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## **Notice of Explanation of Project Located In a Floodplain/Wetland**

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This is to give notice that the City of Auburn, Indiana, and the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum (ACDAM) have conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order (11988 or 11990) in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 to determine the potential affect that the ACDAM's activity in an area adjacent to the floodplain or wetland will have on the environment. The City of Auburn and the ACDAM have determined that there is not a practicable alternative other than locating the proposed Community Development Block Grant project described below in the area adjacent to the floodplain/wetland.

### Description of project and project activities:

The proposed roof replacement preservation project will complete the following improvements at the ACDAM located at 1600 S. Wayne Street, Auburn, DeKalb County, IN 46706. The ACDAM building is not located within the floodplain; however, the structure is immediately adjacent to the floodplain. All improvements will occur on the roof of the ACDAM only. The project does not include any excavation or ground disturbance. The improvements will not increase runoff from the building; all runoff is directed to surface drains that drain away from the floodplain.

1. Removal of existing roof systems and any mechanical, electrical, etc. components that will either be replaced or must be removed/disconnected to accommodate the roof system replacement.
2. Installation of a 2-Ply modified bituminous roof system. This system is very thick and very tough with a proven track record. It can also be renovated after 20 years with a recover roof from the same manufacturer that will extend the total system weathertight warranty another 20-years. Installation will include all appropriate materials required for the system, including the base, insulation, adhesives, coping, fascia, gutters, seals, vents, and etc.
3. Installation of new HVAC equipment.
4. Installation of a new Building Automation System (BAS) connected to all of the new HVAC components. The installation would include new frontend computer controls, local control modules, interconnect wiring, equipment control components, programming and training of personnel.

The improvements must be located in the area adjacent to the floodplain because the structure to be improved already exists in the area adjacent to the floodplain. The proposed improvements will not change the size of the structure or involve any change in land use.

*Alternatives that were considered:*

Alternative 1: No Action. The ‘No Action’ alternative is not a viable option due to the fact that the structure to be improved already exists in an area adjacent to the floodplain and must be completed to replace and preserve the roof of the historic structure.

Mitigation measures and environmental provisions will be included in the construction specifications to limit potential impacts and provide controls in accordance with current state standards during the construction of the proposed improvements.

By publication of this notice, the City of Auburn / ACDAM is inviting any final written comments prior to undertaking the proposed action. All comments should be sent to the City of Auburn’s / ACDAM’s Environmental Review Officer and addressed to ER Officer, ACDAM c/o NIRCC, Attn: Matt Vondran, 200 East Berry St., Suite 230, Ft. Wayne, IN 46802, or email comments to: [Matt.Vondran@co.allen.in.us](mailto:Matt.Vondran@co.allen.in.us), not later than May 7, 2021.

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