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MISSISSIPPI DRIVE (IOWA 92)
FROM MAIN STREET TO THE NORBERT F. BECKEY BRIDGE
IN
MUSCATINE, MUSCATINE COUNTY, IOWA
STP-U-5330(614)--27-70

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
and
SECTION 4(f) STATEMENT

Submitted Pursuant to 42 USC 4332(2)(c)

By The

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
and
CITY OF MUSCATINE, IOWA

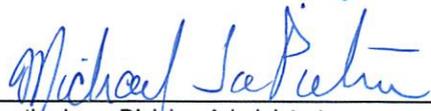
These signatures are considered acceptance of the general project location and concepts described in the environmental document unless otherwise specified by the approving officials. However, such approval does not commit to approve any future grant request to fund the preferred alternative.



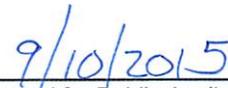
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**TABLE 3
LEAST HARM ANALYSIS COMPARISON OF ALTERNATIVES**

		Conventional Intersection	West Avoidance	Realigned Conventional
Meet Purpose/Need?		Yes	No	No
Use Section 4(f) Resource?		Yes Puritan Ice Company	No	No
Business Impacts	Partial	9	6	9
	Total	1 (Puritan Ice)	3	0
Residential Impacts	Partial	0	0	4
	Total	0	4	0
Improve Safety, Operations		Yes	No	No
Cost*		\$1.9 Million	\$2.1 Million	\$1.7 Million

*Includes construction cost and estimated right-of-way.

8.0 COORDINATION

Throughout the planning stages of this project, the Iowa SHPO was consulted regarding the evaluation of impacts to cultural resources on the Mississippi Drive Corridor. The comments of SHPO regarding the project's impacts from the proposed improvements on the Puritan Ice Company property have been incorporated into the Memorandum of Agreement. The Muscatine Historic Preservation Commission was contacted for input and coordination in March 2014 but did not provide comment. The Memorandum of Agreement was reached between FHWA, SHPO, Iowa DOT and the city of Muscatine and includes mitigative measures for the Puritan Ice Company. The MOA is attached in Appendix B.

9. SUMMARY AND DISPOSITION OF THE DRAFT SECTION 4(f) STATEMENT

9.1 Summary

The Conventional Intersection Alternative directly impacts the Puritan Ice Company while meeting the project's purpose and need. The West Avoidance Alternative does not meet the project's purpose and need and also has severe impacts, including the acquisition of several houses and five businesses.

9.2 Disposition

This Draft Section 4(f) Statement will be circulated to appropriate resource and regulatory agencies in conjunction with the Mississippi Drive Environmental Assessment. Following review and comment of this Draft Section 4(f) Statement, a Final Section 4(f) Statement will be prepared that incorporates comments received in the Draft. It will be distributed to those agencies that comment on the current document with the Finding of No Significant Impact.



For the Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration



Date