



# NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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## RESOLUTION 12-04

### A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION IN SUPPORT OF POTENTIAL LEGISLATION TO FINANCE THE LONG-TERM OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM

**WHEREAS**, the residents of Northwest Indiana require effective stormwater management and flood control systems in order to protect themselves and their property from overbank flooding; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is approaching the completion of the Little Calumet River Basin Flood Control System, hereafter referred to as the System ; and

**WHEREAS**, an oversight body and permanent funding mechanism are necessary to assure the effective long-term operation and maintenance of the System; and

**WHEREAS**, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, hereafter referred to as the Commission, is a council of governments and regional planning organization for Lake, Porter and La Porte Counties with responsibilities for environmental, economic development and transportation planning; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission recognizes the importance of the Little Calumet River Basin Flood Control System and has provided financial, staff and technical support toward its implementation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Commission supports legislation which will provide for a governing body which will oversee the maintenance and operation of the system and which will be comprised of members nominated by local governments in the basin; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Commission supports legislation which will provide appropriate funding mechanisms sufficient to finance the long-term operation and maintenance of the system; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that funding made available for the system should also be sufficient to repay the \$6 million loan to the Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority.

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Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission on this nineteenth day  
of January, two thousand twelve.

  
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Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Secretary