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October 28, 2011

Ms. Marisol R. Simon
 Regional Administrator
 Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
 200 West Adams Street, Suite 320
 Chicago, IL 60606

RE: FY2012 - FY2015 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Transit Amendment # 4

Dear Ms. Simon;

Please find attached a Metropolitan Planning Organization TIP amendment which must be approved and included into the FY 2012 State Transportation Improvement Program. We will reflect by reference the 2012 – 2015 federal aid projects covered by this approval in our 2012 - 2015 STIP. The amendment is for the Northern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC). The resolution number is 11-25 (attached). The projects to be added to the STIP are as follows:

MPO	Project Description	DES #	Federal	Program
NIRPC/GPTC	Operating Assistance (S. Broadway) (FY12)	1173554	\$409,900	CMAQ
NIRPC/GPTC	Operating Assistance (S. Broadway) (FY13)	1173555	\$462,301	CMAQ
NIRPC/GPTC	Operating Assistance (S. Broadway) (FY14)	1173556	\$518,001	CMAQ
NIRPC/GPTC	Operating Assistance (Oak L. Ridge) (FY12)	1173557	\$409,900	CMAQ
NIRPC/GPTC	Operating Assistance (Oak L. Ridge) (FY13)	1173558	\$462,301	CMAQ
NIRPC/GPTC	Operating Assistance (Oak L. Ridge) (FY14)	1173559	\$518,001	CMAQ
NIRPC/Valparaiso	Operating Asst (Yellow Route Exp) (FY 12)	1173560	\$228,000	CMAQ
NIRPC/Valparaiso	Operating Asst (Yellow Route Exp) (FY 13)	1173561	\$240,000	CMAQ
NIRPC/Valparaiso	Operating Asst (Yellow Route Exp) (FY 14)	1173562	\$252,000	CMAQ
NIRPC/Valparaiso	Operating Asst (DASH) (FY 12)	1173563	\$308,000	CMAQ
NIRPC/Valparaiso	Operating Asst (DASH) (FY 13)	1173564	\$260,000	CMAQ
NIRPC/Valparaiso	Operating Asst (DASH) (FY 14)	1173565	\$272,000	CMAQ
NIRPC/RBA	Operating Asst (Red and Green) (FY 12)	1173566	\$333,871	CMAQ
NIRPC/RBA	Operating Asst (Red and Green) (FY 13)	1173567	\$332,880	CMAQ
NIRPC/RBA	Operating Asst (Red and Green) (FY 14)	1173568	\$333,629	CMAQ

We have determined that the proposed amendments are: 1) consistent with the transportation plan; 2) the TIP remains fiscally constrained in that federal funding resources are sufficient to support the new or modified projects and 3) conform to state and national air quality standards as required by the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

We request your review and approval of the subject amendment. Please contact me at (317) 232-5292 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Larry Buckel
 Manager
 Office of Transit

CC: Reggie Arkell, FTA
 NIRPC



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RESOLUTION 11-25

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AMENDING THE
2012-2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR LAKE,
PORTER, AND LAPORTE COUNTIES, INDIANA
AMENDMENT NO. 3**

October 20, 2011

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 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 21st Century, and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act—A Legacy for Users (2005), as well as other federal, state and local laws mandating transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2012-2015 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)*; and

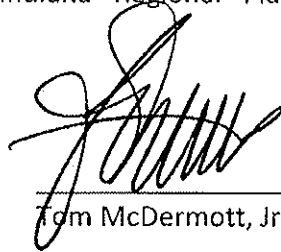
WHEREAS, the FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program is an implementation of the *2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan (CRP)*; is fiscally constrained, and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2012-2015 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 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program brought about by this amendment were reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group (ICG).

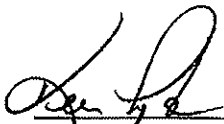
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program by adding the new projects and making other changes as shown on the attachment to this resolution.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this Twentieth day of October 2011.



Tom McDermott, Jr., Chairperson

ATTEST:



Ken Layton, Secretary

STIP AMENDMENT REQUEST
2012-2015 TIP

Amendment #03 Oct 2011

Date: 19-Oct
Requestor: Balinda Prokopy

T-####	DESP = Incomplete	Route Type Number	Project Description	County	Work Type	Work Category	Phase	Year	Total Amount	FTA Funding	Remarks	District	Sponsor	MPO	Letting DATE	FED %	FEDERAL \$	STATE %	STATE \$	Local %	Local \$	SHOULD EQUAL TOTAL FUND AMOUNT	Elig. INV/ALD %	SPAT TOTAL CHECK
1173990	N/A	N/A	Valparaiso Yellow Route Expansion	Porter	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2012	\$ 285,000	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	80%	\$ 228,000	0%	\$ -	20%	\$ 57,000	285,000		
1173991	N/A	N/A	Valparaiso Yellow Route Expansion	Porter	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2013	\$ 300,000	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	80%	\$ 240,000	0%	\$ -	20%	\$ 60,000	300,000		
1173992	N/A	N/A	Valparaiso Yellow Route Expansion	Porter	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2014	\$ 315,000	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	80%	\$ 252,000	0%	\$ -	20%	\$ 63,000	315,000		
1173993	N/A	N/A	Valparaiso DASH Service Expansion	Porter	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2012	\$ 385,000	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	80%	\$ 308,000	0%	\$ -	20%	\$ 77,000	385,000		
1173994	N/A	N/A	Valparaiso DASH Service Expansion	Porter	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2013	\$ 325,000	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	80%	\$ 260,000	0%	\$ -	20%	\$ 65,000	325,000		
1173995	N/A	N/A	Valparaiso DASH Service Expansion	Porter	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2014	\$ 340,000	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	80%	\$ 272,000	0%	\$ -	20%	\$ 68,000	340,000		
1173996	N/A	N/A	RBA Road and Green Routes Headway Reduction	Lake	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2012	\$ 442,800	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	75%	\$ 332,871	0%	\$ -	25%	\$ 109,929	442,800		
1173997	N/A	N/A	RBA Road and Green Routes Headway Reduction	Lake	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2013	\$ 456,000	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	73%	\$ 332,880	0%	\$ -	27%	\$ 123,120	456,000		
1173998	N/A	N/A	RBA Road and Green Routes Headway Reduction	Lake	Transit Operating	Transit Operating	N/A	2014	\$ 469,900	CMAQ	Add New Project	LaPorte	MPO	Northwest Indiana -	N/A	71%	\$ 333,629	0%	\$ -	29%	\$ 136,271	469,900		