



**RESOLUTION 15-20**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AMENDING THE  
2016-2019 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR LAKE,  
PORTER, AND LAPORTE COUNTIES, INDIANA  
AMENDMENT NO. 04  
September 17, 2015**

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

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2016-2019 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 2016-2019 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 2016-2019 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 2016-2019 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 2016-2019 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 seventeenth day of September, 2015.



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Chairperson

ATTEST:



Robert J. Schaefer  
Secretary

**2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program for Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties, Indiana**  
 Amendment #4 September 2015

**NEW Local Projects & Project Phases**

DES	Sponsor	Project	Action Requested	Federal		Funds				
				Funds	Phase	Year	Total	Federal	Non-Federal	
0710056	Munster	Reconstruction of 45th St from 0.2 mi E of Calumet Ave to Calumet Ave.	Add New Phase	Demo	PE	2016	\$ 50,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 10,000	
Supplemental PE Work. Cost to Complete: \$34,000,000.										
1500725	NIRPC	Production of guide for standardized trail signage designs on Erie-Lackawanna & Prairie-Duneland Trails.	Add New Project	STP I	PL	2016	\$ 10,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 2,000	
Planning work only. Sign installation will occur under Highland Project 1592274 (below).										
1592274	Highland	Trail Signage Purchase & Installation on Erie-Lackawanna & Prairie-Duneland Trails.	Add New Project	TAP	PE	2016	\$ 20,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 4,000	
Will include street identification, map signs at trailheads, mile markers and community entrance signs.										
1592273	Lowell	Purchase & Install up to 10 bicycle racks.	Add New Project	CMAQ	CN	2016	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,600	\$ 400	

Racks to be installed in downtown Lowell & at Library & Town Hall. Our final Bike Rack project funded under the 2009 Eligibility Determination.

DES	Sponsor	Project	Action Requested	Federal			Funds		
				Funds	Phase	Year	Total	Federal	Non-Federal
1592274	Hobart	Deep River Stormwater Outfall and BMP.	Add New Project	TAP	PE	2016	\$ 45,000	\$ 36,000	\$ 9,000
					CN	2018	\$ 308,100	\$ 246,480	\$ 61,620

Installation of a swirl separator, or similar BMP on the outfall to Deep River from the Downtown/Lake Front District.

1500346	Lake County	County-wide Bridge Inspections	Add New Phase	State Bridge	PE	2016	\$ 143,750	\$ 115,000	\$ 28,750
						2018	\$ 168,750	\$ 135,000	\$ 33,750

1297017	Hammond	Reconstruct relinquished SR 312 from IN/IL State Line to White Oak Ave. Cost to Complete: \$36,380,925.	Add New Phase	Demo	PE	2016	\$ 123,400	\$ 98,720	\$ 24,680
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Supplemental funds.

### DELETE Local Projects & Project Phases

DES	Sponsor	Project	Action Requested	Federal			Funds		
				Funds	Phase	Year	Total	Federal	Non-Federal
1500319	Munster	Construct Grade Separation Structure (45th Ave beneath RR)	Delete Project	STP 1	CN	2017	\$ 8,082,512	\$ 6,466,010	\$ 1,616,502

Project recombined with original road project (0710056).