

RESOLUTION 19-05

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AMENDING THE
FY 2018-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR LAKE,
PORTER, AND LAPORTE COUNTIES, INDIANA
AMENDMENT NO. 18
January 17, 2019**

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 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 requirements of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015 (PL 114-94), applicable portions of all prior federal transportation program authorizing legislation, as well as other federal, state, and local laws mandating or authorizing transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2018-2021 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 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program is an implementation of the *2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan (CRP)*, as amended; is fiscally constrained, and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2018-2021 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 U.S. Federal Highway Administration, the U.S. Federal Transit Administration, and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, the changes to the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program brought about by this amendment were reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group (ICG); and

WHEREAS, the changes to the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program brought about by this amendment were subjected to public comment in the manner prescribed by the 2014 Public Participation Plan with no comments received; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Policy Committee (TPC) has recommended that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission make these changes to the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program by adding the new projects and making other changes as shown on the attachment to this resolution.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this seventeenth day of January, 2019.



Chairperson

ATTEST:



Secretary

2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program for Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties, Indiana

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Local Projects/Project Phases

DES	Sponsor	Project Description/Location	TIP Action	Fund Type	Phase	Year	Total Cost	Federal	Non-Federal
1702159	Lake County	101st Ave; New or Improved Signals at 101st Ave & Sheffield	Remove Project	STBG I Chicago UZA	PE	2019	\$ 138,024	\$ 110,419	\$ 27,605
					ROW	2019	\$ 25,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 5,000
					CN	2020	\$ 488,750	\$ 391,000	\$ 97,750
Lake County wishes to eliminate this project from the TIP									
1702833	LaPorte Co	LaPorte County Bridge #186; located on CR 650 W over Kankakee River	Add Project	Local Bridge	ROW	2020	\$ 50,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 10,000
					CN	2023	\$ 1,800,000	\$ 1,440,000	\$ 360,000
					CE	2023	\$ 360,000	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 200,000
LaPorte County would like to add this project to the TIP									
1173427	Crown Point	Storm Drainage Imp. SR 53 and 101st Ave intersection	Remove Project	STBG I Chicago UZA	ROW	2021	\$ 250,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 50,000
The City wishes to eliminate this project from the TIP									
1601897	Hobart	Road Safety Audit	Remove Project	HSIP Chicago UZA	PE	2018	\$ 66,667	\$ 60,000	\$ 6,667
The City wishes to eliminate this project from the TIP									
1600543	NIRPC	Regional Planning; RTIP software license fee & support	Add Funds	STBG I Chicago UZA	PL	2019	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 9,000.00

This project was only funded in FY 18, for Region Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) software.

1702831	Lake County	Lake County Bridge #47, Belshaw Road over Bruce Ditch; 1.0 mi east of US 41	New Project	Local Bridge Program	PE	2019	\$	152,500	\$	122,000	\$	30,500
					PE	2020	\$	152,500	\$	122,000	\$	30,500
					RW	2020	\$	80,000	\$	64,000	\$	16,000
					CN	2022	\$	1,380,000	\$	1,104,000	\$	276,000

This is a new project for the county

1702830	Lake County	Lake County Bridge #48, 117th Ave over West Creek; 0.30 mi E of White Oak	New Project	Local Bridge Program	PE	2019	\$	153,300.00	\$	122,640	\$	30,660
					PE	2020	\$	153,300.00	\$	122,640	\$	30,660
					RW	2020	\$	80,000.00	\$	64,000	\$	16,000
					CN	2023	\$	1,380,000.00	\$	1,104,000	\$	276,000

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1801831	LaPorte Co	Lincoln Trail Extension, from W 300 S to PNW	New Project	STBG II Michigan City UZA	PE	2019	\$	380,000.00	\$	304,000	\$	76,000
					RW	2020	\$	350,000.00	\$	280,000	\$	70,000
					CN	2022	\$	1,825,000.00	\$	1,460,000	\$	365,000

This is a new project for the county

1900021	NICTD	Camera System, preliminary engineering/study	New project	5337 SOGR	PL	2019	\$	80,000	\$	64,000	\$	16,000
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This is a new project for NICTD

1900023	NICTD	New Roof - Mechanical Shop	New Project	5337 SOGR	CN	2019	\$	500,000	\$	400,000	\$	100,000
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1900024	NICTD	South Bend Station Relocation Study	New Project	5337 SOGR	PL	2019	\$	233,371	\$	186,697	\$	46,674
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1900025	NICTD	Upgrade Ticket Vending Machines	New Project	5337 SOGR	CN	2019	\$	144,000	\$	115,200	\$	28,800
This is a new project for NICTD												
1601184	Valparaiso	New Transit Service to Chicago (Years 1-3)	New Project	CMAQ Chicago UZA	CN	2018	\$	425,000	\$	340,000	\$	85,000
						2019	\$	416,000	\$	332,800	\$	83,200
						2020	\$	408,000	\$	326,400	\$	81,600

This is a new service for Valparaiso

Public Comment Report

Amendment #18 to the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission

January 17, 2018

Amendment #18 of the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program was released for a 30-day public comment period which began on December 7, 2018 and ended January 6, 2018. The amendments were made available at www.nirpc.org. One public comment was received during the comment period on the proposed amendment. It is:

Comment Received	Manner Considered by Staff	Significant?	Need to Modify?
Any and all ways to increase the ease and safety of bicycle commuting around the area would be greatly appreciated—even all winter long!	<p>A reply email was sent out. NIRPC's response: "We hope you are well! Happy New Year to you! Thank you for taking the time to provide us with a comment. At NIRPC, we have staff members who are avid cyclists and occasional bicycle commuters, who happen to understand your request. In regard to your inquiry, there happens to be at least one project in this amendment that will add a multi-use trail from Westville to Purdue Northwest, which will extend to the North of that town. Currently, NIRPC has a call-out for projects, known as the NOFA (Notice of Funding Availability). The NOFA allows local communities to submit their projects to be added to a list of federally funded projects in Northwest Indiana. This year the NOFA leans heavily towards improving the quality of living in our three counties (Lake, Porter, LaPorte), which includes making Complete Streets a priority. Complete Streets strive to make our streets more inviting for all modes of transportation, not just automobiles and trucks. This makes sure that our streets are safer for bicyclists and pedestrians, and in turn makes our communities more inviting places to live, work and play. Many communities in Northwest Indiana are working toward getting a Complete Streets policy in place and implementing it. After all submissions are in and projects are chosen, you should see more projects that increase the ease and safety for everyone, no matter what season it is. Kudos to you for getting out and riding your bike this winter! We hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at any time."</p>	No	No

NIRPC also received one technical comment from the Interagency Consultation Group. It is:

Comment Received	From	Manner Considered by Staff	Significant?	Need to Modify?
Des # 1173780 (Crown Point): This is an Admin Mod, just moving years FY 15-19, adding less than 50% funds	INDOT	Agreed. The amendment was amended and des # 1173780 (Crown Point) was removed from amendment and treated as an Administrative Modification.	No	Yes