



## 7.3 Potential Section 4(f) Resources – Historic and Archaeological Resources

Section 4(f) applies to historic properties and archaeological sites that are listed in or are eligible for listing in the National Register. Section 106 is the process that identifies listed and eligible historic and archaeological resources. Section 4(f) applies to listed or eligible sites if preservation in place is warranted. Section 4(f) does not apply to archaeological sites that are determined to be important chiefly because of what can be learned by data recovery and has minimal value for preservation in place (23 CFR 771.135(g)(2)). Efforts were made to avoid and/or minimize use of Section 4(f) historic resources. To address potential historic districts, areas were evaluated that had been previously identified as potential National Register historic districts in county *Interim Reports*. While some of these areas retained sufficient integrity to be considered potentially eligible districts, others were deemed not eligible due to alterations or lack of integrity.

Archaeological sites, even if eligible for the National Register, are not necessarily protected by Section 4(f). The FHWA Section 4(f) Policy Paper states that, “*Section 4(f) does not apply if FHWA after consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation determines that the archaeological resource is important chiefly because of what can be learned by data recovery... and has minimal value for preservation in place(23 CFR 771.135(g)(2)).*”

There are two properties already listed on the National Register and seven properties eligible for the National Register that are protected by Section 4(f) within the APE of this project. Details concerning each of these historic properties are included in Section 5.6. There would be no permanent or temporary use from any of these historic Section 4(f) resources. Each resource includes a description of the Section 4(f) issues. The alternatives considered in this evaluation include the Non-Preferred Alternatives Cs, Es, and G-C and Preferred Alternative G-Es.



### 7.3.1 Evergreen Hill

**Description:** Evergreen Hill includes an Italianate-style residence (circa 1873), that has both an older rear portion which may have been the original building and a modern addition, an English barn, a large frame shed, a smaller frame structure, a smokehouse, and an additional outbuilding that was once a corncrib and is now a small cottage. There is also a cemetery just west of the house and a new, non-contributing garage building. The thirty-eight acre farm retains its original rural context. This property was listed on the National Register in 2001. Figure 7.3.6 shows Evergreen Hill in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, and G-Es avoid this site. This property is located over 1,000 feet from any of the alternatives. None of the alternatives use property from this site. With no right-of-way needed, there is no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource.

**Constructive Use:** The Section 106 process concluded with an effect finding of “no adverse effect” for this property. Constructive use does not occur when the Section 106 effect finding is “no adverse effect” (23 CFR 771.135 (p)(5)(i)).

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

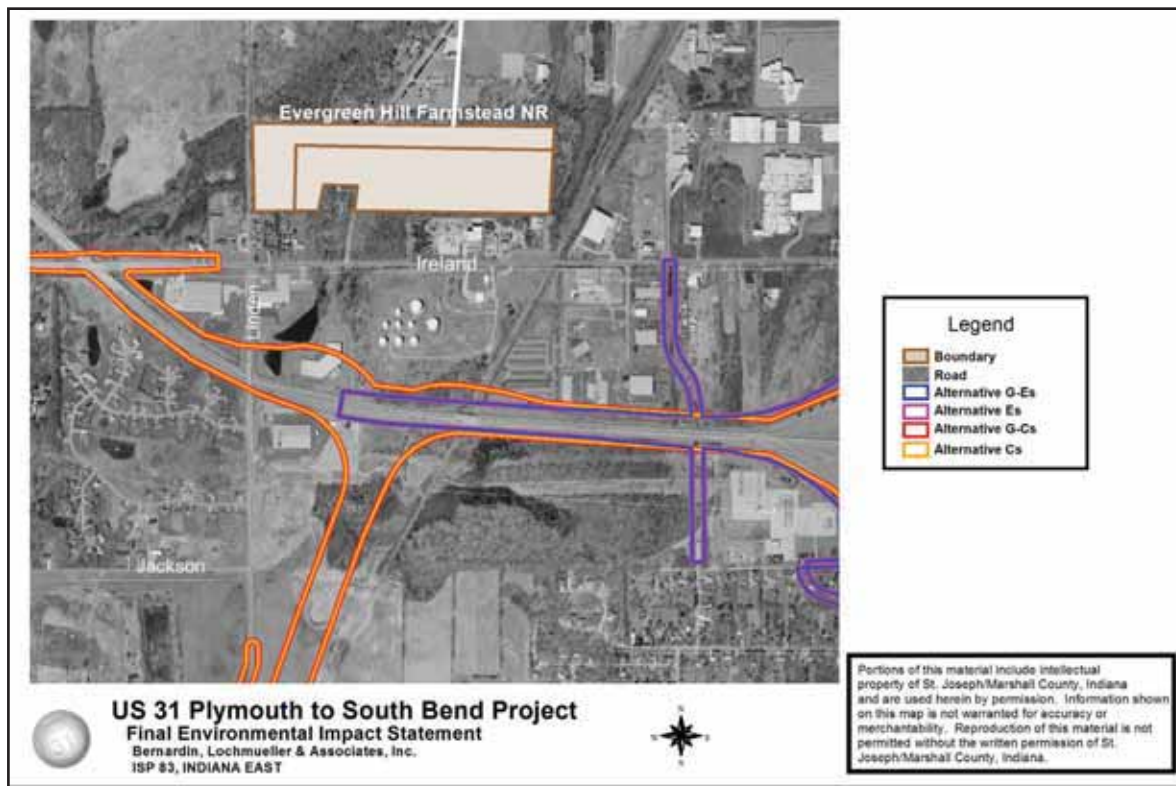


Figure 7.3.6: Evergreen Hill National Register Property



### 7.3.2 Lakeville High School

**Description:** Lakeville High School was built in 1931, following the school consolidation acts of 1899 and 1907. It is the most intact consolidated high school remaining in St. Joseph County. It is a two-story, “T”-plan brick building in simple Collegiate Gothic style. Lakeville High School was listed in the NR in 1991 and presently is a community center. Figure 7.3.7 shows Lakeville High School in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, and G-Es avoid this site. This property is located over 2,500 feet from Alternatives Cs and Es and over one mile from Alternatives G-C and G-Es. None of the alternatives use property from this site. With no right-of-way needed, there is no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource.

**Constructive Use:** The Section 106 process concluded with an effect finding of “no adverse effect” for this property. Constructive use does not occur when the Section 106 effect finding is “no adverse effect” (23 CFR 771.135 (p)(5)(i)).

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

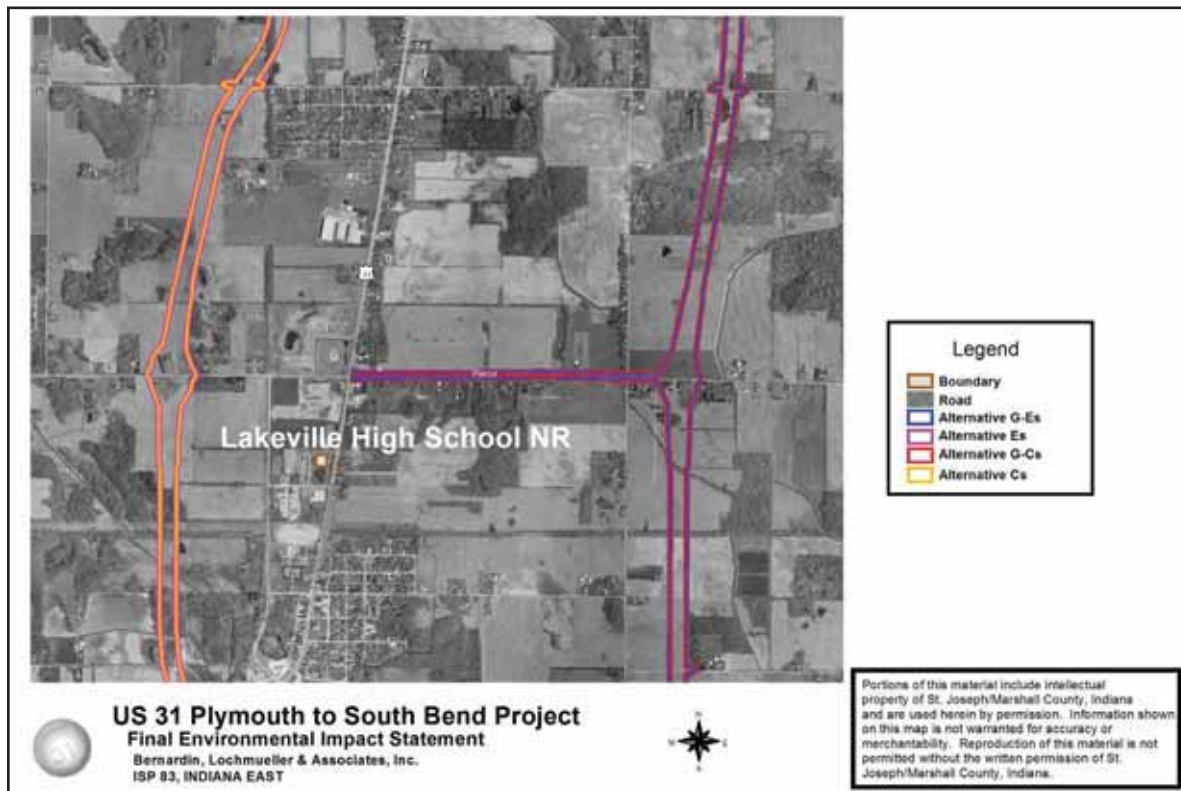


Figure 7.3.7: Lakeville High School National Register Property



### 7.3.3 Cover House

**Description:** Rated as Notable in the county *Indiana Historic Sites & Structures Inventory*, the Cover House is the best example of an architect-designed, Prairie-style house with significant architectural integrity in Centre Township. The Cover House is located along Ireland Road and is shown in Figure 7.3.8 in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, and G-Es avoid this site. This property is located over 900 feet from Alternatives Cs and G-C and over one mile from Alternatives Es and G-Es. None of the alternatives use property from this site. With no right-of-way needed, there is no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource.

**Constructive Use:** The Section 106 process concluded with an effect finding of “no adverse effect” for this property. Constructive use does not occur when the Section 106 effect finding is “no adverse effect” (23 CFR 771.135 (p)(5)(i)).

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

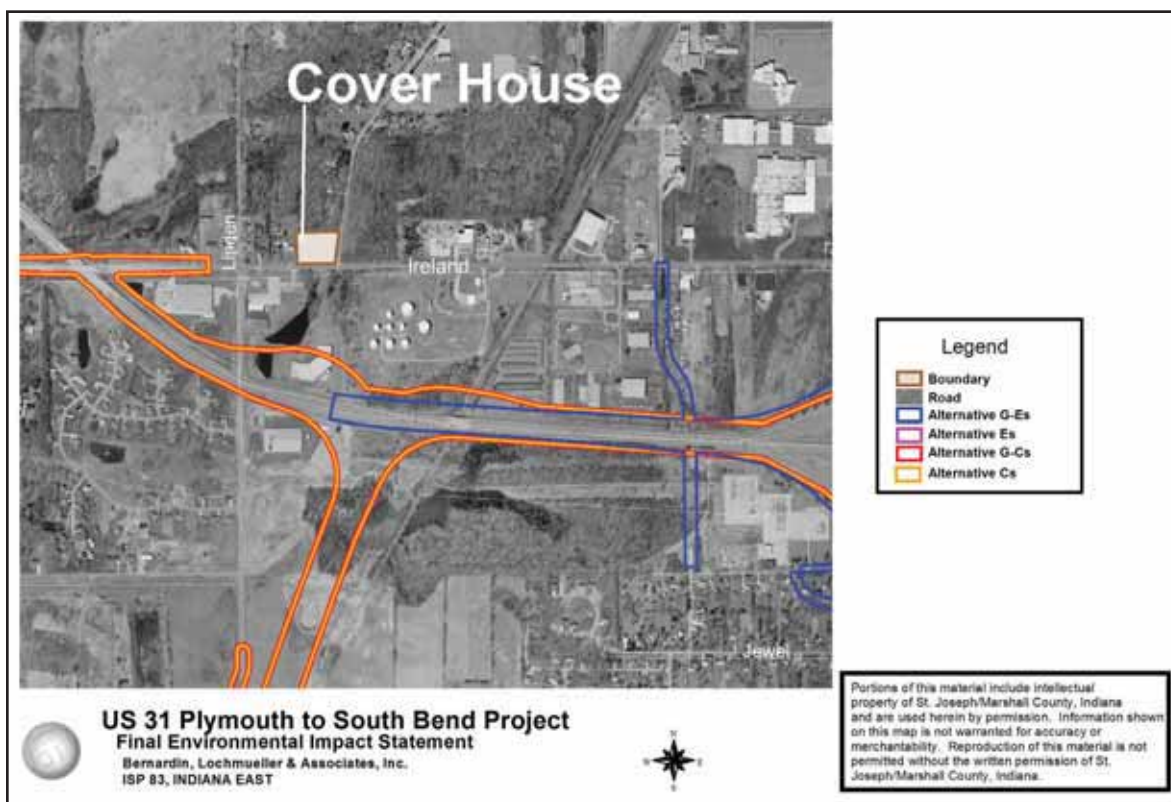


Figure 7.3.8: Cover House Property



### 7.3.4 Conrad Schafer Farmstead

**Description:** The Conrad Schafer Farmstead, located at 65154 Miami Highway in St. Joseph County, has a Greek Revival residence with Italianate influences constructed circa 1860, a Sweitzer barn, a Pennsylvania German barn, a milk house, a non-period garage, a non-period pole barn, a Harvestore silo, and modern grain bins. The residence has a stone foundation, clapboard siding, original windows, center door with original surround, and an original porch. The Sweitzer barn, one of only two in the study area, has a stone foundation, as does the Pennsylvania German bank barn, which has “Schafer Homestead 1853” on the façade. Figure 7.3.9 shows the farmstead in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, and G-Es avoid this site. This property is located over one mile from Alternatives G-C and G-Es and over two miles from Alternatives Cs and Es. None of the alternatives use property from this site. With no right-of-way needed, there is no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource.

**Constructive Use:** The Section 106 process concluded with an effect finding of “no adverse effect” for this property. Constructive use does not occur when the Section 106 effect finding is “no adverse effect” (23 CFR 771.135 (p)(5)(i)).

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

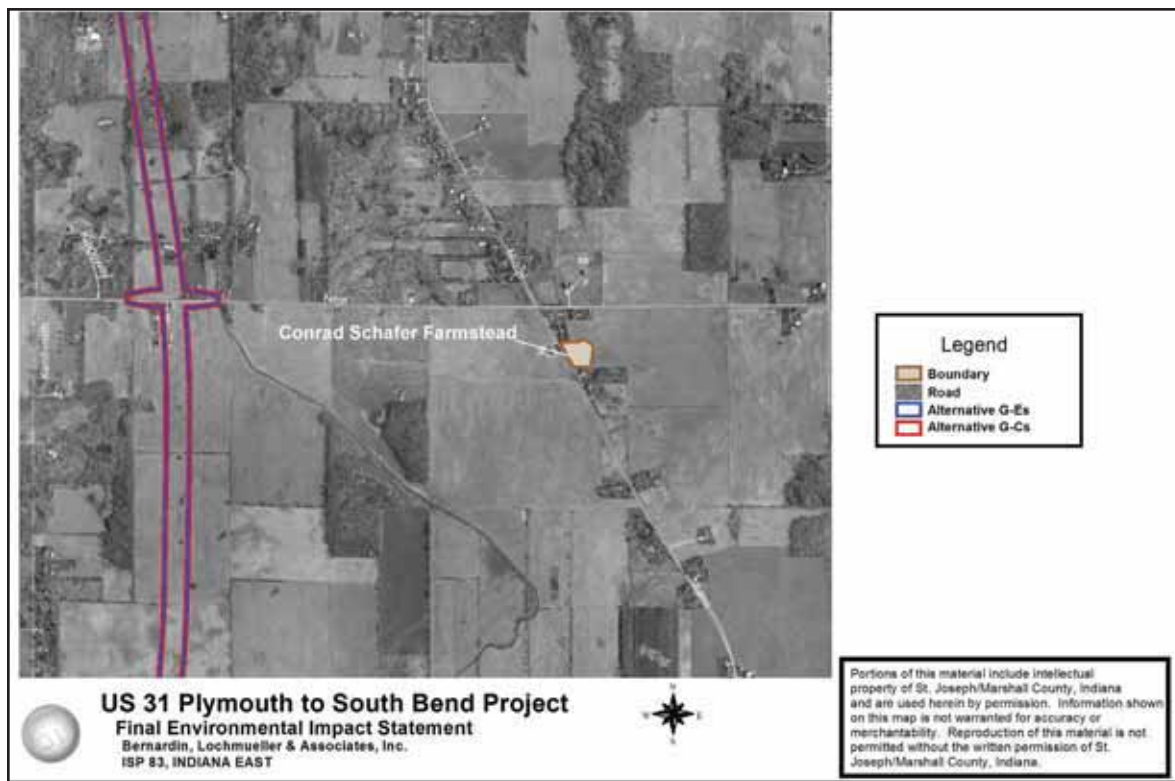


Figure 7.3.9: Conrad Schafer Farmstead



### 7.3.5 Emil Johnson House

**Description:** The Emil Johnson House is the best example of a Tudor Revival-style house of in Centre Township, demonstrating distinctive characteristics of a type and period of construction. Rated as Outstanding in the *Indiana Historic Sites & Structures Inventory*, the house captures many of the design elements of the Art & Crafts period. Its leaded windows with geometric shapes and contrasting colors and textures accentuate those elements. The Emil Johnson House is located on Locust Road and is shown in Figure 7.3.10 in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, and G-C avoid this site. This property is located over 1,550 feet from the Kern Road interchange on Alternative Cs, over 2,100 feet from the Kern Road interchange on Alternative G-C, and over one mile from the Kern Road interchange on Alternative Es. None of the alternatives use property from this site. With no right-of-way needed, there is no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource.

**Constructive Use:** The Section 106 process concluded with an effect finding of “no adverse effect” for this property. Constructive use does not occur when the Section 106 effect finding is “no adverse effect” (23 CFR 771.135 (p)(5)(i)).

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

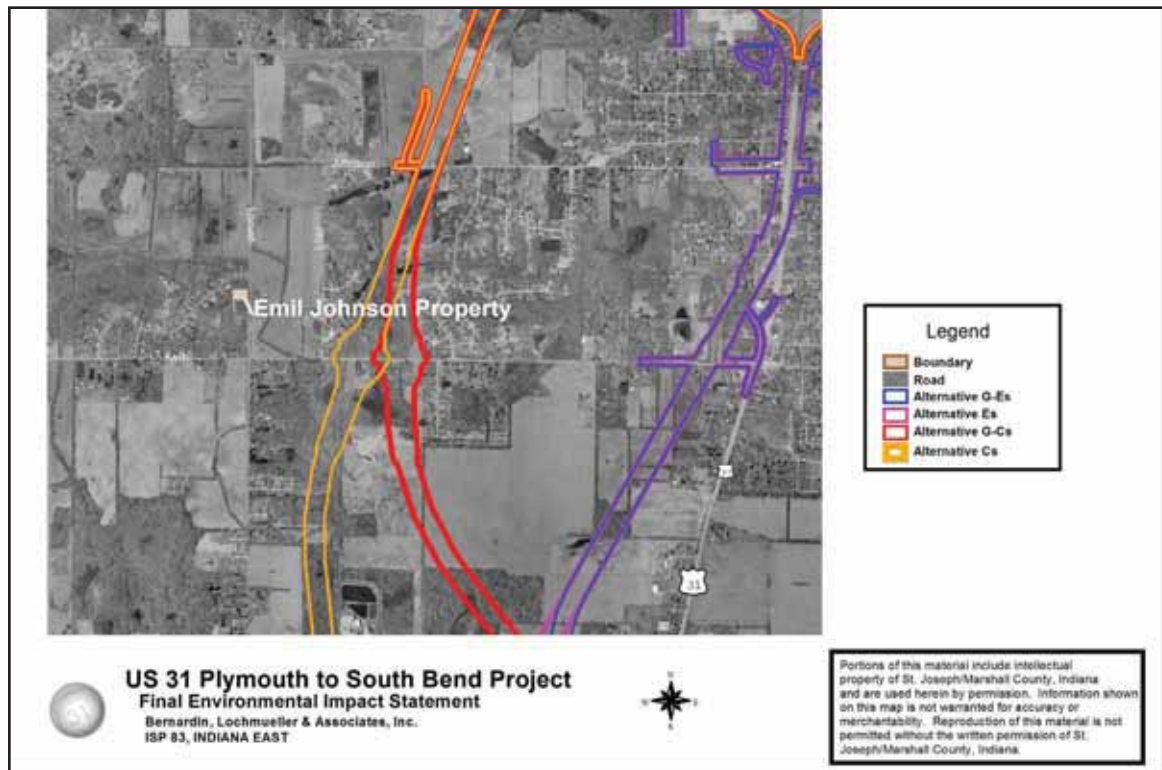


Figure 7.3.10: Emil Johnson House Property



### 7.3.6 Ullery/Farneman House

**Description:** The Ullery/Farneman House is associated with the families of Ullery and Farneman and their role in the early history and settlement of the local community. Built circa 1855 and rated as Notable in the county *Indiana Historic Sites & Structures Inventory*, the two-story simple brick Italianate dwelling retains its integrity. The house is located along existing US 31 south of Kern Road and is shown in Figure 7.3.11 in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, and G-Es avoid this site. None of the alternatives use property from this site. With no right-of-way needed, there is no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource.

**Constructive Use:** The Section 106 process concluded with an effect finding of “no adverse effect” for this property. Constructive use does not occur when the Section 106 effect finding is “no adverse effect” (23 CFR 771.135 (p)(5)(i)).

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

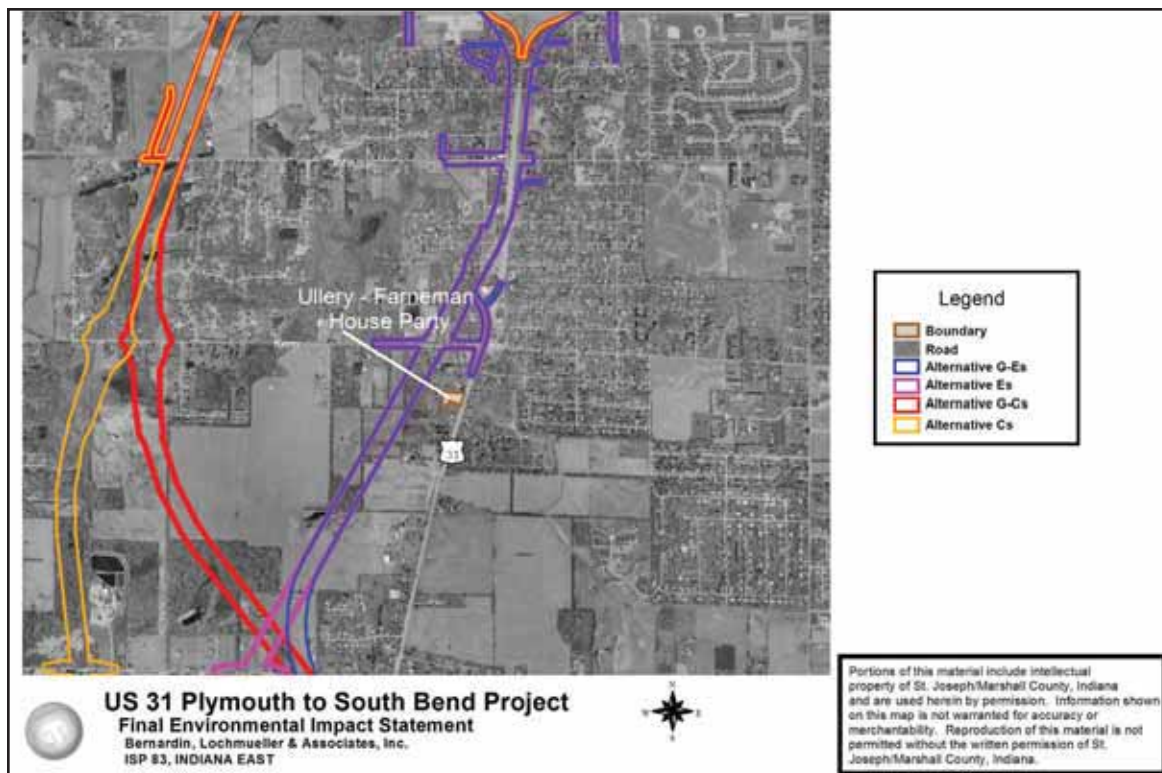


Figure 7.3.11: Ullery/Farneman House Property



### 7.3.7. Francis Donaghue Farmstead

**Description:** The Francis Donaghue Farmstead contains an excellent example of a brick, high-style Italianate residence in a rural context in Centre Township. Rated as Notable in the *Indiana Historic Sites & Structures Inventory*, the farmstead consists of a residence, barn, poultry house, garage, privy, windmill, and well house. The landscape of the agriculture-related portion of the property contains a poultry house and a bank barn sited in an unusual fashion for this area. The Francis Donaghue Farmstead is located along Turkey Trail and is shown in Figure 7.3.12 in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, and G-Es avoid this site. This property is located over 2400 feet from Alternatives G-C and G-Es and over one mile from Alternatives Cs and Es. None of the alternatives use property from this site. With no right-of-way needed, there is no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource.

**Constructive Use:** The Section 106 process concluded with an effect finding of “no adverse effect” for this property. Constructive use does not occur when the Section 106 effect finding is “no adverse effect” (23 CFR 771.135 (p)(5)(i)).

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

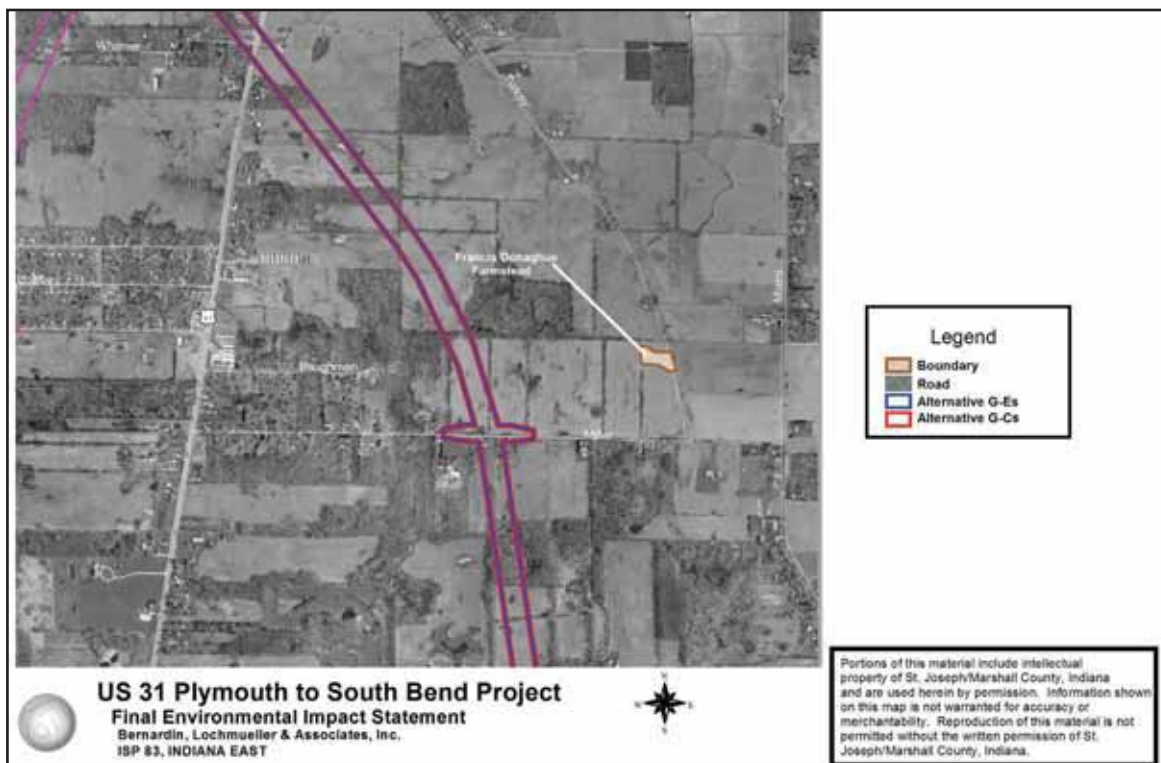


Figure 7.3.12: Francis Donaghue Farmstead Property





### 7.3.8 Court Farmstead

**Description:** The Court Farmstead, located at 18681 Osborne Road in St. Joseph County, has a residence, a small well house, a granary, a livestock holding facility, a garage, a drive-through corncrib, silos, a poultry house, and a large barn. The one-and-one-half story Queen Anne cottage, circa 1895, has a brick foundation, metal siding, and original windows and doors. The granary rests on stone piers and has vertical wooden siding. The drive-through corncrib is two-stories high and standing on a concrete foundation. Figure 7.3.13 shows the Court Farmstead in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, and G-Es avoid this site. This property is located approximately one mile from Alternatives G-C and G-Es and over two miles from Alternatives Cs and Es. None of the alternatives use property from this site. With no right-of-way needed, there is no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource.

**Constructive Use:** The Section 106 process concluded with an effect finding of “no adverse effect” for this property. Constructive use does not occur when the Section 106 effect finding is “no adverse effect” (23 CFR 771.135 (p)(5)(i)).

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

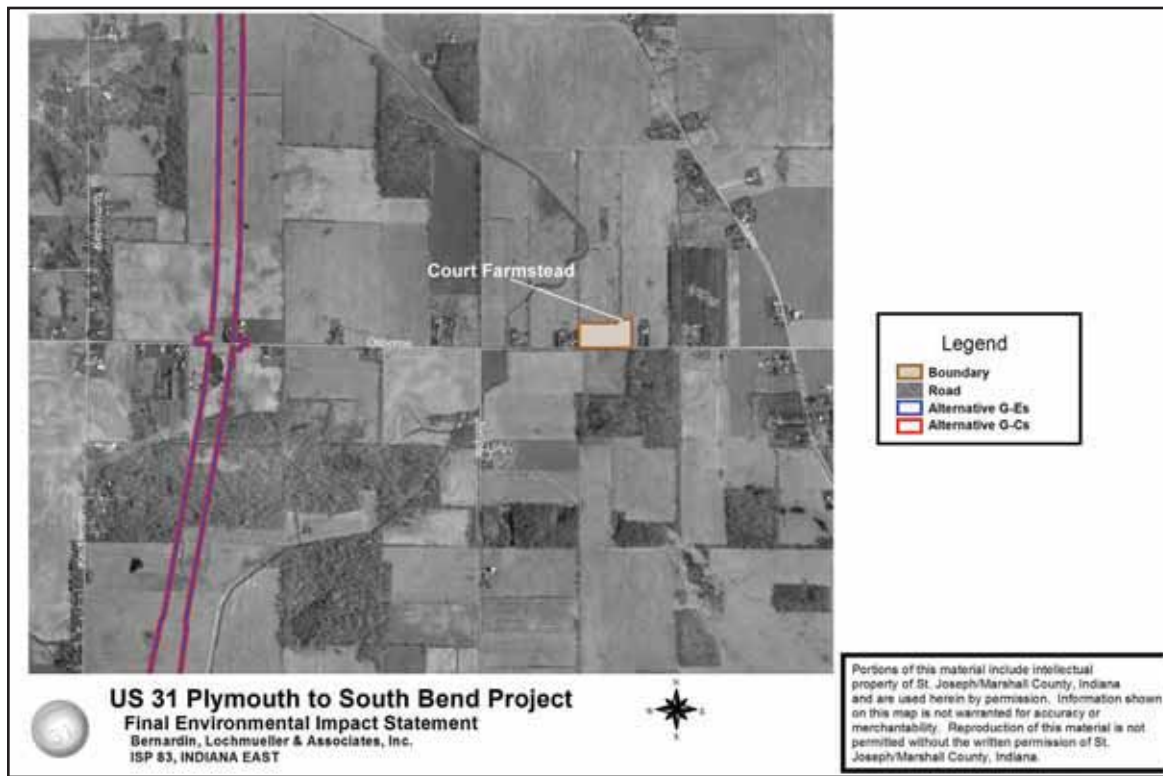


Figure 7.3.13: Court Farmstead Property



### 7.3.9 W. O. Bunch Farm

**Description:** The W. O. Bunch Farm is the best example of a late-nineteenth-century, general-purpose Hoosier farm in Union Township in terms of its inventory of extant buildings and historic field patterns. Rated as Notable in the county *Indiana Historic Sites & Structures Inventory*, the farm consists of a residence, barn, and collection of nine outbuildings dedicated to different farm functions. The farm is located on Pierce Road just west of Kenilworth Road and is shown in Figure 7.3.14 in relation to the US 31 alternatives.

**Direct Use:** Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, and G-Es avoid this site. None of the alternatives use property from this site. The planned local road improvement project, the widening of Pierce Road, will likely have no direct impact if the improvement occurs to the north--rather than the south--side of the road. Therefore, there would be no direct use of this Section 4(f) resource for right-of-way for Alternatives Cs, Es, G-C, or G-Es.

**Constructive Use:** The Memorandum of Agreement (in Appendix P) states that “the FHWA, in consultation with the Indiana SHPO, has determined that the adverse effect on the W.O. Bunch Farm will not result in a substantial loss or reduction of the historic property’s significance and the W.O.Bunch Farm will retain the features that make it eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.” The Section 106 process has determined there is no substantial impairment to this property and thus no constructive use.

**Avoidance Alternatives:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

**Measures to Minimize Harm:** Not applicable. All of the alternatives avoid this resource.

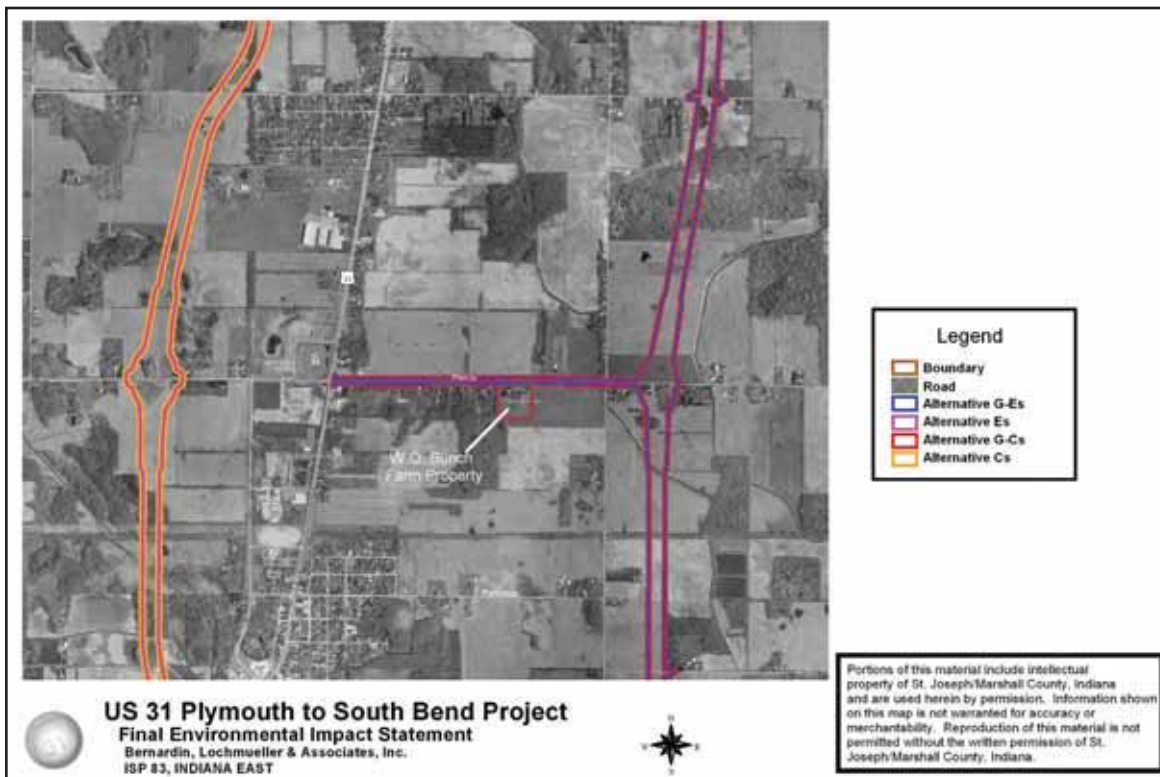


Figure 7.3.14: W. O. Bunch Farm Property