

RESOLUTION 19-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO ADOPT THE 2020-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR LAKE, PORTER, AND LAPORTE COUNTIES, INDIANA

May 16, 2019

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 requirements of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015 (PL 114-94), applicable portions of all prior federal transportation program authorizing legislation, as well as other federal, state, and local laws mandating or authorizing transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2024 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 *NWI 2050 Plan*, the federally required long-range plan, as adopted; and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program is an implementation of the *NWI 2050 Plan, as adopted*; is fiscally constrained, and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2024 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

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 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program was reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group (ICG); and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program was subjected to public comment in the manner prescribed by the 2014 Public Participation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Policy Committee (TPC) has recommended that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission make this adoption of the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

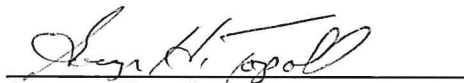
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby adopts the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this sixteenth day of May, 2019



Diane Noll
Chairperson

ATTEST:



George Topoll
Secretary