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**RESOLUTION 12-18**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AMENDING THE  
2012-2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR LAKE,  
PORTER, AND LAPORTE COUNTIES, INDIANA  
AMENDMENT NO. 18**

September 20, 2012

**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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 2012-2015 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 *2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan (CRP)*; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program is an implementation of the *2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan (CRP)*; is fiscally constrained, and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2012-2015 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. Federal Highway Administration, the U.S. Federal Transit Administration, and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, the changes to the FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program brought about by this amendment were reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group (ICG).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the 2012-2015 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 twentieth day of September 2012.

  
Geof Benson, Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
Blair Milo, Secretary

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**INDOT Construction Projects**

TIP Action: Add New Projects or Project Phases										
DES	Applicant	Project Name	Phase	Year	Total Cost	FHWA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
								Status	Table	
1297451	INDOT	Bridge Inspections: Bridge Load Rating Inspections Statewide (Cost \$500,000--not broken out by county)	PE	2013 2014	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #34a	n/a
1297452	INDOT	Fracture Critical Inspections Statewide (All MPOs, Non Border Bridges) (Cost \$500,000--not broken out by county. FHWA Bridge.	PE	2013	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #34a	n/a
0901462	INDOT	Bridge Inspections Including SR 152 over Gibson RR Yard in Hammond.	PE	2013	\$ 500,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 100,000	Exempt	Table 2, #34a	n/a
0901464	INDOT	State-wide Inspections on Post-Tensioned Bridges #1 . (Cost \$500,000--not broken out by county) FHWA Bridge Funds	PE	2013	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #34a	n/a
0500728	INDOT	Box Girder Bridges: SR-912 EBL Ramp over I-80, SR-912 & Ramps SR-912 WBL Ramp over I-80, SR-912 & Ramps	PE	2013	\$ 200,000	\$ 160,000	\$ 40,000	Exempt	Table 2, #34a	n/a
8351540	INDOT	SR 130 Intersection Improvements at Lake/Porter County Line Rd. FHWA State STP Funds	PE	2013	\$ 200,000	\$ 160,000	\$ 40,000	Exempt	Table 3, #1, #2	n/a

**Local Construction Projects**

TIP Action: Add New Projects or Project Phases										
DES	Applicant	Project Name	Phase	Year	Total Cost	FHWA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
								Status	Table	
1297224	Valparaiso	US 30 Corridor Improvements/Intersection Improvements (NHS/State STP)	PE	2013	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 400,000	Exempt	Table 2, #10; Table 3, #1, #2	n/a
			RW	2013	\$ 100,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 20,000			
			CN	2014	\$ 20,400,000	\$ 16,320,000	\$ 4,080,000			
0901321	East Chicago	129th St Intersection Improvement at Dickey Place/Riley Rd/Standard Ave with Roundabout. State STP	CN	2014	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 200,000	Exempt	Table 3, #1	n/a

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