

---

Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology 402 W. Washington Street, W274 Indianapolis, IN 46204-2739  
Phone 317-232-1646 Fax 317-232-0693 [dhpa@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:dhpa@dnr.IN.gov)

January 21, 2026

Ashley Green  
Project Officer/Project Manager  
Brownfields & NPL /Reuse Section #1  
US EPA  
77 West Jackson Boulevard  
Chicago, IL 60604

Federal Agency: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”)

Re: Environmental Protection Agency’s finding of “no adverse effect” concerning the removal of contaminated soil around 1610 North Calhoun Street using Brownfields revolving loan grant funds (DHPA #22524)

Dear Ms. Green:

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. § 306108) and 36 C.F.R. Part 800, the staff of the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer (“Indiana SHPO”) has conducted an analysis of the materials dated January 8, 2026 and received on January 9, 2026, for the above indicated project in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana.

We concur with the EPA’s January 8, 2026 finding that there are no historic buildings, structures, districts, objects, or archaeological resources within the area of potential effects that will be adversely affected by the above indicated project.

This identification is subject to the following condition:

- The project activities remain within areas disturbed by previous construction/demolition and ground disturbance won’t impact any intact features (see below).

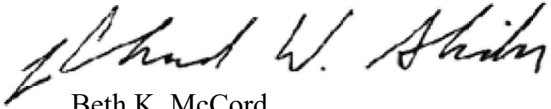
However, if there are intact elements such as building foundations or other remnants of historic structures, sites, or features, and they will be impacted by proposed project ground disturbance, then archaeological documentation of those elements would be needed. The survey would have to be done in accordance with the “Secretary of the Interior’s Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation” (48 F.R. 44716). A description of the survey methods and results would need to be submitted to the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology for review before we could comment further (see list of qualified professional archaeologists at the DHPA website link [https://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/hp\\_archeo.pdf](https://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/hp_archeo.pdf)).

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 must be reported to the Department of Natural Resources 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. 800.

If you have questions about archaeological issues please contact Amy Johnson at (317) 232-6982 or [ajohnson@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:ajohnson@dnr.IN.gov). If you have questions about buildings or structures please contact Kim Marie Padgett at (317) 234-6705 or [kpadgett@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:kpadgett@dnr.IN.gov).

Very truly yours,



Beth K. McCord  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

BKM:KMP:kmp

emc: Ashley Green, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Cindy Klem, Indiana Finance Authority  
Creager Smith, Fort Wayne Historic Preservation Commission