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RESOLUTION 13-25

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AMENDING THE
2014-2017 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR LAKE,
PORTER, AND LAPORTE COUNTIES, INDIANA
AMENDMENT NO. 5
December 12, 2013**

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 21st Century, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act—A Legacy for Users (2005), and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (2012), as well as other federal, state and local laws mandating transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2014-2017 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 2014-2017 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 2014-2017 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 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program brought about by this amendment were reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group (ICG).

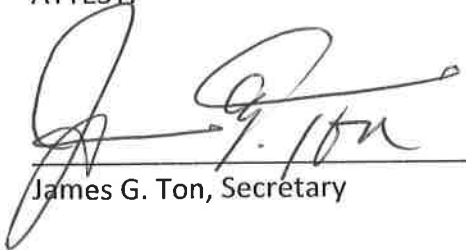
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program by adding the new projects and making other changes as shown on the attachment to this resolution.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this twelfth day of December, 2013.



David Uran, Chairman

ATTEST:



James G. Ton, Secretary

2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program for Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties, Indiana

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Air Quality Exempt Projects

DES	Sponsor	Project	Action Requested	Federal Funds	Phase	Year	Funds Total	Federal	Non-Federal
1000077	Lowell	SR 2 (Commercial Ave) Improvements. From Fremont to Burr St. (Curb & Sidewalks).	Restore project phase to TIP.	FHWA STP Group III	PE	2014	\$ 162,000	\$ 129,600	\$ 32,400
1382090	Lake County	County-wide Bridge Inspections (+20')	Add new project to TIP.	FHWA STP (State)	PE	2014 2016	\$ 400,000	\$ 320,000	\$ 80,000
1382092	Porter County	County-wide Bridge Inspections (+20')	Add new project to TIP.	FHWA STP (State)	PE	2014 2016	\$ 231,700	\$ 185,360	\$ 46,340
1172007	Lake County	45th Avenue Reconstruction Phase 2B (Whitcomb to Chase)	Add new project phase to TIP.	SAFETEA-LU High Priority	RW	2014	\$ 537,171	\$ 429,737	\$ 107,434