

**RESOLUTION 14-22**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL  
PLANNING COMMISSION TO ADOPT THE TRANSPORTATION  
ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM AND SURFACE TRANSPORTATION  
RANKINGS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2015-2021**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Northwest Indiana require a safe, efficient and effective, resource-conserving regional transportation system to attain and maintain socially, economically and environmentally sound living conditions towards an improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, hereafter referred to as "The Commission", being designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Lake, Porter and LaPorte County Region, has established a regional, cooperative and comprehensive planning program to develop the unified planning work program, long-range transportation plan and transportation improvement program; and

WHEREAS, Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funding was established under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century law (MAP-21), adopted in 2012; and

WHEREAS, projects competing for TAP funding must meet a number of criteria, and may provide facilities for accommodating pedestrians and bicyclists, preserve historic structures, or enhance a street's landscaping and beautification. Projects may also involve Safe Routes to School projects, preservation of abandoned railway corridors, mitigation of highway runoff and groundwater resources and protection of wildlife corridors; and

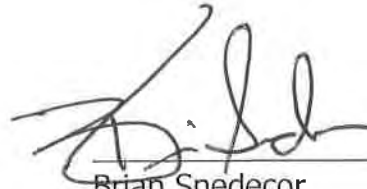
WHEREAS, project applications shall be submitted or resubmitted on an annual basis according to NIRPC; and

WHEREAS, the Commission adopted the *2010 Ped and Pedal* Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Plan in January, 2011, and project applications shall be ranked in a prioritized manner on an annual basis by the Ped, Pedal & Paddle Committee based upon that current Plan and established scoring criteria; and

WHEREAS, Northwest Indiana has currently developed 135 miles of off-road trails, nearly 600 miles of signed, shared bike routes, with approximately 40 miles of funded off-road trails, and an abundance of available rights-of-way still remain suitable for the development of additional trail systems.

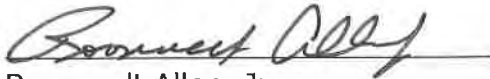
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission endorses and adopts the recommendations of the Ped, Pedal & Paddle Committee and the Transportation Policy Committee for the 2015-2021 TAP (attached list).

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, two thousand and fourteen.



Brian Snedecor  
Chairperson

ATTEST:



Roosevelt Allen, Jr.  
Secretary

# Recommended Rankings

## Transportation Alternatives Program

### Fiscal Years 2015-2021



### PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE ACTIVITIES

Rank	Sponsor	Length/ Area	Proposal	TAP \$ Requested	Score w/ att.
1	Schererville	3.06	Pennsy Greenway - Phases II & III	\$1,500,000	107.5
2	Hammond	2.13	Erie-Lackawanna & Marq Greenway Connect	\$1,645,000	99
3	Hammond	Bridge	Erie-Lackawanna Trail @ Conkey & Cal Ave	\$2,000,000	97
4	Porter County	3.3	Calumet Trail Phs V (Marquette Greenway)	\$1,600,000	96.5
5	Portage	2.05	Marquette Greenway @ Ameriplex	\$1,598,360	96
6	Michigan City	1.7	Singing Sands, Phs 2 (Marquette Greenway)	\$1,699,600	95
7	LaPorte	1.86	Chessie Greenway, Phase II	\$1,331,200	93.5
8	Munster	0.2	Pennsy Greenway @ CN Rail & Cal Ave	\$1,400,000	91.5
9	East Chicago	1.86	Marquette Greenway - Hammond to Kennedy	\$1,870,400	91
10	Chesterton	0.78	Westchester-Liberty Trail, Phase 2	\$547,725	88.5
11	Porter County	1.4	Calumet Trail Phs IV (Marquette Greenway)	\$1,600,000	87.5
12	Hammond	0.52	Marquette Greenway - Chicago to Ham Marina	\$242,600	85.5
13	Lake Station	2.33	Fairview Avenue Trail	\$1,908,840	84
14	Porter County	2.2	Calumet Trail Phs III (Marquette Greenway)	\$152,000	80
15	Valparaiso	0.72	LaPorte Ave Pathway	\$535,500	79.5
16	Lake County Parks	0.44	Oak Savannah-Erie-Lackawanna Connector	\$490,160	78.5
17	Gary	1.85	Marquette Greenway - Bridge to Grand Cal	\$1,281,035	77
18	Schererville	2.4	Pennsy Greenway - Erie-Lackawanna Connect	\$680,750	74.5
19	Munster	0.3	West Lakes Trail Connector	\$1,050,000	69.5
20	Gary	0.8	Lake Street Connection to Marquette Trail	\$308,700	66.5
21	Lake County Parks	0.76	Vet Trail - Greenwood to Delaware (ADT)	\$1,242,800	64.5
22	Gary	0.26	University Park Connection to Little Cal Trail	\$343,000	64
23	Dyer	1.85	Michigan Central Trail - Pennsy to Cen Park	\$1,099,920	62.5
24	Lake County Parks	1.76	Vet Trail - Delaware to Iowa St (ADT)	\$1,508,000	59.5
NA	Hobart	0.22	Oak Savannah Trail Loop	\$1,600,000	<50
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>35.45 mi</b>		<b>\$29,235,590</b>	

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### Fiscal Years 2015-2021



### SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

Rank	Sponsor	Length/ Area	Proposal	TAP \$ Requested	Score w/ att.
1	LaPorte		Handley Elementary Schools	\$275,900	80.3
2	Valparaiso	1.61 mi	Northview Elementary	\$305,840	74.1
3	Hobart	0.625	Middle School Corridor	\$247,200	72.1
4	Gary	1.4 mi	Jefferson Elem & Theo Bowman	\$149,200	52.1
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>			<b>\$978,140</b>	

### ENVIRONMENTAL

Rank	Sponsor	Length/ Area	Proposal	STP-1 \$ Requested	Score
1	Hobart	0.04 mi	Deep River Stormwater Outfall & BMP	\$234,105	NA
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>			<b>\$234,105</b>	

### HISTORIC

Rank	Sponsor	Length/ Area	Proposal	TAP \$ Requested	Score
1	Michigan City	0.76	Old Lighthouse Museum Repairs	\$90,000	NA
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>			<b>\$90,000</b>	

### TOTAL FY 2015-2021 TAP REQUEST:

# \$ 30,537,835



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## TAP Fiscal Year 2015

County	Type	Sponsor	Project	Phase	TAP Programmed
Lake	Ped&Bike	Schererville	Pennsy Greenway Phases II & III	PE	\$112,000
Lake	Ped&Bike	Schererville	Pennsy Greenway Phases II & III	ROW	\$500,000
LaPorte	SRTS	LaPorte	Handley Elementary School	PE	\$ 27,300
Lake	Env&Hist	Hobart	Deep River Stormwater Outfall & BMP	PE	\$ 31,500

Type Totals	Funding Totals
Ped&Bike	\$ 500,000
SRTS	\$ 27,300
Env&Hist	\$ 31,500

## TAP Fiscal Year 2016

County	Type	Sponsor	Project	Project Phase	TAP Programmed
Lake	Ped&Bike	Schererville	Pennsy Greenway Phases II & III	ROW	\$501,000
LaPorte	SRTS	LaPorte	Handley Elementary School	CN	\$ 248,600
Lake	Env&Hist	Hobart	Deep River Stormwater Outfall & BMP	CN	\$ 197,423
LaPorte	Env&Hist	Michigan City	Old Lighthouse Museum Repairs	CN	\$ 160,000
Porter	SRTS	Valparaiso	Northview Elementary	PE	\$28,000

Type Totals	Funding Totals
Ped&Bike	\$ 501,000
SRTS	\$ 276,600
Env&Hist	\$ 357,423

## TAP Fiscal Year 2017

County	Type	Sponsor	Project	Phase	TAP Programmed
Porter	Ped&Bike	Chesterton	Westchester-Liberty Trail	CN	\$547,725
Lake	Ped&Bike	Griffith	Erie-Lackawanna/Oak Savannah Connector	CN	\$110,000
Lake	Ped&Bike	Hammond	Marquette Greenway Chicago to Hammond Marina	CN	\$242,600
Lake	Ped&Bike	Schererville	Pennsy Greenway Phases II & III	CN	\$387,002

Type Totals	Funding Totals
Ped&Bike	\$ 1,287,327
SRTS	\$ -
Env&Hist	\$ -

## TAP Fiscal Year 2018

County	Type	Sponsor	Project	Project Phase	TAP Programmed
Lake	Ped&Bike	Hammond	Erie-Lackawanna Trail Bridge @ Conkey & calumet	CN	\$ 2,000,000

Type Totals	Funding Totals
Ped&Bike	\$ 2,000,000
SRTS	\$ -
Env&Hist	\$ -

### TAP Fiscal Year 2019

County	Type	Sponsor	Project	Phase	TAP Programmed
Porter	SRTS	Valparaiso	Northview Elementary	CN	\$ 277,840
Porter	Ped&Bike	Porter County	Calumet Trail Phase V	PE	\$ 200,000
Lake	SRTS	Hobart	Middle School Corridor	CN	\$ 247,200
Porter	Ped&Bike	Portage	Marquette Greenway Ameriplex	PE	\$ 169,600
<b>Type Totals</b>				<b>Funding Totals</b>	
Ped&Bike				\$	369,600
SRTS				\$	525,040
Env&Hist				\$	-

### TAP Fiscal Year 2020

County	Type	Sponsor	Project	Phase	TAP Programmed
Porter	Ped&Bike	Porter County	Calumet Trail Phase V	CN	\$ 1,400,000
<b>Type Totals</b>				<b>Funding Totals</b>	
Ped&Bike				\$	1,400,000
SRTS				\$	-
Env&Hist				\$	-

### TAP Fiscal Year 2021

County	Type	Sponsor	Project	Phase	TAP Programmed
Porter	Ped&Bike	Portage	Marquette Greenway Ameriplex	CN	\$ 1,066,210
<b>Type Totals</b>				<b>Funding Totals</b>	
Ped&Bike				\$	1,066,210
SRTS				\$	-
Env&Hist				\$	-