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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**United States Bureau of Indian Affairs  
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Bloomington, Minnesota**



**Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians**  
**Fee-to-Trust Transfer for Tribal Village and Casino**  
**City of South Bend, Indiana**

**Preparing Agency:**

**Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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**THE POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS**  
**FEE-TO-TRUST TRANSFER FOR**  
**TRIBAL VILLAGE AND CASINO**  
**CITY OF SOUTH BEND, INDIANA**

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**Lead Agency:**

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**Cooperating Agencies:**

United States Environmental Protection Agency  
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**Abstract:**

The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) received an application for the conveyance into trust of 165.81 acres of land currently held by the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians in the City of South Bend, Saint Joseph County, Indiana on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The Band intends to develop a tribal village including 44 housing units, a multi-purpose facility, health services, and other tribal government facilities. The proposed development for the property also includes a Class III gaming facility with a hotel, meeting space and a parking garage.

**Please submit comments by:**

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