

2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan

Amendment #3

Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) proposes Amendment #3 to its 2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan (CRP). This amendment will add the following two projects to the list of Capacity Expansion Projects published on Page II-28 of the Plan:

1. **I-65 Added Travel Lanes, from US 30 to US 231** (adds one additional travel lane in each direction for a total of six).
Open-to-Traffic Date: Before December 31, 2019
Project Sponsor: Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT)
2. **Illiana Expressway, from I-65 West to Indiana/Illinois State Line.**
New Limited-Access, Four-Lane Toll Road (two travel lanes in each direction).
Open-to-Traffic Date: Before December 31, 2019
Project Sponsor: Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT)

Action on this amendment is scheduled to occur at a meeting of the Commission on Thursday, December 12, 2013.

Adoption of this amendment is contingent upon each the following prerequisites:

- Each project will need to be evaluated under and will have to be cleared for inclusion in the CRP by the adopted Congestion Management Process (CMP).
- Each project will need to be found to be in general agreement with the goals and objectives of the CRP.
- NIRPC's Environmental Justice (EJ) Analysis of the impact of the CRP, as amended, on minorities and low-income persons, will need to conclude that EJ communities will either benefit or will have no undue burdens placed upon them.
- INDOT will need to provide documentation that demonstrates how the Illiana Corridor Project meets the fiscal constraint requirements for amending the project into the fiscally constrained CRP.