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## RESOLUTION 13-17

### A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2014-2017 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

August 29, 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 to 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 (1998), and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act of 2012 (MAP-21), as well as other federal, state and local laws mandating 3-C transportation planning activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the FYI 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), as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program is an implementation of the 2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan, is fiscally constrained and has been determined to conform to the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fiscal Year 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 Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission has solicited public comment on the draft Transportation Improvement Program;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby adopts the Fiscal Year 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program, contingent upon the receipt of an opinion by the Commission's Attorney that the Commission is in substantial compliance with the notification requirements of the Consent Decree.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this twenty-ninth day of August 2013.



David Uran  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
James G. Ton  
Secretary