PART I CHAPTER III INDOT's Cultural Resources Office

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3-1.0 INDOT's Cultural Resources Office

Under Title 23, United States Code, for federal-aid highway projects the state DOTs are the responsible agencies for all aspects of project development, including environmental and cultural resource compliance before and during construction. The CRO is the cultural resources management arm of INDOT. As such, CRO has many duties, including:

- Ensuring that INDOT and FHWA projects maintain compliance with a wide variety of historic preservation laws and regulations most notably <u>Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act</u> and <u>Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act</u> so that transportation projects may proceed efficiently and on-time;
- Assuring that state and federally-funded cultural resource investigations and reports are consistently of the highest quality in order to comply with all applicable laws; regulations, guidelines, and standards;
- Establishing partnerships with state and federal resource agencies and the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as well as historic preservation societies and organizations;
- Managing the cultural resources encountered by INDOT on federally and state funded projects;
- Providing excellent customer service to our coworkers, partners, clients, and communities.

The CRO consists of an Archaeology Unit and a History Unit. Both units coordinate closely to review cultural resource documents and identify and evaluate cultural resources through research, fieldwork, and laboratory analysis. Please refer to Chapter 3-2.0 for CRO staff contact information.

3-2.0 CRO Staff Contact Information

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