



NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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RESOLUTION 11-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION CERTIFYING THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, hereafter referred to as "The Commission", being designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Lake, Porter and LaPorte County Region, has established a regional, cooperative and comprehensive planning program to facilitate federal transportation funding for the Indiana Department of Transportation, regional communities and transit operators, and to provide technical assistance and expertise to regional transportation interests; and

WHEREAS, the Commission performs the above mentioned activities to satisfy regional requirements under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU, 2005) as well as other federal, state and local legislation mandating cooperative, comprehensive and continuing regional transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the Commission produces the Unified Planning Work Program, Congestion Management Process, Comprehensive Regional Plan (including the Regional Transportation Plan), Transportation Improvement Program and Air Quality Conformity Determinations and satisfies the requirements of CFR 450 Subpart C; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has enhanced the Congestion Management Process and Environmental Justice activities in response to the corrective actions in the 2009 Certification Review;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission officially certifies the metropolitan transportation planning process as compliant with the applicable Federal requirements.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission on this twenty-third day of June, two thousand eleven.

Thomas McDermott, Chairman

ATTEST:

Ken Layton, Secretary

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS CERTIFICATION

In accordance with 23 CFR 450.334(a), the Indiana Department of Transportation and the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, (the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Northwest Indiana three-county metropolitan planning area boundary, including the Chicago Urbanized Area and Michigan City Urbanized Area), hereby certify that the transportation planning process is addressing the major issues in the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

1. 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and 23 CFR part 450, Subpart C;
2. Sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d), and 40 CFR part 93;
3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
4. 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
5. Section 1101(b) of the SAFETEA-LU (Pub. L. 109-59) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the Involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects;
6. 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
7. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37 and 38;
8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
9. Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission

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