

## **Surface Transportation Committee (STC) Meeting – May 2, 2017**

### **Agenda**

**9:00 AM – 10:30 AM – NIRPC Lake Michigan Room**

- 1) Approval of February 7, 2017 Minutes (Chair)
- 2) Update on NIRPC's Participation in 2017-2019 Household Travel Survey (Scott Weber, Craig Heather - CMAP)
- 3) Discussion of Indiana HEA 1002 on Road Funding (Group)
- 4) Discussion of U.S. DOT's Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment Initiative Grant Opportunity (Scott Weber)
- 5) Update of U.S. DOT's Rulemakings on Performance Measures related to Safety, Pavement and Bridge Condition and System Performance/Freight/CMAQ (Scott Weber)
- 6) INDOT Letting Report (Lyndsay Quist)
- 7) Other business (Chair)
- 8) Public comment (Chair)
- 9) Adjourn (Chair)

Surface Transportation Committee Meeting  
NIRPC Lake Michigan Room  
February 7, 2017

Christine Cid called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM with self-introductions. Present were Christine Cid, Lake County; Mike Seitz, Greater La Porte Chamber of Commerce; Richard Mrozinski, LaPorte County; Mark O'Dell, Chesterton; Tim Burkman, Valparaiso; Jeff Huet, Schererville; Jack Eskin, Gary; Phil Gralik, Hobart; Alyssa Staley and Zach Hurst, Indiana Toll Road Concession Company; and Michael Jabo, DLZ.

NIRPC Staff present was Scott Weber.

Christine Cid asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 6, 2016 meeting. On a motion by Jeff Huet seconded by Mike Seitz, the minutes from the December 6, 2016 meeting were approved.

Alyssa Staley and Zach Hurst from the Indiana Toll Road Concession Company gave a presentation about new projects going on the Indiana Toll Road. The \$200 million 80/90 Push project covering 73 miles of the Toll Road was presented. The project involves a crack and seat rehabilitation process in which the existing concrete bed will be restored to be more flexible, and the top 5 inches of asphalt will be milled off to be replaced with 5 inches of new asphalt. The project also includes 53 bridge rehabilitations and a fiber optic backbone that will allow for Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) operations. The project started in 2016 and is slated to be completed in Fall 2017. In 2016, 3 interchanges were successfully rehabilitated (Exits 31, 39, and 49) and 51 miles of pavement were restored. In 2017, there will be several periodic work zones in the project area, most notably the closure of the Exit 49 eastbound entry and exit throughout the entire summer. Affected travelers are informed via Facebook, Twitter, and text message alerts.

Scott Weber presented the ongoing federal rulemakings related to Surface Transportation in the areas of Safety; Pavements and Bridge Conditions; and National Highway Performance Program (NHPP), Freight, and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ). Scott Weber mentioned that since he last updated the Surface Transportation Committee in December 2016, the Final Rulemakings in the areas of Pavement and Bridge Conditions and NHPP, Freight, and CMAQ were released in January 2017. The Safety rule was already finalized in March 2016.

Scott Weber said that the driving idea behind all of these performance-based rulemakings was to make planning more transparent and accountable based on having quantifiable, time-bound targets. The Safety rulemaking included 5 metrics: number of fatalities, rate of fatalities per million VMT, number of serious injuries, rate of serious injuries per million VMT, and combined number of non-motorized serious injuries and fatalities. INDOT has an August 2017 deadline to set safety targets. NIRPC would then have a February 2018 deadline to decide whether to opt in to INDOT's targets or set our own more stringent targets. There would also have to be a System Performance Report Section in the next Long Range Plan (2050 Plan) that documents established targets and progress toward those targets. Scott Weber then explained sources for data related to the safety targets.

Scott Weber then talked about the Pavement and Bridge Conditions final rule released in January 2017. 6 performance measures were finalized: percentage of pavements on Interstates in Good Condition, percentage of pavements on Interstates in Poor Condition, percentage of pavement on the non-Interstate National Highway System (NHS) in Good Condition, percentage of pavements on the non-

Interstate NHS in Poor Condition, percentage of National Highway System bridges in Good Condition, and percentage of National Highway System bridges in Poor Condition. Scott Weber reminded the group that the National Highway System includes *major* roads and highways that local units of government rarely have complete jurisdiction over. INDOT would have a February 2018 deadline for setting Pavement and Bridge targets, with NIRPC having an August 2018 deadline to either opt into INDOT's targets or set our own more stringent targets. NIRPC will be responsible for documenting established targets in the System Performance Report Section in the next Long Range Plan. Scott Weber presented possible sources of data for the Pavement and Bridge Conditions measures.

Scott Weber then presented the last final rule on NHPP, Freight, and CMAQ. Altogether, there are 7 performance measures in these areas: percentage of person miles traveled (PMT) on the Interstates that are reliable, percentage of PMT on non-Interstate NHS that are reliable, percent change in Carbon Dioxide emissions on the NHS on the National Highway System from the 2017 levels, truck travel time reliability index, annual hours of peak hour excessive delay per capita, percentage of non-single occupancy vehicle travel, and total emissions reduction (in kg). INDOT would have a February 2018 deadline to establish targets, with NIRPC having an August 2018 deadline of whether to opt in to INDOT targets or set our own more stringent targets. Scott Weber then talked about the data sources for these performance measures. The percent change in Carbon Dioxide emissions would be the most challenging to collect data on because it has never been a requirement to measure, much less report on. Christine Cid asked what the site that has information on commute to work and vehicle occupancy information, and Scott Weber responded that the American Community Survey found at American FactFinder.org has that information. Data from non-work trip vehicle occupancy would be a major challenge.

Scott Weber gave the INDOT Project Letting Report. The lettings for January 2017 and schedule lettings for February and March 2017 were announced. Jeff Huet commented on whether or not there would be bundling for DES numbers in the future as they pertain to similar types of projects. Mark O'Dell commented that Chesterton received reimbursement in December 2016 for Community Crossings (HB 1001) funding for a project completed in September 2016 and asked if other communities had. Phil Gralik confirmed that Hobart had gone through the process but was awaiting a final transmittal of the Purchase Order (PO) from INDOT. Jeff Huet said Schererville had just recently received its PO.

Christine Cid adjourned the meeting at 9:40 AM.

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 INDOT - LaPorte District Letting

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**OFFICIAL TABULATION OF BIDS RECEIVED  
 LAPORTE DISTRICT**

Total Letting Cost:  
**FOR THE LETTINGS IN MARCH 2017**

\$4,978,660.91

R-34125	100077	Des: Route: Location: County:	Other Type Project (Miscellaneous) Local Curb sidewalk reconstruction SR 2 (Commercial Ave) Freemont to Burr Street Lake	CONTRACTOR: WALSH & KELLY, INC.	Address Griffith, IN	Phone 219-924-8768	Letting Date: 03/01/2017 LPA SOLD AMOUNT OF BID \$989,572.65
R-36385	1382658	Des: Route: Location: County:	Bike/Pedestrian Facilities Local Oak Savannah Trail: Oak Ridge Prairie to Erie Lackawanna Trail Lake	CONTRACTOR: WALSH & KELLY, INC.	Address Griffith, IN	Phone 219-924-8768	Letting Date: 03/01/2017 LPA SOLD AMOUNT OF BID \$283,387.69
R-37372	1400569	Des: Route: Location: County:	Auxiliary Lanes, Accel & Decel or Turn Lane Local Calumet Avenue from Burlington Beach Road to Bulls-eye Lake Road Porter	CONTRACTOR: GRIMMER CONSTRUCTION, INC.	Address Highland, IN	Phone 219-324-0328	Letting Date: 03/01/2017 LPA SOLD AMOUNT OF BID \$1,114,796.05
R-39091	1592640	Des: Route: Location: County:	Bike/Pedestrian Facilities Local Sidewalk Replacement various locations throughout the City LaPorte	CONTRACTOR: RIETH RILEY CONSTRUCTION	Address LaPorte, IN	Phone 219-324-4794	Letting Date: 03/01/2017 LPA SOLD AMOUNT OF BID \$399,192.49
R-39225	1592719	Des: Route: Location: County:	Patch and Rehab Pavement Various Patching locations through the LaPorte District Various	CONTRACTOR: WALSH & KELLY, INC.	Address South Bend, IN	Phone 574-289-7174	Letting Date: 03/01/2017 SOLD AMOUNT OF BID \$1,704,807.33
T-37678	1401046	Des: Route: Location: County:	Sign Modernization (Series of Units) Local Sign Replacement, Safety Improvement Lake	CONTRACTOR: MICHIANA CONTRACTING, INC.	Address Plymouth, IN	Phone 574-936-6201	Letting Date: 03/01/2017 LPA SOLD AMOUNT OF BID \$459,320.50
T-39035	1592417	Des: Route: Location: County:	Sign Modernization (Series of Units) Local Sign Inventory and Upgrade Porter	CONTRACTOR: HAWK ENTERPRISES, INC.	Address Crown Point, IN	Phone 219-662-8093	Letting Date: 03/01/2017 LPA SOLD AMOUNT OF BID \$27,602.20

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**LAPORTE DISTRICT FOR THE LETTINGS IN APRIL 2017**

R-35977	1382597	Description: Route: Location: County:	Road Reconstruction Local Industrial Highway E J & E Overpass to E of Main Airport Entrance Phase I Lake	Letting Date: 04/05/2017 LPA
R-36384	1382657	Description: Route: Location: County:	Bike/Pedestrian Facilities Local Westchester-Liberty Trail, Phase 2 Porter	Letting Date: 04/05/2017 LPA
R-34740	1297017	Description: Route: Location: County:	Road Reconstruction SR 312 Chicago Street (SR 312) Calumet Ave to White Oak Ave - Phase 3 Lake	Letting Date: 04/05/2017
R-38972	1500724	Description: Route: Location: County:	Other Type Project (Miscellaneous) Local Chicago Street Advance Clearing Lake	Letting Date: 04/05/2017 LPA
R-39765	1601746	Description: Route: Location: County:	Concrete Pavement Restoration (CPR) US 6 S Junction of US 421 LaPorte	Letting Date: 04/05/2017
R-38973	1601896	Description: Route: Location: County:	Added Travel Lane Project US 20 US 421 to US 35/SR 212 in Michigan City LaPorte	Letting Date: 04/05/2017
RS-39658	1601188	Description: Route: Location: County:	Institution & Park Road Maintenance Park Road Kingsbury Fish & Wildlife Area LaPorte	Letting Date: 04/05/2017
T-39036	1592418	Description: Route: Location: County:	Sign Modernization (Series of Units) Local Town Wide Sign Replacement- Regulatory/Warning & Street Name- Schererville Lake	Letting Date: 04/05/2017 LPA
T-39037	1592419	Description: Route: Location: County:	Sign Modernization (Series of Units) Local Sign Inventory & Upgrade - Lowell Lake	Letting Date: 04/05/2017 LPA
RS-30630	1296675	Description: Route: Location: County:	HMA Overlay, Structural SR 2 I-65 to US 231 (W Jct) Lake & Porter	Letting Date: 04/05/2017

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**LAPORTE DISTRICT**

<p>B-35152                      Des: 1006721                      Des: 1006750                      Des: 1173420                      Des: 1500585</p>	<p>Bridge Deck Overlay                      US 31, SR 149, SR 933                      SBL at Norfolk Southern &amp; 2 County Roads, 1.19 mile S of US 30                      Bridge over Salt Creek, 4.90 miles N of SR 130                      NBL at Norfolk Southern &amp; 2 County Roads, 1.19 mile S of US 30                      Bridge over Baugo Creek, 3.86 mile S of SR 331 and 0.19 mile W of Elkhart County Line                      Marshall, Porter &amp; St. Joseph</p>	<p>Letting Date: 05/10/2017</p>
<p>R-34439                      Des: 0500462                      Des: 1006636                      Des: 1296298                      Des: 1296299                      Des: 1296446                      Des: 1298454                      Des: 1401032                      Des: 1500064                      Des: 1592716                      Des: 1592717                      Des: 1600580</p>	<p>HMA, Overlay, Intersection Improv. W. Added Turn Lanes, Bridge Removal, Surface Treatment                      SR 53, US 30, Local                      SR 53 from 93rd Avenue to US 30 (Crown Point/Merrillville Corp Line)                      SR 53 from 61st Avenue to US 12 (4th Avenue)                      US 30 at Rhode Island Avenue, 0.4 mile W of I-65                      US 30 at Mississippi Street, 0.4 mile E of I-65                      US 30 at 0.65 miles E of I-65                      SR 53 at IHB RR (abandoned) over SR 53, 0.6 mile S of US 12                      Crosswalk improvement from 33rd Avenue to 35th Avenue &amp; Lighting from 25th Avenue to 45th Avenue                      US 30 from US 41 to SR 55                      SR 53 from US 30 to 61st Avenue                      SR 53 from 86th Place to 6th Street Install Bus Shelters                      Laite</p>	<p>Letting Date: 05/10/2017</p>
<p>RS-39657                      Des: 1601186</p>	<p>Institution &amp; Park Road Maintenance                      Park Road                      Lake Michigan DNR Headquarters                      LaPorte</p>	<p>Letting Date: 05/10/2017</p>
<p>T-39766                      Des: 1601747</p>	<p>Pavement Markings                      Various                      District Interstate Pavement Markings                      Various</p>	<p>Letting Date: 05/10/2017</p>