



## 5.18 Short Term Uses of Environment Versus Long Term Productivity

There will be a considerable amount of resources allocated to the completion of the proposed US 31 Plymouth to South Bend project. These resources would include rock, cement, steel, sand, earth, fossil fuels, and labor. As with any construction come temporary disturbances. Such disturbances would consist of construction noise and visual impacts; wildlife, wetland and forest disturbances; and home and business relocations.

The negative short-term effects stated above are necessary in order to receive the positive effects of the proposed project. The long-term effects will result in a quicker and safer route from Plymouth to South Bend. The long-term benefits of the proposed project are consistent with the use of resources.