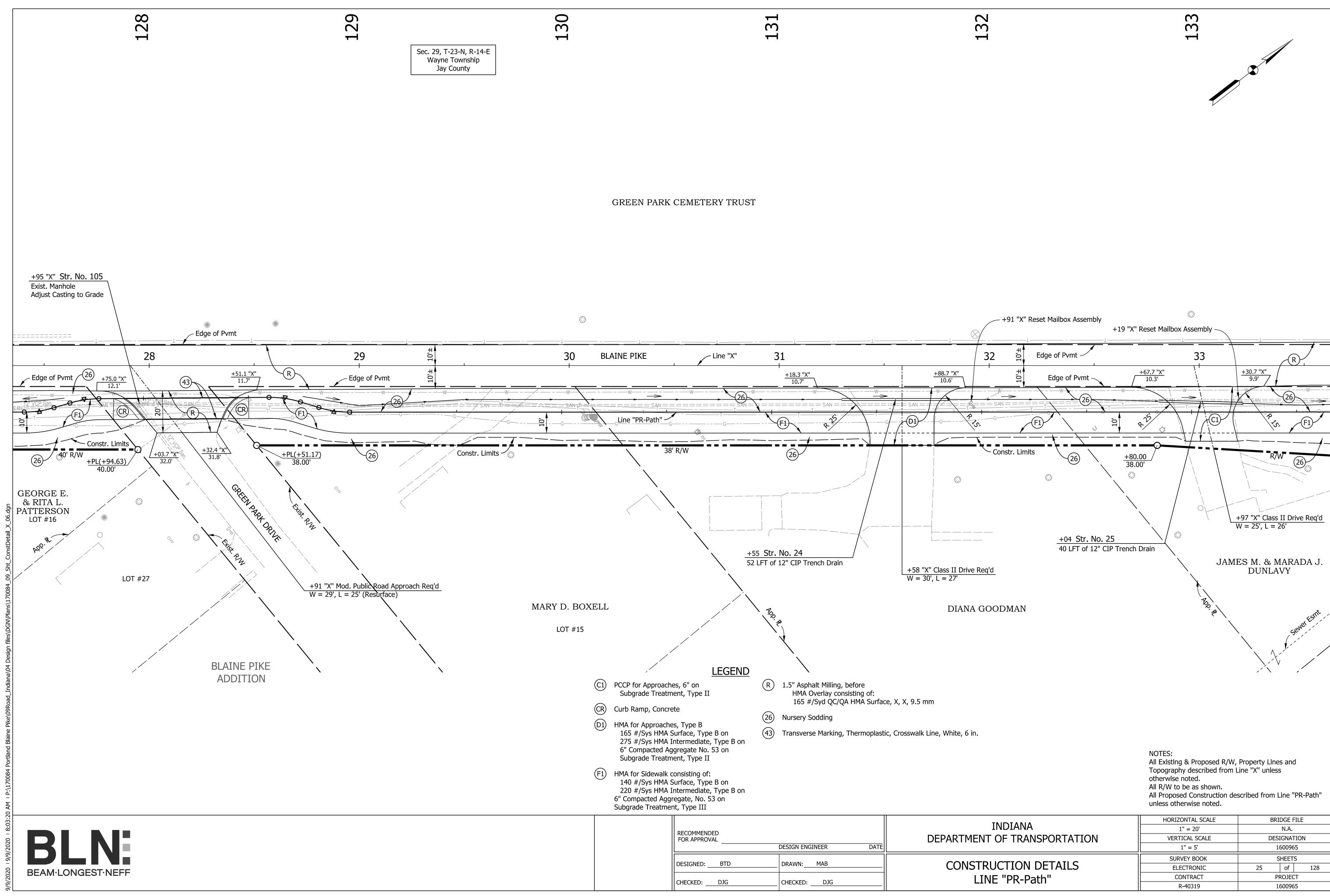


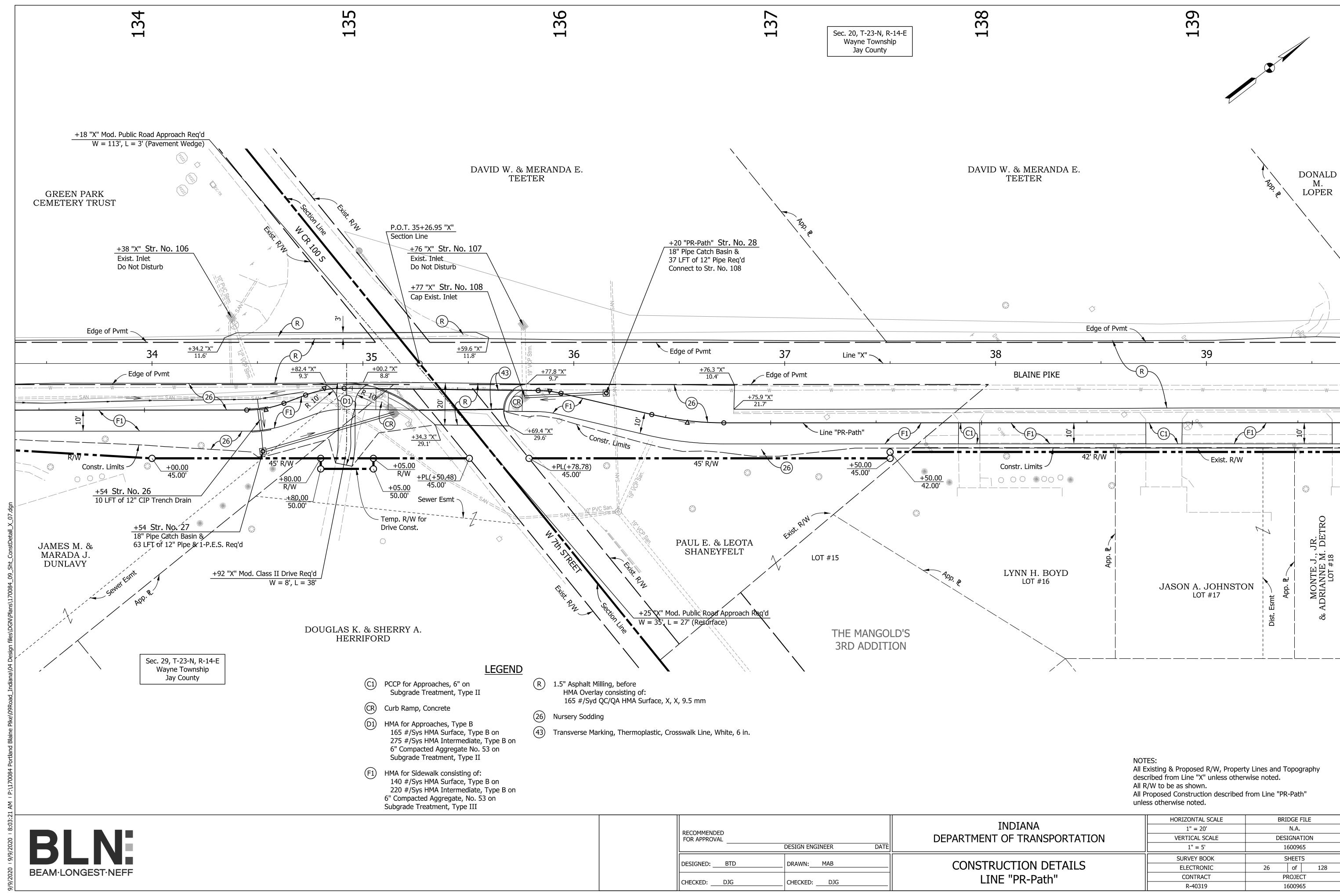


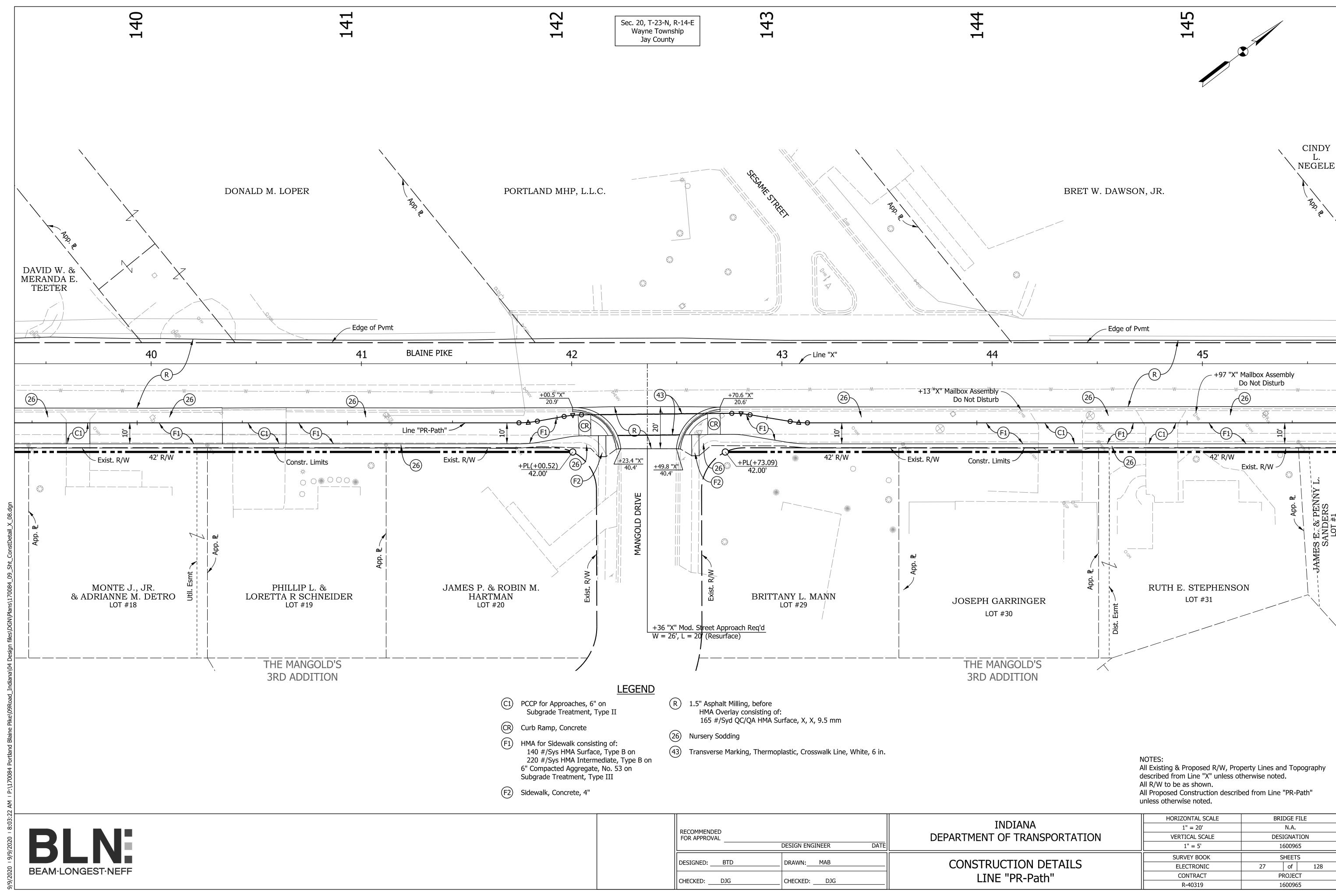


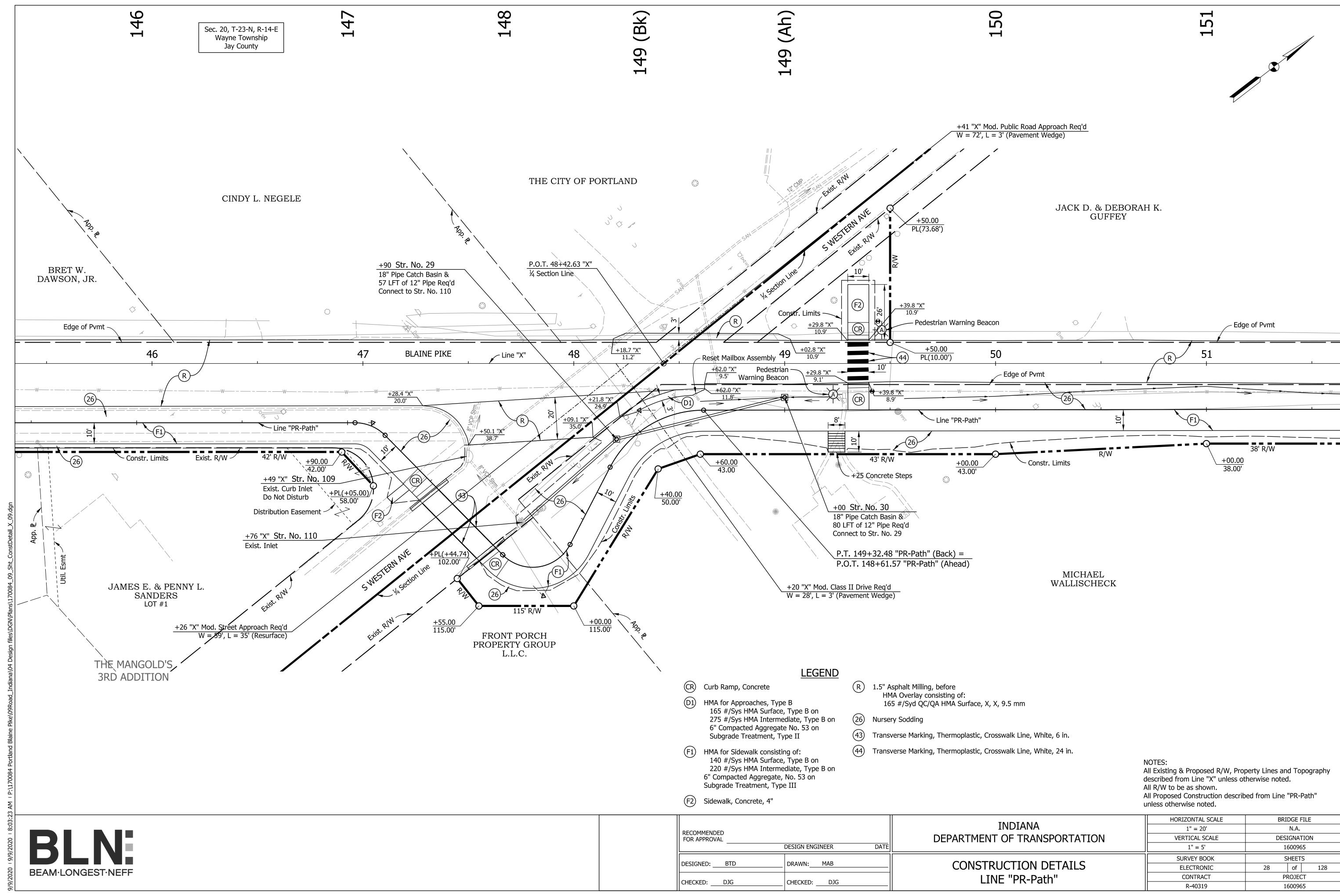


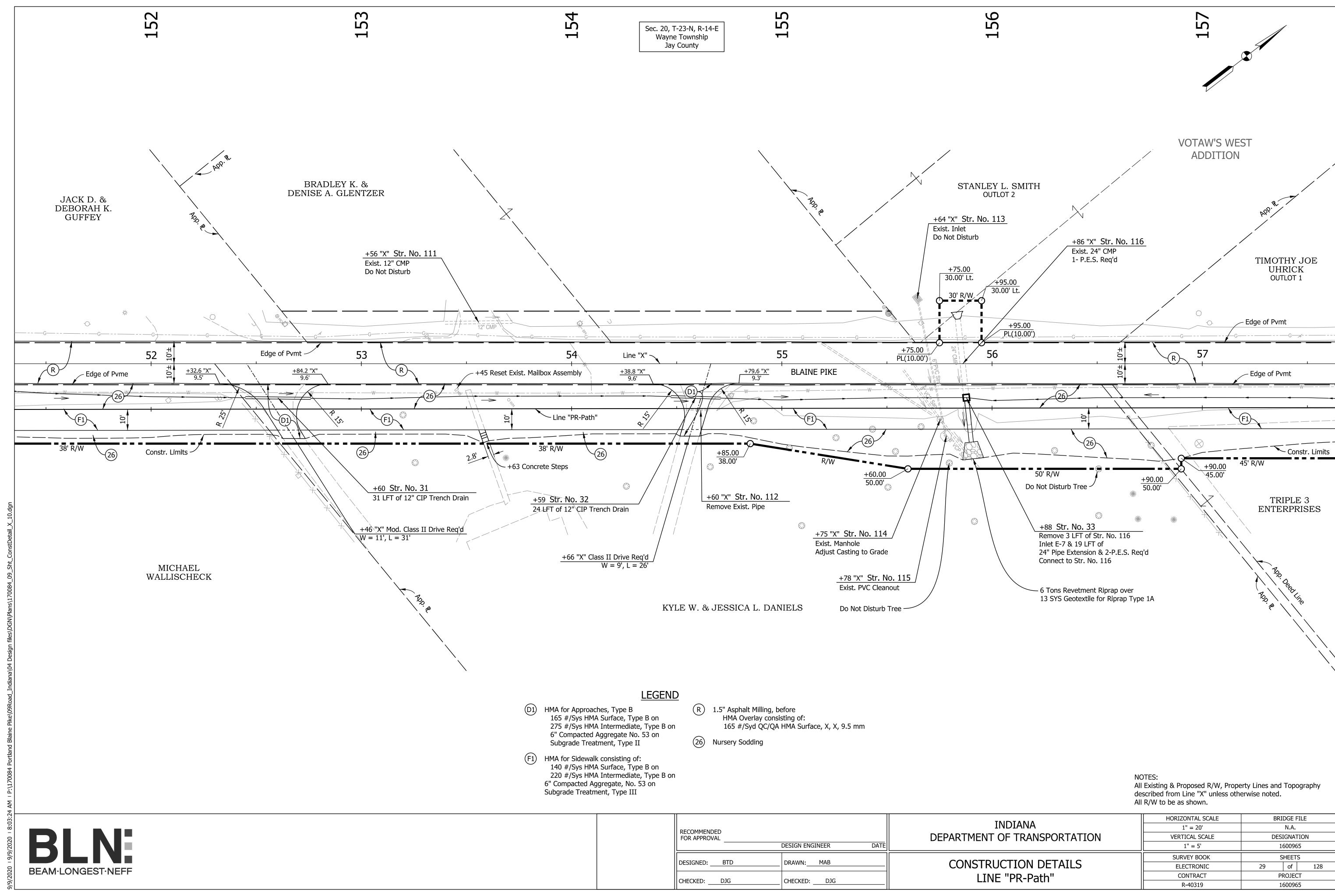


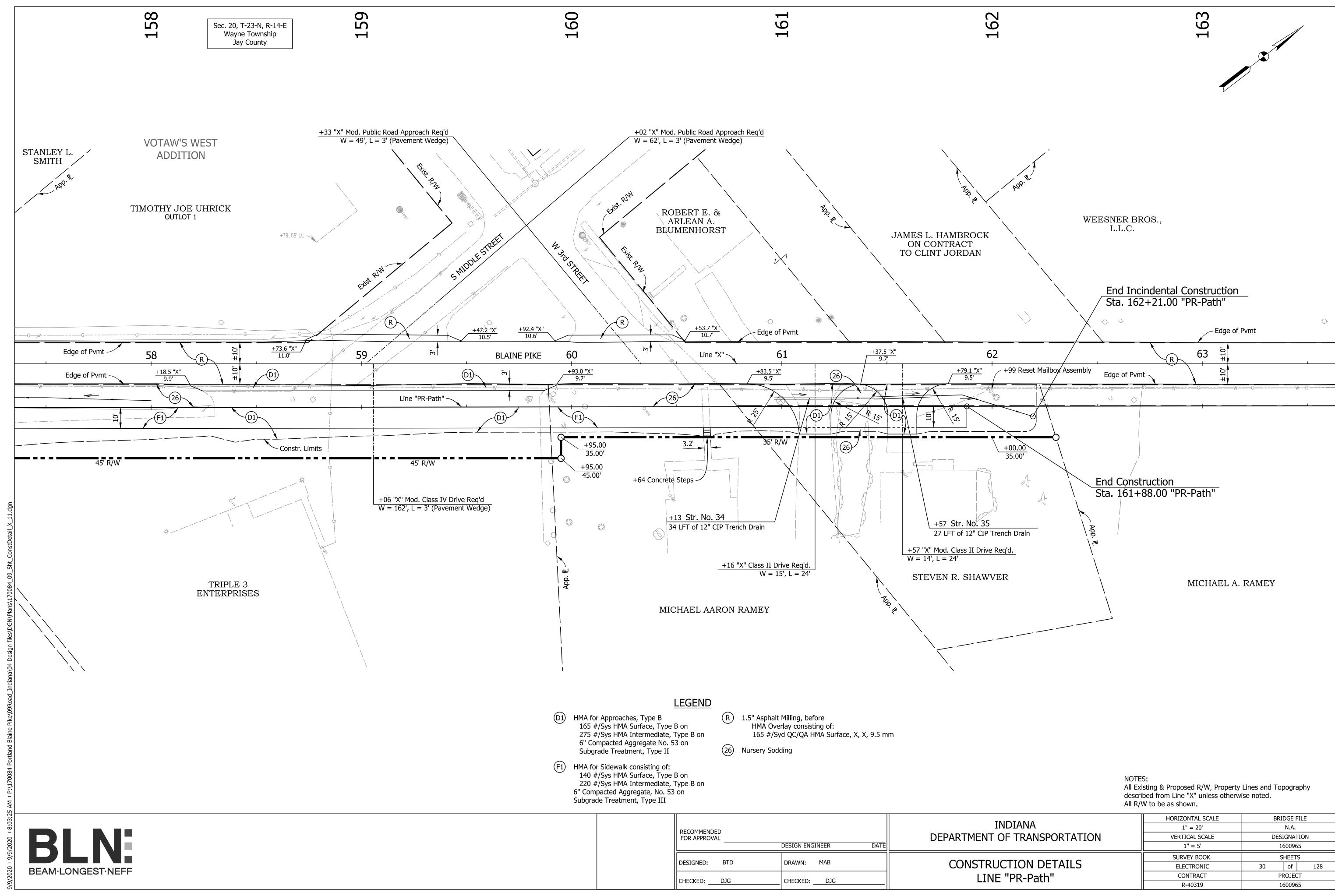


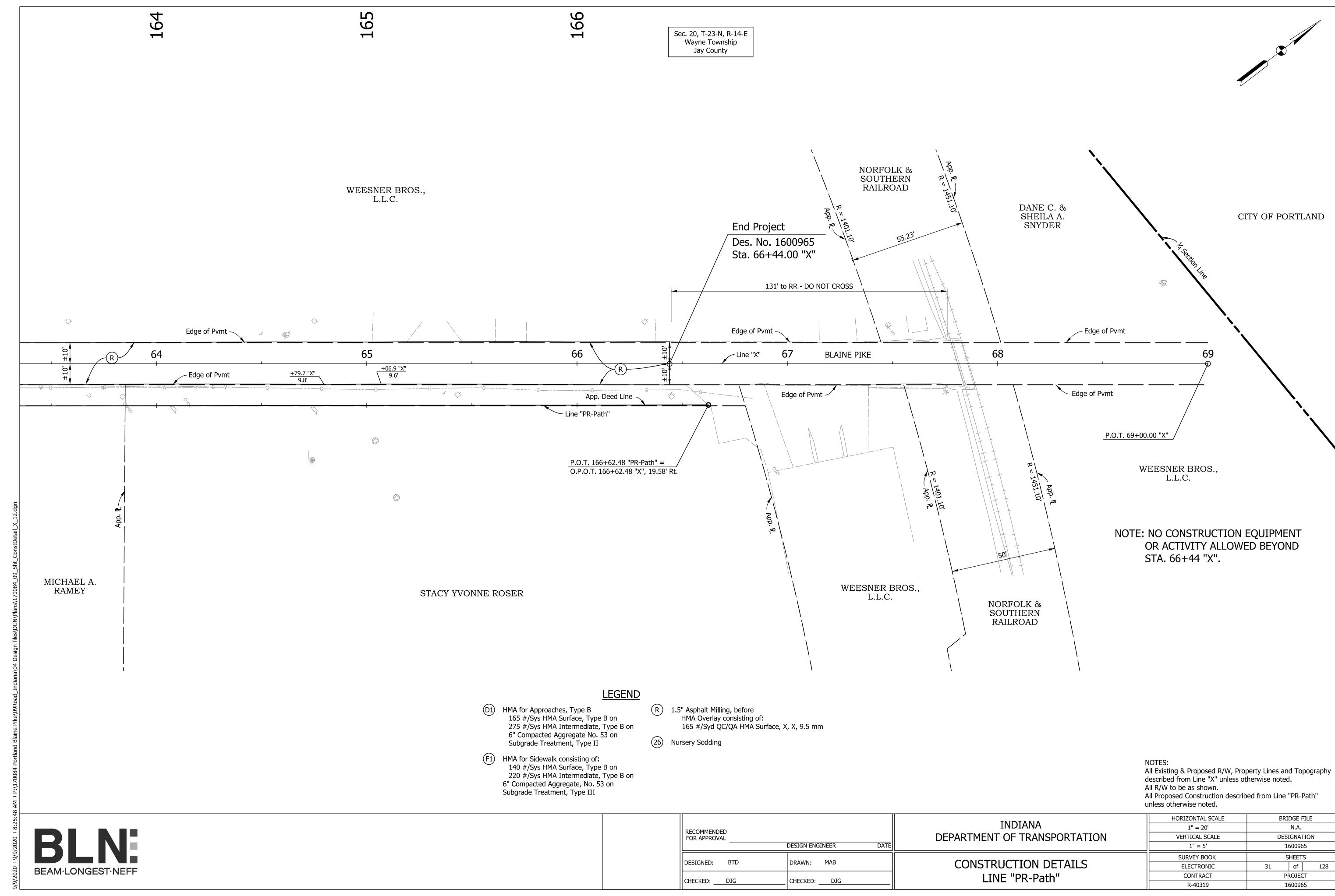




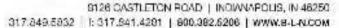








## **Appendix C: Early Coordination**







June 11, 2018

Early Coordination Agency

### Sample Early Coordination Letter and Agency Listing

Re: Des. No. 1600965

Blaine Pike Pavement and Non – Motorized Facility Project

CR 150 South to South of Norfolk Southern Railroad

Portland, Jay County, Indiana

Beam, Longest, and Neff, LLC (BLN) has been selected by the City of Portland, Indiana to prepare the environmental documentation and design plans for the resurfacing of Blaine Pike and the construction of a multi-use path adjacent to the corridor using federal aid funds. This letter is written to describe the referenced project and to solicit your comments on those resources within your jurisdiction as part of the early coordination process.

### **Project Location**

The project is on the southwest side of Portland in Wayne Township, Jay County Indiana. Blaine Pike is on a tangent horizontal alignment and traverses southwest to northeast. Termini for the refereed project on Blaine Pike are County Road (CR) 150 South on the south to approximately 131 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing of Blaine Pike on the north; the total project length is approximately 1.2 miles (6,500 feet). Specifically, the project crosses Sections 20, 29 and 30, Township 23 North, Range 14 East, as shown on the Portland, Indiana 7.5-minute USGS quadrangle map. Project location maps, an aerial photograph, and ground level photographs are attached to this correspondence.

### **Existing Roadway**

Blaine Pike is a two-lane asphalt roadway that is approximately 20 - 21 feet wide. The functional classification of Blaine Pile is a Minor Arterial. The roadway serves as one of the primary routes for access into the City of Portland from rural Jay County. Blaine Pike provides two travel lanes, one in each direction; lane widths are 10 - 10.5 feet. The are no useable shoulders and no pavement markings. A curbed parking lane affords on-street parking from 7th Street to Western Avenue on the east side of Blaine Pike; a second curbed parking lane exists on the west side of the Blaine Pike at Sesame Street. Although on a diagonal, the horizontal alignment of the roadway is tangent, and the vertical alignment is at grade. The posted speed limit is 30 mph. Overhead power lines run parallel along the east side of Blaine Pike, with a secondary set of lines running along the west side of Western Avenue to the railroad tracks. The roadway also provides access to various special land uses including the Green Park Cemetery, Portland Memorial Park, Golden Age Adult Community and the Jay County Humane Society.

Drainage along Blaine Pike is directed through a series of open ditches and outfalls into well-defined drainage ditches that travel east and west under the roadway. A new corrugated metal pipe was recently installed, north of 3rd Street to assist in directing surface run-off away from the roadway. In several areas along the roadway, drainage appears to be captured and transported by yard inlets. It appears all surface run-off is outlet into the Salamonie River, which is located approximately one-half mile to the east and parallel to Blaine Pike.



The Norfolk Southern Railroad line crosses Blaine Pike, north of the northern project terminus. The rail crossing is in fair to good condition and has advanced signing and cross bucks with mounted flashing lights. However, there are no stop bars or pavement markings on Blaine Pike. No work will be undertaken on the rail crossing as the project will terminate approximately 131 feet south of the rail crossing.

### **Existing Land Use**

The predominant land use along the corridor is single family residential subdivisions. Agricultural land is present beyond the project corridor to the south, east and west. The City of Portland is located to the north. Commercial and light industrial uses are clustered near the Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks. A non-profit organization (Disabled American Veterans) is on Blaine Pike near 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

There are special land uses present within and adjacent to the project corridor. The Green Park Cemetery, which was established in 1886 is the largest cemetery in Jay County and is located along the west side of Blaine Pike between 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Honeysuckle Lane. Two access drives for the cemetery intersect with Blaine Pike. The Portland Memorial City Park does not have direct access onto Blaine Pike, but the facility it is located within 100 feet of the corridor, near Western Avenue. The Golden Age Adult Community is a senior citizen retirement community and has one access drive on the west side of Blaine Pike at Sesame Street.

The National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) map was reviewed, and there a are no mapped wetlands along Blaine Pike. A Waters of the US Report (WOUSR) will be prepared as part of the project and will identify any potential jurisdictional water resources present in the project area.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood map was also reviewed to determine the presence of designated floodways or floodplains. The 100-year floodplain of the Salamonie River is present to the northeast of Blaine Pike and extends between 3rd Street to the Norfolk Southern Rail crossing. The floodplain does not extend west of Blaine Pike. Floodplain impacts will be analyzed as part of the environmental document prepared for the project.

### **Purpose and Need**

City of Portland wishes to improve the safety of the Blaine Pike corridor for both non-motorized and pedestrian access and increased vehicular traffic. The existing sidewalks and access ramps need to be improved to be in compliance with current Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines. The existing pavement surface exhibits major cracking which needs to be addressed to extend the life of the pavement structure. This is especially critical near the Portland Memorial Park, the Golden Age Adult Community and the Green Park Cemetery, all of which contribute to increased pedestrian traffic. In addition, there are numerous points of ingress/egress to the residential subdivisions along the project length. The proposed new multi-use use path in addition to an improved roadway surface, will provide increased pedestrian, wheelchair and bicycle safety and provide enhanced vehicular access along the corridor. In addition, the City of Portland supports these improvements to enhance connectivity and the quality of life for its residents and other travelers within the community.

### **Proposed Improvements**

The design for this project will evaluate the existing pavement structure to assess patching needs. This will determine the depth of asphalt milling and provide a preventive maintenance overlay of the existing facility. The intent of this analysis is to extend the life of the existing pavement in the most economical way. Surface runoff will continue to be captured via the open ditches and the enclosed storm system. The existing corrugated pipe north of 3rd Street will be extended to accommodate the inclusion of the new multi-use path. A pedestrian hand rail will also be installed at this location in compliance with the PROWAG/ADA guidelines.



A 10-foot wide multi-use (shared path) will be constructed along the entire length of the corridor. Evaluation of utility and right-of-way impacts along with the existing terrain and connectivity with existing facilities, will determine the best location for the new path. A signalized, mid-block crossing of Blaine Pike at Western Avenue will be evaluated to connect the subdivisions east of Blaine Pike to Portland Memorial Park. A signalized crossing will allow protected pedestrian crossings in marked crosswalks, stopping traffic only as needed. Due to the proximity of the cemetery to Blaine Pike, the installation of the multi-use path is proposed for the east side of the road; however, there may be opportunities for the path to be constructed on the west, depending upon connectivity and safety objectives. New reflective advance warning signs and pavement markings will also be installed where required.

Blaine Pike will remain open for the duration of the construction period. The pavement milling and overlay. will be performed with the use of flaggers and a moving construction site. At least one lane of traffic will be maintained at all times for access through the construction zone. Closure of the road will not be necessary.

Additional permanent right-of-way will be required for the construction of the project, as well as the easement across the railroad right-of-way. It is estimated that approximately 1.8 acres of mostly residential right-of-way. Will be necessary. Excavation up to a depth of two feet will be necessary for construction of the multi-use path along the corridor. Excavation will occur within 50 feet of the centerline of the roadway.

### **Early Coordination**

As part of our early coordination effort for the referenced project, you are asked to study this enclosed information and provide a written evaluation of the potential impacts upon those resources under your jurisdiction. Please return a reply within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. If no reply has been received by this date, it will be indicated in the environmental documentation that your agency had no comment. Your cooperation in expediting the development of the referenced project is appreciated. If you have any questions, or if we can be of any further assistance, please contact this office at <a href="mailto:jvlach@b-l-n.com">jvlach@b-l-n.com</a> or 317-849-5832, ext. 3031. Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours, **BEAM LONGEST NEFF** 

Jeffrey A. Vlach Chief Environmental Analyst

cc:

Federal Highway Administration
US Army Corps of Engineers, Louisville District
Natural Resources Conservation Service
US National Park Service, Midwest Region
Indiana Geological Survey
Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Electronic Letter, Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM)
Electronic Letter, IDEM Wellhead Protection
Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), Office of Communications
INDOT Scoping Manager, Greenfield District
INDOT, Division of Aviation
Jay County Community Development
Jay County Highway Engineer
Mayor, City of Portland

Graphics Provided in ECL are shown in Appendix B

#### EARLY COORDINATION MAILING LIST

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Ms. Jill Reinhart Acting State Conservationist Natural Resources Conservation Service 6013 Lakeside Boulevard Indianapolis, Indiana 46278

Mr. Nick Chevas Regional Environmental Coordinator Midwest Regional Office National Park Service 601 Riverfront Drive Omaha, Nebraska 68102

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Ms. Christie Stanifer, Environmental Coordinator Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Fish and Wildlife 402 West Washington St, Room W273 Indianapolis, IN 46204-2781

Mr. James Kinder Indiana Department of Transportation, Aviation Section Indiana Government Center North, Room N901 100 North Senate Avenue Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 Mr. Rickie Clark, Public Hearings Manager Indiana Department of Transportation Office of Communications 100 North Senate Avenue, Room 642 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Indiana Department of Environmental Management Electronic Early Coordination website

Mr. James Sullivan Drinking Water Branch/Groundwater Section Indiana Department of Environmental Management 100 North Senate Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46204

Mr. Greg McKay U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Louisville District ATTN: CERLR - RDN P.O. Box 59 Louisville, KY 40201 – 0059

Mr. W. Chambers Norfolk Southern Corporation (Via E – mail)

Ms. Ami Huffman, Director Jay County Community Development 118 S, Meridian Street Portland, Indiana 47371

Mr. Daniel Watson, P.E. Jay County Highway Engineer 1015 E, CR 200 North Portland, Indiana 47371

The Honorable Randy Geesaman, Mayor City of Portland 321 N. Meridian Street Portland, Indiana 47371 From: Miller, Brandon To: Jeff Vlach

Re: Des. No. 1600965 - Blaine Pike in Portland, Jay County, Indiana Subject:

Date: Friday, July 13, 2018 1:19:16 PM

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#### Mr. Vlach.

INDOT ESD has reviewed the ECL and has the following comments:

- 1. The letter does not state if federal funds are being used for the project. Please be explicit in future letters as to whether or not federal funds are used as this is an indicator to some agencies as to the depth of responses you will receive.
- 2. Blain Pike and Blaine Pike are both used within the letter. Are they both the same road? If they are different roads, please specify that they are different roads for making it clear to the coordinating agencies as it may influence their responses.
- 3. In the future, please include contact information for the project sponsor (the ERC for an LPA project or the current INDOT PM for an INDOT project).
- 4. In the subject line, do not provide the preferred alternative. You can discuss a likely alternative but the subject should not specify a predetermined solution. In the future you can use Pavement Project and nonmotorized facility projects or similar language.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thanks.

#### **Brandon Miller**

#### **NEPA Team Lead INDOT Environmental Services**

100 N. Senate Ave., Rm. 642 Indianapolis, IN 46204 Office: (317) 234-5108

Email: bramiller1@indot.in.gov











**Organization and Project Information** 

Blaine Pike Road Resurfacing/Multi Us Path **Project ID:** 

Des. ID: 1600965

**Project Title:** Blaine Pike Road Resurfacing/Multi Us Path

Name of Organization: Beam Longest Neff

Requested by: Jeff Vlach

# **Environmental Assessment Report**

1. Geological Hazards:

- Moderate liquefaction potential
- Floodway
- 2. Mineral Resources:
  - Bedrock Resource: High Potential
  - Sand and Gravel Resource: Low Potential
- 3. Active or abandoned mineral resources extraction sites:
  - Abandoned Industrial Minerals Sand Gravel Pits

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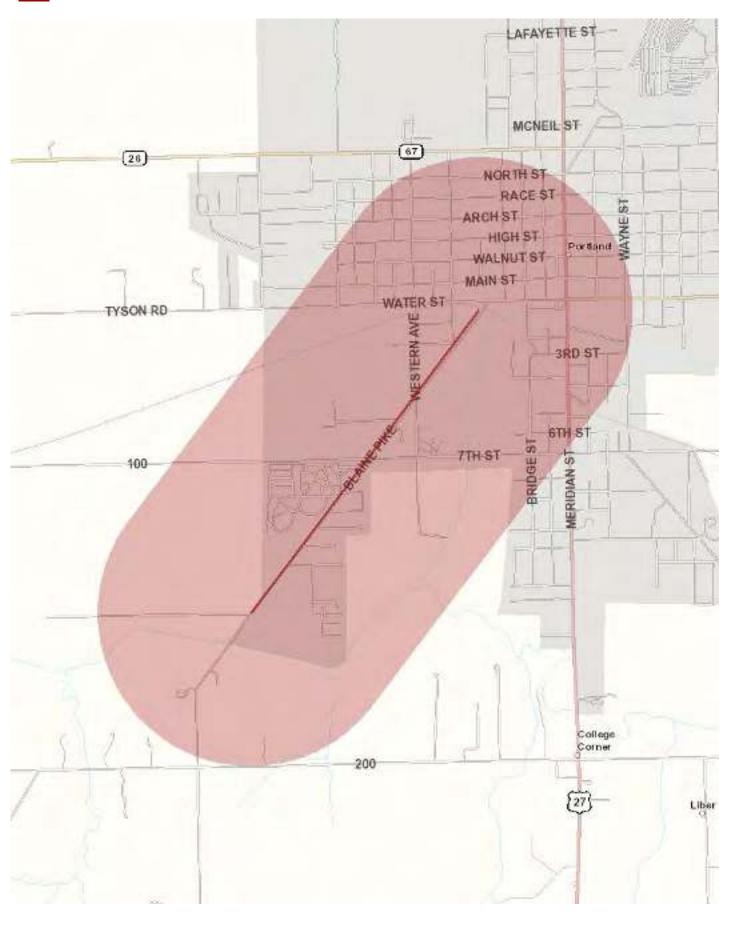
This information was furnished by Indiana Geological Survey Address: 611 N. Walnut Grove Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47405-2208

Email: IGSEnvir@indiana.edu

Phone: 812 855-7428 Date: September 13, 2018

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#### THIS IS NOT A PERMIT

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

#### Early Coordination/Environmental Assessment

DNR #:

ER-20629

Request Received: June 11, 2018

Requestor:

Beam, Longest and Neff, LLC

Jeffery A Visch 8125 Castleton Road Indianapolis, IN 46250-2007

Project:

Blaine Pike resurfacing with construction of a new 10' wide multi-use trail adjacent to the road from CR 150 South to the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing, City of Portland:

Des #1600965

County/Site info:

Jay

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

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

Regulatory Assessment:

Formal approval by the Department of Natural Resources under the regulatory programs administered by the Division of Water is not required for this project.

Natural Heritage Database:

The Natural Horitago Program's data have been checked.

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

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

Fish & Wildlife Comments:

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

Revegetate all bare and disturbed areas with a mixture of grasses (excluding all varieties of tall fescue) and legumes as soon as possible upon completion; low endophyte tall fescue may be used in the citch bottom and side slopes only.
 Minimize and contain within the project limits all tree and brush clearing.

 Do not cut any trees suitable for Indiana bat or Northern Long-eared bat roosting (greater than 3 inches dbh, living or dead, with loose hanging bark, or with cracks, crevices, or cavities) from April 1 through September 30.

 Appropriately designed measures for controlling erosion and sediment must be implemented to prevent sediment from entering the stream or leaving the construction site; maintain these measures until construction is complete and all disturbed areas are stabilized.

Plant five trees, at least 2 inches in diameter-at-breast height, for each tree which is removed that is ten inches or greater in diameter-at-breast height.

Contact Staff:

Christia L. Stanifer, Environ, Coordinator, Fish & Wildlife

Our agency appreciates this opportunity to be of service. Please contact the above

Date: July 6, 2018

staff member at (317) 232-4080 if we can be of further assistance.

Christie L. Stanifer Environ, Coordinator

Division of Fish and Wildlife

Categorical Exclusion C-10



## INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

100 North Senate Avenue Room N955 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 PHONE: (317) 232-1477 FAX: (317) 232-1499 Eric Holcomb, Governor Joe McGuinness, Commissioner

June 25, 2018

Mr. Jeffrey Vlach, Chief Environmental Analyst Beam, Longest and Neff, L.L.C. 8126 Castleton Road Indianapolis, IN 46250

Subject: Early Coordination Review (Des. No. 1600965)

Dear Mr. Vlach,

In response to your request on June 11, 2018 for early coordination review of a roadway resurfacing project and multiuse path construction along Blaine Pike in Portland, Jay County, Indiana; the Indiana Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation has reviewed the information and provides the following:

Are there any existing or proposed public-use airports within 5 nautical miles of the project limits (IC 8-21-10-6)?

The Portland Municipal Airport is located approximately 1.2 nautical miles north of the northernmost proposed project site.

Will an Indiana Tall Structure permit ( $IC\ 8-21-10-3-a$ ) and/or Noise Sensitive ( $IC\ 8-21-10-3-b$ ) permit be required?

Based upon the provided information, an Indiana Tall Structure permit would not be required unless the project involves the construction of a temporary (e.g., crane) or permanent structure that penetrates a 100:1 slope from the nearest point of the Portland Municipal Airport runway.

For any questions related to Indiana Tall Structure and/or Noise Sensitive permitting, please contact James Kinder at (317) 232-1485 or <a href="mailto:ikinder2@indot.in.gov">ikinder2@indot.in.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Adam French, MPA

Chief Airport Inspector, Office of Aviation Indiana Department of Transportation





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City of Portland, Indiana Ami Huffman 118 South Meridian Street, Suite B Portland , IN 47371 Date Beam, Longest, and Neff, LLC Jeff Vlach 8126 Castleton Road Indianapolis , IN 46250

To Engineers and Consultants Proposing Roadway Construction Projects:

RE: Resurfacing of Blaine Pike and the construction of a multi-use path adjacent to the corridor from CR 150 South to 131 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad

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

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

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

#### WATER AND BIOTIC QUALITY

1. Section 404 of the Clean Water Act requires that you obtain a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) before discharging dredged or fill materials into any wetlands or other waters, such as rivers, lakes, streams, and ditches. Other activities regulated include the relocation, channelization, widening, or other such alteration of a stream, and the mechanical clearing (use of heavy construction equipment) of wetlands. Thus, as a project owner or sponsor, it is your responsibility to ensure that no wetlands are disturbed without the proper permit. Although you may initially refer to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetland Inventory maps as a means of identifying potential areas of concern, please be mindful that those maps do not depict jurisdictional wetlands regulated by the USACE or the Department of Environmental Management. A valid jurisdictional wetlands determination can only be made by the USACE, using the 1987 Wetland Delineation Manual.

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

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

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

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

o IC 14-29-4 Construction of Channels Act No related code

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### **AIR QUALITY**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(http://www.in.gov/isdh/regsvcs/radhealth/pdfs/radon\_testers\_mitigators\_list.pdf).) It also is recommended that radon reduction measures be built into all new homes, particularly in areas like Indiana that have moderate to high predicted radon levels.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### LAND QUALITY

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

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

#### **FINAL REMARKS**

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

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

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

#### Signature(s) of the Applicant

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

#### Project Description

Resurfacing of Blaine Pike and the construction of a multi-use path adjacent to the corridor from CR 150 South to 131 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad

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

Date: 6/12 |

Signature of the INDOT

Project Engineer or Other Responsible Agent

Date: 6/22/6

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Signature of the For Hire Consultant

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Bruno Pigott Commissioner

June 12, 2018

66-33 Beam Longest Neff Attention: Mr. Jeffrey A. Vlach 8126 Castleton Road Indianapolis, Indiana 46250

Dear Mr. Jeffrey A. Vlach,

RE: Wellhead Protection Area

**Proximity Determination** 

Des No 1600965

Blaine Pike Resurfacing and Multi-Use Path Construction CR 150 South to South of Norfolk

Southern Railroad

Portland, Jay County, Indiana

Upon review of the above referenced project site, it has been determined that the proposed project area **is not located within** a Wellhead Protection Area. However, the project is located within a tenth of a mile of a Wellhead Protection Area. If the contact information is needed for the WHPA, please contact the reference located at the bottom of the letter for the appropriate information. The information is accurate to the best of our knowledge; however, there are in some cases a few factors that could impact the accuracy of this determination. Some Wellhead Protection Area Delineations have not been submitted, and many have not been approved by this office. In these cases we use a 3,000 foot fixed radius buffer to make the proximity determination. To find the status of a Public Water Supply System's (PWSS's) Wellhead Protection Area Delineation please visit our tracking database at http://www.in.gov/idem/cleanwater/2456.htm and scroll to the bottom of the page.

Note: the Drinking Water Branch has launched a new self service feature which allows one to determine wellhead proximity without submitting the application form. Use the following instructions:

- 1. Go to http://idemmaps.idem.in.gov/whpa2/
- 2. Use the search tool located in the upper left hand corner of the application to zoom to your site of interest by way of city, county, or address; or use the mouse to click on the site of interest displayed on the map.
- 3. Once the site of interest has been located and selected, use the print tool to create a .pdf of a wellhead protection area proximity determination response.

In the future please consider using this self service feature if it is suits your needs.

If you have any additional questions please feel free to contact me at the address above or at (317) 233-9158 and aturnbow@idem.in.gov.

Sincerely.

Alisha Turnbow, Environmental Manager, Ground Water Section, Drinking Water Branch, Office of Water Quality



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http://www.fws.gov/midwest/Endangered/section7/s7process/step1.html



In Reply Refer To: July 19, 2019

Consultation Code: 03E12000-2019-SLI-1354

Event Code: 03E12000-2019-E-06031

Project Name: Des #1600965 Blaine Pike Road Resurface and Non-motorized Path Project

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

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

#### To Whom It May Concern:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Attachment(s):

Official Species List

# Official Species List

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

This species list is provided by:

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

# **Project Summary**

Consultation Code: 03E12000-2019-SLI-1354

Event Code: 03E12000-2019-E-06031

Project Name: Des #1600965 Blaine Pike Road Resurface and Non-motorized Path

Project

Project Type: TRANSPORTATION

Project Description: The proposed project involves non-motorized path improvements and

road resurfacing along Blaine Pike between CR W 150 S and the Norfolk Southern Railroad in the City of Portland, Indiana. The scope of the work involves construction of a new shared use path from Bittersweet Lane to approximately 180 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad. Blaine Pike will be milled and resurfaced from CR 150 S to the same terminus as the shared use path. The project length is approximately 1.2 miles and is in sections 20, 29, and 30, Township 23 North, Range 14 East, Wayne

Township, Jay County, Indiana.

Approximately 2.79 acres of permanent and 0.003 acres of temporary right-of-way will be needed to complete this project. 24 trees will be cleared for this project during the bat inactive season. No permanent lighting will be installed for this project.

Construction is estimated to begin in the Spring of 2020.

#### **Project Location:**

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <a href="https://www.google.com/maps/place/40.42445933683614N84.99042987186655W">https://www.google.com/maps/place/40.42445933683614N84.99042987186655W</a>



Counties: Jay, IN

# **Endangered Species Act Species**

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

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

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries<sup>1</sup>, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

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

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

#### **Mammals**

NAME STATUS

#### Indiana Bat Myotis sodalis

Endangered

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

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

Species survey guidelines:

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

#### Northern Long-eared Bat Myotis septentrionalis

Threatened

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

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

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

Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045</a>

#### Critical habitats

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



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In Reply Refer To: July 21, 2019

Consultation Code: 03E12000-2019-I-1354 Event Code: 03E12000-2019-E-06088

Project Name: Des #1600965 Blaine Pike Road Resurface and Non-motorized Path Project

Subject: Concurrence verification letter for the 'Des #1600965 Blaine Pike Road Resurface

and Non-motorized Path Project' project under the revised February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion for Transportation Projects within the

Range of the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat.

To whom it may concern:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has received your request dated to verify that the **Des #1600965 Blaine Pike Road Resurface and Non-motorized Path Project** (Proposed Action) may rely on the concurrence provided in the February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion for Transportation Projects within the Range of the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat (PBO) to satisfy requirements under Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (87 Stat. 884, as amended: 16 U.S.C 1531 *et seg.*).

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

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

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

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

## **Project Description**

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

#### Name

Des #1600965 Blaine Pike Road Resurface and Non-motorized Path Project

#### **Description**

The proposed project involves non-motorized path improvements and road resurfacing along Blaine Pike between CR W 150 S and the Norfolk Southern Railroad in the City of Portland, Indiana. The scope of the work involves construction of a new shared use path from Bittersweet Lane to approximately 180 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad. Blaine Pike will be milled and resurfaced from CR 150 S to the same terminus as the shared use path. The project length is approximately 1.2 miles and is in sections 20, 29, and 30, Township 23 North, Range 14 East, Wayne Township, Jay County, Indiana.

Approximately 2.79 acres of permanent and 0.003 acres of temporary right-of-way will be needed to complete this project. 24 trees will be cleared for this project during the bat inactive season. No permanent lighting will be installed for this project.

Construction is estimated to begin in the Spring of 2020.

# **Determination Key Result**

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

#### **Qualification Interview**

- 1. Is the project within the range of the Indiana bat<sup>[1]</sup>?
  - [1] See Indiana bat species profile

Automatically answered

Yes

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

Automatically answered

Yes

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

No

6.	Does the project include any activities within 0.5 miles of a known Indiana bat and/or
	NLEB hibernaculum <sup>[1]</sup> ?

[1] For the purpose of this consultation, a hibernaculum is a site, most often a cave or mine, where bats hibernate during the winter (see suitable habitat), but could also include bridges and structures if bats are found to be hibernating there during the winter.

No

7. Is the project located within a karst area?

No

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

Yes

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

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

No

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

No

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

Yes

14.	What time of year will the removal or trimming of habitat or trees within suitable but	ıt
	<b>undocumented Indiana bat</b> roosting/foraging habitat or travel corridors occur <sup>[1]</sup> ?	

- [1] Coordinate with the local Service Field Office for appropriate dates.
- *B)* During the inactive season
- 15. Does the project include activities within documented NLEB habitat<sup>[1][2]</sup>?
  - [1] Documented roosting or foraging habitat for the purposes of this consultation, we are considering documented habitat as that where Indiana bats and/or NLEB have actually been captured and tracked using (1) radio telemetry to roosts; (2) radio telemetry biangulation/triangulation to estimate foraging areas; or (3) foraging areas with repeated use documented using acoustics. Documented roosting habitat is also considered as suitable summer habitat within 0.25 miles of documented roosts.)
  - [2] For the purposes of this key, we are considering documented corridors as that where Indiana bats and/or NLEB have actually been captured and tracked to using (1) radio telemetry; or (2) treed corridors located directly between documented roosting and foraging habitat.

No

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

Yes

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

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

No

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

Yes

22.	Will the removal of habitat or the removal/trimming of trees include installing new or replacing existing <b>permanent</b> lighting?  No
23.	Does the project include wetland or stream protection activities associated with compensatory wetland mitigation?  No
24.	Does the project include slash pile burning?  No
25.	Does the project include <i>any</i> bridge removal, replacement, and/or maintenance activities (e.g., any bridge repair, retrofit, maintenance, and/or rehabilitation work)? <i>No</i>
26.	Does the project include the removal, replacement, and/or maintenance of <i>any</i> structure other than a bridge? (e.g., rest areas, offices, sheds, outbuildings, barns, parking garages, etc.)  No
27.	Will the project involve the use of <b>temporary</b> lighting <i>during</i> the active season? <i>Yes</i>
28.	Is there <i>any</i> suitable habitat <b>within</b> 1,000 feet of the location(s) where <b>temporary</b> lighting will be used? <i>Yes</i>
29.	Will the project install new or replace existing <b>permanent</b> lighting? <i>No</i>
30.	Does the project include percussives or other activities ( <b>not including tree removal/trimming or bridge/structure work</b> ) that will increase noise levels above existing traffic/background levels?  No

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

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

Yes

32. Will the project raise the road profile **above the tree canopy**? *No* 

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

#### Automatically answered

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

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

#### Automatically answered

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

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

#### Automatically answered

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

#### 36. General AMM 1

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

Yes

#### 37. Tree Removal AMM 1

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

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

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

Yes

#### 38. Tree Removal AMM 2

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

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

#### Automatically answered

Yes

#### 39. Tree Removal AMM 2

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

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

#### Automatically answered

Yes

#### 40. Tree Removal AMM 3

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

Yes

#### 41. Tree Removal AMM 4

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

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

Yes

#### 42. Lighting AMM 1

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

Yes

#### 43. Lighting AMM 1

Will *all* **temporary** lighting be directed away from suitable habitat during the active season?

Yes

### **Project Questionnaire**

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

N/A

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

N/A

3. How many acres<sup>[1]</sup> of trees are proposed for removal between 0-100 feet of the existing road/rail surface?

[1] If described as number of trees, multiply by 0.09 to convert to acreage and enter that number.

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# **Avoidance And Minimization Measures (AMMs)**

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

#### **GENERAL AMM 1**

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

#### **LIGHTING AMM 1**

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

#### TREE REMOVAL AMM 1

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

#### TREE REMOVAL AMM 2

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

#### TREE REMOVAL AMM 3

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

#### TREE REMOVAL AMM 4

Do not remove **documented** Indiana bat or NLEB roosts that are still suitable for roosting, or trees within 0.25 miles of roosts, or **documented** foraging habitat any time of year.

# Determination Key Description: FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Consultation For Transportation Projects Affecting NLEB Or Indiana Bat

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

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

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



May 26, 2020

Brian Shaw Beam, Longest and Neff, L.L.C. 8320 Craig Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46250

Dear Mr. Shaw:

The proposed project to construct a multi-use path along County Road 150 South in Portland, Jay County, Indiana (Des. No. 1600965), as referred to in your letter received June 11, 2018, will not cause a conversion of prime farmland.

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

Sincerely,

RICK NEILSON State Soil Scientist

# Appendix D: Section 106 of the NHPA

# Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project

Portland, Wayne Township, Jay County, Indiana

Des. No. 1600965; DHPA No. 23454



800.11(d) Documentation and Effects Finding January 6, 2019

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# FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION'S SECTION 4(f) COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS (for historic properties) AND SECTION 106 FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECT ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATIONS EFFECTS FINDING

Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements, Portland, Wayne Township, Jay County, Indiana Des. No. 1600965; DHPA 23454

## AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS (Pursuant to 36 CFR Section 800.4(a)(1))

The APE of the project includes all properties adjacent to the project and those with a proximate viewshed of the project. The APE consists of recently developed residential neighborhoods, a religious institution and school, and scattered single-dwelling houses not part of a development. Please see Appendix A for a map of the APE.

#### ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATIONS

(Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(c)(2))

No properties within the APE are listed in or recommended eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

## EFFECT FINDING (Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1))

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), acting on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), determined a "No Historic Properties Affected" finding was appropriate for this undertaking.

INDOT respectfully requests the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer provide written concurrence with the Section 106 determination of effect.

## **SECTION 106/SECTION 4(f) COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS** (For historic properties)

This undertaking will not convert property from any Section 4(f) historic property to a transportation use; the INDOT, acting on FHWA's behalf, has determined the appropriate Section 106 finding is "No Historic Properties Affected"; therefore, no Section 4(f) evaluation is required.

### Anuradha Kumar V.

Anuradha V. Kumar, for FHWA Manager INDOT Cultural Resources

01/31/2020

Approval Date

## FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION DOCUMENTATION OF SECTION 106 FINDING OF NO HISTORIC PROPERTIES AFFECTED SUBMITTED TO THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

PURSUANT TO 36 CFR Section 800.4(d)(1)
Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements,
Portland, Wayne Township, Jay County, Indiana
Des. No. 1600965; DHPA 23454

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE UNDERTAKING

The City of Portland, with funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and administrative oversight from the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), proposes to proceed with the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project, Des. No. 1600965; DHPA 23454. The proposed undertaking is located on Blaine Pike from CR 150 S to approximately 175 feet (ft.) south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing in Jay County, Indiana.

The purpose of this project is to improve safety of the Blaine Pike corridor for both the increasing vehicle traffic and pedestrians and non-motorized traffic. The need for this project is to address the deficiencies of the roadway and lack of connectivity in pedestrian facilities along Blaine Pike.

Blaine Pike is classified as a minor arterial facility consisting of a 10-10.5-feet-wide, two-lane asphalt roadway with little to no shoulders. Blaine Pike serves as one of the primary routes for access into the City of Portland from rural Jay County. A curbed parking lane affords on-street parking from 7th St. to Western Avenue on the east side of Blaine Pike; a second curbed parking lane exists on the west side of the Blaine Pike at Sesame St.

The project proposes the milling and resurfacing of Blaine Pike along the entire project corridor and construction of a 10-foot-wide multi-use trail on the east side of the roadway from Bittersweet Lane to approximately 235 ft. south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing. The trail will cross side roads and driveways in which the project proposes to construct crosswalks and curb ramps that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. A mid-block crossing with solar-powered flashing beacons will be constructed just north of the intersection of Blaine Pike and Western Avenue adjacent to Memorial Park. Ditches on the east side of Blaine Pike will be relocated due to the multi-use trail.

The previous report distribution letter dated October 7, 2019, stated that the existing corrugated metal pipe (CMP), located north of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. will be extended to accommodate the inclusion of the new multi-use trail. While the proposed work is correct, the location of the CMP was inaccurate. The existing CMP that will be extended is located approximately 450 ft. *south* of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. For this culvert extension, there will be approximately 400 square feet (0.0092 acre) of permanent right-of-way will be taken from the west side of Blaine Pike (see Appendix E-29).

Currently, it is anticipated that approximately 2.79 acres of permanent and 0.003 acre of temporary right-of-way will be acquired. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2022. No relocations of residents or businesses are expected for this project. See the most current plans in Appendix E.

The proposed project is located within an urban setting of the City of Portland. Land use surrounding the project area is agricultural at the southern end of the project, residential throughout the middle of the project area, and commercial and light industrial at the northern end of the project. The Green Park Cemetery is located on the west side of Blaine Pike. The topography of the project area is mostly flat on the east side of

Blaine Pike. Landcaped lawns and mature trees run along both the west and east sides of Blaine Pike. A total of thirteen (13) residential and city streets, bisect the project area.

The Area of Potential Effects (APE) is the area in which the proposed project may cause alterations in the character or use of historic resources. The APE of the project includes all properties adjacent to the project and those with a proximate viewshed of the project. The APE extends approximately 0.12 mile east of the project at its widest point, 0.10 mile west of the project at its widest point, 0.05 mile north, and 0.05 south of the project. The additional right-of-way acquisition for the existing CMP as mentioned above does not warrant an expansion of the above-ground APE because the original APE is large enough to encompass its physical and visual impacts. See Appendix A for a map of the APE.

#### 2. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY HISTORIC PROPERTIES

The National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), Indiana Register of Historic Sites and Structures (State Register), the State Historic Architectural and Archaeological Research Database (SHAARD and the Indiana Historic Building, Bridges and Cemeteries map), and the *Jay County Interim Report* (1985) were consulted. Approximately 80 above-ground resources were identified within the APE. There are two previously surveyed above-ground resources within the project APE: the Green Park Cemetery, IHSSI No. 075-521-33093; CR-38-64, and the Roscoe Wheat House, IHSSI No. 075-521-33092, rated Outstanding.

A Historic Properties Report (HPR) was prepared by Green 3, LLC, and contained the results of this survey and literature review. The APE contains no properties listed in the National Register and, as a result of identification and evaluation efforts for this HPR, Green 3's qualified historian identified eight newly inventoried properties that retained sufficient integrity to have been given a rating of Contributing. The only property evaluated for listing in the National Register was the Roscoe Wheat House, IHSSI No. 075-521-33092, rated Outstanding, in which the HPR concluded that it was not recommended eligible for listing in the National Register.

Karen Wood conducted a site visit of the project area on March 13, 2019. The historian drove the entire project alignment and the APE. She took general photographs of the project area. All resources that will be 50 years of age by the time of project letting (expected 2022) were surveyed, and photographic documentation of "contributing" resources and representative "non-contributing" resources was prepared. See Appendix B for Photographs.

Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc.'s qualified professional archaeologist who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards identified no sites within the project area (Curran, 1/2/2019). No further work was recommended.

The following parties/agencies were invited to become consulting parties (CP) to this project and were sent an early coordination letter and archaeology short report (Tribes only) on January 23, 2019. The State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) received a paper copy of the early coordination letter and archaeology short report. All potential CPs were invited to view the information on IN SCOPE <a href="http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/">http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/</a>. The SHPO is an automatic consulting party; that office and others accepting consulting party status are shown in boldface type.

- Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer
- Indiana Landmarks, Eastern Regional Field Office
- Jay County Commissioners
- Mayor of Portland
- Jay County Commissioners
- Jay County Highway Department

- Jay County Historian
- Jay County Historical Society
- Portland Historic Preservation Commission
- Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
- Miami Tribe of Oklahoma
- Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
- Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians
- Delaware Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma
- Forest County Potawatomi Community

In a letter dated February 8, 2019, the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma agreed to serve as a consulting party for the undertaking.

In a letter dated March 6, 2019, the SHPO staff concurred with the list of consulting parties whom INDOT invited. In regards to archaeological resources, the SHPO staff concurred with the conclusions of the archaeology report (Curran, 1/2/2019). Additionally, the SHPO staff noted "that portions of the proposed project area lie immediately adjacent to Green Park Cemetery/Stephenson [sic] Cemetery (CR-38-64 in the Indiana DHPA SHAARD database system). Please note that, if the proposed project area includes any areas within 100 feet of a cemetery, then a cemetery development plan will be necessary under IC 14-21-1-26.5."

In a letter dated June 20, 2019, the Eastern Shawnee Tribe agreed to serve as a consulting party for the undertaking. No other consulting party comments were received.

The HPR (Wood, 10/7/2019) and report distribution letter were sent to the participating consulting parties on October 7, 2019. No above-ground resources were recommended as eligible for inclusion in the NRHP. The SHPO received a paper copy of the HPR and letter. All participating CPs were invited to view the information on IN SCOPE <a href="http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/">http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/</a>.

The report distribution letter that accompanied the HPR dated October 7, 2019, noted that the Green Park Cemetery is located within 100 feet of the project area. The letter also stated "since no temporary or permanent right-of-way is being acquired from the cemetery and the boundaries of the cemetery are well-defined, the proposed project will not have an impact upon the cemetery. Therefore, the preparation of a cemetery development plan is not warranted."

In a letter dated November 6, 2019, the SHPO staff concurred with the size of the APE and the conclusion of the HPR "that none of the above-ground properties identified within the APE are eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places." No other consulting party comments were received.

The archaeological report (Curran, 1/2/2019) did not include the additional right-of-way acquisition for the culvert extension as well as the north corner of Blaine Pike at Western Ave in its survey area. An addendum to the archaeology report (Kelley and Szmutko, 12/30/2019) was prepared to include these additional areas. The report identified no sites within the additional survey project area and no further work is recommended.

Please see Appendix C for consulting party correspondence and Appendix D for summaries of the HPR and the archaeology short report.

A public notice of the "No Historic Properties Affected" finding will be published in *the Commercial Review* (Portland, Jay Co.) and the public will be afforded thirty (30) days to respond. This document will be revised, if necessary, after the expiration of the public comment period.

#### 3. BASIS FOR FINDING

Based on identification efforts, a finding of "No Historic Properties Affected" is appropriate because no historic properties are present within the APE.

#### **APPENDICES**

- A—Maps
- B—Photographs
- C—Consulting Party Correspondence
- D—Report Summaries
- E—Most Current Plans

#### Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project

HISTORIC PROPERTY REPORT

Portland, Wayne Township, Jay County, Indiana Des. No. 1600965

October 7, 2019



Prepared for: Beam, Longest, and Neff 8320 Craig Rd. Indianapolis, IN 46260

Ву:

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Karen Wood Environmental and Cultural Resource Manager Green 3, LLC Historic Fountain Square 1104 Prospect Street Indianapolis, IN 46203



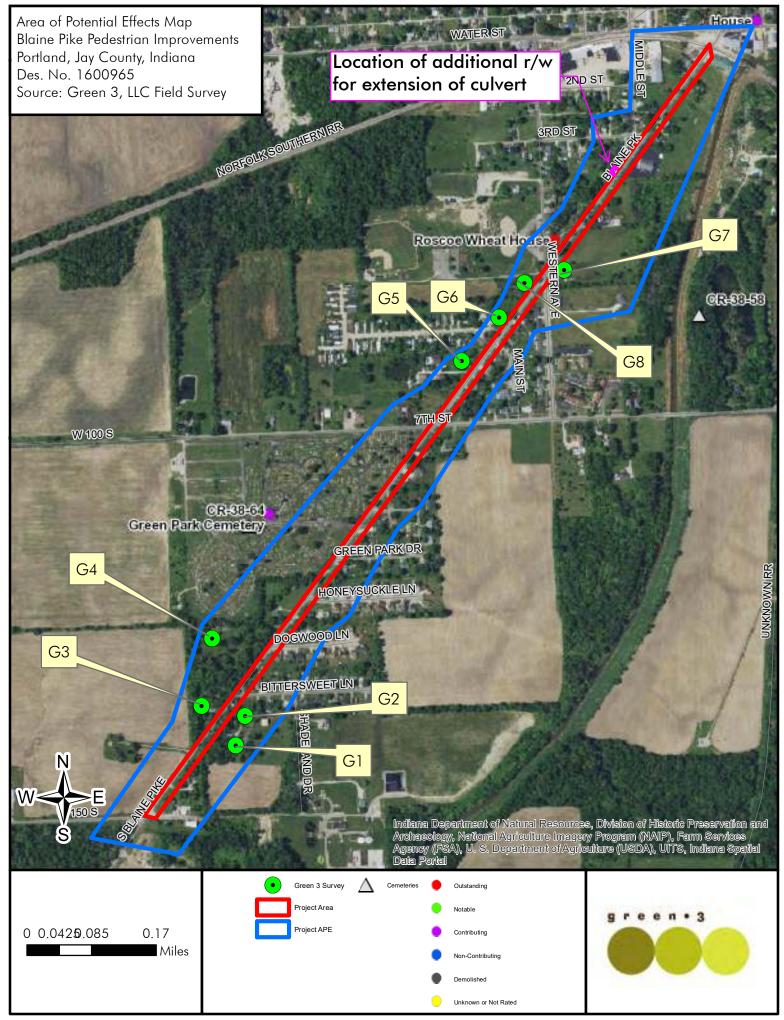
#### Management Summary

This report documents the identification and evaluation efforts for properties included in the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project, in Portland, Wayne Township, Jay County, Indiana (Des. No. 1600695). Above-ground resources located within the project APE were identified and evaluated in accordance with Section 106, National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended, and the regulations implementing Section 106 (36 CFR Part 800).

As a result of the NHPA, as amended, and CFR Part 800, federal agencies are required to take into account the impact of federal undertakings upon historic properties in the area of the undertaking. Historic properties include buildings, structures, sites, objects, and/or districts that are eligible for or listed in the National Register of Historic Places (National Register). As this project is receiving funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), it is subject to a Section 106 review.

The APE contains no properties listed in the National Register.

The APE contains no properties that are recommended eligible for listing in the National Register.





## INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND ARCHAEOLOGY

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Author: Michael J. Curran		
	Date (month, day, ye	ear): January 2, 2019
	e Ia Archaeological Survey for a Pr of Portland, Jay County, Indiana (	oposed Road Improvement Project along Blaine Pike in CRA Publication Series 18-626)
	PROJECT	OVERVIEW
Project Description:	the City of Portland, Jay County, Blaine Pike and construct a new sof Blaine Pike, south of its interse intersection with Bittersweet Lane survey area and construction limit area measures approximately 1,93	roposed road improvement project along Blaine Pike in Indiana (Figure 1). The City of Portland plans to resurface hared use path. The survey area is located on the east side ction with the Norfolk Southern Railroad and north of the E. Between Bittersweet Lane and W County Road S, the s are confined to the existing right-of-way. The survey 0 m (6,330 ft) in length, with a width between 6.1 and g 1.5 ha (3.6 acres) (Figures 2 and 3). The survey area was nits.
INDOT Designation	Number/ Contract Number: Des. N	No. 1600965 Project Number: CRA No. I18B013
DHPA Number: N/A	A	Approved DHPA Plan Number: N/A
Prepared For: Beam	, Longest, & Neff, LLC	
Contact Person: Bri	an Shaw	
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	r: Andrew V. Martin, RPA	
Signature:	1.19th .	
Company/Institution	Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc.	(CRA)
Address: 201 North	west Fourth Street, Suite 204	
City: Evansville		State: IN ZIP Code: 47708
Telephone Number:	(812) 253-3009	Email Address: amartin@crai-ky.com

	chaeological reconnaissance has located no archaeological sites within the project area and it is hat the project be allowed to proceed as planned.	
have the potent	chaeological reconnaissance has determined that the project area includes landforms which ial to contain buried archaeological deposits. It is recommended that Phase Ic archaeological nnaissance be conducted before the project is allowed to proceed.	
1 1	chaeological reconnaissance has determined that the project area is within 100 feet of a Cemetery Development Plan is required per IC-14-21-1-26.5.	
	The Green Park Cemetery (CR 38-64) is located within 100 ft of the survey area, on the west side of Blaine Pike.	
Other Recommend	The Green Park Cemetery is well marked and maintained. Due to the cemetery's location on the opposite side of Blaine Pike and its defined boundary, the preparation of a cemetery development plan is considered not warranted.	
demolition, or eart	-21-1, if any archaeological artifacts or human remains are uncovered during construction, hmoving activities, state law (Indiana Code 14-21-1-27 and 29) requires that the discovery o the Department of Natural Resources within two (2) business days. In that event, please call	
	Attachments	
Figure showing	project location within Indiana.	
□ USGS topograp	shic map showing the project area (1:24,000 scale).	
Aerial photogra	ph showing the project area, land use and survey methods.	
Photographs of	the project area.	
Project plans (i	favailable)	
Legal Locations; Owner Names; Previously Recorded Archaeological Sites within 1.0 mi; Previously Recorded Archaeological Investigations within 1.0 mi; References Cited		
References Cited:	See attachment	
Comments: None		
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Author: Lisa Kelley	and Cecilia Szmutko		
	Date (month, day,	pear): December 30, 2019	
	lendum Report for the Proposed R d, Jay County, Indiana (INDOT D	oad Improvement Project along Blaine Pike in the es. No. 1600965)	City of
	PROJEC	T OVERVIEW	
Project Description:	Blaine Pike in Portland, Jay Coube on the east side of Blaine Pike crossing and north of Bitterswee the east side of Blaine Pike was (2019). Two additional areas that identified as extending outside owest side of Blaine Pike betweer total of 372 sq m (4,004 sq ft) (F	struct a new shared use path and resurface portion ity, Indiana (Figure 1). The proposed project will pand extend south of the Norfolk Southern Railroa Lane (Figure 2). A survey covering 1.5 ha (3.6 ac onducted in January 2019 for the proposed project are the focus of this addendum report have since be the existing right-of-way. The two areas are located South Western Avenue and West Third Street, and gure 3). Proposed construction associated with the g with a sidewalk, ramp, and beacon, as well as a	orimarily d res) on (Curran een ed on the d cover a se two
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1 1	ogical records check has determined that the project area does not have the potential to contain gical resources.	
Archaeolo	ogical records check has determined that the project area has the potential to contain archaeological	
Phase Ia reconnaissance has located no archaeological resources in the project area.		
Phase Ia r	econnaissance has identified landforms conducive to buried archaeological deposits.	
Actual Area S	Surveyed hectares: 00.04 acres: 00.09	
Comments:	The shovel tests conducted in the survey areas did not identify any archaeological material from a intact depositional context. Some pieces of brick were identified in the northern survey area in all three of the shovel tests. However, the soil profiles suggest that this area has been previously disturbed. The profiles in the two shovel tests furthest from the road consisted of a very dark brown (10YR 2/2) silt loam with brick pieces to approximately 30 cm bgs. From 30 to 50 cm bgs was a mottled very dark brown (10YR 2/2) and yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) silty clay over a dark grayish brown (10YR 4/2) clay. The top two soil zones described above are inconsistent with the soil map units (Blount and Glynwood) described for this landform. The last soil zone is consistent with the poorly drained Bt-horizon of the Blount series.  As mentioned above, there is a historic structure just north of the northern survey area that may have been built between 1910 and 1936. However, the structure is extant in it's original location, and the map data does not suggest that there was an earlier building near this locale. Therefore, the brick seems to be secondarily deposited without a primary physical context or associated location that would possess research value. Rather, the bricks are likely associated with the culvert/road construction. Therefore, they were not collected or recorded as an archaeological site.  The shovel test profiles in the southern survey area consisted of a 27 cm dark grayish brown (10YR 4/2) silt loam over a pale brown (10YR 6/3) silty clay loam to 36 cm bgs that was underlain by a brownish yellow (10YR 6/8) silty clay. This profile is consistent with both the Glynwood and Blount soil series, which would have archaeological deposits only at or near the surface in this environment.	
	Recommendation	
	eological records check has determined that the project area has the potential to contain gical resources and a Phase Ia archaeological reconnaissance is recommended.	
The archaeological records check has determined that the project area does not have the potential to contain archaeological resources and no further work is recommended before the project is allowed to proceed.		
The Phase Ia archaeological reconnaissance has located no archaeological sites within the project area and it is recommended that the project be allowed to proceed as planned.		
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Cemetery Na	me: N/A	
Other Recom	mendations/Commitments: None	
Dunament to	IC 14.21.1 if any archaeological artifacts or human remains are uncovered during construction	

Pursuant to IC-14-21-1, if any archaeological artifacts or human remains are uncovered during construction, demolition, or earthmoving activities, state law (Indiana Code 14-21-1-27 and 29) requires that the discovery must be reported to the Department of Natural Resources within two (2) business days. In that event, please call (317) 232-1646.

#### **Attachments**

Figure showing project location within Indiana	<b>.</b>
	rea (1:24,000 scale).
Aerial photograph showing the project area, lan	nd use and survey methods.
Project plans (if available)	
Other Attachments: References Cited; Table 1; Ta	able 2.
References Cited: See attachment.	
Comments: None.	
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Cilration Facility for Project Documentation: 1	project documentation will be retained at Cultural Resource lysts, Inc., Evansville, Indiana.

#### INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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Eric J. Holcomb, Governor Joe McGuinness, Commissioner

January 23, 2019

This letter was sent to the listed parties

Re: Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project, Des. No. 1600965

Dear Consulting Party,

The City of Portland, with funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and administrative oversight from the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), propose to proceed with the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project, Des. No. 1600965. Beam, Longest, and Neff is under contract with the City of Portland to advance the environmental documentation for the referenced project.

This letter is part of the early coordination phase of the environmental review process requesting comments associated with this project. We are requesting comments from your area of expertise regarding any possible environmental effects associated with this project. Please use the above Des. Number and project description in your reply and your comments will be incorporated into the formal environmental study.

The proposed undertaking is located on Blaine Pike from CR 150 S to approximately 130 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing in Jay County, Indiana. It is within Wayne Township, Indiana 7.5-minute USGS Topographic Quadrangle in Portland, in Sections 20, 29, and 30, Township 23 North, Range 14 East.

The purpose of this project is to improve safety of the Blaine Pike corridor for both the increasing vehicle traffic and pedestrians and non-motorized traffic. The need for this project is to address the deficiencies of the roadway and lack of connectivity in pedestrian facilities along Blaine Pike.

Blaine Pike is classified as a minor arterial facility consisting of a 10-10.5-feet-wide, two-lane asphalt roadway with little to no shoulders. Blaine Pike serves as one of the primary routes for access into the City of Portland from rural Jay County. A curbed parking lane affords on-street parking from 7<sup>th</sup> St. to Western Avenue on the east side of Blaine Pike; a second curbed parking lane exists on the west side of the Blaine Pike at Sesame St.

The project proposes the milling and resurfacing of Blaine Pike along the entire project corridor and construction of a 10-foot-wide multi-use trail on the east side of the roadway from Bittersweet Lane to approximately 130 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing. The trail will cross side roads and driveways in which the project proposes to construct crosswalks and curb ramps that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. A mid-block crossing with solar-powered flashing beacons will be constructed just north of the intersection of Blaine Pike and Western Avenue adjacent to Memorial Park. Ditches on the east side of Blaine Pike will be relocated due to the multi-use trail. The existing corrugated metal pipe (CMP) north of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. will be extended to accommodate the inclusion of the new multi-use trail.

The project is approximately 1.2 miles long. Land use surrounding the project area is primarily residential with some agricultural land use at the southern end of the project and some commercial land use at the northern end of the project. The Green Park Cemetery is located adjacent to Blaine Pike on the west side. The project lies entirely within the corporation limits of the City of Portland with the downtown area located to the north. It is anticipated that approximately 3.1 acres of permanent right-of-way and 0.1 acre of temporary right-of-way will be acquired for this project. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2022.



Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires that Federal agencies take into account the effects of their undertakings on historic properties. In accordance with 36 CFR 800.2(c), you are hereby requested to be a consulting party to participate in the Section 106 process. Entities that have been invited to participate in the Section 106 consultation process for this project are identified in the attached list. Per 36 CFR 800.3(f), we hereby request that the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) notify this office if the SHPO staff is aware of any other parties that may be entitled to be consulting parties or should be contacted as potential consulting parties for the project.

The Section 106 process involves efforts to identify historic properties potentially affected by the undertaking, assess the undertaking's effects, and seek ways to avoid, minimize or mitigate any adverse effects on historic properties. For more information regarding the protection of historic resources, please see the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Guide *Protecting Historic Properties: A Citizen's Guide to Section 106 Review* available online at http://www.achp.gov/citizensguide.pdf.

The Area of Potential Effects (APE) is the area in which the proposed project may cause alterations in the character or use of historic resources. At this time, no above-ground cultural resource investigation has occurred; however, the results of the above-ground cultural resource identification and evaluation efforts will be forthcoming. Consulting parties will receive notification when this report is completed.

With regards to archaeological resources, an archaeologist who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards identified no sites within the project area (Curran, 1/2/2019). No further work is recommended.

The archaeology report (tribes only), and this letter are available for review in IN SCOPE at <a href="http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/">http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/</a> (the Des. No. is the most efficient search term, once in IN SCOPE). You are invited to review these documents and respond with comments on any historic resource impacts incurred as a result of this project so that an environmental report can be completed. We also welcome your related opinions and other input to be considered in the preparation of the environmental document. If you prefer a hard copy of this material, please respond to this email with your request within seven (7) days.

Please review the information and comment within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt. If you indicate that you do not desire to be a consulting party, or if you do not respond, you will not be included on the list of consulting parties for this project. If we do not receive your response in the time allotted, the project will proceed consistent with the proposed design and you will not receive further information about the project unless the design changes.

For questions concerning specific project details, you may contact Karen Wood at (317) 634 – 4110 or e-mail to <a href="mailto:karen@green3studio.com">karen@green3studio.com</a>. All future responses regarding the proposed project should be forwarded to Green 3, LLC at the following address:

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Tribal contacts may contact Shaun Miller at smiller@indot.in.gov or 317-233-6795 or Michelle Allen at FHWA at michelle.allen@dot.gov or 317-226-7492. Thank you for your time, consideration and feedback.

Sincerely,



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Anuradha V. Kumar, Manager Cultural Resources Office, INDOT Environmental Services

Enclosures: Topographic Map

Distribution List: Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer INDOT-CRO Federal Highway Administration Indiana Landmarks, Eastern Regional Office Mayor of Portland Jay County Commissioners Jay County Highway Department Jay County Historian Jay County Historical Society Portland Historic Preservation Commission Eastern Shawnee Tribe Miami Tribe of Oklahoma Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians Delaware Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma Forest County Potawatomi Community



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October 7, 2019

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The proposed undertaking is located on Blaine Pike from CR 150 S to approximately 175 feet (ft.) south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing in Jay County, Indiana. It is within Wayne Township, Portland USGS Topographic Quadrangle, in Sections 20, 29, and 30, Township 23 North, Range 14 East.

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The project proposes the milling and resurfacing of Blaine Pike along the entire project corridor and construction of a 10-foot-wide multi-use trail on the east side of the roadway from Bittersweet Lane to approximately 235 ft. south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing. The early coordination letter dated January 23, 2019 indicated that both the project corridor and the trail ended at the northeastern terminus approximately 130 ft. from the railroad; that length was inaccurate. The mill and overlay of Blaine Pike ends approximately 175 ft. south of the railroad; the trail ends approximately 235 ft. south of the railroad. The trail will cross side roads and driveways in which the project proposes to construct crosswalks and curb ramps that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. A mid-block crossing with solar-powered flashing beacons will be constructed just north of the intersection of Blaine Pike and Western Avenue adjacent to Memorial Park. Ditches on the east side of Blaine Pike will be relocated due to the multi-use trail. The existing corrugated metal pipe (CMP) north of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. will be extended to accommodate the inclusion of the new multi-use trail.



The project is approximately 1.2 miles long. Land use surrounding the project area is primarily residential with some agricultural land use at the southern end of the project and some commercial land use at the northern end of the project. The project lies entirely within the corporation limits of the City of Portland with the downtown area located to the north.

The Green Park Cemetery is located approximately 14 ft. west from the edge of pavement of Blaine Pike, running adjacent to the roadway for approximately 0.22 mile within the proposed project area. The cemetery's boundaries are well-defined. Since no temporary or permanent right-of-way is being acquired from the cemetery and the boundaries of the cemetery are well-defined, the proposed project will not have an impact upon the cemetery. Therefore, the preparation of a cemetery development plan is not warranted.

Originally, it was anticipated that approximately 3.1 acres of permanent and 0.1 acre of temporary right-of-way will be acquired for this project. Currently, it is anticipated that approximately 2.79 acres of permanent and 0.003 acre of temporary right-of-way will be acquired. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2022.

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A historian who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards identified and evaluated above-ground resources within the APE for potential eligibility for the NRHP. As a result of the historic property identification and evaluation efforts, no above-ground resources are recommended as eligible for listing in the NRHP.

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The Historic Property Report and this letter are available for review in IN SCOPE at <a href="http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/">http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/</a> (the Des. No. is the most efficient search term, once in IN SCOPE). You are invited to review these documents and respond with comments on any historic resource impacts incurred as a result of this project so that an environmental report can be completed. We also welcome your related opinions and other input to be considered in the preparation of the environmental document. If you prefer a hard copy of this material, please respond to this email with your request within seven (7) days.

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**Enclosures:** 

Topographic Map

Historic Properties Report (this document may be found on the IN SCOPE site if you are receiving this letter by email)

Distribution List: Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer Miami Tribe of Oklahoma Eastern Shawnee Tribe





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Eric Holcomb, Governor Joe McGuinness, Commissioner

January 31, 2020

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The previous report distribution letter dated October 7, 2019, stated that the existing corrugated metal pipe (CMP), located north of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. will be extended to accommodate the inclusion of the new multi-use trail. While the proposed work is correct, the location of the CMP was inaccurate. The existing CMP that will be extended is located approximately 450 ft. *south* of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. For this culvert extension, there will also be approximately 400 square feet (0.0092 acre) of permanent



right-of-way taken from the west side of Blaine Pike. See most current plan sheet in Appendix E-29 of the 800.11 documentation that shows the right-of-way acquisition.

Green 3, LLC is under contract with the City of Portland to advance the environmental documentation for the referenced project.

In accordance with 36 CFR 800.2 (c), you were invited to become a consulting party as part of the Section 106 process, or you are hereby invited to become a consulting party as part of the Section 106 process. Entities that have previously accepted consulting party status—as well as additional entities that are currently being invited to become consulting parties—are identified in the attached list.

The Section 106 process involves efforts to identify historic properties potentially affected by the undertaking, assess its effects and seek ways to avoid, minimize or mitigate any adverse effects on historic properties. For more information regarding the protection of historic resources, please see the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's guide: *Protecting Historic Properties: A Citizen's Guide to Section 106 Review* available online at <a href="https://www.achp.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2017-01/CitizenGuide.pdf">https://www.achp.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2017-01/CitizenGuide.pdf</a>.

The Area of Potential Effects (APE) is the area in which the proposed project may cause alterations in the character or use of historic resources. The APE contains no resources listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

A historian who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards identified and evaluated above-ground resources within the APE for potential eligibility for the NRHP. As a result of the historic property identification and evaluation efforts, no above-ground resources are recommended as eligible for listing in the NRHP. Regarding the additional right-of-way acquisition for the culvert extension, the above-ground APE remains sufficient. No further work is recommended. See the APE map enclosed showing the additional right-of-way acquisition.

With regard to archaeological resources, an archaeologist who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards identified no sites within the project area (Curran, 1/2/2019) and no further work was recommended. The archaeological report's survey area did not include the additional right-of-way acquisition for the culvert extension as well as the north corner of Blaine Pike at Western Ave. An addendum to the archaeology report (Kelley and Szmutko, 12/30/2019) was prepared to include these additional areas. The report identified no sites within the additional survey project area and no further work is recommended.

The 800.11(d) documentation and Addendum to the Archaeology Report (SHPO and tribes only) are available for review in IN SCOPE at <a href="http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/">http://erms.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents/</a> (the Des. No. is the most efficient search term, once in IN SCOPE). You are invited to review these documents and respond with comments on any historic resource impacts incurred as a result of this project so that an environmental report can be completed. We also welcome your related opinions and other input to be considered in the preparation of the environmental document. If you prefer a hard copy of this material, please respond to this email with your request within seven (7) days.

Please review the information and comment within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt. If you indicate that you do not desire to be a consulting party or if you have not previously accepted consulting party status and you do not respond to this letter, you will not be included on the list of consulting parties for this project and will not receive further information about the project unless the design changes.

For questions concerning specific project details, you may contact Karen Wood of Green 3, LLC at 317.634.4110 or karen@green3studio.com. All future responses regarding the proposed project should be forwarded to Green 3, LLC at the following address:

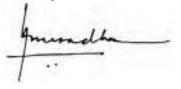
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Tribal contacts may contact Shaun Miller at <a href="miller@indot.in.gov">smiller@indot.in.gov</a> or 317-233-6795 or Michelle Allen at FHWA at <a href="michelle.allen@dot.gov">michelle.allen@dot.gov</a> or 317-226-7344.

Sincerely,



Anuradha V. Kumar, Manager Cultural Resources Office Environmental Services

#### **Enclosures:**

APE Map showing location of additional right-of-way 800.11(d) Documentation (this document may be found on the IN SCOPE site if you are receiving this letter by email) Addendum to Archaeology Report (this document may be found on the IN SCOPE site if you are receiving this letter by email)

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March 6, 2019



Karen Wood Environmental and Cultural Resources Manager Green 3, LLC 1104 Prospect Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46203

Federal Agency: Indiana Department of Transportation ("INDOT"),

on behalf of Federal Highway Administration, Indiana Division ("FHWA")

Re: Early coordination letter, and Indiana archaeological short report (Curran, 01/02/2019), for the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project, in the City of Portland and Wayne Township, Jay County, Indiana (Des. No. 1600965, DHPA No. 23454)

#### Dear Ms. Wood:

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (54 U.S.C. § 306108), 36 C.F.R. Part 800, and the "Programmatic Agreement (PA) Among the Federal Highway Administration, the Indiana Department of Transportation, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer Regarding the Implementation of the Federal Aid Highway Program In the State of Indiana," the staff of the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer ("Indiana SHPO staff") or "INDNR-DHPA") has reviewed Green 3, LLC's review request submittal form dated January 23, 2019, which enclosed INDOT's early coordination letter of the same date and the Indiana archaeological short report (Curran, 01/02/2019), all of which we received on February 4, 2019, for the project that would occur on and along Blaine Pike from CR 150 S to approximately 130 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railway crossing.

We are not aware of any parties who should be invited to participate in the Section 106 consultation for this federal undertaking, beyond those whom INDOT has invited. In your next correspondence on this project, please inform us as to which of the invited consulting parties have accepted the invitation and provide the e-mail or postal addresses of those that have accepted.

In regard to archaeological resources, based on the submitted information and the documentation available to the staff of the Indiana SHPO, we have not identified any currently known archaeological resources listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places ("NRHP") within the proposed project area; and we concur with the opinion of the archaeologist, as expressed in the Indiana archaeological short report (Curran, 01/02/2019), that no further archaeological investigations appear necessary at this location.

Additionally, we note that portions of the proposed project area lie immediately adjacent to Green Park Cemetery/Stepheenson Cemetery (CR-38-64 in the Indiana DHPA SHAARD database system). Please note that, if the proposed project area includes any areas within 100 feet of a cemetery, then a cemetery development plan will be necessary under IC 14-21-1-26.5. The aforementioned cemetery must be avoided by all project activities, and provisions of relevant state statutes regarding cemeteries (including IC 14-21-1 and IC 23-14) must be adhered to. Please also be aware of Indiana Code 23-14-44-1 and Indiana Code 23-14-44-2, regarding restrictions on roads and utility construction in cemeteries.

If any prehistoric or historic archaeological artifacts or human remains are uncovered during construction, demolition, or earthmoving activities, state law (Indiana Code 14-21-1-27 and -29) requires that the discovery be reported to the INDNR-DHPA within two (2) business days. In that event, please call (317) 232-1646. Be advised that adherence to Indiana Code 14-21-1-27

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and -29 does not obviate the need to adhere to applicable federal statutes and regulations, including but not limited to 36 C.F.R. Part 800.

We look forward to receiving the historic property report for this project that INDOT's letter said will be forthcoming.

The structures reviewer for the Indiana SHPO staff is John Carr, and the archaeological reviewer is Wade T. Tharp. However, if you have questions about the status of our review of a submission, about the kind of information to submit, or about a procedural issue, please contact initially an INDOT Cultural Resources Office staff member who is assigned to the project.

In all future correspondence regarding the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project in the City of Portland and Wayne Township, Jay County (Des. No. 1600965), please refer to DHPA No. 23454.

Very truly yours,

Beth K. McCord

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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November 6, 2019



Karen Wood Environmental and Cultural Resources Manager Green 3, LLC 1104 Prospect Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46203

Federal Agency: Indiana Department of Transportation ("INDOT"),

on behalf of Federal Highway Administration, Indiana Division ("FHWA")

Re: Historic structures report (Wood, 10/7/2019), for the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project, in the City of Portland and Wayne Township, Jay County, Indiana (Des. No. 1600965;

DHPA No. 23454)

#### Dear Ms. Wood:

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (54 U.S.C. § 306108), 36 C.F.R. Part 800, and the "Programmatic Agreement (PA) Among the Federal Highway Administration, the Indiana Department of Transportation, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer Regarding the Implementation of the Federal Aid Highway Program In the State of Indiana," the staff of the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer ("Indiana SHPO staff" or "INDNR-DHPA") has reviewed INDOT's letter dated October 7, 2019, enclosing the historic property report ("HPR"; Wood, 10/7/2019), which we received on October 8 for the project that would occur on or along Blaine Pike from CR 150 S to approximately 175 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railway crossing.

Thank you for advising us of the other parties who have accepted INDOT's consulting party status for this Section 106 consultation.

The area of potential effects ("APE") proposed in the HPR appears to be of appropriate dimensions to encompass the geographic area in which the project could have effects on historic properties.

We agree with the conclusion of the HPR that none of the above-ground properties identified within the APE are eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places ("NRHP").

As previously indicated, in regard to archaeological resources, based on the submitted information and the documentation available to the staff of the Indiana SHPO, we have not identified any currently known archaeological resources listed in or eligible for inclusion in the NRHP within the proposed project area; and we concur with the opinion of the archaeologist, as expressed in the Indiana archaeological short report (Curran, 01/02/2019), that no further archaeological investigations appear necessary at this location.

Additionally, as previously indicated, we note that portions of the proposed project area lie immediately adjacent to Green Park Cemetery/Stepheenson Cemetery (CR-38-64 in the Indiana DHPA SHAARD database system). If ground disturbing activities will be within 100 feet of this cemetery, please be aware of the cemetery development requirements in Indiana Code 14-21-1-26.5 (http://iga.in.gov/legislative/laws/2016/ic/titles/014/articles/021/chapters/001/#section-26.5). The aforementioned cemetery must be avoided by all project activities, and provisions of relevant state statutes regarding cemeteries (including IC 14-21-1 and IC 23-14) must be adhered to. Please also be aware of Indiana Code 23-14-44-1 and Indiana Code 23-14-44-2, regarding restrictions on roads and utility construction in cemeteries.

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We agree that no properties that are listed in or eligible for inclusion in the NRHP lie within the APE.

Unless another consulting party disagrees with the conclusion of the HPR, it might now be appropriate to ask INDOT for a finding.

The structures reviewer for the Indiana SHPO staff is John Carr, and the archaeological reviewer is Wade T. Tharp. However, if you have questions about the status of our review of a submission, about the kind of information to submit, or about a procedural issue, please contact initially an INDOT Cultural Resources Office staff member who is assigned to the project.

In all future correspondence regarding the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Project in the City of Portland and Wayne Township, Jay County (Des. No. 1600965), please refer to DHPA No. 23454.

Very truly yours,

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## RECORD OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

ENGINEER: Brian Shaw

CALL: Mr. Dave Teeter, President, Green Park Cemetery

TIME: 3:50 pm

PHONE: 260-726-7171

SUBJECT OF CALL: Blaine Pike Improvements Project

#### CONTEXT OF CONVERSATION:

BLN contacted Mr. Dave Teeter, President of the Green Park Cemetery in Portland Indiana to coordinate on the Blaine Pike Improvements project. The Green Park Cemetery is within the project limits along the west side of Blaine Pike. The project has no direct impact to the Green Park Cemetery but coordination was conducted to determine if Mr. Teeter had any concerns with the project or potential indirect impacts. During the conversation Mr. Shaw discussed the project scope and indicated that the project would not impact the cemetery property and that access to the Green Park Cemetery would be maintained to during construction. Mr. Teeter indicated he lived in the area, was already familiar with of the project and was in support for the proposed work. He saw no potential impacts to the Green Park Cemetery. Mr. Shaw indicated if Mr. Teeter would like a pdf of the current plans to review, or other project information, that would be provided. Mr. Teeter indicated that was not necessary and he was in support of the project and thought the work should be done. Mr, Shaw thanked Mr. Teeter for his time and indicated he could contact him if he had any questions or concerns about the project.

#### **ACTION REQUIRED:**

No further action required. A copy of this Record of Telephone Conversation will be part of the project file and included in the environmental documentation.

From: Miller, Shaun (INDOT)

To: <u>Brian Shaw; Korzeniewski, Patricia J</u>

Cc: <u>Dan Gibson</u>

Subject: RE: Des. No. 1600965 Blaine Pike Pedestrian system Improvements - City of Portland, Jay County

**Date:** Monday, June 15, 2020 7:57:41 AM

#### **EXTERNAL EMAIL**

Brian,

I agree with Patty Jo that a cemetery development plan is not needed for the reasons she provided.

Thank you,

Shaun Miller INDOT, Cultural Resources Office Archaeology Team Lead (317)233-6795

From: Brian Shaw <bshaw@b-l-n.com>
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 9:20 AM

**To:** Korzeniewski, Patricia J < PKorzeniewski@indot.IN.gov>

Cc: Miller, Shaun (INDOT) <smiller@indot.IN.gov>; Dan Gibson <dgibson@b-l-n.com>

**Subject:** RE: Des. No. 1600965 Blaine Pike Pedestrian system Improvements - City of Portland, Jay

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Patricia,

Thank you I appreciate the information.

#### **BRIAN SHAW**

**Environmental Services Department Manager** 

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**From:** Korzeniewski, Patricia J < <u>PKorzeniewski@indot.IN.gov</u>>

**Sent:** Friday, June 12, 2020 9:17 AM **To:** Brian Shaw < bshaw@b-l-n.com>

**Cc:** Korzeniewski, Patricia J < <a href="mailto:PKorzeniewski@indot.IN.gov">PKorzeniewski@indot.IN.gov</a>>; Miller, Shaun (INDOT)

<smiller@indot.IN.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Des. No. 1600965 Blaine Pike Pedestrian system Improvements - City of Portland, Jay County

#### **EXTERNAL EMAIL**

Brian,

Generally, CDP's are not required for projects that occur within 100' of a cemetery if there is no work or excavation on the west side of the roadway. The work is only milling and resurfacing of the roadway without impacting the cemetery. CDP's are required when there are impacts to a cemetery (usually temporary r/w for driveway reconstruction), when boundaries of a known cemetery are undefined and adjacent to a project area, or when there are unmarked cemeteries or family burial grounds within 100' of a project area. A CDP is not required for this project unless the project scope has changed, and the updated project scope will impact the cemetery. If the project scope is the same, it will not impact the cemetery and thus does not require a CDP. Shaun is out of the office today, but I am fairly certain he will agree with me on the above. However, he will be back on Monday and will be able to confirm.

Thank you for your time,

Patricia Jo Korzeniewski
Archaeologist and Environmental Manager
INDOT, Cultural Resources Office
PKorzeniewski@indot.in.gov
(317) 233-2093

From: Brian Shaw < bshaw@b-l-n.com>
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 8:57 AM

**To:** Korzeniewski, Patricia J < <a href="mailto:PKorzeniewski@indot.IN.gov">PKorzeniewski@indot.IN.gov</a>>

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Subject: Des. No. 1600965 Blaine Pike Pedestrian system Improvements - City of Portland, Jay

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Patty / Shaun,

We received comments back from INDOT-ES on our draft CE document of the Blaine Pike Improvements - City of Portland, Jay County Des. No/1600965. One of the comments asked if a Cemetery Development Plan would be required as the project is within 100 feet of the Green Park Cemetery. This project has been going on for a while and we had coordinated with INDOT Cultural Resources previously that a CDP was not required as there is no work or excavation on the west side of the roadway. The work on Blaine Pike at the Green Park Cemetery location is only milling and resurfacing of the roadway. The pedestrian path is along the east side of Blaine Pike, see attached plans. The archaeological report, see attached, indicated that the Green Park Cemetery is well marked and maintained. Due to the cemetery's location on the opposite side of Blaine Pike and its

defined boundary, the preparation of a cemetery development plan is considered not warranted.

I wanted to confirm that a Cemetery Development Plan is not required for this project based on the scope of work adjacent to the Green Park Cemetery location. Please call or email if you have questions or need additional information.

Thanks

#### **BRIAN SHAW**

**Environmental Services Department Manager** 

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March 4, 2020



Karen Wood Environmental and Cultural Resources Manager Green 3, LLC 1104 Prospect Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46203

Federal Agency: Indiana Department of Transportation ("INDOT"),

on behalf of Federal Highway Administration, Indiana Division ("FHWA")

Re: Addendum Indiana archaeological short report (Kelley and Szmutko, 12/30/2019), and

INDOT's finding of No Historic Properties Affected, with supporting documentation, for the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements, on Blaine Pike from CR 150 S to approximately 175 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing, in the City of Portland, Wayne

Township, Jay County, Indiana (Des. No. 1600965; DHPA No. 23454)

#### Dear Ms. Wood:

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (54 U.S.C. § 306108), 36 C.F.R. Part 800, and the "Programmatic Agreement (PA) Among the Federal Highway Administration, the Indiana Department of Transportation, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer Regarding the Implementation of the Federal Aid Highway Program In the State of Indiana," the staff of the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer ("Indiana SHPO staff" or "INDNR-DHPA") has reviewed INDOT's January 31, 2020, letter, enclosing the addendum Indiana archaeological short report, finding, and documentation, which we received on February 2, 2020.

Based on the submitted information and the documentation available to the staff of the Indiana SHPO, we have not identified any currently known archaeological resources listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places ("NRHP") within the additional portions of the proposed project area; and we concur with the opinion of the archaeologist, as expressed in the addendum Indiana archaeological short report (Kelley and Szmutko, 12/30/2019), that no further archaeological investigations appear necessary at the additional portions of the proposed project area.

Additionally, as previously indicated, based on the submitted information and the documentation available to the staff of the Indiana SHPO, we have not identified any currently known archaeological resources listed in or eligible for inclusion in the NRHP within the original portions of the proposed project area; and we concur with the opinion of the archaeologist, as expressed in the Indiana archaeological short report (Curran, 01/02/2019), that no further archaeological investigations appear necessary at the original portions of the proposed project area.

Furthermore, as previously indicated, we note that portions of the proposed project area lie immediately adjacent to Green Park Cemetery/Stepheenson Cemetery (CR-38-64 in the Indiana DHPA SHAARD database system). If ground disturbing activities will be within 100 feet of this cemetery, please be aware of the cemetery development requirements in Indiana Code 14-21-1-26.5 (<a href="http://iga.in.gov/legislative/laws/2016/ic/titles/014/articles/021/chapters/001/#section-26.5">http://iga.in.gov/legislative/laws/2016/ic/titles/014/articles/021/chapters/001/#section-26.5</a>). The aforementioned cemetery must be avoided by all project activities, and provisions of relevant state statutes regarding cemeteries (including IC 14-21-1 and IC 23-14) must be adhered to. Please also be aware of Indiana Code 23-14-44-1 and Indiana Code 23-14-44-2, regarding restrictions on roads and utility construction in cemeteries.

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If any prehistoric or historic archaeological artifacts or human remains are uncovered during construction, demolition, or earthmoving activities, state law (Indiana Code 14-21-1-27 and -29) requires that the discovery be reported to the INDNR-DHPA within two (2) business days. In that event, please call (317) 232-1646. Be advised that adherence to Indiana Code 14-21-1-27 and -29 does not obviate the need to adhere to applicable federal statutes and regulations, including but not limited to 36 C.F.R. Part 800.s

As we said in our November 6, 2019, letter, we agree with the historic property report (Wood, 10/7/2019) that none of the above-ground properties identified by that report as lying within the area of potential effects are eligible for inclusion in the NRHP.

Accordingly, we concur with INDOT's January 31, 2020, Section 106 finding, on behalf of FHWA, of No Historic Properties Affected for this federal undertaking.

The structures reviewer for the Indiana SHPO staff is John Carr, and the archaeological reviewer is Wade T. Tharp. However, if you have questions about the status of our review of a submission, about the kind of information to submit, or about a procedural issue, please contact initially an INDOT Cultural Resources Office staff member who is assigned to the project.

In all future correspondence regarding the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements in the City of Portland and Wayne Township, Jay County (Des. No. 1600965), please continue to refer to DHPA No. 23454.

Very truly yours,

Beth K. McCord

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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#### **Public Notice**

Public Notice
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City of Portland
Jay County, Indiana
The City of Portland is planning
to undertake the Blaine Pike
Pedestrian Improvements Project, Des. No. 1600965, funded in

part by the Federal Highway Administrator of HAA1 The project is located on Blaine Pike from CR 150 South to approximately 175 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing in Jay County, Indiana. Under the preferred alternative, the proposed project would involve the milling and resurfacing of Blaine Pike along the entire project corridor and

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1.203 miles long. The Green Park Cameracy is located an jacent to Blaine Pike on the west side and will not be impacted by the project. The project lies entirely within the corporation limits of the City of Portland.

and 0.003 acre of temporary right-of-way. No relocations are required.

The proposed action does not impact properties listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The In-

diana Department of Transportation INDOT, on behalf of the FIWA has been a "No Historic Properties Affected" finding for the project. In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, the

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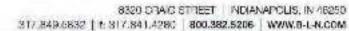
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## **Appendix E:**

## Red Flag and Hazardous Materials



The length of the shared-use path was reduced after RFI approval.

Refer to Appendix B, page B-3

for illustration of revised length.





Date: October 16, 2018

To: Site Assessment & Management

**Environmental Services** 

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Re: RED FLAG INVESTIGATION

DES 1600965, Local Project Road Resurfacing Project

Blaine Pike from CR W 150 S to the Norfolk Southern Railroad, City of Portland

Jay County, Indiana

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Brief Description of Project: The proposed project involves the resurfacing of Blaine Pike between CR W 150 S and the Norfolk Southern Railroad in the City of Portland, Indiana. The project is locally and federally funded. The scope of work includes milling and resurfacing Blaine Pike and constructing a new pedestrian trail along the corridor. The pedestrian trail will be completed on either the east or west side of the roadway, depending on design factors. Existing sidewalks and curb ramps will be updated to meet ADA compliance.
Bridge and/or Culvert Project: Yes □ No ☒ Structure #
If this is a bridge project, is the bridge Historical? Yes $\square$ No $\square$ , Select $\square$ Non-Select $\square$
(Note: If the project involves a historical bridge, please include the bridge information in the Recommendations
Section of the report).
Proposed right of way: Temporary □ # Acres N/A Permanent ⊠ # Acres 3.3
Type of excavation: Excavation up to a depth of two (2) feet will be necessary for construction of the pedestrian trail on
either the east or west side of the corridor. Excavation will occur within 50 feet of the centerline of the roadway.
Maintenance of traffic: Traffic will be maintained through a single lane closure and roadside flaggers to direct traffic.
Work in waterway: Yes $\square$ No $\boxtimes$ Above ordinary high water mark: Yes $\square$ No $\square$
State Project: ☐ LPA: ⊠
Any other factors influencing recommendations: The right-of-way and excavation limits and locations are preliminary
estimates based on a worst-case scenario. These will be refined as design progresses. Excavation for the shared use trail
may occur on either side of the roadway.
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### **INFRASTRUCTURE TABLE AND SUMMARY**

Infrastructure Indicate the number of items of concern found within the 0.5 mile search radius. If there are no items, please indicate N/A:				
Religious Facilities	Religious Facilities 8* Recreational Facilities 3		3	
Airports <sup>1</sup>	1*	Pipelines	1	
Cemeteries	6	Railroads	5	
Hospitals	N/A	Trails	2	
Schools	3*	Managed Lands	1	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In order to complete the required airport review, a review of public airports within 3.8 miles (20,000 feet) is required.

#### **Explanation:**

Religious Facilities: Eight (8) religious facilities are in the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest facility, River Life Church, is approximately 0.19 mile northwest of the project area. This religious facility is not shown on the attached infrastructure map but can be found on Google Maps. No impact is expected.

Airports: Although not located within the 0.5 mile search radius, One (1) public airport, Portland Municipal Airport, is in the 3.8 mile search radius. Early coordination with INDOT Aviation will occur.

Cemeteries: Six (6) cemeteries are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest cemetery, Green Park Cemetery, is immediately adjacent to the project area. A Cemetery Development Plan may be required since this project is within 100 feet of the cemetery. Coordination with INDOT Cultural Resources is recommended.

Schools: Three (3) schools are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest school, Jay Schools Adult Education, is approximately 0.28 mile northeast of the project area. This school is not shown on the attached infrastructure map but can be found on Google Maps. No impact is expected.

Recreational Facilities: Three (3) recreational facilities are within the 0.5 mile search radius. Sportland Park is immediately adjacent to the project area. Traffic will be maintained through lane closures. Coordination with the Portland Park Board will occur.

Pipelines: One (1) pipeline segment is within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest segment is associated with Ohio Valley Gas Corporation and is approximately 0.20 mile southwest of the project area. Coordination with the pipeline owner will occur.

Railroads: Five (5) railroad segments are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest railroad segment is owned by Norfolk Southern and is at the northern project terminus. Coordination with Norfolk Southern will occur.

Trails: Two (2) trail segments are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The Portland River Path is approximately 0.01 mile northeast of the project area. The project involves the creation of a new trail. Coordination with the Portland Park Board will occur.

Managed Lands: One (1) managed land is within the 0.5 mile search radius. Sportland Park is adjacent to the project area. Coordination with the Portland Park Board will occur.

<sup>\*</sup>Items with an asterisk have some resources that are not shown on the infrastructure map.



### WATER RESOURCES TABLE AND SUMMARY

Water Resources Indicate the number of items of c please indicate N/A:	oncern found wit	thin the 0.5 mile search radius. If the	ere are no items,
NWI - Points	6	Canal Routes - Historic	N/A
Karst Springs	N/A	NWI - Wetlands	16
Canal Structures – Historic	N/A	Lakes	12
NPS NRI Listed	N/A	Floodplain - DFIRM	13
NWI-Lines	5	Cave Entrance Density	N/A
IDEM 303d Listed Streams and Lakes (Impaired)	5	Sinkhole Areas	N/A
Rivers and Streams	7	Sinking-Stream Basins	N/A

### Explanation:

NWI – Points: Six (6) NWI points are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest point is approximately 0.18 mile southeast of the project area. No impact is expected.

NWI – Lines: Five (5) NWI line segments are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest line segment is approximately 0.05 mile east of the project area. No impact is expected.

IDEM 303d Listed Streams and Lakes (Impaired): Five (5) IDEM 303d Listed Streams and Lakes are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest stream segment is approximately 0.32 mile east of the project area. The segment can be found on IDEM's 303d stream map tool and is listed for Impaired Biotic Communities (IBC). Due to the scope of work, no impact is expected.

Rivers and Streams: Seven (7) river and stream segments are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest stream segment is approximately 0.05 mile east of the project area. No impact is expected.

NWI – Wetlands: Sixteen (16) NWI Wetland polygons are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest polygon is approximately 0.05 mile east of the project area. No impact is expected.

Lakes: Twelve (12) lakes are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest lake is approximately 0.04 mile southwest of the project area. No impact is expected.

Floodplain – DFIRM: Thirteen (13) floodplain polygons are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest polygon is immediately adjacent to the project area. Coordination with INDOT Ecology and Waterway Permitting will occur.

### **URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY SUMMARY**

### Explanation:

Urbanized Area Boundary (UAB): This project lies within the Portland UAB; however, a Rule 13 Permit from IDEM has not been issued. No further coordination is necessary at this time.



### MINING AND MINERAL EXPLORATION TABLE AND SUMMARY

Mining/Mineral Exploration Indicate the number of items of concern found within the 0.5 mile search radius. If there are no items, please indicate N/A:				
Petroleum Wells 3 Mineral Resources		N/A		
Mines – Surface	N/A	Mines – Underground	N/A	

### Explanation:

Petroleum Wells: Three (3) petroleum wells are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest petroleum well is approximately 0.41 mile northwest of the project area. No impact is expected.

### HAZARDOUS MATERIAL CONCERNS TABLE AND SUMMARY

Hazardous Material Concerns Indicate the number of items of conc please indicate N/A:	cern found wit	hin the 0.5 mile search radius. If there	e are no items,
Superfund	N/A	Manufactured Gas Plant Sites	N/A
RCRA Generator/ TSD	3	Open Dump Waste Sites	N/A
RCRA Corrective Action Sites	N/A	Restricted Waste Sites	N/A
State Cleanup Sites	1	Waste Transfer Stations	N/A
Septage Waste Sites	N/A	Tire Waste Sites	N/A
Underground Storage Tank (UST) Sites	18	Confined Feeding Operations (CFO)	N/A
Voluntary Remediation Program	N/A	Brownfields	4
Construction Demolition Waste	N/A	Institutional Controls	1
Solid Waste Landfill	N/A	NPDES Facilities	1
Infectious/Medical Waste Sites	N/A	NPDES Pipe Locations	10
Leaking Underground Storage (LUST) Sites	4	Notice of Contamination Sites	N/A

### **Explanation:**

RCRA Generator/TSD: Three (3) RCRA Generators/TSDs are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest RCRA Generator/TSD, Patriot Paint Manufacturing (304 Blaine Pike, AI #24908), is mapped as a point 0.11 mile west of the project area; however, it appears that the property extends to immediately west of the project area. The most recent IDEM Office of Land Quality Waste Handler Identification Form shows that the site no longer produces hazardous waste. Furthermore, the site received a No Further Action (NFA) determination at site closure on December 3, 2007 and tested below Risk Integrated System of Closure (RISC) residential default closure levels (RDCLs) for soil and groundwater. If excavation occurs in this location, proper removal and disposal of contaminated soil and/or groundwater may be necessary.



State Cleanup Sites: One (1) state cleanup site is within the 0.5 mile search radius. Patriot Paint Manufacturing (304 Blaine Pike, AI #24908) is located adjacent to the project area. The site received a No Further Action determination on December 3, 2007 and tested below Risk Integrated System of Closure (RISC) residential default closure levels (RDCLs) for soil and groundwater. If excavation occurs in this location, proper removal and disposal of soil and/or groundwater may be necessary.

Underground Storage Tank (UST) Sites: Eighteen (18) UST sites are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest tank is mapped approximately 0.02 mile east of the project area on the property of the Portland Wastewater Treatment Plant (FID 22985, Bittersweet Lane). The icon is not mapped correctly and the site is actually located approximately 0.16 mile east of the project area. The site contained a 4,000 gallon diesel tank that was removed on April 1, 1999. No impact is expected.

Leaking Underground Storage (LUST) Sites: Four (4) LUST sites are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest LUST is approximately 0.11 mile northwest of the project area and is associated with Standard Brush and Broom (also listed as O'Cedar Plant #2, FID No. 18686, Middle and Water Street). The site received a No Further Action determination on March 3, 2017 and was designated as an unconditional closure. No impact is expected.

Brownfields: Four (4) brownfields are within the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest brownfield is associated with Standard Brush and Broom (also listed as O'Cedar Plant #2, Agency ID No. 16982) and is located approximately 0.23 mile west of the project area. No impact is expected.

Institutional Controls: One (1) institutional control is within the 0.5 mile search radius. Former Ken Kunkle Chevrolet (414 N Meridian) is approximately 0.39 mile northeast of the project area. The site received a conditional No Further Action determination on December 3, 2013 due to the presence of toxic vapors above residential indoor air screening levels in the southeast corner of the property. No impact is expected.

NPDES Facilities: One (1) NPDES facility is within the 0.5 mile search radius. The Portland Wastewater Treatment Plant is approximately 0.15 mile southeast of the project area. No impact is expected.

NPDES Pipe Locations: Ten (10) NPDES Pipe locations are in the 0.5 mile search radius. The nearest pipe is the outlet of a Combined Sewage Overflow associated with the Portland Wastewater Treatment Plant and is approximately 0.04 mile east of the project area. No impact is expected.

### **ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION SUMMARY**

The Jay County listing of the Indiana Natural Heritage Data Center information on endangered, threatened, or rare (ETR) species and high quality natural communities is attached with ETR species highlighted. A preliminary review of the Indiana Natural Heritage Database by INDOT Environmental Services did not indicate the presence of endangered species.

Due to the project activities, this project will fall under the guidelines set forth under USFWS Interim Policy for the Review of Highway Transportation Projects in Indiana dated May 29, 2013. No further coordination is necessary.

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



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

### RECOMMENDATIONS SECTION

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

#### INFRASTRUCTURE:

One (1) public airport, Portland Municipal Airport, is in the 3.8 mile search radius. Coordination with INDOT Aviation will occur.

Six (6) cemeteries are within the 0.5 mile search radius. A Cemetery Development Plan may be required since this project is within 100 feet of Green Park Cemetery. Coordination with INDOT Cultural Resources is recommended.

The nearest pipline segment is associated with Ohio Valley Gas Corporation and is approximately 0.20 mile southwest of the project area. Coordination with the pipeline owner will occur.

Three (3) recreational facilities are within the 0.5 mile search radius. Coordination with the Portland Park Board will occur.

Five (5) railroad segments are within the 0.5 mile search radius. Coordination with Norfolk Southern will occur.

One (1) managed land is within the 0.5 mile search radius. Coordination with the Portland Park Board will occur.

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

The project is within a floodplain (coordination only).

URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY: N/A

MINING/MINERAL EXPLORATION: N/A

### **HAZMAT CONCERNS:**

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

Nicole Fohey

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Prepared by: **Christian Radcliff Environmental Analyst** Beam, Longest and Neff, LLC

**INDOT Environmental Services concurrence:** 

### **Graphics:**

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

SITE LOCATION: YES

**INFRASTRUCTURE: YES** 

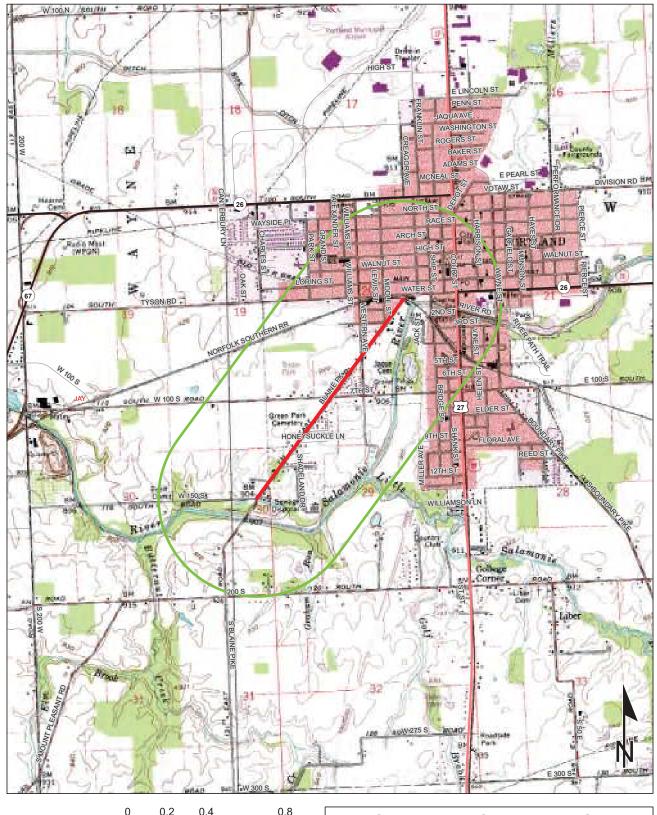
WATER RESOURCES: YES

**URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY: YES** 

MINING/MINERAL EXPLORATION: YES

**HAZMAT CONCERNS: YES** 

### Red Flag Investigation - Site Location Blaine Pike Des. No. 1600965, Road Resurfacing Project Jay County, Indiana



0.2 Miles Non Orthophotography

Data - Obtained from the State of Indiana Geographical
Information Office Library
Orthophotography - Obtained from Indiana Map Framework Data

Map Projection: UTM Zone 16 N Map Datum: NAD83

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# Red Flag Investigation - Infrastructure Blaine Pike Des. No. 1600965, Road Resurfacing Project Jay County, Indiana

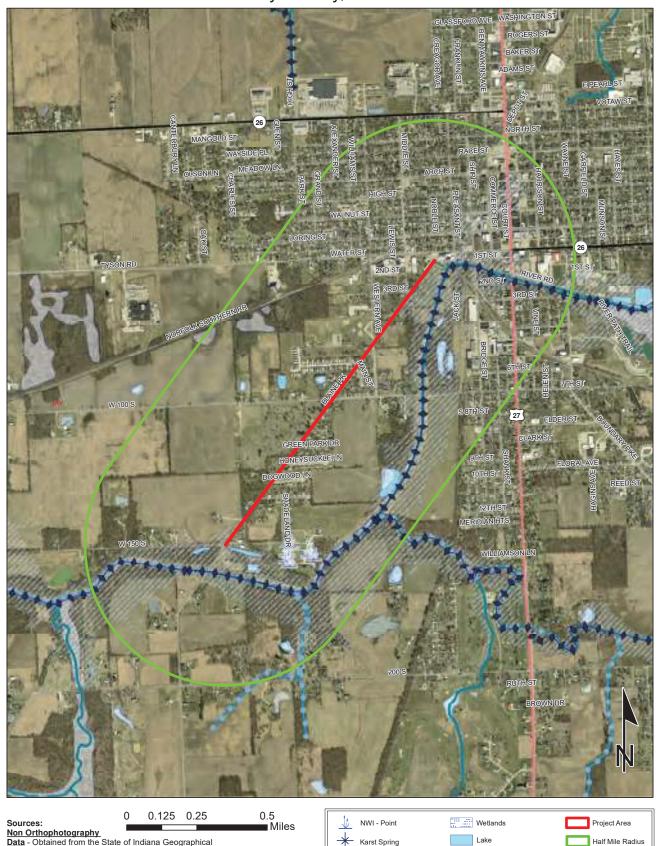


Sources: Miles Recreation Facility Project Area Religious Facility Non Orthophotography

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Information Office Library

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# Red Flag Investigation - Water Resources Blaine Pike Des. No. 1600965, Road Resurfacing Project Jay County, Indiana



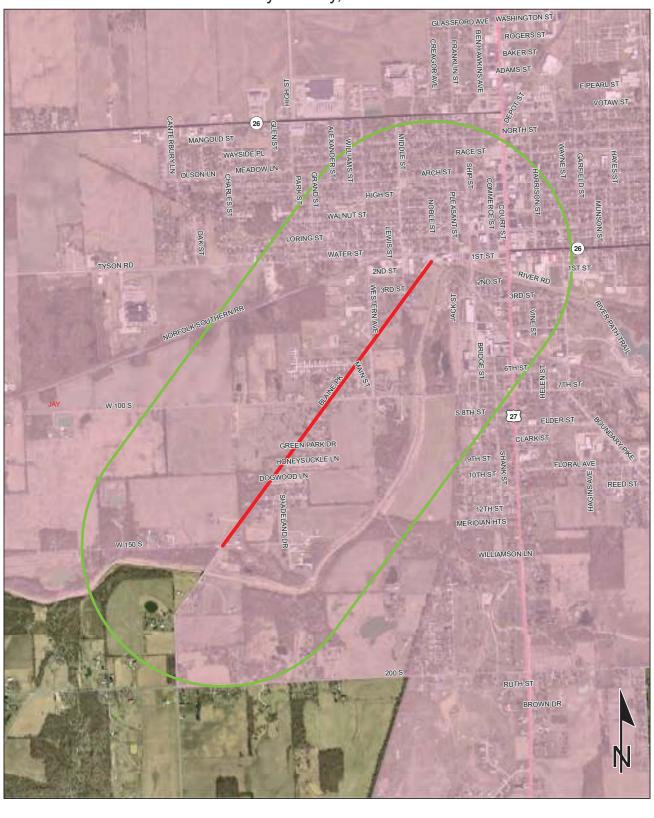
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### Red Flag Investigation - Urbanized Area Boundary Blaine Pike Des. No. 1600965, Road Resurfacing Project Jay County, Indiana



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### Red Flag Investigation - Mining/Mineral Exploration Blaine Pike Des. No. 1600965, Road Resurfacing Project Jay County, Indiana



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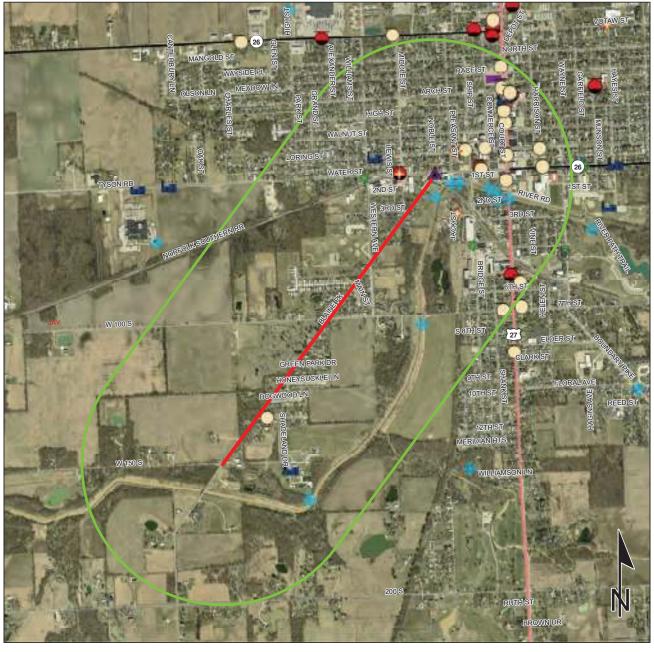
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### Red Flag Investigation - Hazardous Material Concerns Blaine Pike Des. No. 1600965, Road Resurfacing Project

Jay County, Indiana





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Non Orthophotography

### Indiana County Endangered, Threatened and Rare Species List County: Jay

Species Name	Common Name	FED	STATE	GRANK	SRANK
Mollusk: Bivalvia (Mussels)					
Epioblasma triquetra	Snuffbox	LE	SE	G3	S1
Pleurobema clava	Clubshell	LE	SE	G1G2	<b>S1</b>
Ptychobranchus fasciolaris	Kidneyshell		SSC	G4G5	S2
Toxolasma lividus	Purple Lilliput	C	SSC	G3Q	<b>S2</b>
Insect: Odonata (Dragonflies & Damselflies)					
Enallagma divagans	Turquoise Bluet		SR	G5	S3
Macromia wabashensis	Wabash River Cruiser		SE	G1G3Q	<b>S1</b>
Amphibian Lithobates pipiens	Northern Leopard Frog		SSC	G5	S2
Reptile					
Clonophis kirtlandii)	Kirtland's Snake	C	SE	G2	<b>S2</b>
Thamnophis proximus proximus	Western Ribbon Snake		SSC	G5T5	S3
Bird					
Botaurus lentiginosus	American Bittern		SE	G5	S2B
Circus hudsonius	Northern Harrier		SE	G5	S2
Cistothorus platensis	Sedge Wren		SE	G5	S3B
Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Bald Eagle		SSC	G5	S2
Ixobrychus exilis	Least Bittern		SE	G5	S3B
Nycticorax nycticorax Tyto alba	Black-crowned Night-heron		SE	G5 G5	S1B S2
Tyto alba	Barn Owl		SE	US)	82)
Mammal Mustela nivalis			999	C5	922
	Least Weasel	T.D.	SSC	G5	S2?
Myotis sodalis	Indiana Bat or Social Myotis	LE	SE	G2	<u>S1</u>
Vascular Plant <mark>Carex timida</mark>	Tr. :10.1		OE.	G2G4	<u>S1</u>
Coeloglossum viride var. virescens	Timid Sedge		SE ST	G5T5	S2
Panax quinquefolius	Long-bract Green Orchis		WL	G3G4	S3
Viola pedatifida	American Ginseng  Prairie Violet		ST	G5 G5	S2
	Traine violet		31	G5	(02)
High Quality Natural Community Forest - flatwoods central till plain	Central Till Plain Flatwoods		SG	G3	S2
Forest - floodplain mesic	Mesic Floodplain Forest		SG	G3?	S1
Forest - upland dry-mesic Central Till Plain	Central Till Plain Dry-mesic		bU	GNR	S2
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Prairie - dry-mesic	Dry-mesic Prairie		SG	G3	S2
Prairie - mesic	Mesic Prairie		SG	G2	S2
Prairie - wet	Wet Prairie		SG	G3	S1
Wetland - marsh	Marsh		SG	GU	S4

LE = Endangered; LT = Threatened; C = candidate; PDL = proposed for delisting Indiana Natural Heritage Data Center Fed: Division of Nature Preserves State: SE = state endangered; ST = state threatened; SR = state rare; SSC = state species of special concern;  $SX = state \ extirpated; \ SG = state \ significant; \ WL = watch \ list$ Indiana Department of Natural Resources This data is not the result of comprehensive county GRANK: Global Heritage Rank: G1 = critically imperiled globally; G2 = imperiled globally; G3 = rare or uncommon surveys. globally; G4 = widespread and abundant globally but with long term concerns; G5 = widespread and abundant globally; G? = unranked; GX = extinct; Q = uncertain rank; T = taxonomic subunit rank SRANK: State Heritage Rank: S1 = critically imperiled in state; S2 = imperiled in state; S3 = rare or uncommon in state; G4 = widespread and abundant in state but with long term concern; SG = state significant; SH = historical in state; SX = state extirpated; B = breeding status; S? = unranked; SNR = unranked; SNA = nonbreeding status unranked

# **Appendix F:**

## **Water Resources**

# WETLAND AND WATERWAY DETERMINATION BLAINE PIKE

BLAINE PIKE IMPROVEMENTS PORTLAND, INDIANA

### **Prepared For:**

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### **Prepared By:**

LITTLE RIVER CONSULTANTS, LLC CLAYTON, INDIANA Project 18-019

July 22, 2019

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### **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1 – Project Vicinity

Exhibit 2 – USGS Quadrangle Map

Exhibit 3 – Wetland and Floodplain Map

Exhibit 4 – Soil Survey Map

Exhibit 5 – LiDAR Hillshade

Exhibit 6 – Current Aerial Photograph

Exhibit 7 – Historic Aerial Photographs

Exhibit 8 - Feature Locations

### **APPENDICES**

Appendix A – Site Photographs



### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Project Description

The subject project is located in central Jay County, Indiana, on the southwest side of the city of Portland. The project involves the construction of a shared use path, crosswalks, curbs, ramps, HMA overlay and preventative maintenance along Blaine Pike.

In preparation for this project, a wetland and stream determination was conducted for areas adjacent to Blaine Pike. The project vicinity is shown on Exhibit 1, and the location is shown on Exhibits 2 through 8. The project is located in S20, 29, and 30, T23N, R14E. To access the site from Indianapolis, take I-69 north to SR-67 N. Continue on SR-67N for 40 miles to CR 200S in Jay County. Turn right/east on CR 200S and continue for one mile to Blaine Pike. Turn left/north on Blaine Pike and continue for 0.5 mile. The project begins at CR 150 south and continues for 1.2 miles northeast, ending 176 feet south of Norfolk and Western railroad.

#### 1.2 Methods

The purpose of the study was to identify and delineate wetland and waterway boundaries within the project limits. The wetland determination was based on interpretation of the technical criteria presented in the 1987 *U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual* (1987 Corps Manual) and 2010 *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Midwest Region Version 2.0* (Regional Supplement). Jurisdictional wetland and stream determinations were based on policies and procedures in place prior to the 2015 Clean Water Rule which was enjoined in Indiana as of the writing of this report.

Prior to conducting field work, Little River staff reviewed the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) topographic mapping (Exhibit 2), U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS), National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) Map (Exhibit 3), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) (Exhibit 3), U.S. Department of Agriculture, Web Soil Survey (Exhibit 4), LiDAR hill shading (Exhibit 5), current aerial photography (Exhibit 6), and historical aerial photography (Exhibit 7). These resources were used to identify potential wetlands and waterways within the project limits.

Onsite data collection was conducted on July 11, 2019. The study area extended approximately 50 feet east and 20 feet west of the Blaine Pike centerline to accommodate anticipated construction limits. Additional proposed right-of-way at the intersection of Blaine Pike and Western Avenue was also included in the study area. The current condition of the project area was photo-documented. Photographs can be found in Appendix A. The location of all photo points is shown on Exhibit 8.

### 2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

### 2.1 Land Use/Landscape

Land use within the project boundary is mainly suburban with medium to high-density residential, along with a cemetery and athletic fields, all with manicured and landscaped lawns within the proposed new right-of-way. Land use in the extended area to the west and south includes agricultural fields and occasional residences, with the central area of Portland to the north and east. The project takes place within the city limits of Portland. Large plots of wooded land are mostly absent on the landscape. Slopes in and near the project area are nearly flat, at 0 to 2 percent. The existing and proposed right-of-way for the project, including side ditches, are nearly all grassed with the exception of areas where construction of a new residence has left the ground bare. The Salamonie River is located east of the project site.

#### 2.2 Desktop Review

The USGS quadrangle map (Exhibit 2) does not indicate enclosed depressions within or adjacent to the project area. The National Wetland Inventory map (Exhibit 3) shows no wetlands mapped within the project boundary. The Flood Insurance Rate Map (Exhibit 3) shows the northern end of the project is within the 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard area of the Salamonie River. The National Hydrography Dataset (Exhibit 3) shows two potential waterways within the project area. The Soils Map (Exhibit 4) shows approximately 60% of the project area is comprised of non-hydric Blount-Glynwood, thin solum complex, which can have



up to 5% hydric inclusions. Approximately 30% of the project area is comprised of hydric Pewamo silty clay, and 10% is comprised of non-hydric Glynwood silt loam, which can have 6% hydric inclusions. Current and historic aerial photographs (Exhibits 6 and 7) do not indicate potential wet areas within or adjacent to the project limits. The initial desktop review did not indicate wetland conditions were likely within the project limits.

### 3.0 FINDINGS

#### 3.1 Wetlands

The July 11, 2019 onsite inspection found no potential wetland areas. In the week prior to the onsite visit, the site had received 0.35 inches of rainfall in one event, on July 7, 2019. There are no enclosed depressions onsite. The proposed project area is dominated by lawns and landscaping, and is regularly managed and maintained. As such, the vegetation should be considered significantly disturbed but this is also the normal circumstances for the site. While onsite, no indicators of wetland hydrology or hydrophytic plant communities were observed. Further, the observed landscape and topography of the project area do not indicate the potential for wetland conditions.

### 3.2 Waterways

A review of National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) showed two potential waterways in the project area. The onsite visit showed that corrugated metal pipes (CMPs) were present at both crossings, however no channel or ordinary high water mark (OHWM) was observed in either case. Both CMPS and the lack of channels were photo documented. Onsite observations confirmed there were no other waterways in the proposed project area. Blaine Pike side ditches are grassed swales, with no defined bed and bank, and no OHWM.

#### 4.0 PERMIT AND MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS

Jurisdictional "Waters of the U.S.", including navigable waterways, their tributaries, and adjacent wetlands, are protected by Sections 404 and 401 of the CWA. Impacts to federal jurisdictional wetlands and streams are regulated in the State of Indiana by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). Discharges of dredged or fill material into jurisdictional waters of the United States, including non-isolated wetlands, must obtain a permit from the USACE under the provisions of Section 404 of the CWA. Impacts to these waters also require Section 401 Water Quality Certification through IDEM before a Section 404 permit can be issued by the USACE. Isolated wetlands that are not regulated by the USACE, are still regulated as "Waters of the State", and require a permit from IDEM under IC 13-18-22.

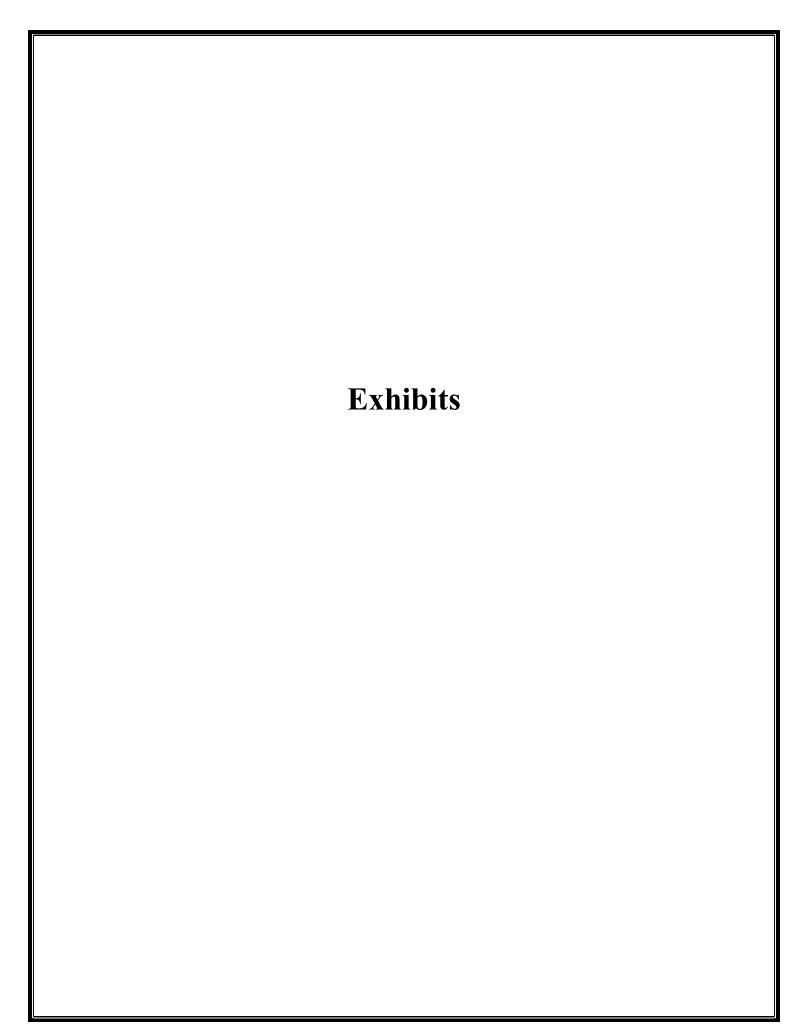
As currently planned, this project will not involve impacts to any wetlands or jurisdictional waterways, and as such, no Clean Water Act Section 404/401 permit, or State Isolated Wetland Permit, is needed.

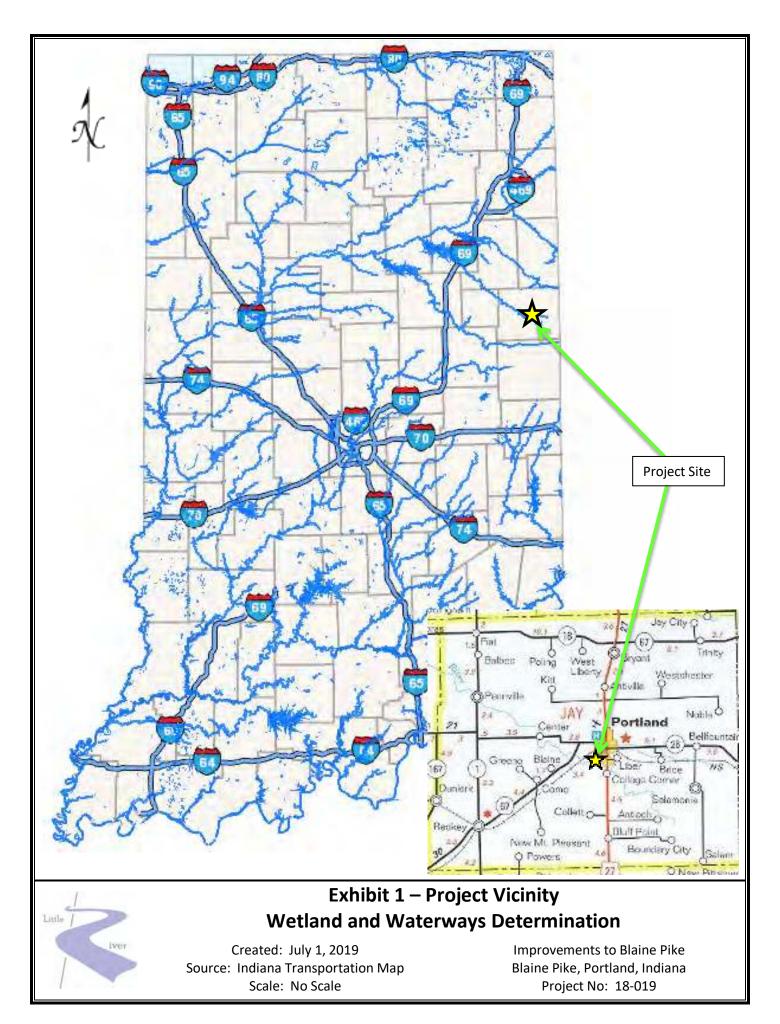


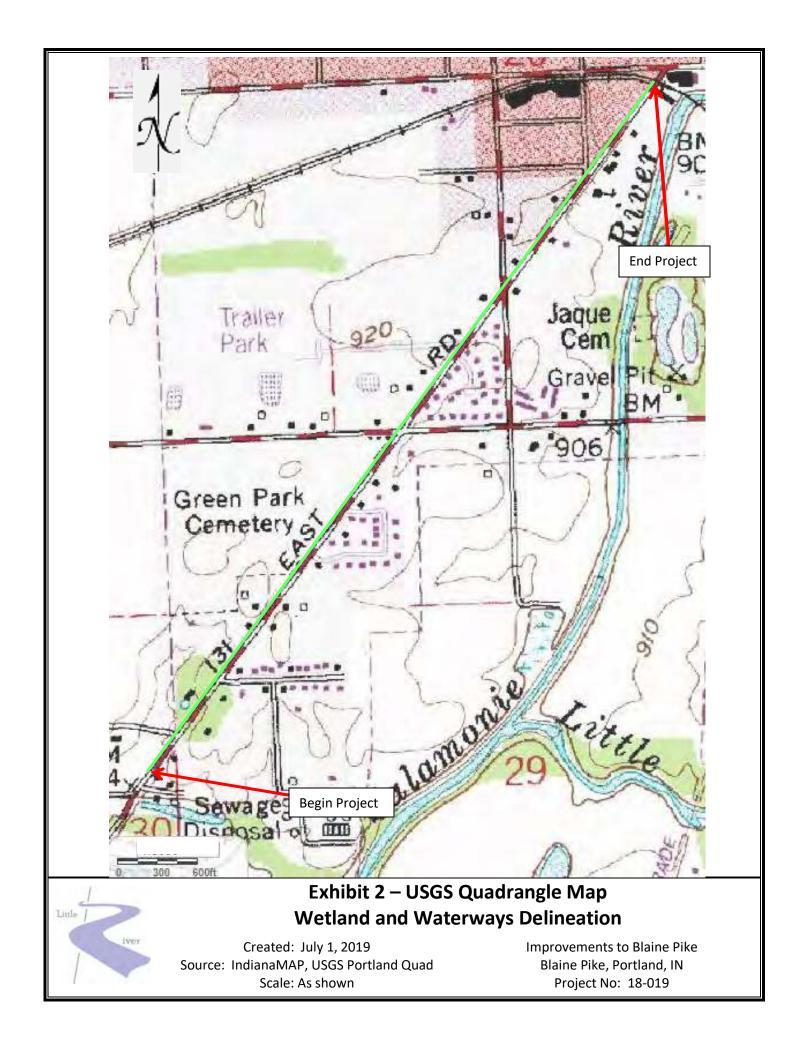
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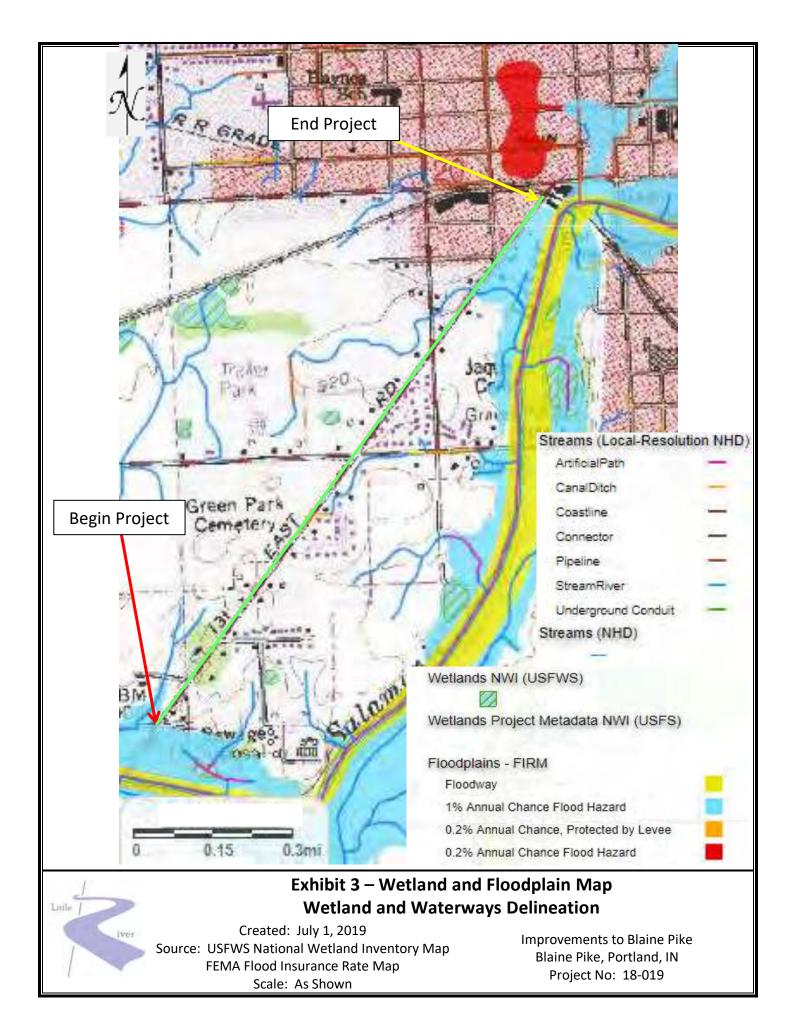
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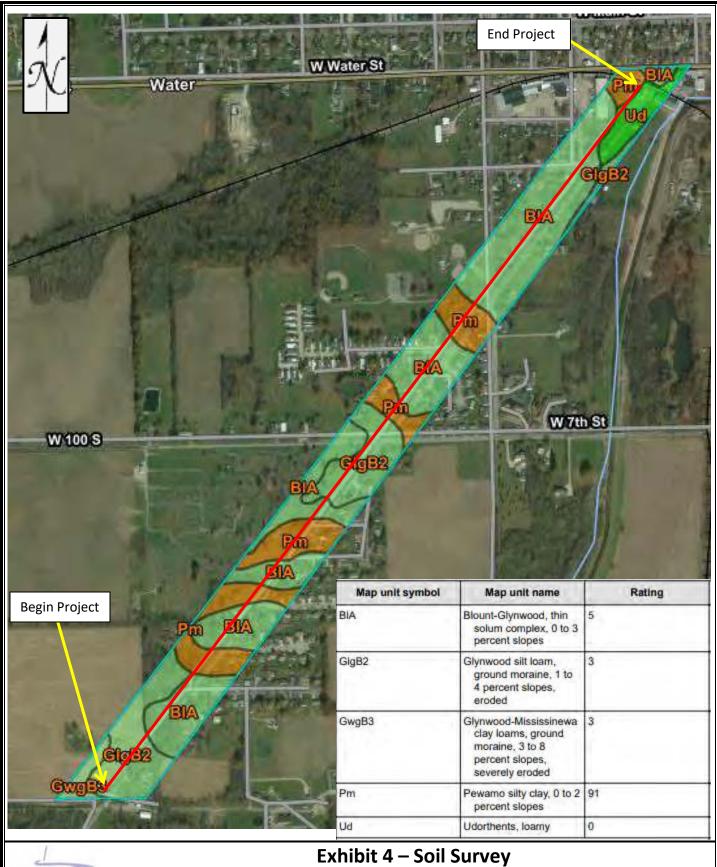








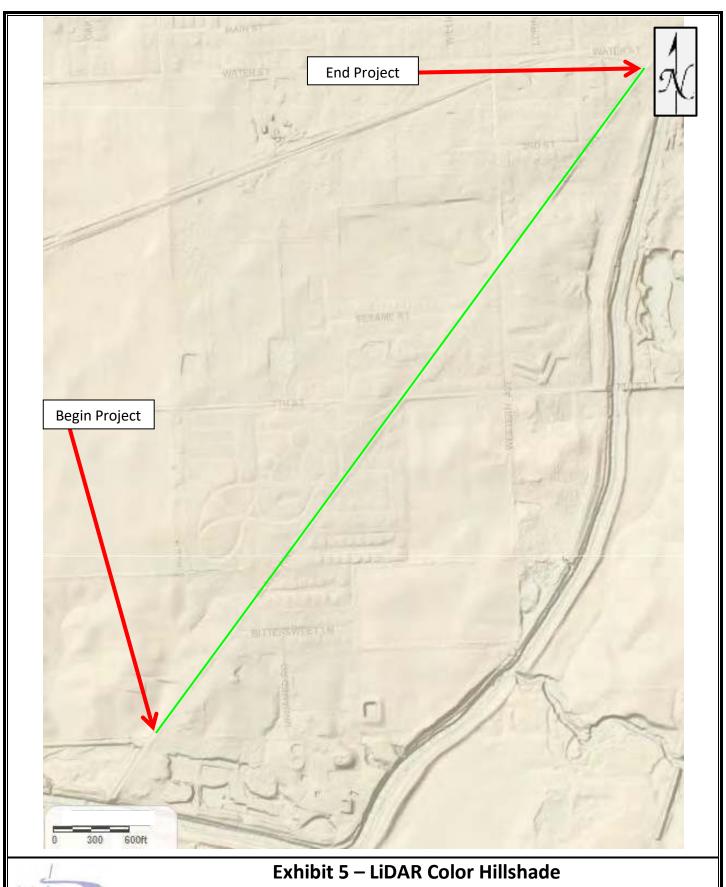






### Exhibit 4 – Soil Survey Wetland and Waterways Delineation

Created: July 1, 2019 Improvements to Blaine Pike
Source: NRCS Web Soil Survey Blaine Pike, Portland, IN
Scale: As Shown Project No: 18-019





## Exhibit 5 – LiDAR Color Hillshade Wetland and Waterways Delineation

Created: July 1, 2019 Source: IndianaMAP, LiDAR Color Hillshade Scale: As Shown

Improvements to Blaine Pike Blaine Pike, Portland, IN Project No: 18-019



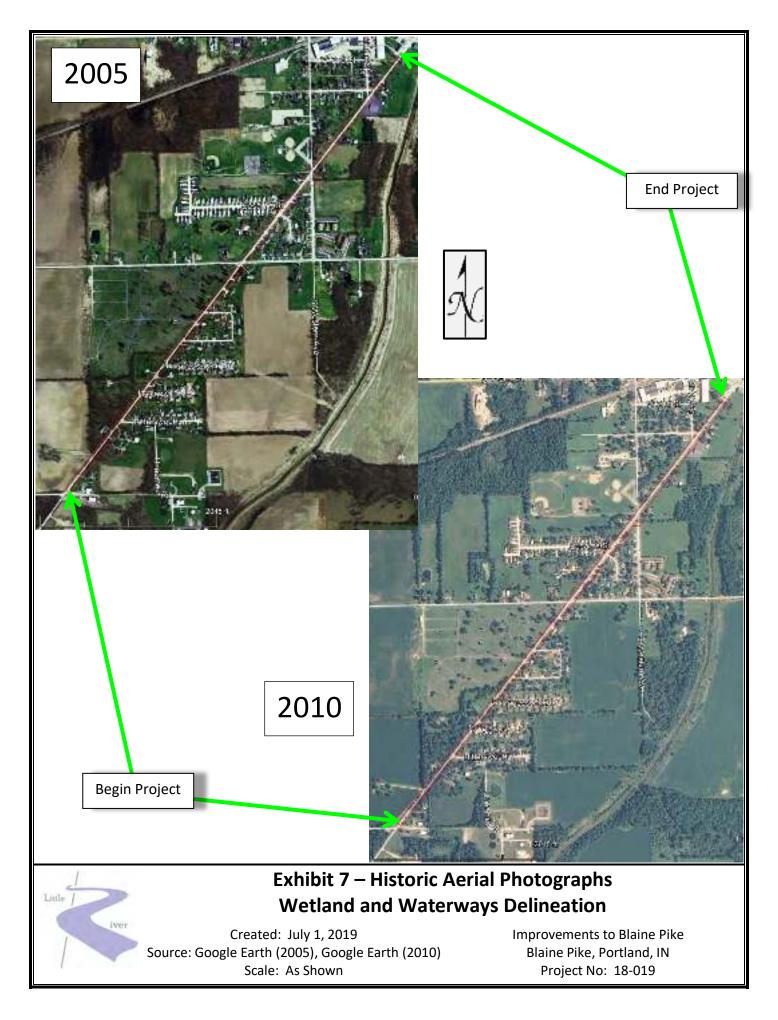
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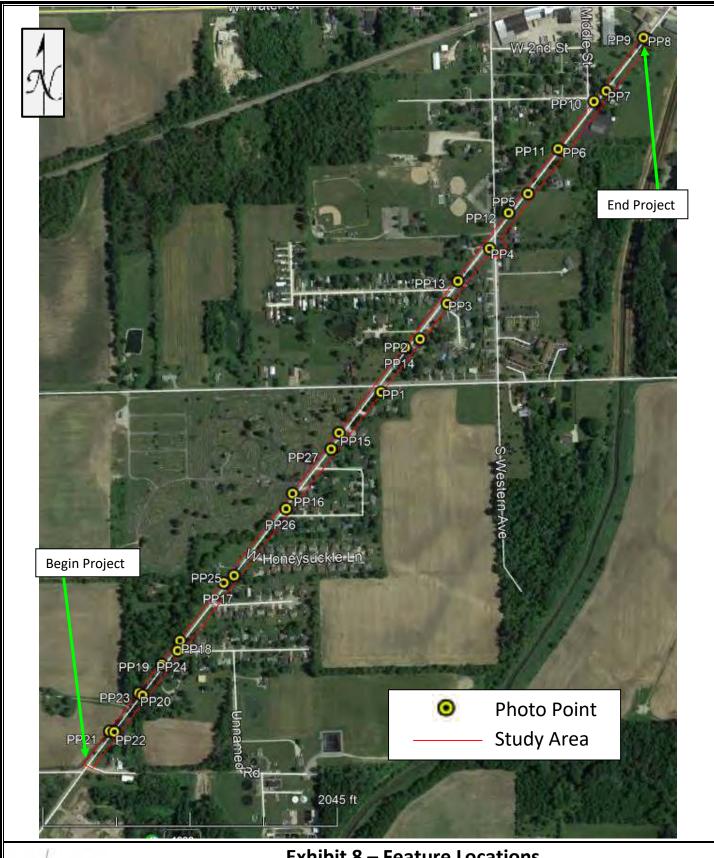
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Improvements to Blaine Pike Blaine Pike, Portland, IN Project No: 18-019





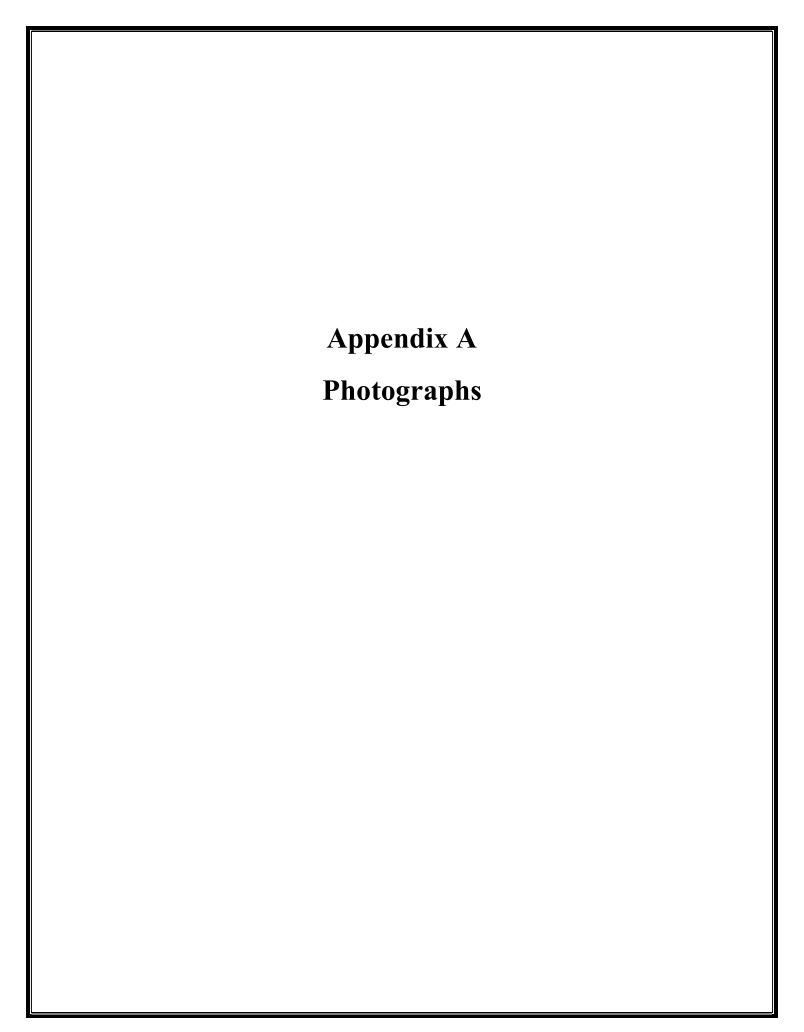


# Exhibit 8 – Feature Locations Wetland and Waterways Delineation

Created: July 22, 2019
Source: GoogleEarth, Imagery Data June 2016
GPS Data: Trimble Geo XT 2008 Series

Scale: As Shown

Blaine Pike Improvements Portland, IN Project No: 19-019







PP1 – Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP2 – Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP1 – Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP2 – Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP3 – Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP4 – Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP3 – Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP4 – Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP5 – Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP6 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP5 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP6 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP7 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP8 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP7 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP8 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP9 Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP10 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP9 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP10 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP11 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP12 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP11 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP12 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP13 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP14 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP13 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP14 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP15 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP16 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP15 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP16 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike







PP17 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike

PP17 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP18 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP18 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP19 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP20 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP19 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP20 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP21 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP22 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP21 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP22 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP23 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP24 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP23 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP24 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP25 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP26 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP25 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP26 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike





PP27 - Looking NE along Blaine Pike



PP6 – Looking at pipe and riprap on E side of Blaine Pike



PP27 - Looking SW along Blaine Pike



PP11 – Looking at pipe and riprap on W side of Blaine Pike





PP18 – Looking at concrete structure on W side of Blaine Pike



PP18 – Looking at pipe that feeds into concrete structure

# Appendix G: Public Involvement



# Example

NOTICE OF SURVEY December 20, 2017

Michael L. & Lea Ann Schreiber 1302 Blaine Pike Portland, IN 47371

Re: Blaine Pike Shared Use Path and Resurfacing Project

# Dear Property Owner:

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

At this stage, we generally do not know what effect, if any, our project may eventually have on your property. If it is determined that your property is involved, you will be contacted with additional information.

The survey work will include mapping the location of features such as trees, buildings, fences and drives, and obtaining ground elevations. The survey is needed for the proper planning and design of this proposed shared use path and resurfacing project. Please be assured of our sincere desire to cause you as little inconvenience as possible during this survey. If any problems do occur, please speak to our field crew or contact me at the telephone number or address shown above.

Sincerely,

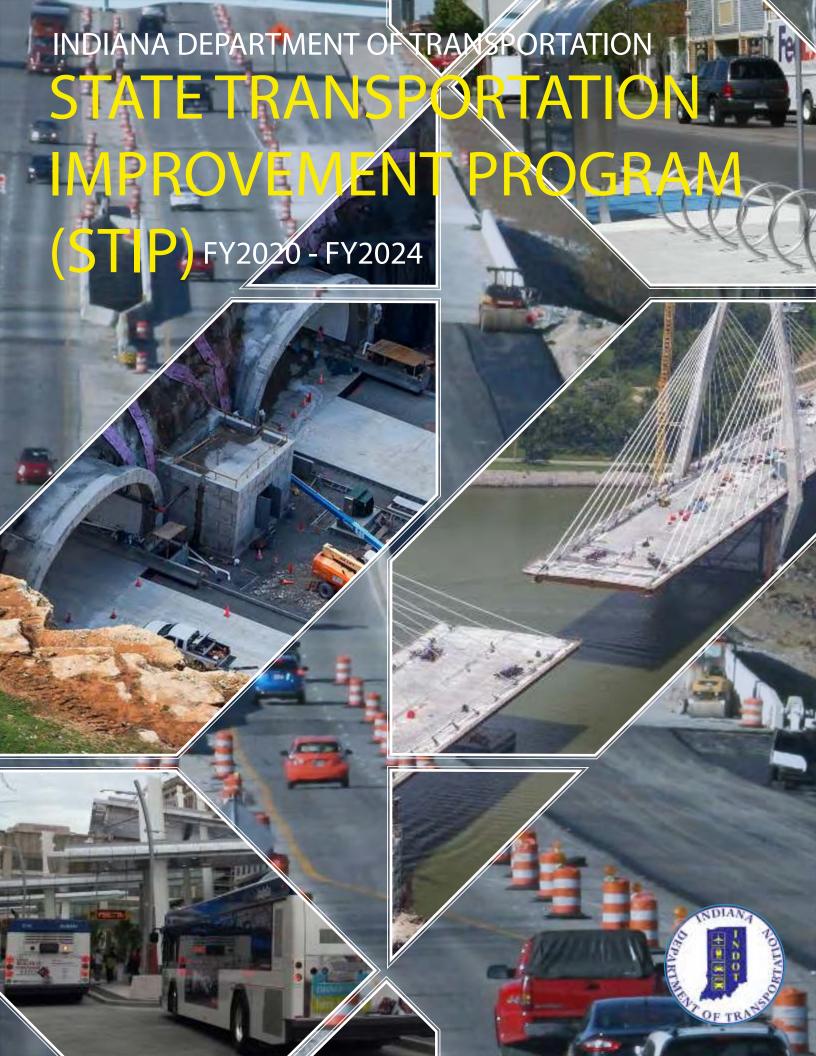
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Survey Department Manager

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# **Appendix H:**

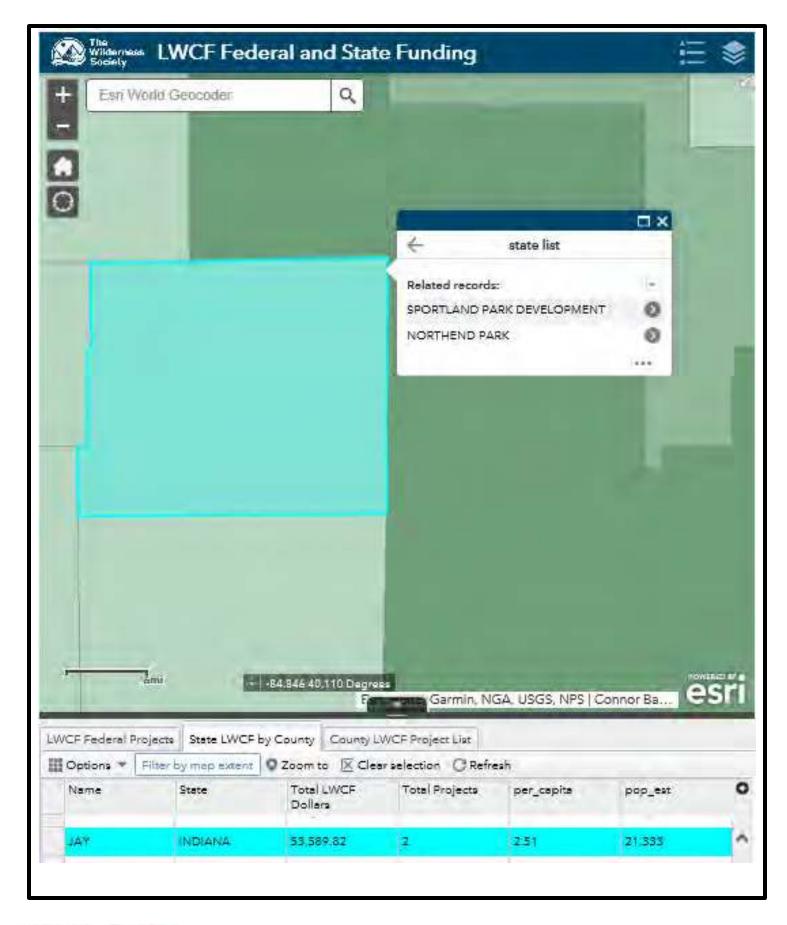
**Air Quality** 



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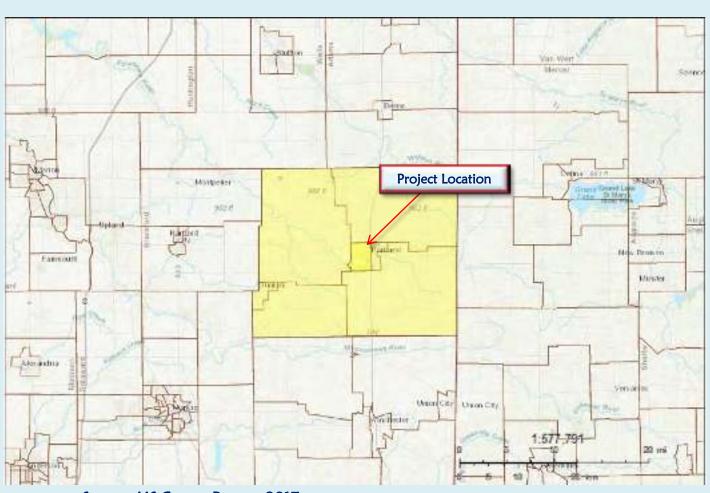
# Appendix I: Additional Studies





# **Section 6(f): LWCF Map**

Road Resurface Project Blaine Pike Jay County, Indiana Des. No. 1600965



Source: US Census Bureau 2017



AC: Census Tract 9631

**COC:** Jay County



# **Environmental Justice**

Road Resurfacing and Non-motorized Path
Des No. 1600965
Blaine Pike
Jay County, Indiana

	Jay Co	ounty, Indiana	Census Tract 9631, Jay County, Indiana		
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	
Total:	21,107	****	4,171	+/-268	
Not Hispanic or Latino:	20,470	****	3,807	+/-246	
White alone	20,072	+/-21	3,676	+/-246	
Black or African American alone	70	+/-35	33	+/-29	
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	29	+/-25	0	+/-11	
Asian alone	111	+/-56	0	+/-11	
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	1	+/-3	1	+/-3	
Some other race alone	0	+/-21	0	+/-11	
Two or more races:	187	+/-72	97	+/-57	
Two races including Some other race	0	+/-21	0	+/-11	
Two races excluding Some other race, and three or more races	187	+/-72	97	+/-57	
Hispanic or Latino:	637	****	364	+/-185	
White alone	512	+/-125	273	+/-217	
Black or African American alone	0	+/-21	0	+/-11	
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0	+/-21	0	+/-11	
Asian alone	0	+/-21	0	+/-11	
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0	+/-21	0	+/-11	
Some other race alone	92	+/-120	82	+/-121	
Two or more races:	33	+/-45	9	+/-19	
Two races including Some other race	9	+/-19	9	+/-19	
Two races excluding Some other race, and three or more races	24	+/-40	0	+/-11	

	Jay Co	unty, Indiana	Census Tract 9631, Jay County, Indiana			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error		
Total:	20,693	+/-113	3,923	+/-237		
Income in the past 12 months below poverty level:	3,705	+/-459	873	+/-260		

Source: US Census Bureau 2013 - 2017 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates



# **Environmental Justice**

Road Resurfacing and Non-motorized Path
Des No. 1600965
Blaine Pike
Jay County, Indiana

Minority by Race	COC Jay County	AC Census Tract 9631
Total Population	21107	4171
Black or African American alone	70	33
American Indian & Alaska Native alone	29	0
Asian alone	111	0
Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander	1	1
Some other race alone	0	0
Two or more races	187	97
Hispanic or Latino	637	364
Poverty Status		
Total Population	20693	3923
Income below poverty level	3705	873
Table: Minority and Low-Ir	come Data (ACS, 201	l3-2017)
	COC Jay County	AC Census Tract 9631
Percent Minority	4.90	11.87
125% of COC	6.13	
EJ Population of Concern		yes
Percent Low-Income	17.90	22.25
125% of COC	22.38	
EJ Population of Concern		no

Source: US Census Bureau

2013 - 2017 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates



# **Environmental Justice**

Road Resurfacing and Non-motorized Path
Des No. 1600965
Blaine Pike
Jay County, Indiana





August 14, 2018

Portland Water 205 South Wayne Street Portland, IN 47371 Attn: Doug Jackson

Subject: Initial Notice of Proposed Improvement Project Des. No. 1600965

Dear Mr. Jackson;

Beam, Longest and Neff, LLC (BLN) has been assigned the task of utility coordination for the project referenced above by the Indiana Department of Transportation. In accordance with 105 IAC 13-3-1(c), this letter serves as your initial notice of the proposed improvement project Des. No. 1600965 on Blaine Pike in Jay County, Indiana.

In accordance with 105 IAC 13-3-1(c), the following information is provided. The dates listed in items (4) and (5) below are the currently scheduled dates.

(1) Name or route number: Blaine Pike

(2) Geographical limits: From County Road 150 South to South of Norfolk Southern

Railroad

(3) General description of work: Road Resurfacing and Multi-Use Path Construction

(4) Date approved work plan will be 6/25/2021

needed:

(5) Ready for contracts date: 9/7/2021

(6) Name of designer and Dan Gibson, P.E., BLN

contact information: 317-849-5832

(7) Major or minor project: Major

In accordance with 105 IAC 13-3-1(d), within 30 days after receiving the initial notice or by September 14, 2018, the utility shall respond in writing with a:

- (1) description of the type and location of its facilities within the geographical limits of the proposed improvement project; or
- (2) statement that the utility has no facilities within the geographical limits of the improvement project.

Additionally, please provide us the name, telephone number, postal address and email address of the person selected as your designated contact for this project to expedite future communications. We will contact Indiana 811 and request locates for this project prior to our survey. If you would prefer to provide us location information by some other means, please contact this office to discuss.





Please send your response to Travis Foerg, Utility Coordinator, Beam Longest and Neff, 8126 Castleton Road, Indianapolis, IN, 46250, telephone: 317-849-5832, fax: 317-841-4280, to these matters.

Sincerely;

BEAM, LONGEST AND NEFF, LLC

**Travis Foerg** 

**Utility Coordinator** 

Cc: Ami Huffman, Director of Jay County Community Development

Michelle Loveall, INDOT Project Manager

Dan Gibson, BLN Designer

File #170084-906

 From:
 Brian Shaw

 To:
 Brian Shaw

Subject: FW: Blaine Pike Improvement Project - Portland, Indiana

**Date:** Friday, July 31, 2020 4:15:58 PM

**From:** Tom Leonhard <streetsuperintendent@thecityofportland.net>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 2:50 PM **To:** Brian Shaw <br/>bshaw@b-l-n.com>

Cc: Dan Gibson <DGibson@b-l-n.com>; ahuffman@jaycodev.org; Patti Smith <psmith@b-l-n.com>

Subject: Re: Blaine Pike Improvement Project - Portland, Indiana

# **EXTERNAL EMAIL**

No,I do not at this time.

Thank You!!
Tom Leonhard
City of Portland Street Department
(260)726-4077
(260)726-5618

**From:** Tom Leonhard <<u>streetsuperintendent@thecityofportland.net</u>>

**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2020 3:32 PM **To:** Brian Shaw < bshaw@b-l-n.com>

Cc: Dan Gibson < DGibson@b-l-n.com >; ahuffman@jaycodev.org; Patti Smith < psmith@b-l-n.com >

On Mon, Jun 15, 2020 at 2:57 PM Brian Shaw < bshaw@b-l-n.com > wrote:

Mr. Leonard.

Good afternoon we are working on the Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements project in Portland Indiana. The project proposes the milling and resurfacing of Blaine Pike along the entire project corridor and construction of a 10 foot wide, multiuse trail on the east side of the roadway from Bittersweet Lane to approximately 130 feet south of the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing. The paved shared use path will cross side roads and driveways in which the project proposes to construct crosswalks and curb ramps that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. A mid-block crossing with solar-powered flashing beacons will be constructed just north of the intersection of Blaine Pike and Western Avenue adjacent to Memorial Park. Drainage swells on the east side of Blaine Pike, will be relocated between the roadway and the shared use path.

During our evaluation of impacts for the environmental document we conducted a desktop review and site visit of the project area. The Portland Memorial Park is located along the project corridor near Western Avenue. The park does not have direct access onto Blaine Pike, but the facility is located within 100 feet of the Blaine Pike corridor. The project will not impact this resource by taking permanent right of way or restricting access. Also we found that the proposed Portland River Path is approximately 0.01 mile northeast of the project area.

We wanted to coordinate with you to see if you had any comments or concerns about the project in regard to Portland Memorial Park or the proposed Portland River Path or any other resource under jurisdiction of the Parks Department / Parks Board.

I have attached a set of plan and project sheets only and an aerial for review. please email or call if you have questions or need additional information.

Thank you

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# AGENDA PRELIMINARY FIELD CHECK

Blaine Pike Pedestrian Improvements Des No. 1600965

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Attendee Introductions
- Project Introduction/Brief Scope
- Anticipated Schedule
  - o Stage 3 Plans, R/W Secure and Utility Certification by June 5, 2021.
  - o RFC September 2021
  - o Letting 11/17/21
  - o Construction Spring 2022
- Railroad Restrictions: No construction traffic within 131 feet of tracks. A barricade will be placed to restrict construction equipment from violating this requirement. Therefore, no coordination with the railroad will be required. Otherwise, to engage the railroad requires the LPA to provide PE money (no federal funds) typically in the amount of \$15,000 just to engage the railroad. As this crossing is inactive, this is seen as unnecessary. Discussion with Katie Olsen at INDOT confirms this is the desired route.
  - All utilities must adhere to the restriction or obtain the necessary permit at their cost to work within 131 feet of the closest rail.
  - o Geotechnical investigation also must observe the 131-foot restriction when obtaining borings
- Utility Coordination Travis Foerg

All utilities need to provide dates we expect work plans/relocation plans, easement information and reimbursement. Need to determine due date for work plans based on letting. Currently will only need conflict analysis.

Utilities are expected to confirm their presence and if the plans correctly identify their locations.

### **Electric:**

- American Electric Power/Indiana Michigan Power
- Jay County REMC



# Fiber Optic:

• Community Fiber Optic

# Telephone:

CenturyLink

# Cable:

• Comcast Cablevision

# Gas:

• Ohio Valley Gas Corp.

# Water:

Portland Water

# Sanitary:

Portland Wastewater

Dismiss Utilities if they need to leave





• Geotechnical Investigations: (CTL)

o Railroad Restrictions
○ Mill and resurface (inlay) from CR 150 S to Blaine Pike
○ Shared Use path
<ul> <li>Possible need for retaining wall or curb near Property near Midblock Crossing. Do we anticipate a need for a boring at this location?</li> </ul>
Midblock Crossing anticipated to be pedestal type foundation
o Culvert extension
○ No underdrains anticipated
Dismiss Geotechnical for field review.
Local Government
o City of Portland
• INDOT, Greenfield District
○ Development
o Environmental Services
○ Real Estate Services
○ Operations
o Traffic
○ Construction
Review any other comments



- Site visit, as necessary
   Additional pictures
   Trace drainage
- Adjourn

Expected length of meeting: 1.5 hours.

# **ITEMS TO TAKE**

Agenda Full-sized Plans & Cross Sections Safety Vests Camera Business cards