



RESOLUTION 15-06

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING
COMMISSION TO ADOPT THE NORTHWEST INDIANA REGIONAL INTELLIGENT
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ITS) ARCHITECTURE 2015 UPDATE**

January 15, 2015

WHEREAS, the citizens of Northwest Indiana require a safe, efficient and effective regional transportation system that maintains and enhances regional mobility and contributes to improving the quality of life in Northwest Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration ITS Architecture and Standards Rule/Policy requires any Metropolitan Planning Organization conducting transportation planning in a Transportation Management Area to implement a regional ITS architecture; and

WHEREAS, a Transportation Management Area is defined as an area required to conduct metropolitan area transportation planning with a population of over 200,000 people; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Indiana Counties of Lake, Porter, and LaPorte collectively have a population of over 200,000 people; 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 La Porte 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; to annually endorse the plans and programs; to facilitate federal transportation funding for the Indiana Department of Transportation, regional communities and transit operators, and to provide technical assistance and expertise to regional transportation interests; and

WHEREAS, the Commission performs the above mentioned activities to satisfy regional requirements under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act of 2012 (MAP-21), as well as other federal, state and local legislation mandating cooperative, comprehensive and continuing regional transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional ITS Architecture 2015 Update is the product of a multi-modal, continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional ITS Architecture 2015 Update establishes a framework for managing Northwest Indiana's ITS in a multi-modal, continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive manner; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has reviewed the Northwest Indiana Regional ITS Architecture 2015 Update; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's Transportation Policy Committee recommended the Northwest Indiana Regional ITS Architecture 2015 Update for adoption at its January 13, 2015 meeting

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Commission officially adopts the Northwest Indiana Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture 2015 Update.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this fifteenth day of January 2015.


Chairperson

ATTEST:


Secretary