

RESOLUTION 15-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ADOPTING THE AMENDMENT OF THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2016

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 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 Northwest 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, two projects are added to the NIRPC budget for calendar year 2015.

WHEREAS, NIRPC identified the need to add fifteen infrared **Electronic Trail Counters** along all major trails. These counters will be separated into both permanent and mobile locations based on need, time of the year, and the number of use.

WHEREAS, the data from the counters will help local officials in planning for amenities and safety protocols along the routes. Numbers collected will also help with promoting the need for additional trail miles in the region.

WHEREAS, the total budget for the Electronic Trail Counters is \$10,000. \$8,000 is allocated from the Surface Transportation Program (STP) with a local match of \$2,000 from the Greenways Foundations.

WHEREAS, NIRPC also identified the need for a **Trail Wayfinding Guide**. Currently there is no standard for signage, and the result are trails with almost zero identification markers regarding streets or even what community trail users are in.

WHEREAS, NIRPC will contract with a firm on the creation of a trail sign design document which would serve as the template for all new trails developed in the region utilizing NIRPC-attributable funds.

WHEREAS, The Trail Wayfinding Guide will be created in tandem with an existing CMAQ-based program to sign both the Erie-Lackawanna and Prairie-Duneland Trails.

WHEREAS, the total budget for the Trail Wayfinding Guide is \$12,000. \$9,600 is allocated from the Surface Transportation Program (STP) with a local match of \$2,400 from the Greenways Foundations and Lake, Porter, and LaPorte counties.

WHEREAS, the amount of CMAQ funds is corrected at the NIRPC budget for FY 2016 from \$422,000 to \$280,625.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission adopts the Fiscal Years 2016 Unified Planning Work Program amendment.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission on this twenty-third day of July, 2015.


Blair Milo
Chairperson

ATTEST:


Robert J. Schaefer
Secretary

AMENDMENT 2: FY 2016 UPWP

| PROGRAM CATEGORY/SUBCATEGORY | Organization | 16 | | | | Additional | | NEW | | NOTES |
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| | | ORIGINAL BUDGET | Amended Amount | New 16 Budget | STP Share | PENDING/ OTHER | NIRPC SHARE | | | |
| STP Planning | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2059 - Trail Counters | NIRPC | - | 10,000 | 10,000 | 8,000 | 2,000 | | | | |
| 2060 - Trail Marker & Sign Development | NIRPC | - | 12,000 | 12,000 | 9,600 | 2,400 | | | | |
| STP Amendment Total | | - | 22,000 | 22,000 | 17,600 | 4,400 | | | | |

| PROGRAM CATEGORY/SUBCATEGORY | Organization | 16 | | REDUCED | | NEW | | NOTES |
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| | | ORIGINAL BUDGET | Amended Amount | New 16 Budget | CMAQ Share | PENDING/ OTHER | NIRPC SHARE | |
| NIRPC Programs | | | | | | | | |
| 2541 - Air Quality Education/ Outreach | NIRPC | 300,000 | (19,375) | 280,625 | 224,500 | - | 56,125 | |
| 2544 - Diesel Engine Retrofit | NIRPC | 122,000 | (122,000) | - | - | - | - | |
| CMAQ Amendment Total | | 422,000 | (141,375) | 280,625 | 224,500 | - | 56,125 | |
| Amendment 2 Total | | \$ 422,000 | \$ (119,375) | \$ 302,625 | \$ 242,100 | \$ 4,400 | \$ 56,125 | |

Amendment 2 is to add two new planning projects to the work program and correcting the amount of CMAQ funds.

Amended:
7/16/2015