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January 6, 2010

Ms. Lisa Shrader
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Indiana Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 429
LaPorte, Indiana 46352

**RE: NW Indiana FFY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program
TIP Amendment #13**

Dear Ms. Shrader:

Enclosed is NIRPC Board Resolution 09-26, adopted on December 10, 2009. These actions make changes to our Transportation Improvement Program. A list of affected projects is attached to the resolution.

Please note that the amendment includes both ARRA and non-ARRA projects, and includes one scope change to a non-exempt project. The resolution includes both transit and highway projects.

An electronic copy of the updated TIP list has been posted on our website and has already been transmitted to both you and Marcia Blansett. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact either Gary Evers or myself at your earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,

Steve Strains
Director of Planning

Enclosure

cc: FHWA: Joyce Newland; FTA: David Werner; INDOT: Marcia Blansett



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RESOLUTION 09-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ADOPTING FISCAL YEAR 2009-2013 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT NO. 13

December 10, 2009

WHEREAS, Northwest Indiana's citizens require a safe, efficient, effective, resource-conserving regional transportation system that maintains and enhances regional mobility and contributes to improving the quality of life in Northwest Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, hereafter referred to as "the Commission", being designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Lake, Porter and LaPorte County area, has established a regional, comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3-C) transportation planning process to develop the unified planning work program, a transportation plan, and a transportation improvement program to facilitate federal funding for communities, counties, and transit operators, and to provide technical assistance and expertise to regional transportation interests; and

WHEREAS, the Commission performs the above activities to satisfy regional requirements under the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962, as amended, the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978, as amended, the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, the Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, the 1970 Clean Air Act, as amended, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act—A Legacy for Users (2005), as well as other federal, state and local laws mandating transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program is a product of a multi-modal, 3-C transportation planning process, compatible with regional goals and objectives and socio-economic and demographic factors used to form the *Connections 2030* Regional Transportation Plan, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program is an implementation of the *Connections 2030* Regional Transportation Plan, as amended, is fiscally constrained, and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program is developed by the Commission in coordination and cooperation with local elected and appointed highway and transit officials, special interest and service organizations, including users of public transit, the Indiana Department of Transportation, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, the U. S. Department of Transportation Chicago Metropolitan Office, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency;

WHEREAS, Northwest Indiana has been allocated significant financial resources under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (PL 111-5); and

WHEREAS, the changes to the FY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program brought about by this amendment were reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the Fiscal Year 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program by adding the new projects and making other changes as shown on the attachment to this resolution.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this tenth day of December 2009.



H. Jonathan Costas, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Robert Harper, Secretary

Northwest Indiana FFY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #13

Part 1 of 3: Non-ARRA Projects: For Public Comment and ICG Review

Non-Exempt INDOT Highway Projects

TIP Action: Add New Project Phase

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FHWA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
INDOT	US 41: Median Construction (South of E&E RR to South of Main Street) DES 9966160 Phase RW State STP Non-Exempt Project #209 (2010 CN Project already in TIP)	2010	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 200,000	Non-Exempt	Conformity Determination Project #209	n/a

Exempt INDOT Highway Projects

TIP Action: Add New Projects or Project Phases

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FHWA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
INDOT	Bridge Maintenance & Repair: US 41 over Conrail, SR 4 over Fish Lake Channel, I-94 over US 20/35). DES 0901678 Phase CN State STP	2011	\$ 160,000	\$ 128,000	\$ 32,000	Exempt	Table 2, #19	n/a
INDOT	I-65 Road Reconstruction (3R/4R Standards). From 2.1 mi South of SR 2 to 0.6 mi South of US 231. DES 0902019 Phase CN IM (Interstate Maintenance)	2012	\$ 16,250,000	\$ 14,625,000	\$ 1,625,000	Exempt	Table 2, #10	n/a
INDOT	US 12 Traffic Signals, New or Modernized (5th Ave at Bigger St in Gary) DES 0902178 Phase CN State STP	2011	\$ 115,000	\$ 115,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 3, #2	n/a

Exempt Local Highway Projects

TIP Action: Add New Projects or Project Phases

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FHWA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
Hammond	Road Reconstruction: 165th St. from Calumet Ave to Indpls Blvd (Hammond) Utility Work ("72" Items) Parent DES: 0900070 DES 0901318 Phase CN 100% Local	2010	\$ 1,500,000	\$ -	\$ 1,500,000	Exempt	Table 2, #10	n/a

Exempt Local Transit Projects

TIP Action: Add New Projects

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FTA Section 5307 Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
Valparaiso	Publicity & Marketing for Chicago Dash Commuter Bus Service	2010	\$ 100,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 20,000	Exempt	Table 2, #34c	n/a
Valparaiso	Purchase up to 10 Bus Passenger Shelters	2010	\$ 60,000	\$ 48,000	\$ 12,000	Exempt	Table 2, #27	n/a

Part 2 of 3: ARRA Projects: For Public Comment and ICG Review

Public Transit Projects: Chicago Urbanized Area FTA ARRA Transit Capital

TIP Action: Add New ARRA Projects

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	Federal Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
Valparaiso	Camera Surveillance System for the bus boarding & passenger waiting area	2010	\$ 44,500	\$ 44,500	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #28	n/a
Valparaiso	One large (fully enclosed) bus passenger shelter with lighting and seats	2010	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #27	n/a
Valparaiso	Bus Stop Signs (non-electronic)	2010	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #41	n/a
Valparaiso	Office Computer Equipment (One Desktop Unit)	2010	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #24	n/a

TIP Action: Delete ARRA Projects

Valparaiso	Construct New Downtown Transfer Center (PE Only)	2010	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ -	Exempt	Per ICG	n/a
INDOT	US 30 Preventative Maintenance (Surface Treatment, Microsurface) DES 0900444 Phase: CN from SR 39 to 3.14 mi E. of US 35	2010	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ -	Exempt	Per ICG	n/a
INDOT	US 30 Preventative Maintenance (Surface Treatment, Microsurface) DES 0900445 Phase: CN from US 421 to SR 39	2010	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ -	Exempt	Per ICG	n/a

Local Highway Projects

TIP Action: Add New ARRA Projects

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FHWA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Document Reference Table	
Porter	Directional & Wayfinding Signage DES Pending Phase CE/CN ARRA	2010	\$ 149,232	\$ 149,232	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #41	n/a
Munster	Mill & Overlay: Calumet Ave (Ridge Rd to Hammond/Munster Corp Limit) DES Pending Phase CE/CN ARRA	2010	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #10	n/a

Part 3 of 3: Administrative Modifications

TIP Action: Funding Changes to Existing Projects

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	Federal Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Document Reference Table	
INDOT	US 421 Road Rehabilitation (Toll Road N to 0.3 miles S of I-94 in LaPorte County) DES 0400984 Phase: PE State STP Funds TIP Action: Increase Funding from \$860,247 to amount shown.	2010	\$ 1,915,000	\$ 1,532,000	\$ 383,000	Exempt	Table 2, #10	n/a
INDOT	US 421 Bridge Replacement (Norfolk Southern RR over US 421 0.6 miles N of Toll Road in LaPorte County) DES 0400985 Phase: PE State STP Funds TIP Action: Decrease Funding from \$1,000,000 to amount shown.	2010	15,000	12,000	3,000	Exempt	Table 2, #19	n/a
INDOT	SR 55 HMA Overlay, Functional. From US 231 to Ridge Rd. DES 0710053 Phase: CN State STP Funds (south terminus change from US 30).	2010	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 1,280,000	\$ 320,000	Exempt	Table 2, #10	n/a
INDOT	US 12 HMA Overlay, Functional. From US 20/Indianapolis Blvd to SR 912 (Cline Ave). DES 0710030 Phase: CN State STP Funds (west terminus change from Columbus Dr)	2010	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 960,000	\$ 240,000	Exempt	Table 2, #10	n/a
INDOT	SR 2 Preventative Maintenance: US 20 to US 31 (St Joseph Co). Funding Changed from ARRA to STP DES 0900091 Phase: CN State STP Funding Change from ARRA to State STP	2012	\$ 2,160,000	\$ 1,728,000	\$ 432,000	Exempt	Table 2, #10	n/a