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RESOLUTION 13-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ADOPTING AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE (1) TO THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014

October 17, 2013

WHEREAS, the annual preparation of a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is a necessary and required part of the metropolitan area transportation planning process as specified in 23 CFR 450.314; and

WHEREAS, the work tasks described within the UPWP constitute the agency's work program for the Northwestern Indiana region in conjunction with the programs of the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Highway Administration, the Indiana Department of Transportation and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, and planning projects by other agencies, keeping this three-county metropolitan planning area compliant with federal planning requirements; and

WHEREAS, this program has been prepared for planning (PL), and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds through the Federal Highway Administration, Section 5303 technical study funds through the Federal Transit Administration, Sections 5307 and 5323 and planning funds through the Federal Transit Administration, private foundation, and NIRPC's locally derived funds;

WHEREAS, the work elements contained in the program respond to the transportation and air quality planning needs of Northwestern Indiana and are in keeping with federal requirements found in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users and their regulations;

WHEREAS, all regional transportation and other significant planning projects in the three-county region should be included in the UPWP;

WHEREAS, the transportation data collection program is a critical section of the UPWP; the objective of this section is to collect transportation data to support transportation planning and programming activities, including traffic counts for the Highway Performance Monitoring System; screen-lines, cordon-line locations for validating

NIRPC's travel demand forecast model; and relating to congestion management and safety; and

WHEREAS, collecting traffic data require traffic counters equipment and the current equipment already reached its useful life and needed to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, travel count data will be used for planning purposes and for evaluation of projects for the TIP by the use of performance measures;

WHEREAS, therefore funding was identified to replace the equipment through federal funding of \$14,400 that is provided by Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and a local match of \$3,600 by NIRPC for a total of \$18,000;

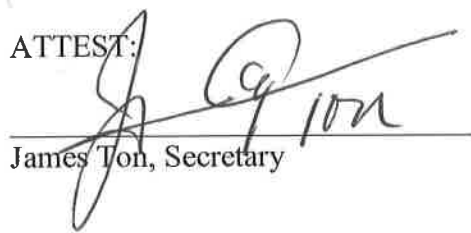
WHEREAS, this traffic count data collection project will be a region wide ongoing process and other analysis will be needed annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission adopts an amendment to the fiscal Year 2014 Unified Planning Work Program to add funds for the Transportation Data Collection program.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission on this seventeenth day of October, 2013.


David Uran, Chairman

ATTEST:


James Ton, Secretary