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**RESOLUTION 12-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL  
PLANNING COMMISSION ADOPTING THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK  
PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2013-2014**

**WHEREAS**, the 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 by its State statutory authority, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) is charged with planning responsibility in three domains; and

**WHEREAS**, the work tasks described within NIRPC's UPWP for the three-county northwestern Indiana region are in conjunction with the programs of the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Highway Administration, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Indiana Department of Transportation and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, and significant planning projects in the region by other agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, this program will be funded through the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, foundations, and NIRPC's local funds from each member county;

**WHEREAS**, the program continues to include planning in each of NIRPC's statutory planning domains of economic development, environmental management and transportation, plus transit subgrantee administration, thereby producing another overall agency, unified work program, in addition to planning tasks from elsewhere in the region;

**WHEREAS**, the work elements contained in the UPWP respond to some of the transportation, air quality, sub-grantee administration, environment, and economic development 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 (SAFETEA-LU) and accompanying guidelines and regulations;

**WHEREAS**, this UPWP was developed through a participatory process, involving the Transportation Policy Committee. Incorporated are the principles, vision and goals from NIRPC's adopted *Vision and Strategic Directions for 2009-2012*.

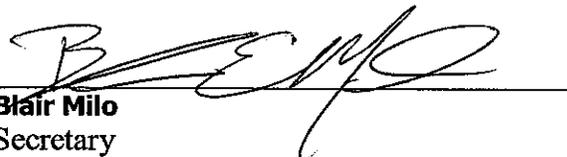
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission adopts the Fiscal Years 2013-2014 Unified Planning Work Program.

**MOREOVER, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Commission is authorized to enter into such agreements and contracts as may be required with the funding and administrative agencies for the conduct of this program.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission on this seventeenth day of May, 2012.

  
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**Geof Benson**  
Chair

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Secretary