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Dear Michael:

I have reviewed our Natural Heritage maps and files for the Allen 75 project area, including a one mile radius, in Lima, Allen County, and on the Lima, Cridersville and Cairo Quads (441-1830). We have no records for rare or endangered species or other significant natural features within the project area. However, we have one record within the one mile radius of the project site. The location for the Upland Sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*), threatened, 1987, is shown in red on the attached map. The birds were seen at the Allen County Airport.

There are no existing or proposed state nature preserves or scenic rivers at the project site. We are also unaware of any unique ecological sites, geologic features, breeding or non-breeding animal concentrations or state parks, forests or wildlife areas in the project vicinity. We also have no records for Indiana Bat (*Myotis sodalis*, state endangered, federal endangered) capture locations or hibernacula within a five mile radius of the project site.

Our inventory program has not completely surveyed Ohio and relies on information supplied by many individuals and organizations. Therefore, a lack of records for any particular area is not a statement that rare species or unique features are absent from that area. Please note that although we inventory all types of plant communities, we only maintain records on the highest quality areas. Also, we do not have data for all Ohio wetlands. For National Wetlands Inventory maps, please contact Madge Fitak in the Division of Geological Survey at 614-265-6576.

Please contact me at 614-265-6818 if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Debbie Wolschke, Ecological Analyst
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