



Tipton County Surveyor

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US Senator Richard Lugar
306 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-1401

RE: Seeking State Tribal Assistance Funding for the Big Cicero Creek Stormwater Project in
Tipton County, Indiana

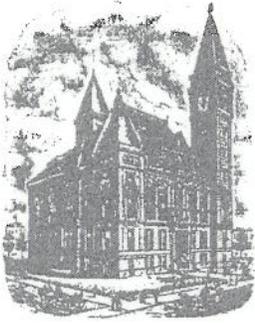
Dear Senator Richard Lugar:

The Tipton County Commissioners seek your assistance to obtain a \$500,000.00 congressional appropriation from the State Tribal Assistance Grant Program to add crucial funding to complete the Big Cicero Creek storm water project.

The Board has retained CBBEL to design channel widening improvements to Big Cicero Creek that will eliminate flood damages below the 10-year frequency flood in the town of Tipton and will reduce the time that crops would be flooded by the 2-year flood to less than two days and about two and a half days for the 10-year flood.

The subject reach of Big Cicero Creek begins approximately 2,800 feet downstream of Tobin Ditch and continues upstream 5.7 miles to County Road 400 South. Specifically, the project is located in Sections 20, 21, 22, 15, 14, 11, 12 and 13 of Township 31 North, Range 9 West as shown on the Tipton 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map attached to this email.

The improvements will consist primarily of a shelf to be excavated landward from the creek bank at approximately 3 feet above the channel bottom. The shelf will extend 30 feet beyond the edge of channel at a 1% slope and then will project up to existing grade at a slope of 2(H):1 (V). The shelf will typically be excavated on only one bank at any given location along the channel, however, the shelf will be designed to switch between the left and right banks as needed to avoid impacts to existing structures and to minimize construction costs. The construction limits will typically be no more than 100 feet from the existing top of bank. It is estimated that approximately 200,000 cubic



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yards of material will be excavated during the channel widening project and will be deposited outside the limits of the floodplain.

The total cost of the project is \$3,081,000.00 and we currently have identified \$2,581,000.00 in project funding and need an additional \$500,000.00 from the State Tribal Assistance Grant to complete the financial aspect of this construction project.

We truly appreciate your time and effort to review and approve this project through congressional appropriation process.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Truly Yours,

Ken Ziegler, Commissioner President

Jane Harper, Commissioner

Mike Cline, Commissioner